- 1. (a) False: although the reduced row-echelon form is unique, row-echelon forms are not.
  - (b) False: the correct statement is  $(A + B)^2 = A^2 + AB + BA + B^2$ .
  - (c) True: note that  $A^4(A^{-1})^4 = I_n$  by repeatedly cancelling, so the inverse of  $A^4$  is  $(A^{-1})^4$ .
  - (d) True: multiplying out gives  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  so they are inverses.
  - (e) False: in general  $det(A) = det(A^T)$ , not  $-det(A^T)$ .
  - (f) False: this row operation doesn't change the determinant, so in fact det(B) = det(A) here.
  - (g) False: all 3 rows are tripled, so the determinant is scaled by  $3^3 = 27$  rather than 3.
  - (h) False: if the coefficient matrix is invertible, there is a unique solution.
  - (i) False: for example if  $\mathbf{w} = 2\mathbf{v}$  then the set can be linearly dependent.
  - (j) False: a counterexample is  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_3 = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$ .
  - (k) True: removing vectors from a linearly independent set preserves independence.
  - (l) True: adding vectors to a spanning set still gives a spanning set.
  - (m) False: a counterexample is  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_3 = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$ .
  - (n) True: if  $\dim(V) = 3$  then at least 3 vectors are needed to span V.
  - (o) False: if  $\dim(V) = 3$ , any spanning set for V must contain at least 3 vectors (not at most 3).
  - (p) False: a counterexample is  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$ .
  - (q) True: if  $\dim(V) = 3$  then there is a basis with 3 elements, and bases are linearly independent.
  - (r) True: if  $\dim(V) = 3$ , then every basis for V has exactly 3 vectors.
  - (s) True: row operations don't affect independence of rows, and the reduced row-echelon form is the identity.
  - (t) True: this is what it means for a vector space to be finite-dimensional.
  - (u) True: this is just a rephrasing of the definition of a basis.
  - (v) False: the rows have length n, so the row space is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
  - (w) True: the columns have length m, so the column space is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
  - (x) False: vectors in the nullspace have the same length as vectors in the rowspace, so the nullspace is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
  - (y) False: the row space and column space always have the same dimension, not the row space and nullspace.
  - (z) True: row operations do not change the row space, and the reduced row-echelon form is the identity matrix (whose rows are a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ).
- 2. In each case, write down the augmented coefficient matrix and then use row operations to solve the system.
  - (a) No solution (inconsistent).
  - (b) (x, y, z) = (-2, -3, -1).
  - (c) (a, b, c, d) = (3, -11 d, -6, d).
  - (d) (a, b, c, d, e) = (-4 + c + 2d + 3e, 5 2c 3d 4e).
  - (e) (a, b, c, d) = (2 + b d, b, 2 + 2d, d).

3. Use row operations / expansion along rows to get (a) 0 (b) 56 (c) 93 (d) 8

4. (a) det(A) = -2 and det(B) = 4.

(b) 
$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $B^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -3 & 6 & 5 \\ 2 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ 

(c)  $\det(A^T B A B^T) = \det(A^T) \det(B) \det(A) \det(B^T) = \det(A)^2 \det(B)^2 = 64,$  $\det(5B^2) = 5^3 \det(B)^2 = 2000.$ 

(d) Multiplying on the left by 
$$A^{-1}$$
 gives  $\mathbf{v} = A^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1\\-3 & -1 & 1\\1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\-1\\1 \end{bmatrix}.$ 

5.  $\mathbf{v} - 3\mathbf{w} = \langle 0, -2, -4, 6 \rangle, \ \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0, \ ||\mathbf{v}|| = \sqrt{20}.$ 

- 6. For each of these, just check the three parts [S1]-[S3] of the subspace criterion. On the exam, you would be expected to justify these responses.
  - (a) Subspace: all three parts hold. [S1] (0,0,0) is in S, [S2] if  $(a_1,b_1,c_1)$ ,  $(a_2,b_2,c_2)$  in S so  $a_1 + b_1 + c_1 = 0 = a_2 + b_2 + c_2$ , adding gives  $(a_1 + a_2) + (b_1 + b_2) + (c_1 + c_2) = 0$  so  $(a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2, c_1 + c_2)$  in S, [S3] if (a,b,c) in S so a + b + c = 0 then ra + rb + rc = 0 so r (a,b,c) in S.
  - (b) Not a subspace: none of [S1]-[S3] holds.
  - (c) Subspace: all three parts hold. [S1]  $\langle 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 \rangle$  is in S, [S2] if  $\langle a_1, b_1, c_1, d_1, e_1 \rangle$ ,  $\langle a_2, b_2, c_2, d_2, e_2 \rangle$  in S so  $e_1 = a_1 + b_1$ ,  $e_2 = a_2 + b_2$ ,  $b_1 = c_1 = d_1$ ,  $b_2 = c_2 = d_2$ , then  $e_1 + e_2 = (a_1 + a_2) + (b_1 + b_2)$ ,  $b_1 + b_2 = c_1 + c_2 = d_1 + d_2$  so  $\langle a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2, c_1 + c_2, d_1 + d_2, e_1, e_2 \rangle$  in S, [S3] if  $\langle a, b, c, d, e \rangle$  in S so e = a + b and b = c = d then re = ra + rb and rb = rc = rd so  $r \langle a, b, c, d, e \rangle$  in S.

(d) Not a subspace: [S2] does not hold. For example,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  are in S, but  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is not. (e) Not a subspace: [S2] and [S3] do not hold. For example,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is in S, but  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is not.

- (f) Subspace: all three parts hold. [S1] the zero matrix is in S, [S2] if A, B in S so  $A^T = A$  and  $B^T = B$ , then  $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T = A + B$  so A + B is in S, [S3] if A in S then  $(rA)^T = r(A^T) = rA$  so rA is in S.
- (g) Not a subspace: [S3] does not hold. For example, the identity matrix is in S, but its negative is not.
- 7. To test linear independence, check whether there are nonzero solutions to  $a_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \cdots + a_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$ , and to test spanning, check whether  $\mathbf{w} = a_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \cdots + a_n\mathbf{v}_n$  always has a solution for every vector  $\mathbf{w}$ . On the exam, you would be expected to justify these responses.
  - (a) Not linearly independent (3 vectors in 2-dimensional space), spans V (matrix with vectors as columns has rank 2), not a basis (not independent).
  - (b) Linearly independent (2 vectors neither of which is a multiple of the other), does not span V (2 vectors in 3-dimensional space), not a basis (not spanning).
  - (c) Not linearly independent, does not span V, not a basis (determinant of matrix with vectors as columns is 0, meaning not independent and not spanning).
  - (d) Not linearly independent (4 vectors in 3-dimensional space), spans V (matrix with vectors as columns has rank 3), not a basis (not independent).

(e) Linearly independent 
$$\begin{pmatrix} a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + d \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \end{pmatrix}$$
 forces  $a = b = c = d = 0$ , spans  $V \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{pmatrix} = p \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + (q-p) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + (r-q) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + (s-r) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ), basis.

- (f) Linearly independent  $(a(1-x) + b(3-x^2) + c(4-x^3) = 0$  has only the solution a = b = c = 0), does not span V (3 vectors in 4-dimensional space), not a basis (not spanning).
- (g) Linearly independent  $(a(1-x-x^2)+b(3+3x+2x^2)+c(4+x+x^2)=0$  has only the solution a=b=c=0), spans V  $(p+qx+rx^2=\frac{p+5q-9r}{5}(1-x-x^2)+(q-r)(3+3x+2x^2)+\frac{p-5q+6r}{5}(4+x+x^2))$ , basis.
- 8. First, row-reduce the matrix. The rank is the number of pivots. For the row space, take the nonzero rows of the row-reduction. For the column space, take the pivot columns in the original matrix. For the nullspace, write down the solutions to the homogeneous system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .