Math 3083, Spring 2019

(Problem 1) Use back substitution to solve the system

$$\begin{cases} 3x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = 5, \\ -5x_2 - 2x_3 = 1, \\ 3x_3 = 7. \end{cases}$$

(Problem 2) In each of the following systems, interpret each equation as a line in the plane. For each system, graph the lines and determine geometrically the number of solutions.

(a)
$$\begin{cases} 3x_1 - 2x_2 = 6, \\ -6x_1 + 4x_2 = -12. \end{cases}$$
 (b)
$$\begin{cases} 3x_1 - 2x_2 = 6, \\ -4x_1 + 2x_2 = 8. \end{cases}$$
 (c)
$$\begin{cases} 4x_1 - 2x_2 = 8, \\ -2x_1 + x_2 = 6. \end{cases}$$

(Problem 3) Solve each of the following systems by writing the augmented matrix and finding a row equivalent matrix in strict upper triangular or reduced row echelon form. Indicate whether the system is consistent. If it is, find the solution set.

(a)
$$\begin{cases} 4x_1 + x_2 - 5x_3 = -9, \\ 2x_1 - 5x_2 + 3x_3 = 1, \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = 1. \end{cases}$$
 (b)
$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + 6x_2 - 3x_3 = 2, \\ 3x_1 + 9x_2 + x_3 = 14, \\ x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 = 0. \end{cases}$$
 (c)
$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - x_2 - 4x_3 = 2, \\ 4x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 25, \\ 3x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3 = 10. \end{cases}$$

(Problem 4) Which of the following matrices are in reduced row echelon form?

(Problem 5) Determine all possible values of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 , and x_4 in the following traffic flow diagram.



(Problem 6) Determine all possible values of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 , and x_4 in the following traffic flow diagram.



(Problem 7) Determine the values of the currents i_1 , i_2 , and i_3 in the following circuit diagram.



(Problem 8) Carbon monoxide reacts with hydrogen to produce octane and water. The chemical equation for this reaction is of the form $x_1 \text{CO} + x_2 \text{H}_2 \rightarrow x_3 \text{C}_8 \text{H}_{18} + x_4 \text{H}_2 \text{O}$. Determine (nonzero integer) values of x_1, x_2, x_3 and x_4 to balance the equation.

(Problem 9) Find the following products or state that they are not meaningful.

(a)	$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1\\2\\3 \end{pmatrix}$.	$(c) \begin{array}{c} (3 4 1 \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$
(<i>b</i>)	$ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix} $	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 8 \\ 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$.	$(d) \begin{pmatrix} 0\\2\\3 \end{pmatrix} (3 4 1).$

(Problem 10) Write the system $\begin{cases} 4x_1 + x_2 - 5x_3 = -9, \\ 2x_1 - 5x_2 + 3x_3 = 1, \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = 1. \end{cases}$ as a matrix equation.

(Problem 11) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. Write $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ as a linear combination of the columns of A. Then solve $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

(Problem 12) Find a nonzero matrix A such that $A^2 = O$.

(Problem 13) Find a nonzero 2×2 matrix A such that $A\begin{pmatrix}3\\2\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}0\\0\end{pmatrix}$.

(Problem 14) Compute the inverses of the following matrices.

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (b) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (c) \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(Problem 15) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 2/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$. Find A^2 .

(Problem 16) Find an elementary matrix E such that $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$.

(Problem 17) Find an elementary matrix E such that $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -10 & -13 & -10 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$.

 $(Problem 18) Find an elementary matrix E such that \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 8 & 12 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$ $(Problem 19) Find an elementary matrix E such that \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$ $(Problem 20) Find an elementary matrix E such that \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -8 & -10 & -12 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$ $(Problem 21) Find an elementary matrix E such that \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -8 & -10 & -12 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$ $(Problem 22) Find an elementary matrix E such that \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 5 & 4 \\ 21 & 27 & 24 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 5 & 4 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$ $(Problem 23) Find an elementary matrix E such that \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 10 & 15 & 17 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$ $(Problem 24) Find an elementary matrix E such that \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 10 & 15 & 17 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$

- (Problem 25)
 - (a) Find three elementary matrices E_3 , E_2 and E_1 such that $E_3E_2E_1\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 6 & 2 & 1 \\ -4 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ is upper triangular.
 - (b) Find a LU factorization of $M = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 6 & 2 & 1 \\ -4 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$. That is, find an upper triangular matrix U and a lower triangular matrix L, where the diagonal entries of L are all 1s, such that LU = M.

(Problem 26) Compute the inverses of the following matrices.

(Problem 27) Compute the inverses of the following matrices.

 $(a) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ $(b) \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ $(c) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(Problem 28) Use your answers to Problem 27 to find the inverses of the following matrices.

 $(a) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & 9 \end{pmatrix} (b) \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} (c) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 8 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(Problem 29) Use your answers to Problem 27 to solve the following equations. (2, 2, 3, 4)

(Problem 30) Let
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
.
(a) Find $A \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

 $\begin{pmatrix} 1\\1 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) Is A singular? How do you know?

(Problem 31) Let
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
.
(a) Find $A \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 8 \\ 4 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$.
(b) Find $A \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(c) Is A singular? How do you know?

(Problem 32) You are given that
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & 7 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & -2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 9 & -2 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 is invertible. Is there a solution to

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & 7 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & -2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 9 & -2 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} ?$$
(You don't have to find \vec{x} .)

(Problem 33) You are given that there are no solutions to

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & 7 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & -2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 14 & 4 & -2 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 6 & -2 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 Is

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & 7 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & -2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 14 & 4 & -2 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 6 & -2 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 invertible? How do you know?

Answer key

(Answer 1) $x_3 = 7/3, x_2 = -17/15, x_1 = 2/15.$

(Answer 2)

- (a) There are infinitely many solutions.
- (b) There is exactly one solution.
- (c) There are no solutions.

(Answer 3)

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	(4	1	-5	-9					
(a) The augmented matrix is	2	-5	3	1					
	3	2	-2	1)				
The system is consistent. Th	e on	ly so	olutio	n is x	$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2, x_3 = 3.$				
	$\binom{2}{2}$	6	-3	2		/1 3	3 0	4	
(b) The augmented matrix is	3	9	1	14	. It is row equivalent to	0 0) 1	2 .	
	$\backslash 1$	3	-2	0 /		0 0) 0	0/	
The system is consistent. Th	e sol	lutic	${ m on set}$	is $\{(4)$	$\{4-3\alpha, \alpha, 2\}$ or $\{(x_1, x_2, $	$(2): x_1$	= 4 -	$-\dot{3}x_2\}.$	
	(2)	-1	-4	2		(1	0 –	$-1 \mid 3 \setminus$	
(c) The augmented matrix is	4	3	2	25	. It is row equivalent to) (O	1 2	2 4	
	3	4	5	10	/	$\setminus 0$	0 ($1 \mid 1$	
The system is inconsistent.									

(Answer 4)

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.(c) Yes.
- (d) No.
- (e) No.
- (f) No.
- (g) No.
- (h) Yes.
- (*i*) No.
- (j) No.
- (k) No.
- (l) Yes.
- (m) Yes.(n) No.
- (o) No.
- (p) Yes.
- (q) Yes.
- (r) Yes.
- (s) No.
- (t) Yes.
- (u) Yes.
- (v) No.
- (w) Yes.
- (x) Yes.
- (y) Yes. (z) No.
- (aa) No.
- (bb) Yes.
- (cc) Yes.
- (dd) Yes.
- (ee) No.
- (ff) No.
- (gg) Yes.
- (hh) No.
- (ii) No.
- (jj) Yes. (kk) Yes.
- (*ll*) No.
- (mm) No.
- (nn) No.

(Answer 5) { $(\alpha - 100, \alpha + 200, \alpha + 100, \alpha)$ } or { $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) : x_1 = x_4 - 100, x_2 = x_4 + 200, x_3 = x_4 + 100$ }.

(Answer 6) $x_1 = 500, x_2 = 900, x_3 = 300, x_4 = 700.$

(Answer 7) $i_1 = 10$ amperes, $i_2 = 5$ amperes, $i_3 = 5$ amperes.

(Answer 8) $x_1 = 8$, $x_2 = 17$, $x_3 = 1$, $x_4 = 8$, or any multiple of those numbers.

$$(Answer 9)
(a) $\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -12 & 29 \\ -3 & 29 \end{pmatrix}.$
(b) The product is not meaningful.
(c) $(3 \ 4 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = (11).$
(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} (3 \ 4 \ 1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 8 & 2 \\ 9 & 12 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$
(Answer 10) $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 & -5 \\ 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$
(Answer 11) $\vec{b} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 4(1 \ 0 \ -1).$ The solution to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$$

(Answer 12) There are many possible answers, including $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 8 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$.

(Answer 13) There are many possible answers, including $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -6 \\ -6 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$.

(Answer 14)
(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
.
(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1/8 & 1/2 \\ 1/4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.
(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$.

(Answer 15) $A^2 = A$.

(Answer 16)
$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
.
(Answer 17) $E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
(Answer 18) $E = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
(Answer 19) $E = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$(Answer 20) E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
$$(Answer 21) E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$
$$(Answer 22) E = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$
$$(Answer 23) E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
$$(Answer 24) E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(Answer 25)

(a) One possible answer is
$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
, $E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
Another possible answer is $E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
(b) $U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & -13 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(Answer 26)

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(Answer 27)

(Answer 28)

Answer 28)
(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & 9 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.333333333333 & 0.66666666666666 & -0.333333333333 \\ -1.2222222222 & -0.5555555555 & 1.44444444444 \\ 0.888888888889 & 0.22222222222 & -0.777777777777778 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 15 & -18 & -20 \\ -9 & 11 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$
(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 8 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1.5 & -0.5 & 2.0 \\ 0.4 & 0.0 & -0.2 \\ 2.4 & 1.0 & -3.2 \end{pmatrix}$

(Answer 29)

(a)
$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 8.7 \\ 3.5 \\ -10.4 \end{pmatrix}$$
.
(b) $X = \begin{pmatrix} 34 & 68 \\ -39 & -81 \\ -43 & -90 \end{pmatrix}$.

(Answer 30)

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Yes; if $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has a nonzero solution \vec{x} then A is singular.

(Answer 31)

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 8 \\ 4 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 9 \\ 19 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 9 \\ 19 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} .$$

(c) Yes; if there is a vector b such that $A\vec{x} = b$ has more than one solution, then A is singular.

(Answer 32) Yes;
$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & 7 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & -2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 9 & -2 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

(Answer 33) No; if A were invertible, then there would be a solution $A^{-1}\vec{b}$ to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ for every \vec{b} of appropriate length.