


Math 308 M - Spring 2017  
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- This exam consists of SEVEN problems on SIX pages, including this cover sheet.
- Show all work for full credit.
- You may use a scientific, non-graphing, non-algebraic calculator during this exam. Other calculators and electronic device are not permitted.
- You do not need to simplify your answers.
- If you use a trial-and-error or guess-and-check method when a more rigorous method is available, you will not receive full credit.
- If you write on the back of the page, please indicate that you have done so!
- Draw a box around your final answer to each problem.
- You may use one hand-written double-sided 8.5" by 11" page of notes.
- You have 50 minutes to complete the exam.

1. [5 points per part] Determine whether or not each subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace.

(No points for just guessing. Explain!)

(a) The set of all vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  such that  $x_1x_2 - x_3x_4 = 0$ .

No. For example,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  are in this set,  
but their sum  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  isn't.

(b) The set of all vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $x_2$  is an integer.

No. For example,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is in this set, but  $\frac{1}{2}\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  isn't.

(c) The set of all vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $x_1 + x_2 = x_3$  and  $x_1 - x_2 = 2x_3$ .

Yes. Write the equations as  $x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0$   
 $x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3 = 0$ .

The solution is the null space of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ , which is a subspace.

2. [12 points] Find a vector  $\mathbf{u}$  such that  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u} \right\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Reduce:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1 \end{array}$

$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -14 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -21 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{3}{2}R_2 \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ 3 \text{ pivot columns} \end{array}$

basis is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

3. [4 points per part] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow R_3 - R_1 \\ \sim \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) Write a basis for  $\text{row}(A)$ .

$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(b) Write a basis for  $\text{col}(A)$ .

$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(c) Write a basis for  $\text{null}(A)$ .  
 $A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_3 = s_1 \\ x_4 = s_2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 + s_2 = 0 \\ x_2 + s_1 + s_2 = 0 \end{array}$

$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -s_2 \\ -s_1 - s_2 \\ s_1 \\ s_2 \end{bmatrix} = s_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

basis:  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

4. [12 points] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $A^{-1}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - 2R_1}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_2} \\ & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{\div(-1) \\ \div(-1)}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 - 4R_3 \\ R_2 - R_3}} \\ & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -8 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

5. [15 points] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find all eigenvalues for A.

Triangular! So,

$$\lambda = 5 \quad \& \quad \lambda = 4$$

w/ multiplicity 2

(b) For each of the eigenvalues you found in part (a), find a basis for the corresponding eigenspace of A.

$$\lambda = 5: \text{ basis for null space of } \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = s_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\lambda = 4: \text{ basis for null space of } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = s_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

6. [24 points] A matrix merchant shows up at your door and offers to buy some matrices from you, for 8 points each. Give him the following matrices:

(a) A matrix with eigenvalues 4 and  $-2$  and corresponding eigenvectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 
need
 $A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & ? \\ 0 & ? \end{bmatrix}$ 
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) A matrix  $A$  such that  $A^6$  is the identity matrix, but  $A, A^2, A^3, A^4,$  and  $A^5$  are not.

One way: rotation matrix!

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(60^\circ) & -\sin(60^\circ) \\ \sin(60^\circ) & \cos(60^\circ) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

This also works:

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

(c) A matrix whose column space and null space are equal.

Need a  $2n \times 2n$  matrix with rank  $n$  whose square is  $0$ .

Examples:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , ...

7. [10 points] Find all values of  $c$  for which the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 & c \\ -7 & -1 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

has determinant 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{determinant} &= -4 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & c \\ -7 & -1 & c \end{vmatrix} = -4 \left( -c \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ -7 & -1 \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \right) \\ &= -4(7c) = 1 \rightarrow c = \frac{-1}{28} \end{aligned}$$

8. [0 points] Finished early? Here's a sudoku.

The numbers in each dashed box must form a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with determinant 0.