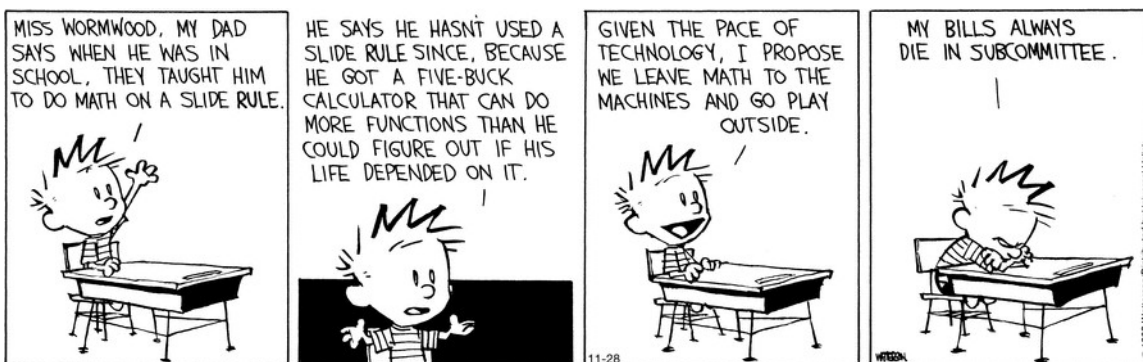


**MATH 218D-1  
MIDTERM EXAMINATION 1**

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Please **read all instructions** carefully before beginning.

- Do not open this test booklet until you are directed to do so.
- You have 75 minutes to complete this exam.
- If you finish early, go back and check your work.
- You may use a **calculator** for doing arithmetic, but you should not need one. All other materials and aids are strictly prohibited.
- For full credit you must **show your work** so that your reasoning is clear, unless otherwise indicated.
- Do not spend too much time on any one problem. Read them all through first and attack them in an order that allows you to make the most progress.
- Good luck!



# Problem 1.

[25 points]

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & -4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

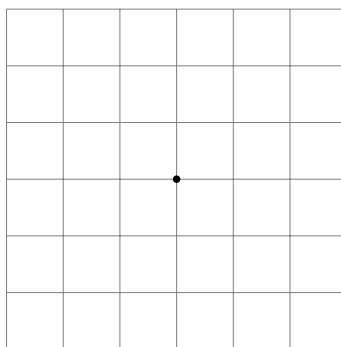
- a) Use Gauss–Jordan elimination to put  $A$  into reduced row echelon form.

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{REF}} \begin{pmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{pmatrix}$$

- b) The free columns are .

- c) The rank of  $A$  is .

- d) Draw a picture of the column space  $\text{Col}(A)$  below.



- e) Write down a vector  $b$  in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  such that  $Ax = b$  has no solution. If no such vector exists, explain why not.

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} \\ \end{pmatrix}$$

- f) The null space is a (circle one)  $\begin{pmatrix} \text{point} \\ \text{line} \\ \text{plane} \end{pmatrix}$  in (fill in the blank)  $\mathbf{R}^{\square}$ .

(Problem 1, continued)

g) Find the general solution of  $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  in parametric vector form.

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{pmatrix} +$$

h) Express  $\text{Nul}(A)$  as a span of some number of vectors.

$$\text{Nul}(A) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

i) Write down any nontrivial solution of  $Ax = 0$ .

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Problem 2.

[25 points]

Consider the matrix

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

- a) Find a lower-unitriangular matrix  $L$  and a matrix  $U$  in REF such that  $A = LU$ . You should end up with

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{pmatrix}$$

- b) Solve the equation  $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  using the  $LU$  decomposition you found in a).

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} \\ \\ \end{pmatrix}$$

(Problem 2, continued)

- c) If you compute a  $PA = LU$  decomposition using maximal partial pivoting, what is  $P$ ?  
(You do not have to do the bookkeeping to find  $L$  in this part.)

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

- d) Find the inverse of  $A$ .

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

### Problem 3.

[20 points]

Consider the subspace  $V$  of  $\mathbf{R}^4$  defined by the equations

$$x_1 + x_2 = x_3 + x_4$$

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a) Express  $V$  as the null space of a matrix  $A$ .

$$V = \text{Nul} \left( \begin{array}{c} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{array} \right)$$

b) Express  $V$  as the span of a set of vectors.

$$V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{array} \right\}$$

c) Express  $V$  as the column space of a (different) matrix  $B$ .

$$V = \text{Col} \left( \begin{array}{c} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{array} \right)$$

**(Problem 3, continued)**

- d)** One of the following vectors is contained in  $V$ . Identify which one is contained in  $V$ , and express it as a linear combination of the vectors you found in **b**).

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{pmatrix} =$$

## Problem 4.

[15 points]

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 6 & 8 & 10 & 12 \\ -9 & -10 & -11 & -12 \end{pmatrix}.$$

a) What three row operations are needed to transform  $A$  into  $B$ ?

first , then , then

b) What are the elementary matrices  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  for these three operations?

$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix} \quad E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix} \quad E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

c) Write an equation for  $B$  in terms of  $A$  and  $E_1, E_2, E_3$ .

$$B =$$

d) Write an equation for  $A$  in terms of  $B$  and  $E_1^{-1}, E_2^{-1}, E_3^{-1}$ .

$$A =$$



## Problem 5.

[10 points]

Consider the subspace

$$V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

a) Show that  $\begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -4 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$  is in  $V$ .

b) Show that  $\begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  is not in  $V$ .

c) Circle one:  $V$  is a      point      line      plane      space.

## Problem 6.

[15 points]

Find examples of matrices with the following properties. If no such matrix exists, explain why not.

a) A  $2 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  such that the solution set of  $Ax = 0$  is the line spanned by  $(1, 2, 1)$  and the solution set of  $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is the point  $\{(1, 0, 0)\}$ .

b) A  $3 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  such that  $\text{Col}(A) = \mathbf{R}^3$ .

c) A  $2 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  such that  $\text{Col}(A) = \mathbf{R}^3$ .

d) A  $2 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  such that  $\text{Nul}(A) = \mathbf{R}^3$ .

e) An invertible  $2 \times 2$  matrix such that  $A\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = A\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .