## **Quiz 1:** Mathematical induction

Let  $f_n$  be the sequence of Fibonacci numbers; that is,  $f_0 = 1$ ,  $f_1 = 1$ , and for all  $n \ge 1$ ,  $f_{n+1} = f_n + f_{n-1}$ . So

$$f_0 = 1, f_1 = 1, f_2 = 2, f_3 = 3, f_4 = 5, f_5 = 8,$$
 etc.

Prove that for all  $n \ge 0$ ,

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} f_j^2 = f_n f_{n+1}.$$

*Hint:* You will need to find a relationship between  $f_n^2$  and the three Fibonacci numbers  $f_{n-1}$ ,  $f_n$ , and  $f_{n+1}$ .

## Quiz 2: Fields, vector spaces and subspaces

- 1. True or False?
  - TRUE FALSE The empty set  $\emptyset$  is a subspace of every vector space.

TRUE FALSE  $\mathbb{C}$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

TRUE FALSE  $\mathbb{C}$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

2. Let  $V = M_2(\mathbb{R})$  be the vector space of  $2 \times 2$  matrices with real entries. Is the set

$$\left\{ W = \left( \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array} \right) \in M_2(\mathbb{R}) : ad = bc \right\}$$

a subspace of V? Prove your answer.

3. Let  $V = \mathbb{P}_n$  be the vector space of polynomials of degree  $\leq n$  with real coefficients. Is the set W of polynomials of odd degree (and degree  $\leq n$ ) a subspace of V? Prove your answer.

#### Quiz 3: Dimension, span, linear independence and basis

- 1. Classify the following statements as "always true" (AT), "sometimes true" (ST), or "never true" (NT).
  - Five vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . AT STNT AT STNT Five vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^5$ . Five vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^6$ . STAT NTFive vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  are linearly independent. AT STNT Five vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^5$  are linearly independent. AT STNT Five vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^6$  are linearly independent. NT AT STGiven a vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ , that vector is an element of a basis. AT STNT

AT	ST	NT	Given four linearly independent vectors in $\mathbb{R}^5$ , those vectors comprise a basis.
AT	ST	NT	Given a basis of $\mathbb{R}^5$ , a vector <b>v</b> can be written as a linear combination of the basis elements in two distinct ways.
AT	ST	NT	Given V, a finite-dimensional vector space, and W, a subspace of V which is not V itself, $\dim(W) < \dim(V)$ .

- 2. Find parametric equations of the line in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  passing through the point (1, -2, 4, 0) and parallel to the line passing through the points (-3, 0, 1, 5) and (2, -1, 1, 3).
- 3. Let W be the subspace of  $M_2(\mathbb{R})$  consisting of  $2 \times 2$  matrices where the sum of the entries in the top row is equal to the sum of the entries in the bottom row. Find a basis of W, and prove that your answer is a basis.

#### Quiz 4: Inner products and orthogonality

- 1. Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ , endowed with the usual inner product. Let  $\mathbf{v} = (0, -4, 3)$  and let  $\mathbf{w} = (-1, 2, 2)$ . Find the projection of  $\mathbf{v}$  onto  $\mathbf{w}$  and the cosine of the angle between  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$ .
- 2. Let V be a vector space with some inner product  $\langle , \rangle$ . Suppose  $\mathbf{v}_1, ..., \mathbf{v}_n$  are a *pairwise* orthogonal set of vectors in V (this means that  $\mathbf{v}_j \perp \mathbf{v}_k$  for all  $j \neq k$ . Prove that the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, ..., \mathbf{v}_n$  form a linearly independent set.

### **Quiz 5:** Linear transformations

In each question, you are given a function T from one vector space to another. Prove whether or not T is a linear transformation. If T is linear, find a basis of the kernel of T and a basis of the image of T.

- 1. Let  $\mathbf{v} = (a, b)$  be a fixed nonzero vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ; let  $\langle , \rangle$  be dot product and define  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  by  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} \rangle$ .
- 2. Let  $V_1 = V_2 = M_2(\mathbb{R})$ ; define  $T: V_1 \to V_2$  by  $T(A) = A A^T$ .

#### Quiz 6: Systems of linear equations

- 1. In this question, assume A is a  $4 \times 6$  matrix of rank 4 and assume B is an  $11 \times 8$  matrix of rank 8. The entries of both matrices are all real numbers. Answer the following questions; no justification is required.
  - (a) What is the dimension of N(A)?
  - (b) What is the dimension of R(A)?
  - (c) What is the dimension of  $N(A^T)$ ?
  - (d) C(A) is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  for what d?
  - (e) How many solutions does the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  have?
  - (f) How many solutions does the system  $B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  have?
  - (g) How many free variables are present in the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ ?
  - (h) If  $T : \mathbb{R}^a \to \mathbb{R}^b$  is the linear transformation defined by  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ , what is b?
  - (i) If T is as in part (h), the kernel of T is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  for what d?
  - (j) Is there a vector **b** such that the system  $B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is inconsistent?

2. Here is the augmented matrix  $(A \mathbf{b})$  corresponding to a system of linear equations  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , and the reduced row-echelon form of this augmented matrix:

(	-1	-2	-3	1	-5	-7 )		(1)	2	0	0	3	1
	2	4	-3	1	4	-4		0	0	1	0	0	2
	1	2	1	0	3	3	$\rightarrow$	0	0	0	1	-2	0
	0	0	4	-3	6	8		0	0	0	0	0	0
ſ	-2	-4	2	0	6	6 /		0	0	0	0	0	0 /

- (a) Find the solution set of the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .
- (b) Write a basis for the column space of A.
- (c) Write a basis for the null space of A.
- (d) Write a basis for the row space of A.

# Quiz 7: Matrix inverses

1. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation with standard matrix

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{rrr} 0 & 4 & 3\\ 2 & -2 & -1\\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{array}\right).$$

Show that T is invertible, and find the standard matrix of  $T^{-1}$ .

- 2. Does there exist a matrix  $A \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$  other than the identity such that  $A = A^{-1}$ ? If so, give an example of such an A. If not, prove that no such matrix can exist.
- 3. An invertible matrix  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  is called *orthogonal* if  $A^T = A^{-1}$ . Show that the product of two orthogonal matrices (of the same size) is an orthogonal matrix.

# Quiz 1

Start with the equation  $f_{n+1} = f_n + f_{n-1}$  and multiply both sides by  $f_n$  to obtain  $f_{n+1}f_n = f_n^2 + f_n f_{n-1}$ . Then subtract  $f_n f_{n-1}$  from both sides to obtain

$$f_n^2 = f_{n+1}f_n - f_n f_{n-1},\tag{1}$$

which holds for all  $n \ge 1$ . Now we prove the statement by induction on n:

Base Case (n = 0):

$$\sum_{j=0}^{0} f_j^2 = f_0^2 = 1^2 = 1 = 1 \cdot 1 = f_0 f_1$$

Inductive Step: Let  $k \geq 0$  and assume the inductive hypothesis, that is

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k} f_j^2 = f_k f_{k+1}.$$

Then

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} f_j^2 = \sum_{j=0}^k f_j^2 + f_{k+1}^2$$
  
=  $f_k f_{k+1} + f_{k+1}^2$  (by IH)  
=  $f_k f_{k+1} + (f_{k+2} f_{k+1} - f_k f_{k+1})$  (by equation (1) with  $n = k+1$ )  
=  $f_{k+1} f_{k+2}$ .

By induction we are done.

### Quiz 2

- 1. The first statement is FALSE; by definition subspaces are nonempty so  $\emptyset$  is never a subspace of any vector space. The second statement is TRUE (proven in class); the third statement is TRUE (every field is a vector space over itself).
- 2. W is not a subspace of V because it is not closed under addition; for example, let  $w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and let  $w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ; both  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  belong to W since ad = bc = 0 for both matrices but  $w_1 + w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  which does not satisfy ad = bc since  $2 \cdot 1 \neq 1 \cdot 1$ .
- 3. W is not a subspace of V because it is not closed under addition:  $f(x) = x^2 x^3 \in W$ ,  $g(x) = x^3 \in W$  but  $(f+g)(x) = x^2 \notin W$ . Just as well, W does not contain the zero function (0 has degree zero or degree  $-\infty$  depending on your perspective) so it cannot be a subspace.

#### Quiz 3

- (a) SOMETIMES TRUE: It depends on what the five vectors are; for example, the same vector repeated five times doesn't span ℝ<sup>4</sup> but (1,0,0,0), (0,1,0,0), (0,0,1,0), (0,0,0,1), (0,0,0,1) do span ℝ<sup>4</sup>.
  - (b) SOMETIMES TRUE: Same reasoning as previous problem.
  - (c) NEVER TRUE: Since dim( $\mathbb{R}^6$ ) = 6, there must be at least 6 vectors in any spanning set.
  - (d) NEVER TRUE: Since dim( $\mathbb{R}^4$ ) = 4, any set of more than 4 vectors is linearly dependent.

- (e) SOMETIMES TRUE: If the five vectors form a basis, this is true, but the same vector repeated five times does not form a linearly independent set.
- (f) SOMETIMES TRUE: The vectors (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1, 0) are linearly independent, but the same vector repeated five times forms a linearly dependent set.
- (g) SOMETIMES TRUE: If  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ , the vector is not part of a basis (the zero vector is never part of a linearly independent set), but otherwise the statement is true by the Basis Extension Theorem.
- (h) NEVER TRUE: Since dim( $\mathbb{R}^5$ ) = 5, every basis of  $\mathbb{R}^5$  consists of five vectors.
- (i) NEVER TRUE: This was proven in class.
- (j) ALWAYS TRUE: We know from a result in class that  $\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$ . If  $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$ , then any basis for W is also a basis of V, hence W = V. So if  $W \neq V$ , then  $\dim(W) < \dim(V)$  Note: This is no longer true if V is infinite-dimensional.
- 2. Parametric equations for a line (or plane) are never unique, so there are multiple answers to this question. We know the line passes through  $\mathbf{p} = (1, -2, 4, 0)$ ; we need to find a direction vector for the line; since it is parallel to the line through (-3, 0, 1, 5) and (2, -1, 1, 3) it has direction vector  $\mathbf{v} = (2, -1, 1, 3) (-3, 0, 1, 5) = (5, -1, 0, -2)$ . So parametric equation for the line come from the components of the vector equation  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{p} + t\mathbf{v}$ ; this gives

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 1 + 5t \\ x_2 = -2 - t \\ x_3 = 4 \\ x_4 = -2t \end{cases}$$

3. Bases are never unique, so there are multiple correct answers to this question. That said, the *number* of elements in a basis is always the same, no matter the answer. To solve this, first observe that W does not contain all  $2 \times 2$  real matrices since  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \notin W$ . So  $W \neq M_2(\mathbb{R})$  and therefore  $\dim(W) < \dim(M_2(\mathbb{R})) = 4$  so  $\dim(W) \leq 3$ . Consider the three matrices in W:

$$M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad M_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad M_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

I claim these three matrices are linearly independent. To show this, suppose we have constants  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  such that  $c_1M_1 + c_2M_2 + c_3M_3 = 0$ . This means

$$c_1 \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right) + c_2 \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array}\right) + c_3 \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

Looking at this matrix equation entry-by-entry, this implies that  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  must satisfy the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_3 = 0 \\ c_2 = 0 \\ c_1 = 0 \\ c_2 + c_3 = 0 \end{cases};$$

the only solution to this system is  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$  so  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  and  $M_3$  are linearly independent. This implies that the dimension of W is at least 3, since we already knew  $\dim(W) \leq 3$  we now know  $\dim(W) = 3$  and since any linearly independent set of three vectors form a basis in a three-dimensional space,  $\mathcal{B} = \{M_1, M_2, M_3\}$  is a basis of W.

# Quiz 4

1. First,  $\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = 0 \cdot (-1) + (-4) \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 2 = -2$  and  $\langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = -1(-1) + 2 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 2 = 9$ ; therefore

$$\operatorname{proj}_{\mathbf{w}}\mathbf{v} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w} \rangle} \mathbf{w} = \frac{-2}{9}(-1, 2, 2) = \left(\frac{2}{9}, \frac{-4}{9}, \frac{-4}{9}\right).$$

Next, observe  $||\mathbf{v}|| = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle} = \sqrt{0^2 + (-4)^2 + 3^2} = 5$  and  $||\mathbf{w}|| = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w} \rangle} = \sqrt{9} = 3$ . Now if  $\theta$  is the angle between the vectors,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle}{||\mathbf{v}|| \cdot ||\mathbf{w}||} = \frac{-2}{5 \cdot 3} = \frac{-2}{15}.$$

2. Suppose there are scalars  $c_1, ..., c_n$  such that

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

Take the inner product of both sides of this equation with  $\mathbf{v}_k$  to get

$$\left\langle \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{v}_k \right\rangle = <\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v}_k > .$$

The right-hand side of this equation is clearly zero, so the left-hand side must also be zero, hence by linearity of the inner product,

$$\left\langle \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j \mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{v}_k \right\rangle = \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j < \mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{v}_k >= 0.$$

By assumption, all the  $\langle \mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{v}_k \rangle$  are zero unless j = k so the above equation reduces to

$$c_k < \mathbf{v}_k, \mathbf{v}_k >= 0.$$

Since  $\mathbf{v}_k$  is part of a basis, it cannot be the zero vector so by positive definiteness  $\langle \mathbf{v}_k, \mathbf{v}_k \rangle \neq 0$ and therefore  $c_k = 0$ . Since the choice of k is arbitrary, we have  $c_k = 0$  for all  $k, 1 \leq k \leq n$ . Hence the vectors are linearly independent.

# Quiz 5

1. Write  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)$ ; to check whether or not T is linear we need to check whether or not

$$T(r\mathbf{x} + s\mathbf{y}) = rT(\mathbf{x}) + sT(\mathbf{y}).$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

The left-hand side of (2) is

$$< r\mathbf{x} + s\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v} > = < (rx_1 + sy_1, rx_2 + sy_2), (a, b) > = a(rx_1 + sy_1) + b(rx_2 + sy_2), (a, b) >$$

The right-hand side of (2) is

$$r < \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} > +s < \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v} >= r(ax_1 + bx_2) + s(ay_1 + by_2) = a(rx_1 + sy_1) + b(rx_2 + sy_2)$$

which is the same as the left-hand side, so T is linear.

To find the kernel of T, observe

$$\begin{array}{ll} (x,y)\in \ker(T) &\Leftrightarrow &<(x,y),(a,b)>=0\\ &\Leftrightarrow &ax+by=0\\ &\Leftrightarrow &(x,y)=(-bc,ca) \text{ for some } c\in\mathbb{R}\\ &\Leftrightarrow &(x,y)\in \mathrm{Span}(-b,a) \end{array}$$

so a basis for  $\ker(T)$  is (-b, a); i.e.  $\dim(\ker(T)) = 1$ .

To find the image of T, observe that for any  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , the equation ax + by = r always has a solution if a and b are not both zero; if  $a \neq 0$ , a solution is (x, y) = (r/a, 0); if  $b \neq 0$  a solution is (x, y) = (0, r/b). So every r is equal to  $T(\mathbf{x})$  for some  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  so  $\operatorname{im}(T) = \mathbb{R}$  and has basis  $\{1\}$  (i.e. T is onto).

2. To check whether or not T is linear we need to show whether or not

$$T(rA + sB) = rT(A) + sT(B).$$
(3)

The left-hand side of (3) is

$$(rA + sB) - (rA + sB)^{T} = rA + sB - (rA)^{T} - (sB)^{T} = rA - rA^{T} + sB - sB^{T};$$

the right-hand side of (3) is

$$r(A - A^T) + s(B - B^T) = rA - rA^T + sB - sB^T$$

which is the same as the left-hand side; therefore T is linear.

To find the kernel of T, observe

$$T(A) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad A - A^{T} = 0$$
  

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad A = A^{T}$$
  

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} r & s \\ s & t \end{pmatrix} \text{ for some } r, s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$
  

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad A = r \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore

$$\ker(T) = \operatorname{Span}\left(\left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right), \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1\\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right), \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{array}\right)\right);$$

i.e.  $\ker(T)$  has dimension 3 (the three matrices in the spanning set are clearly linearly independent, hence form a basis of  $\ker(T)$ ).

To find the image of T, write  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$  and observe that

$$T(A) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_{12} - a_{21} \\ a_{21} - a_{12} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_{12} - a_{21} \\ -(a_{12} - a_{21}) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= (a_{12} - a_{21}) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore

$$\operatorname{im}(T) = \operatorname{Span} \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) ;$$

i.e. im(T) has dimension 1.

# Quiz 6

1. (a) dim N(A) = n - r = 6 - 4 = 2.

- (b)  $\dim R(A) = r = 4.$
- (c) dim  $N(A^T) = m r = 4 4 = 0.$
- (d) d = 4; the number of rows of A.
- (e) Infinitely many, since  $\dim N(A) > 0$ .
- (f) One (only  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ ), since  $N(B) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$  (we know this because dim N(B) = 8 8 = 0).
- (g) Two (the number of free variables is the dimension of N(A)).
- (h) b = 4, the number of rows of A.
- (i) d = 6, the number of columns of A.
- (j) Yes; since B has only 8 columns, the column space of B has dimension at most 8, so  $C(B) \neq \mathbb{R}^{11}$ . For any  $\mathbf{b} \notin C(B)$ ,  $B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has no solution.
- 2. (a) From looking at the rref form of the augmented matrix, the pivot variables are  $x_1, x_3$  and  $x_4$ ; the free variables are  $x_2$  and  $x_5$ . Solving for the pivot variables in terms of the free variables, we get the solution

{ $(1, 0, 2, 0, 0) + x_2(-2, 1, 0, 0, 0) + x_5(-3, 0, 0, 2, 1) : x_2, x_5 \in \mathbb{R}$ }.

(b) A basis of the column space consists of the pivot columns of A:

$$\{(-1, 2, 1, 0, -2), (-3, -3, 1, 4, 2), (1, 1, 0, -3, 0)\}.$$

(c) By looking at the solution set to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  found in part (a), it is clear that a basis for N(A) is

 $\{(-2, 1, 0, 0, 0), (-3, 0, 0, 2, 1)\}.$ 

(d) A basis for the row space consists of the pivot rows of the rref form of A, i.e.

$$\{(1, 2, 0, 0, 3), (0, 0, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1, -2)\}.$$

# Quiz 7

1. If A is an invertible matrix, then T is invertible with standard matrix  $A^{-1}$ . Use the Gauss-Jordan method to find  $A^{-1}$ :

$$(A | I) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 3 & | 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & -1 & | 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & | 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & -1 & | 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 & | 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 & | 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & | 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2} \cdot R_1, -1 \cdot R_3 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & | 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & | 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{-3 \cdot R_2 + R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & | 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & | -3 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{-1 \cdot R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & | 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | 3 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{-1 \cdot R_3 + R_2, \frac{1}{2} \cdot R_3 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 3 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since A row reduces to the identity matrix, it is invertible and  $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$ ; this is the standard matrix of  $T^{-1}$ .

2. Easy solution: Let  $A = -I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ;  $A^{-1} = (-I)^{-1} = -(I^{-1}) = -I = A$ . There are other matrices you could come up by trial and error as well.

More involved solution: Let 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$
. If  $A = A^{-1}$ , then  $A^2 = AA^{-1} = I$  so  
$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + dc & bc + d^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This produces the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} a^2 + bc = 1\\ ab + bd = b(a + d) = 0\\ ac + dc = c(a + d) = 0\\ bc + d^2 = 1 \end{cases};$$

any solution (a, b, c, d) to this system produces a matrix A which satisfies  $A = A^{-1}$ . From the second equation, we see either b = 0 or a = -d; in the first case we have  $a^2 = d^2 = 1$  so  $a = \pm 1, d = \pm 1$  and c = 0. This leads to the matrices

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc}1&0\\0&1\end{array}\right),\left(\begin{array}{cc}-1&0\\0&-1\end{array}\right),\left(\begin{array}{cc}1&0\\0&-1\end{array}\right),\left(\begin{array}{cc}-1&0\\0&1\end{array}\right).$$

In the second case (a = -d), from the first and fourth equations we see  $c = \frac{1-a^2}{b} = \frac{1-d^2}{b}$ . So another family of matrices with  $A = A^{-1}$  are those of the form

$$\left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ \frac{1-a^2}{b} & -a \end{array} \right) : a, b \in \mathbb{R}, b \neq 0 \right\}$$

3. Let A and B be orthogonal. Then

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$
  
=  $B^{-1} A^{-1}$  (since A and B are both orthogonal)  
=  $(AB)^{-1}$ .

Therefore AB is orthogonal.