

Math 54-1  
Quiz 5, July 13, 2010

Your name: Key

Please write your name on each sheet. Show your work clearly and in order, including intermediate steps in the solutions and the final answer.

1. (4 pt) Is the set

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

Form the matrix with these columns:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - 2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is invertible (has 3 pivots).}$$

Therefore, the set above is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

2. (6 pt) Consider the matrix  $A$ , which is row equivalent to  $B$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 2 & 10 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pivot columns:  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

- (a) Find a basis for Col  $A$  and a basis for Nul  $A$ .  
 (b) Find a basis for Col  $B$  and a basis for Nul  $B$ .

(a) Basis for Col  $A$  - pivot columns of  $A$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Basis for Nul  $A$ :  $A\vec{x} = 0$  means

$$\vec{x} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, x_2, x_4 \in \mathbb{R} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = -5x_2 - 4x_4 \\ x_2 \text{ free} \\ x_3 = -3x_4 \\ x_4 \text{ free} \end{cases}$$

Basis for Nul  $A$  is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

(b)  ~~$A$  is row equ~~  
 $B$  has 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> pivot columns  $\rightarrow$   
 $\rightarrow$  Basis for Col  $B$ :  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

$A$  is row equivalent to  $B \rightarrow$

Nul  $B = \text{Nul } A \rightarrow$  basis for Nul  $B$  is the same as for Nul  $A$ .