

**Applied Differential Equations 2250**

Exam date: Tuesday, 13 March, 2007

**Instructions:** This in-class exam is 50 minutes. No calculators, notes, tables or books. No answer check is expected. Details count 75%. The answer counts 25%.**1. (Frame sequences and the 3 properties)**Determine  $a, b$  such that the system has a unique solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solution:

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y + z &= a \\3x + 2by + 2z &= b \\4x + 8y + 3z &= 2 + a\end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 3 & 2b & 2 & b \\ 4 & 8 & 3 & 2+a \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & 2b-6 & -1 & b-3a \\ 4 & 8 & 3 & 2+a \end{array} \right) \text{ combo}(1,2,-3)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & 2b-6 & -1 & b-3a \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2-3a \end{array} \right) \text{ combo}(1,3,-4)$$

case  $2b-6=0$ 

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3-3a \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2-3a \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3-3a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

Signal eq  $0 = -1$ **No sol for  $b=3$** case  $2b-6 \neq 0$ 

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 & x & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3a-2 \end{array} \right)$$

Three leading ones

**Unique sol for  $b \neq 3$** 

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{-1}{2b-6} \\ y &= \frac{b-3a}{2b-6}\end{aligned}$$

**Never has  $\infty$ -many sols**

2. (vector spaces) Do all three parts.

(a) [20%] The vector space  $V$  is the set of all matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -a & a+b \end{pmatrix}$ . Display a basis for  $V$ . Don't justify anything.

(b) [40%] Let  $V$  be the vector space of all column vectors  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$  and let  $S$  be the subset of  $V$  given by the equations  $x_1 = 0$ ,  $x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$ . Prove that  $S$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

(c) [40%] Find a basis of vectors for the subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^4$  given by the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 4x_2 - 2x_3 + x_4 &= 0, \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 + x_4 &= 0, \\ 4x_2 + 2x_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Ⓐ  $\{\partial_a, \partial_b\} = \text{Basis} \Rightarrow \text{Basis} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

Ⓑ Define  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $S = \{ \vec{x} : A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \}$  is a subspace by Thm 2 (kernel theorem).

Ⓒ  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  combo(1,2,-1)

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  combo(2,3,2)

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  combo(2,1,2)

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  mult(2, -1/2)

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - 4x_3 + x_4 = 0 \\ x_2 + x_3/2 = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 4t_1 - t_2 \\ x_2 = -t_1/2 \\ x_3 = t_1 \\ x_4 = t_2 \end{cases} \text{ scalar general solution}$$

Basis =  $\{ \partial_{t_1}, \partial_{t_2} \}$

$$\text{Basis} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

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3. (independence) Do **only two** of the three parts.

(a) [50%] Let  $u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $u_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . State a test that decides independence or

dependence of the list of three vectors [20%]. Apply the test and report the result [30%].

(b) [50%] State the pivot theorem. Then extract from the list below a largest set of independent vectors.

$a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $c = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $e = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

(c) [50%] [If you did (a) and (b) already, then 100% has been attained: skip this one!]  
Assume that columns 1 and 2 of the  $2 \times 3$  matrix  $D$  are pivots. Prove that for some constants  $a$  and  $b$ ,

$\text{rref}(D) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & b \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) Vectors  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  in  $\mathbb{R}^5$  are independent  $\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(A) = 3$   
where  $A = \text{augmented matrix of } u_1, u_2, u_3$ .

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$      $\text{rref}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$      $\text{rank}(A) = 2 \Rightarrow u_1, u_2, u_3 \text{ are dependent}$

(b) pivot Theorem  
1. The pivot columns of a matrix  $A$  are independent.  
2. Non-pivot columns are linear combinations of the pivot columns of  $A$ .

$A = \text{aug}(a, b, c, d, e)$      $\text{rref}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$      $\boxed{\vec{a}, \vec{c}}$

(c)  $\text{rank}(D)$  is 2 and the two leading ones must appear in columns 1, 2 of  $\text{rref}(D)$ . These columns are those of  $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  in natural order. Then  $D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & b \end{pmatrix}$  for some constants  $a, b$ .

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4. (determinants and elementary matrices) Do both parts.

(a) [50%] Assume given  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A, B$ . Suppose  $A = E_3 E_2 E_1 B$  and  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  are elementary matrices representing respectively a swap, a combination and a multiply by  $-4$ . Assume  $\det(A) = \sqrt{5}$ . Find  $\det(3A^2B)$ .

(b) [50%] Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be  $4 \times 4$  matrices such that  $C + 4B^2 + 2BA = A^2 + 2AB$ . Suppose  $C$  contains a pair of duplicate columns and  $\det(A + 2B) = -5$ . Find the value of  $\det(A - 2B)$ .

$$\textcircled{a} \quad \det(3A^2B) = \det(3I) \det(A) \det(A) \det(B) \\ = 3^3 \cdot 5 \cdot \det(B)$$

$$\det(A) = \det(E_3) \det(E_2) \det(E_1) \det(B)$$

$$\sqrt{5} = (-4)(1)(-1) \det(B)$$

$$\det(3A^2B) = \boxed{3^3 \cdot 5 \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}\right)} = \frac{135\sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad C = A^2 + 2AB - 2BA - 4B^2$$

$$C = (A - 2B)(A + 2B)$$

$\det(C) = 0$  because  $\det(A^T) = 0$  due to comb rule applied to the two duplicate rows.

$$0 = \det(A - 2B) \det(A + 2B)$$

$$0 = \det(A - 2B)(-5)$$

$$\boxed{\det(A - 2B) = 0}$$

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5. (inverses and Cramer's rule) Do all three parts.

(a) [20%] Determine all values of  $x$  for which  $A^{-1}$  exists:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2x+1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 0 \\ 5x & -44x & 11x^2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(b) [40%] Apply the adjugate formula for the inverse to find the value of the entry in row 3, column 4 of  $A^{-1}$ , given  $A$  below. Other methods are not acceptable.

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

(c) [40%] Solve for  $y$  in  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$  by Cramer's rule. Other methods are not acceptable.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a)  $\det(A) = 11x^2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2x+1 \\ 4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 11x^2(-1-8x)$   
 $A^{-1}$  exists for  $x \neq 0$  and  $x \neq -1/8$  ( $A^{-1}$  exists  $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$ )

(b) entry (3,4) =  $\frac{\text{cofactor}(A, 4, 3)}{\det(A)} = \frac{(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{1} = \frac{-1}{1} = \boxed{-1}$

$\det(A) = (-1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + (1)(1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$  cofactor expansion col 3  
 $= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 2$  two combos  
 $= -1 + 2 = 1$

(c)  $y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & -1 & 7 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 7 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 7 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 6 & 7 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 7 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{4-1}{-24-2} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{26}}$

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