

MATH 218D-1
PRACTICE 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.
- The graders will only see the work on the **printed pages** (front and back). You may use other scratch paper, but the graders will not see anything written there.
- You may use a **simple calculator** for doing arithmetic, but you should not need one. You may bring a 3×5 -inch **note card** covered with anything you want. 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!

This is a practice exam. It is meant to be similar in format, length, and difficulty to the real exam. It is **not** meant as a comprehensive list of study problems. I recommend completing the practice exam in 75 minutes, without notes or distractions.

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Problem 1.

[10 points]

a) Compute the LU decomposition of the matrix

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

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

b) Briefly describe under what circumstances you might want to compute the LU decomposition of a matrix in practice.

[Scratch work for Problem 1]

Problem 2.

[15 points]

Consider the matrix A and its reduced row echelon form:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & -1 & -1 \\ 3 & -9 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -6 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

a) $\text{rank}(A) = \boxed{}$.

b) Find a basis for each of the four fundamental subspaces of A .

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Nul}(A): \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} & \text{Row}(A): \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \\ \text{Col}(A): \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} & \text{Nul}(A^T): \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \end{array}$$

c) Which of the following are true about A ? Fill in the bubbles of all that apply.

☐ $\text{Col}(A) = \mathbf{R}^3$ ☐ $\text{Row}(A) = \mathbf{R}^4$ ☐ $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ is consistent

☐ $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Nul}(A)$ ☐ $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ has infinitely many solutions

☐ A is invertible ☐ A has linearly independent rows

d) Find a linear relation among the columns of A :

$$\boxed{} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \boxed{} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -9 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} + \boxed{} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \boxed{} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

[Scratch work for Problem 2]

Problem 3.

[15 points]

Consider the subspace

$$V = \text{Nul} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

a) Find a basis for V^\perp .

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

b) $\dim(V) = \boxed{}$ and $\dim(V^\perp) = \boxed{}$.

c) Which of the following sets form a basis for V ? Fill in the bubbles of all that apply.

$$\begin{aligned} & \circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & \circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ & \circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & \circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ & \circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & \circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & \circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

[Scratch work for Problem 3]

Problem 4.

[15 points]

Consider the matrix

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

a) Compute A^{-1} .

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

b) If $A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$ then $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} =$
(give a formula in terms of b_1, b_2, b_3).

c) (Unrelated to the previous parts.) Use matrix algebra to justify the identity

$$(B^{-1})^T = (B^T)^{-1},$$

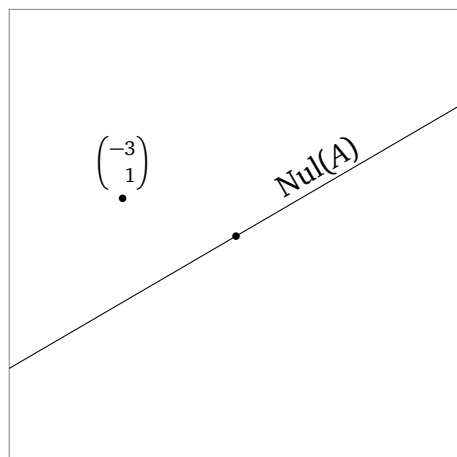
which holds for any invertible matrix B .

[Scratch work for Problem 4]

Problem 5.

[15 points]

The null space of a certain 3×2 matrix A is drawn below.



a) Draw $\text{Row}(A)$.

b) Draw the solution set of $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, given that $A \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

c) $\text{Col}(A)$ is a $\begin{pmatrix} \text{point} \\ \text{line} \\ \text{plane} \\ \text{space} \end{pmatrix}$ in $\mathbb{R}^{\boxed{}}$.

[Scratch work for Problem 5]

Problem 6.

[15 points]

a) For a certain 3×3 matrix A , the solution set of $Ax = (1, 2, 1)$ is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -7 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Which of the following sets are *necessarily* equal to the solution set of $Ax = b$ for *some* vector $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$? Fill in the bubbles of all that apply.

- ☐ $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$
☐ $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$
☐ $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$
☐ $\{\}$ (no solutions)
 ☐ $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$
☐ $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -7 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

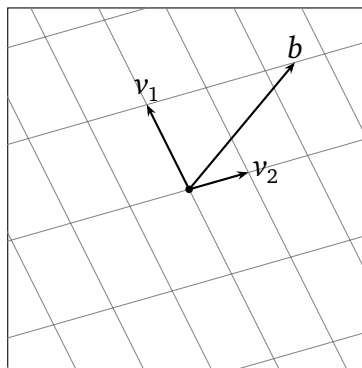
b) Which of the following subsets are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 ? Fill in the bubbles of all that apply.

- ☐ $\text{Col} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 7 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$
☐ $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -7 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$
☐ $\text{Nul} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 7 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^T$
☐ the solution set of $\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + 4x_4 = 0 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 - x_3 = 1 \end{cases}$
☐ the orthogonal complement of a plane in \mathbb{R}^6

c) Vectors v_1, v_2 , and b are drawn below. Solve the vector equation $x_1 v_1 + x_2 v_2 = b$.

$$x_1 = \boxed{}$$

$$x_2 = \boxed{}$$



[Scratch work for Problem 6]

[Scratch work for Problem 7]