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## MATH 221H (Spring 2006) Exam 2, April 12th

No calculators, books or notes!

Show all work and give **complete explanations** for all your answers.

This is a 75 minute exam. It is worth a total of 75 points.

(1) [16 pts] Let  $A$  be the  $3 \times 3$  matrix

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

(a) Calculate  $\det(A)$  using a co-factor expansion.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{\text{Row 1}}{=} -1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -1(1 - 0) + 3(5 - 8)$$

$$= -1 - 9 = -10.$$

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Calculate  $A^{-1}$  using elementary row operations.

$$[A|I] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_2 \leftrightarrow R_1 \\ \text{Then} \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 4R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 1 \end{array} \right] R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 3R_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 & 3 & -4 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{10} R_3 \\ \text{Then } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{12}{10} & -\frac{3}{10} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{10} & -\frac{4}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \end{array} \right] R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 2R_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{2}{10} & -\frac{14}{10} & \frac{6}{10} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{12}{10} & -\frac{3}{10} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{10} & -\frac{4}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \end{array} \right] A^{-1} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -14 & 6 \\ 1 & 12 & -3 \\ 3 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) Use the calculation you performed in (b) to find  $\det(A)$ .

1 Row Swap. and  $R_3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{10} R_3$  means

$$\det(A) = -10 \det(I) = -10.$$

[10 pts]

(a) Let  $A = [a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5]$  be a  $7 \times 5$  matrix. Suppose that the free variables are  $x_2$  and  $x_4$ . Find a basis for the column space,  $\text{Col}(A)$ , of  $A$ .

$\text{Col}(A)$  is spanned by pivot cols of  $A$ . Since free variables are  $x_2$  and  $x_4$ , pivot variables are  $x_1, x_3, x_5$ .

So pivot cols are 1, 3, 5.

$$\text{So } \text{Col}(A) = \text{Span} \{ \vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_3, \vec{a}_5 \}$$

Note that pivot cols are linearly independent, so we get a basis!

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(b) Suppose  $B$  is a  $5 \times 3$  matrix and that the general solution of the equation  $Bx = 0$  is

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} r + 2s - 5t \\ 5r + 7s + 3t \\ 3r - 6s + 9t \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{matrix} r, s \\ s, t, r \end{matrix} \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Find a basis for the nullspace,  $\text{Nul}(B)$ , of  $B$ . Also, what is the dimension of  $\text{Col}(B)$ ?

$$\vec{x} = r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} + \cancel{t \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$\text{So } \text{Nul}(B) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

As  
Neither is a multiple  
of the other.

Since these **2** vectors are linearly independent they form a basis for  $\text{Nul}(B)$ .

$$\dim \text{Col}(B) + \dim \text{Nul}(B) = \# \text{ Pivot Vars} + \# \text{ Free Vars} = \# \text{ Vars} = 3$$

$$\text{So } \dim \text{Col}(B) = 3 - 2 = 1$$

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[15 pts] True or False? Give a complete justification for your answers.

(a) If there is a vector  $\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so that the equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{y}$  has more than one solution, then the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

FALSE

By assumption there are vectors  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2$  with  $\vec{x}_1 \neq \vec{x}_2$  and  $A\vec{x}_1 = \vec{y}, A\vec{x}_2 = \vec{y}$ .

$$\text{So } A(\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2) = A\vec{x}_1 - A\vec{x}_2 = \vec{y} - \vec{y} = \vec{0}$$

So  $\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2$  is a nontrivial solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

So by INV MATRIX THM,  $A$  is NOT INVERTIBLE and cols of  $A$

(b) The subset  $H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y = x^2\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . do not span  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$\checkmark 0 \in H$  FALSE

BUT  $(2, 4) \in H$  and  $2 \in \mathbb{R}$  while  $2(2, 4) = (4, 8) \notin H$ .

So  $H$  is not closed under scalar multiplication

So  $H$  cannot be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

(c) Let  $A$  be a  $5 \times 6$  matrix. Then the null space of  $A$  is a vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

FALSE 
$$\text{Nul}(A) = \{\vec{x} \mid A\vec{x} = \vec{0}\}$$

We have 
$$\begin{matrix} A & \vec{x} & = & \vec{0} \\ 5 \times 6 & 6 \times 1 & & 5 \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

So  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^6$  must hold

So  $\text{Nul}(A)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^6$  (NOT  $\mathbb{R}^5$ )

[12 pts]

(a) State the definition of a *basis* for a vector space.

A basis for a vector space  $V$  is a set of vectors  $\{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$  so that

①  $\{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$  is a linearly independent set

and ②  $V = \text{Span}\{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$

(b) Which of the following form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Why?

(i)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  NO Every basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  must contain 3 elements.

ANS The vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  is perpendicular to plane spanned by  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  and hence is not in their span

(ii)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

NO This set is linearly dependent.

$$\text{as } \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

(iii)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 11 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

NO Every basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  must contain 3 elements

(5) [12 pts]

(a) Suppose that  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix with  $\det(A) = 3$ . Find  $\det(A^4)$  and  $\det(5A)$ .

$$\det(A^4) = \det(AAAA) = (\det A)^4 = 3^4$$

as  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$

$\det(5A) = 5^n \det(A) = 5^n \cdot 3$  as the row operators  
Row  $i \rightarrow \frac{1}{5}$  Row  $i$  for  $i=1-n$  convert  $5A$  to  $A$

(b) Let  $P$  be the parallelogram determined by the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$  and let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .  
Find the area of the image of  $P$  under the linear transformation  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area}(T(P)) &= |\det(A)| \text{Area}(P) \\ &= \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \right| \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \right| \\ &= |-5-6| |7-6| = 11 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Suppose  $S$  and  $T$  are the linear transformations given by

$$S((x_1, x_2, x_3)) = (3x_1 + 5x_2 - x_3, 4x_2 + 3x_3, x_1 - x_2 + 4x_3),$$

and  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ , where

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

Find the matrix  $C$  so that of  $(S \circ T)(\mathbf{x}) = S(T(\mathbf{x})) = C\mathbf{x}$ .

$$S \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = B \underline{x}.$$

$$C \underline{x} = S(T(\underline{x})) = BA \underline{x}$$

$$C = BA = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -6 & 15 \\ 20 & -1 & 0 \\ 15 & 5 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

(6) [10 pts]

(a) State the definition of what it means for a matrix  $A$  to be invertible.

An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is invertible if  
there is an  $n \times n$  matrix  $C$  so that

$$AC = CA = I_n.$$

where  $I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix

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(b) Using the definition you gave in (a) prove that if  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  invertible matrix then for any vector  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution and that this solution is unique.

If  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  Then  $CA\vec{x} = C\vec{b}$ ,  $I\vec{x} = C\vec{b}$ ,

$\boxed{\vec{x} = C\vec{b}}$  This is ~~the~~ a solution.

Let's check:  $A(C\vec{b}) = AC\vec{b} = I\vec{b} = \vec{b}$  ✓

Suppose  $\vec{x}_1$  and  $\vec{x}_2$  are two solutions

Then  $A\vec{x}_1 = \vec{b} = A\vec{x}_2$

$$A(\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2) = \vec{0}$$

$$CA(\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2) = \vec{0}$$

$$I(\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2) = \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{x}_1 = \vec{x}_2$$

Pledge: I have neither given nor received aid on this exam

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