

**Math 362**  
**Practice Exam I**

1. Find the Cartesian and polar form of the reciprocal to the complex number  $z = 3 - 4i$ .

**Solution:**  $\frac{1}{3 - 4i} = \frac{3 + 4i}{25} = \frac{1}{5}e^{i\theta}$ , where  $\theta = \arctan \frac{4}{3}$ .

2. Find all cubic roots (in Cartesian and polar form) of  $z = 8i$ .

**Solution:**  $\frac{1}{3 - 4i} = \frac{3 + 4i}{25} = \frac{1}{5}e^{i\theta}$ , where  $\theta = \arctan \frac{4}{3}$ .

3. What is the polar form for  $16 - 2i$ ? Find all values of  $\ln(16 - 2i)$  and indicate the principal value  $\text{Ln}(16 - 2i)$ .

**Solution:**  $16.1245(\cos(-0.1244) + i\sin(-0.1244))$ .

4. What is the standard form of the complex number  $-13.5(\cos(0.58) + i\sin(0.58))$ ?

**Solution:**  $-11.2922 - 7.3983i$ .

5. Find all the roots of  $\sqrt[4]{-5}$ .

**Solution:**  $1.0574 + 1.0754i, -1.0574 + 1.0754i, 1.0574 - 1.0754i, -1.0574 - 1.0754i$ .

6. Given  $z = 1 - 2i$ , what is  $e^z$ ?

**Solution:**  $e(\cos(-2) + i\sin(-2))$ .

7. Find all values of  $(-2i)^{-i}$  and indicate the principal value.

**Solution:**  $\exp(-3\pi/2 - 2n\pi i)$ .  $\exp(i \ln 2)$ ,  $n$  ranges over all integers,  $\exp(3\pi/2)\exp(i \ln 2)$

8. For the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

find  $A^2, A^3, A^4$ . Do you see a pattern?

**Solution:**  $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 5 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 & 5 \\ 5 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ .

9. Solve the system of algebraic equations by Gauss elimination.

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y - 4z = -2 \\ -2x - y + 2z = 6 \\ 4x - 6y + z = 9 \end{cases}$$

**Solution:**

$$x = 2, y = 0, z = 1.$$

**10.** Use Gaussian elimination to obtain the solution of the following system of algebraic equations:

$$\begin{cases} 2x + 5y + 3z = 1 \\ -x + 2y + z = 2 \\ x + y + z = 0 \end{cases}$$

**Solution:**

$$x = -1, y = 0, z = 1.$$

**11.** Rewrite the following system of algebraic equations

$$\begin{cases} x - 2y + 2z = -6 \\ -2x + y - 2z = 0 \\ 2x + 2y + z = 3 \end{cases}$$

in the matrix form  $Ax = b$  and solve it by Gaussian elimination.

**Solution:**  $x = 8, y = -2, z = -9$

**12.** Write the following system in matrix form.

$$x + y + z = 1, x + 2x + 3z = 2, y + z = 3.$$

What are the coefficient matrix  $A$  and the augmented matrix  $\bar{A}$ ? What are their ranks? Solve this system.

**Solution:**

$$\bar{A} = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right], A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, x = -2, y = 5, z = -2. \text{ Rank } A = \text{Rank } \bar{A} = 3$$

**13.** For the following linear system determine all values of  $a$  for which the resulting linear system has (a) no solutions; (b) a unique solution; (c) infinitely many solutions.

$$x + y + z = 2, 2x + 3x + 2z = 5, 2x + 3y + (a^2 - 1)z = a + 1/.$$

**Solution:** (a)  $a = \pm\sqrt{3}$ ; (b)  $a \neq \pm\sqrt{3}$ ; (c) There is no value of  $a$  such that this system has infinitely many solutions.

**14.** Given the following matrices,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -12 \\ 1 & -3 \\ -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Multiply matrices  $A$  and  $B$  to get  $AB$ .
- Does  $BA$  exist? Justify your answer.
- Are the columns of matrix  $A$  linearly independent? Justify your answer.
- Find the rank of  $A, B$ , and  $AB$ .
- Do the columns of matrix  $A$  span  $\mathbf{R}^3$ ? Justify your answer.

- (f) Do the columns of matrix  $B$  span  $\mathbf{R}^2$ ? Justify your answer.  
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**Solution:**

$$(a) \quad AB = \begin{bmatrix} 56 & 24 \\ 14 & 6 \\ -42 & -18 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) No.  
(c) No.  
(d)  $\text{rank}(A) = 1$ ,  $\text{rank}(B) = 2$ , and  $\text{rank}(AB) = 1$ .  
(e) No  
(f) Yes

15. Mark each statement True or False.

- (a) \_\_\_ In some cases, it is possible for six vectors to span  $\mathbf{R}^5$ .  
(b) \_\_\_ If a system of linear equations has two different solutions, then it has infinitely many solutions.  
(c) \_\_\_ The equation  $Ax = b$  is homogeneous if the zero vector is a solution.  
(d) \_\_\_ If  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  span a plane in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  and if  $v_3$  is not in that plane, then  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is a linearly independent set.

**Solution:**

- (a) True.  
(b) True.  
(c) False.  
(d) True.