

**Linear Algebra, Final, Monday April 26, 2004, 10:00 - noon**

1. (4 points). Which of these vectors are eigenvectors of matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$  yes ( $\lambda = 1$ ),  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  no,  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  yes, ( $\lambda = 0$ ),  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  no.

2. (9 points). Let  $A$  be a 3 by 4 matrix for which the rank is 3.

- How many basic variables are there?

That number always equals the rank. So the answer is 3.

- How many free variables?

That is the number of variables minus the rank, so that is  $4 - 3 = 1$ .

- True or false: The reduced row echelon form of  $A$  has no zero-rows.

True. The number of non-zero rows in RREF is the rank. That means all three rows are non-zero.

- True or false: The system  $Ax = b$  is consistent for every  $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

True because RREF has no non-zero rows.

- True or false: The system  $Ax = 0$  has only the trivial solution (the zero solution).

False because there is a free variable.

- The linear map given by  $A$  is a map from  $\mathbb{R}^4$  to  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

- The linear map given by  $A$  is (choose one of the following):

- a) one-to-one but not onto.
- b) onto but not one-to-one. **THIS ONE.**
- c) one-to-one and onto.
- d) neither one-to-one nor onto.

- If  $B$  is a  $n$  by  $m$  matrix and if the matrix product  $AB$  is defined, then which of the following must be true:  $(3 \text{ by } 4) \cdot (n \text{ by } m)$  then:

- a)  $n = 3$ .
- b)  $n = 4$ . **THIS ONE.**
- c)  $m = 3$ .
- d)  $m = 4$ .

- True or false: If  $V$  has dimension 3, then every set of 3 linearly independent elements of  $V$  will be a basis of  $V$ . **TRUE.**

3.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cosh(x) = \sinh(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \sin(x) = \cosh(x)$$

Note: there is no minus sign in the derivative of  $\cosh(x)$  because these are the *hyperbolic* trig functions and not the usual trig functions.

Let  $V$  be a vector space with basis  $B = \{\cosh(x), \sinh(x)\}$ .

Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be the map given by differentiation, so  $T = \frac{d}{dx}$ .

- (a) (8 points). Give the matrix  $[T]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- (b) (4 points). Compute the eigenvectors of  $[T]_B$ .  
 $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda = 1$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda = -1$ .
- (c) (2 points). Give the eigenvectors of  $T$ .  
 $\cosh(x) + \sinh(x), \lambda = 1$  and  $-\cosh(x) + \sinh(x), \lambda = -1$ .
- (d) (1 point). Is  $[T]_B$  diagonalizable? YES.
- (e) (1 point). Does there exist a basis  $C$  of  $V$  for which  $[T]_C$  is diagonal.  
 YES:  $b_1 = \cosh(x) + \sinh(x)$  and  $b_2 = -\cosh(x) + \sinh(x)$ .

4. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and compute:

(a) (2 points). The reduced row echelon form of  $A$ . RREF =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) (2 points). The rank of  $A$  is: 1.

(c) (2 points). A basis for the column space of  $A$  is:  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

(d) (4 points). A basis for the null space of  $A$  is:  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

(e) (8 points). The characteristic polynomial is  $\lambda^2(\lambda - 1)$ . For each eigenvalue, compute corresponding eigenvectors:

$\lambda = 0$ : eigenvectors are given in part (d).

$\lambda = 1$ :  $A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Basis(NullSpace) =  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

Give  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Answer:  $P = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

5. NOT YET COVERED:

6. (1 point). If  $u_1, u_2$  and  $u$  are vectors, and  $B = \{u_1, u_2\}$ , then which matrix should you row-reduce in order to calculate  $[u]_B$ ?

Answer:  $(u_1 u_2 \mid u)$ .

7. Suppose  $B = \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{array} \right)$  is the basis of some vector space  $V$ .

(a) (2 points). The dimension of this  $V$  is 2.

(b) (4 points). Let  $u \in V$  and suppose  $[u]_B = \left( \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ -3 \end{array} \right)$ . What is  $u$ ?

$$u = 2 \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{array} \right) - 3 \left( \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} -4 \\ -15 \\ -11 \end{array} \right).$$

(c) (4 points). Suppose that  $C$  is another basis, and that the  $B$  to  $C$  change of basis matrix is  $C \stackrel{P}{\leftarrow} B = \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{array} \right)$  What is  $[u]_C$ ?

Answer: We have  $[u]_B$  in part (b) and the matrix that sends  $[u]_B$  to  $[u]_C$  so we just have to multiply  $\left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ -3 \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} -4 \\ -9 \end{array} \right)$ .

(d) (4 points). Compute the matrix  $B \stackrel{P}{\leftarrow} C$ .

The  $C$ -to- $B$  change-of-basis is the inverse of the  $B$ -to- $C$  change-of-basis that was given in part (c). Inverting that we find  $\left( \begin{array}{cc} -5 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{array} \right)$ .

(e) (4 points). If  $w \in V$  and  $[w]_C = \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right)$ . Then what is  $[w]_B$ ?

Answer: The matrix in part (d) sends  $[w]_C$  to  $[w]_B$ . So  $[w]_B = \left( \begin{array}{c} -5 \\ 3 \end{array} \right)$ . Then  $w = -5 \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{array} \right) + 3 \left( \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{array} \right)$ .

(f) (4 points). Let  $v = \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{array} \right)$ . Compute  $[v]_B$ .

After row-reducing  $(B \mid v)$  (first two columns = elements of  $B$ , third column =  $v$ ) you find that the third column is 7 times the first column minus 3 times the second column. Then that must have also been

true before you row-reduced, in other words  $v = 7 \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{array} \right) - 3 \left( \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{array} \right)$

and thus  $[v]_B = \left( \begin{array}{c} 7 \\ -3 \end{array} \right)$ .

(g) (4 points). If  $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $T \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  then what is  $[T]_B$ ?

If we denote  $B = b_1, b_2$  then you see from part (f) that  $T(b_1) = 7b_1 - 3b_2$ . Moreover,  $T(b_2) = b_2$ . Hence  $[T]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

8. (7 points). Suppose  $T$  is a linear map for which we know the following:

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

From this information, can you calculate  $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

YES, because  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  is a linear combination of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 (if it wasn't, the answer to "can you calculate..." would have been NO).

Specifically,  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{so } T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 2T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$