

**Math 20580**  
**Midterm 2**  
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There are 8 multiple choice questions worth 7 points each and 4 partial credit questions each worth 11 points. Record your answers by placing an × through one letter for each problem on this answer sheet.

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6.  a  b  c  d  e

7.  a  b  c  d  e

8.  a  b  c  d  e

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Multiple Choice.

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## Part I: Multiple choice questions (7 points each)

1. Which of the following form a vector space?

A. All continuous functions  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt = 0$ .

B. All vectors of the plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $x - y - z = -1$ .

C. All polynomials  $p(t)$  with  $p(0) = 0$ .

D. All continuous functions  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $f(1) = f(-1)$ .

(a) C,D only (b)  A,C,D only (c) A,B,C and D (d) A,B only (e) A,B,D only

A, C, D are vector spaces.

B is NOT since 0 does not belong to  $\{(x, y, z) \mid x - y - z = -1\}$ .

2. Let  $\mathbb{P}_2$  be the space of all polynomials of degree less than or equal to two. What is the dimension of the subspace of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  spanned by  $\{1 + t^2, 2 - t + t^2, 1 - t\}$ ?

(a) 1 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d)  2 (e) 0

In terms of st basis  $(1, t, t^2)$ . We need to

compute rank of

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  rank = 2.

3. Which of the following statements are TRUE?

- A.  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T)$ .
- B. An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable if and only if there is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .
- C. One can find  $n$  linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  whose span is NOT all of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- D. Two matrices that are row equivalent always have the same eigenvalues.

(a) A,B,D only (b) B,C, D only (c) C,D only (d) B only (e) A, B only.

$\text{rank}(A) = \# \text{ of columns of } A = \# \text{ of rows of } A^T$   
 $= \text{rank}(A^T)$ . So A is TRUE.

B is clearly TRUE & C is clearly FALSE.

D is also FALSE. Since any invertible matrix is row eq. to I, but eigenvalues might be diff.

4. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation such that

$$T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad T \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find  $T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (e) cannot be determined
- from the given information

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2} T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} T \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. If  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  then the corresponding eigenvalue is

- (a) 3 (b) -2 (c) 1 (d) -1 (e) -3

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  eigenvalue = 3.

6. The eigenvalues of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  are

- (a)  $\lambda = 1, \lambda = 2$  and  $\lambda = 3$  (b)  $\lambda = 4$  and  $\lambda = 1$  (with multiplicity 2)  
 (c)  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 1$  (with multiplicity 2) (d)  $\lambda = 0, \lambda = 1$  and  $\lambda = 2$   
 (e) The only real eigenvalue of  $A$  is 1.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

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go down this column.

$$= (1-\lambda) [(2-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - 2] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda) [\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 4] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(\lambda-1)(\lambda-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1, 1, 4.$$

7. Which of the following statements is not true for an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ ?

- (a)  $\text{rank } A = n$       (b)  $\dim \text{Row } A = n$       (c)  $\dim \text{Nul } A = 0$   
 (d)  $A^T A^{-1}$  is invertible      (e)  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$

$A$  is invertible  $\iff$  if & only if  $\dim \text{Nul} = 0$

So only (e) is NOT true

8. Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{1+t, 1-t^2, 1-t+t^2\}$  be a basis for the space of polynomials of degree at most 2. Find the coordinate vector  $[p]_{\mathcal{B}}$  of  $p(t) = 1 - 2t + t^2$ .

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ -4/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$       (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$       (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$       (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 4/3 \end{bmatrix}$       (e)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

We need to solve:

$$C_1(1+t) + C_2(1-t^2) + C_3(1-t+t^2) = 1 - 2t + t^2$$

or taking coordinate vectors with respect to  $\{1, t, t^2\}$

$$C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + C_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xleftrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 - R_2 \end{array}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow C_3 = 4/3$$

Part II: Partial credit questions (11 points each). Show your work.

9. Consider the following  $3 \times 4$  matrix :

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

(a) Find a basis for the row space of  $A$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xleftrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{R_2 - 3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xleftrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Basis} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

(b) Based on your calculations above, what is the dimension of the null space of  $A^T$ .  
(Hint: The rows of  $A$  are the columns of  $A^T$ .)

$$A^T \text{ is } 4 \times 3.$$

$$\text{rank}(A) = 2 = \text{rank}(A^T)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{null}(A^T) &= \# \text{ of columns of } A^T - 2 \\ &= 3 - 2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

10. Consider two bases  $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Find the change of coordinates matrix sending a  $\mathcal{B}$ -coordinate vector  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$  to a  $\mathcal{C}$ -coordinate vector  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}}$ .

Change of matrix.

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 & -3 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{R_3/2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3/2 & 3/2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{R_1 - 3R_2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 11/2 & -7/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3/2 & 3/2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$S_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}} \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 11/2 & -7/2 \\ -3/2 & 3/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

11. Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find an invertible matrix  $P$  such that

$$A = PDP^{-1} \text{ where } D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

eigenvalues  $1, -1, 3$ .

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$(A - \lambda I | 0) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 - 3\varepsilon_3 &= 0 \\ 2\varepsilon_2 &= 2\varepsilon_3 \end{aligned}, \quad \vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Pick  $\varepsilon_2 = 1$

$$\lambda = -1$$

$$(A - \lambda I | 0) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right), \quad \begin{aligned} 2\varepsilon_1 &= 0 \\ \varepsilon_2 &= \varepsilon_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 3$$

$$(A - \lambda I | 0) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -3 & 0 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_1 &= 0 \\ -\varepsilon_2 &= 3\varepsilon_3 \end{aligned}, \quad \vec{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



12. Let  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and  $\mathbb{P}_3$  denote the spaces of polynomials of degree less than or equal to two and three respectively. Define a linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$  by

$$T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3) = (a_0 + a_3) + (a_1 + a_3)x + (a_1 - a_2)x^2.$$

- (a) Write down the standard bases  $\mathcal{B}_2$  and  $\mathcal{B}_3$  for  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and  $\mathbb{P}_3$  respectively.

$$\mathcal{B}_2 = \{1, x, x^2\}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_3 = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}.$$

- (b) Find the matrix for  $T$  relative to the bases  $\mathcal{B}_2$  and  $\mathcal{B}_3$ .

$$T(1) = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad [T(1)]_{\mathcal{B}_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(x) = x + x^2 \quad [T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(x^2) = -x^2.$$

$$[T(x^2)]_{\mathcal{B}_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(x^3) = 1 + x.$$

$$[T(x^3)]_{\mathcal{B}_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{matrix } i \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$