Homework 4

- 1. Let A, B, and X be  $n \times n$  matrices such that A, X, and A AX are invertible with  $(A AX)^{-1} = X^{-1}B$ .
  - (a) Explain why B is invertible.
  - (b) Solve the equation  $(A AX)^{-1} = X^{-1}B$  for X. If you need to invert a matrix, explain why that matrix is invertible.
- 2. Let A be an invertible matrix. Explain why the columns of  $A^{-1}$  are linearly independent.
- 3. Let W be the set of all vectors of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} s+3t\\ s-t\\ 2s-t\\ s+t \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (a) Show that W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

(b) Let 
$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 9\\1\\4\\5 \end{bmatrix}$$
. Determine whether or not  $\mathbf{v} \in W$ .

4. Let

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 5 & -4 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

Find a linearly independent set of vectors that span Nul(A), the null space of A.

5. The following matrices A and B are row equivalent.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 11 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 15 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 & 1 & 19 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find a basis for Nul(A), the null space of A.
- (b) Find a basis for Col(A), the column space of A.
- 6. Let V be an n-dimensional vector space. Suppose  $S = {\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k}$  is a subset of V containing k vectors with k < n. Explain why S cannot span V.