

Problem 1. (100 points) Define matrix A , vector \vec{b} and vector variable \vec{x} by the equations

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) [40%] For the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$, display the formula for x_2 according to Cramer's Rule. Don't compute x_2 ! Don't expand determinants!

$$x_2 = \frac{|A_2(\vec{b})|}{|A|} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix}}$$

(b) [60%] Find the entry in row 3 and column 2 in matrix A^{-1} , by using the adjugate formula for the inverse: $A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{|A|}$.

The answer is a fraction. Matrix A is not triangular, but cofactor expansion applies: $|A| = 16$.

$$\text{adj}(A_{3,2}) = \text{cofactor}(A_{2,3}) = - \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{cofactor exp.} \\ \text{along row} \\ 3 \end{matrix} = -(2) \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -2(-8-3) = -2(-11) = 22$$

$$A_{3,2}^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A_{2,3})}{|A|} = \frac{22}{16} = \boxed{\frac{11}{8}}$$

Problem 2. (100 points) Define matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 8 & 1 \\ 8 & 14 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$. Find a lower triangular matrix L and an upper triangular matrix U such that $A = LU$.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 8 & 1 \\ 8 & 14 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[E_1]{\text{combo}(1,2,-3)} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 8 & 14 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[E_2]{\text{combo}(1,3,-4)} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow[E_3]{\text{combo}(2,3,2)} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = U \quad * U = E_3 E_2 E_1 A$$

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

$$L = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} E_3^{-1}$$

$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

check: $LU = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 8 & 1 \\ 8 & 14 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 3. (100 points) Vector space V is the set of all functions on $0 < x < \infty$. Equations $y = 1$, $y = x^2$, $y = x^3$ represent independent vectors $\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \vec{b}_3$ in V and $S = \text{span}\{\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \vec{b}_3\}$ is a subspace of V . The **coordinate map** T from S to \mathcal{R}^3 is defined by

$$c_1\vec{b}_1 + c_2\vec{b}_2 + c_3\vec{b}_3 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{or} \quad c_1 + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Define vectors in subspace S :

$$\vec{v}_1: y = 1 - x^2, \quad \vec{v}_2: y = x^3 - x^2, \quad \vec{v}_3: y = 4 + 2x^3.$$

Vectors $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ are mapped by T as follows:

$$1 - x^2 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x^3 - x^2 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad 4 + 2x^3 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The coordinate map T , an isomorphism, maps **independent sets to independent sets**. Therefore, the set $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is independent in V if and only if the three column vectors above are independent in \mathcal{R}^3 .

Apply each of the three independence tests below to establish independence of $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$. **Details are expected:** explain briefly how the test applies. *Zero credit for no explanation.*

*The phrase **augmented matrix** used below means the 3×3 matrix $\langle \vec{v}_1 | \vec{v}_2 | \vec{v}_3 \rangle$.*

Problem 4 Continued.

Wronskian test. Nonzero Wronskian determinant of f_1, f_2, f_3 at invented value $x = x_0$ implies independence of f_1, f_2, f_3 .
 Details: applied to functions $v_1 = f_1, v_2 = f_2, v_3 = f_3$

$$|W(x)| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-x^2 & x^3-x^2 & 4+2x^3 \\ -2x & 3x^2-2x & 6x^2 \\ -2 & 6x-2 & 12x \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow |W(1)| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 6 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \\ -2 & 4 & 12 \end{vmatrix} = 6 \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 6(-8+2) = -36 \neq 0$$

Independent: $c_1 \bar{v}_1 + c_2 \bar{v}_2 + c_3 \bar{v}_3 = 0$ (where $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3$ are functions). To solve this function, make a system of eqns of derivatives, $c_1 \bar{v}_1' + c_2 \bar{v}_2' + c_3 \bar{v}_3' = 0$ & $c_1 \bar{v}_1'' + c_2 \bar{v}_2'' + c_3 \bar{v}_3'' = 0$. To solve for c_1, c_2, c_3 , if the determinant is not 0, it has an inverse & $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$, meaning the vectors are independent.

Determinant test. Three column vectors are independent if their augmented matrix is square and has nonzero determinant.
 Details: applied to fixed vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad |v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3| \neq 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \sim \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{cf. expansion along column 1}} +1 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1(-2-4) = -6 \neq 0$$

Independent

If $|v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3| \neq 0$, the matrix is invertible & by invertible matrix Thm, the columns of $[v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3]$ are linearly independent.

Pivot test. Three column vectors are independent if their augmented matrix A has 3 pivot columns.
 Details: If rref has 3 pivot columns $\rightarrow c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + c_3 v_3 = 0$ IFF $c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0, c_3 = 0$ which shows the 3 vectors are linearly independent

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

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pivot columns

3 piv columns \Rightarrow independent.

Problem 4. (100 points) Matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ has real eigenpairs

$$\left(5, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \right), \quad \left(4, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right), \quad \left(-4, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

(a) [30%] Display an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $AP = PD$.

$P = \text{columns of eigenvectors} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 9 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $D = \text{diag. matrix of corresponding eigenvalues} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) [20%] Display a symbolic matrix product formula for A in terms of P and D . To save time, do not evaluate anything.

$AP = PD$ where P is invertible, so

$$A = PDP^{-1}$$

(c) [50%] Show the details for computing an eigenvector for $\lambda = 5$. $\rightarrow (A - \lambda I)x = 0$

$\lambda = 5$:

$$[A - \lambda I] = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 4 & -1 \\ 4 & -5 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4/5 & 1/5 \\ 4 & -5 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4/5 & 1/5 \\ 0 & -9/5 & 1/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4/5 & 1/5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/9 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 + 1/9 x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 - 1/9 x_3 = 0 \\ x_3 = \text{free} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -1/9 t_1 \\ x_2 = 1/9 t_1 \\ x_3 = t_1 \end{array} \Rightarrow \bar{x} = t_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left(5, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

\uparrow eigenvector

Problem 5. (100 points)

Definition: A subset S of a vector space V is a **subspace** of V provided

- (1) The zero vector is in S .
- (2) If vectors x and y are in S , then $x + y$ is in S .
- (3) If vector x is in S and c is any scalar, then cx is in S .

Let vector space $V = \mathcal{R}^n$ and let A be a given $m \times n$ matrix.

A (a) [60%] Prove by definition that the equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ defines a subspace S of V .

$$\text{Let } \vec{u} \in S, \Rightarrow A\vec{u} = \vec{0}. \text{ Let } \vec{v} \in S, \Rightarrow A\vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

0 is contained in S because $A(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$

$$\text{if } \vec{u} \text{ \& } \vec{v} \text{ are in } S \text{ (defined above), } A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A\vec{u} + A\vec{v} = \vec{0} + \vec{0} = \vec{0}$$

so $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in S$.

If \vec{u} is in S (defined above), $A(c\vec{u}) = cA\vec{u} = c(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$, for any constant $c \in \mathcal{R}$,

so $c\vec{u} \in S$, so S is a subspace of V .

A (b) [40%] Explain why the equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ fails to define a subspace of V when $\vec{b} \neq \vec{0}$.

If $\vec{b} \neq \vec{0}$, Let $A\vec{u} = \vec{b}$, so \vec{u} is in the subset.

$\vec{0}$ is not in the subset because $A(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$, but $\vec{b} \neq \vec{0}$

Since $\vec{0}$ is not in S , S is not a subspace. Fails to meet definition of subspace

(Not a Subspace Thm)

Problem 6. (100 points) Let $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Define S to be the set of all

vectors \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^3 which satisfy the two restriction equations $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{x} = 0$, $\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{x} = 0$. Prove that S is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Expected: Cite known theorems, if they apply, to avoid writing a proof. If no theorems are applied, then verify the 3 conditions for the definition of a subspace (see the preceding exam problem).

$\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{x} = 0$
 $\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{x} = 0$ is a set of homogeneous equations so by the kernel theorem,
the set is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Let $\vec{u} \in S \Rightarrow \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{u} = 0, \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{u} = 0$. Let $\vec{y} \in S, \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{y} = 0, \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{y} = 0$

$\vec{0}$ is contained in the subset S because $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{0} = 0$ & $\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{0} = 0$

\vec{u} & \vec{y} are in the set S . $\vec{v}_1 \cdot (\vec{u} + \vec{y}) = \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{u} + \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{y} = 0 + 0 = 0$

& $\vec{v}_2 \cdot (\vec{u} + \vec{y}) = \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{u} + \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{y} = 0 + 0 = 0$, so $\vec{u} + \vec{y}$ is in S .

\vec{u} is in S , and $\vec{v}_1 \cdot (c\vec{u}) = c(\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{u}) = c(0) = 0$ for any constant c ,
so $c\vec{u}$ is in S . \therefore by definition of a subspace, S is a subspace
of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Problem 7. (100 points) Used in this problem are equivalent statements taken from the **Invertible Matrix Theorem**, which says that a square matrix C has an inverse C^{-1} if and only if one of the statements labeled **a** to **x** is true. Three of these statements, for example, are (1) $|C| \neq 0$, (2) C has independent columns, (3) the dimension of the nullspace of C is zero.

A (a) [20%] Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Compute the 3×3 matrix $A^T A$.

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A (b) [80%] Let matrix B be 2×3 with dependent columns. Prove or disprove: The 3×3 matrix $B^T B$ has dependent columns.

Expected: To prove a claim, assemble details and theorem citations to support the claim. To disprove a claim, invent a specific detailed example that violates the claim.

Proof by contradiction:

Assume $B^T B$ has independent columns.

B has dependent columns, so $B\bar{x} = \bar{0}$ has a nontrivial solution.

Multiplying both sides by B^T , $B^T(B\bar{x}) = B^T(\bar{0}) \Rightarrow (B^T B)\bar{x} = \bar{0}$.

Because $B^T B$ has independent columns, it is invertible by the Invertible Matrix Theorem (2), so $(B^T B)^{-1}(B^T B)\bar{x} = (B^T B)^{-1}\bar{0}$

$\Rightarrow I\bar{x} = \bar{0} \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \bar{0}$. However \bar{x} cannot be the trivial solution since $B\bar{x} = \bar{0}$ has a nontrivial solution.

\therefore By contradiction, $B^T B$ must have dependent columns.