

Linear Algebra

Write your **name**: _____ (2 points).

In **problems 1–5**, circle the correct answer. (5 points per problem)

1. When A and B are matrices of size 4×6 , the sum matrix $A + B$ is always equal to $B + A$. True False
2. If A is an invertible $n \times n$ matrix, then $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$.
True False
3. For every $n \times n$ matrix A , the product matrix $A^T A$ is a symmetric matrix. True False
4. If A is a 4×3 matrix, and one of the columns of A has all its entries equal to 0, then the homogeneous linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has infinitely many solutions. True False
5. The polynomials $1 + x$, $1 - x$, and $x + x^2$ form a spanning set for the vector space P_3 (which consists of polynomials of degree less than or equal to 2). True False

In **problems 6–9**, fill in the blanks. (7 points per problem)

6. If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \square & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, then $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \square \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \square & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

7. If $A = \begin{pmatrix} \square & 5 \\ \square & \square \end{pmatrix}$, then $A + A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ \square & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

8. A linearly independent spanning set for a vector space is called a

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9. The linear system $\begin{cases} x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 - 4x_4 = 5 \\ 2x_1 - 4x_2 + 6x_3 - 8x_4 = 10 \end{cases}$ has how many

solutions? _____

(none, one, or infinitely many?)

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In **problems 10–12**, show your work and explain your method.
(15 points per problem)

10. Determine the null space of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 & 8 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

11. Determine a value of x for which

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & x \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -x & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = 18.$$

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12. The equation below shows an LU factorization. Fill in the missing entries, and explain your strategy for finding them.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \square & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & \square & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & \square \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \square & \square \\ 0 & 1 & \square \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$