

1. Use the Gauss-Jordan method to find the inverses of the following matrices. Check your result by multiplication.

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. Let  $B$  be a matrix of size  $3 \times 3$ . Denote by  $B'$  the result of applying the elementary row operation  $R_3 + 2R_1$  to  $B$ . Construct a matrix  $C$  satisfying  $B' = CB$ . Is  $C$  invertible? Why?

3. Check the validity of the following identities using block matrix multiplication:

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{-1} & -A^{-1}BD^{-1} \\ 0 & D^{-1} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} I & B \\ C & I \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (I - BC)^{-1} & -(I - BC)^{-1}B \\ -C(I - BC)^{-1} & I + C(I - BC)^{-1}B \end{bmatrix}.$$

(You can assume that all needed inverses exist.)

4. Use the Gauss-Jordan method to find the inverses of the following matrices.

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

5. (a) Prove: if  $A$  is invertible and  $AB = 0$ , then  $B = 0$ .  
(b) Construct  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$  satisfying  $AB = 0$ .
6. Square matrix  $A$  is *idempotent* if  $A^2 = A$ .  
(a) Find three idempotent  $2 \times 2$ -matrices.  
(b) Prove that the only invertible idempotent  $n \times n$  matrix is the identity matrix.