

Math 321

Linear Algebra

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Quiz 10

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a) Compute the inverse of A.

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b) Solve the system of equations

$x - 2z = 1$ This is $A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$
 $y + z = 0$
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 multiply by A^{-1} to give

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