

**MATH 205A,B - LINEAR ALGEBRA  
WINTER 2013**

QUIZ 2

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Section:**(Circle one)    A(1 : 10)    B(2 : 40)

Show **ALL** your work **CAREFULLY**.

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 \\ -2 & 8 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -7 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Write the vector equation corresponding to the matrix equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ .

(b) Does the matrix equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  have a solution? If yes, find one.

(c) Do the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Explain.