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**Math 20F - Linear Algebra - Winter 2003**

**Quiz #2 — January 21**

(Do not discuss quiz with students who haven't taken it yet – until 8:00pm.)

1. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) What is  $A^T$ ?      ANSWER:  $A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) Compute  $AA^T$ .      ANSWER:  $AA^T = \begin{pmatrix} 14 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(c) Does  $A$  have an inverse? Explain why or why not. (Watch out for this being a 'trick' question!)

ANSWER: No,  $A$  is not invertible, since  $A$  is not square.

2. Let  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Is  $B$  singular? If not, what is  $B^{-1}$ ?

WORK: 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & | & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & | & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

ANSWER:  $B$  is nonsingular.  $B^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$