

Show your work and justify all answers.

**(9 pts)**

- (1) Fix  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .
  - (a) **[+1]** Show that  $\text{rank}(A + B) \leq \text{rank } A + \text{rank } B$ .
  - (b) **[+1]** Find an example of two non-zero matrices where  $\text{rank}(A + B) = \text{rank } A + \text{rank } B$ .
- (2) Suppose that  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  has the property that  $A^2 = A$ .
  - (a) **[+1]** Show that  $\text{Col } A = \{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\vec{x} = \vec{x}\}$ .
  - (b) **[+1]** Show that  $\text{Nul } A = \{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \vec{x} = \vec{u} - A\vec{u} \text{ for some } \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$ .
  - (c) **[+1]** Show that  $\text{Col } A \cap \text{Nul } A = \{\vec{0}\}$ .
  - (d) **[+2]** Show that  $\text{Col } A + \text{Nul } A = \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (3) **[+2]** Is there a matrix  $A$  for which  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Nul } A$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Col } A$ ? Why or why not?
- (4) **Bonus [+1]** Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Show that if there is some non-zero  $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  for which both  $A\vec{x} = \vec{v}$  and  $B\vec{x} = \vec{v}$  have a solution, then  $\text{rank}(A + B) < \text{rank } A + \text{rank } B$ .
- (5) Study for the midterm!