

## Applied Differential Equations 2250

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**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 possibilities)

Determine  $a, b$  such that the system has a unique solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solution:

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

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

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

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 4b-6 & -1 & 2b-6a \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 2a \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2-7a \end{array} \right) \text{ combo}(2,3,-4)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2a \\ 0 & 4b-6 & -1 & 2b-6a \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2-7a \end{array} \right) \text{ swap}(1,2)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2a \\ 0 & 4b-6 & 0 & a+2b-2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2-7a \end{array} \right) \text{ combo}(3,2,-1)$$

answers

- If  $4b-6 \neq 0$ , Then 3 lead variables and a unique solution.
- If  $4b-6 = 0$  and  $a+2b-2 [= a+4]$  is not zero, Then singular equation and no solution.
- If  $4b-6 = 0$  and  $a+4 = 0$ , Then one free var,  $\infty$ -many solutions

2. (vector spaces) Do all three parts.

(a) [20%] The vector space  $V$  is the set of all functions  $f(x) = (x^2 + e^x)(a_0 + a_1e^x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^7)$ . Find a subspace  $S$  of  $V$  of dimension 3 which contains  $e^{2x} - x^4$  and display a basis for  $S$ . 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  $(x_1 + 2x_3)(x_2 + 2x_3) = 0$ ,  $x_2 = -x_3$ . Prove or disprove that  $S$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

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

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

Ⓐ  $V = \text{Span} \{ x^2 + e^x, x^2e^x + e^{2x}, x^4 + x^2e^x, x^9 + x^7e^x \}$

$e^{2x} - x^4 = (x^2e^x + e^{2x}) - (x^4 + x^2e^x) = \text{l.c. of basis elements}$

$S = \text{Span} \{ x^2 + e^x, x^2e^x + e^{2x}, x^4 + x^2e^x \}$

Ⓑ Not a subspace. Both  $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  are in  $S$  but their sum =  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is not in  $S$ .

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

$\begin{cases} x_1 = 4t_1 - 2t_2 \\ x_2 = -t_1 \\ x_3 = t_1 \\ x_4 = t_2 \end{cases}$  Basis =  $\left\{ \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial t_1}, \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial t_2} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

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

(a) [50%] Let  $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ , 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 [20%]. Then extract from the list below a largest set of independent vectors [30%].

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix},$$

(c) [50%] [If you did (a) and (b) already, then 100% has been attained: skip this one!]

Assume that  $4 \times 3$  matrix  $D$  has nonzero orthogonal columns. Prove that there exists an invertible

matrix  $E$  such that  $ED = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) Test:  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  independent  $\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(\text{aug}(u_1, u_2, u_3)) = 3$

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

rank = 2  $\Rightarrow$  dependent

(b) Pivot Theorem

- The pivot columns of  $A$  are independent
- The non-pivot columns of  $A$  are linear combinations of the pivot columns of  $A$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

pivot cols = 1, 3      ans =  $\{\vec{a}, \vec{c}\}$

(c) Orthogonal nonzero vectors are independent. So  $D$  has independent cols. Then  $\text{rank}(D) = 3$ , there are 3 leading ones in  $\text{rref}(D)$ . By  $\text{rref}(D) = E_k \cdots E_1 D$ , the result follows by taking  $E = E_k \cdots E_1$ .

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

(a) [50%] Assume given  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A, B$ . Suppose  $BE_5E_4E_3 = E_2E_1A$  and  $E_1, E_2, E_3, E_4, E_5$  are elementary matrices representing respectively a combination, a multiply by 5, a combination, a multiply by 4 and a swap. Assume  $\det(A) = 3$ . Find  $\det(2A(B^T)^{-1})$  [ $B^T$  is the transpose of  $B$ ].

(b) [50%] Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be  $4 \times 4$  matrices such that  $AB = BA$  and  $C + 2AB = A^2 + B^2$ . Suppose  $C$  is invertible and  $\text{rref}(C) = E_3E_2E_1C$ , where  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  are elementary matrices representing respectively a combination, a combination and a multiply by 3. Find the possible values of  $\det(A - B)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{a} \quad \det(2A(B^T)^{-1}) &= \det(2I) \det(A) \det(B^T)^{-1} \\ &= 8 \det(A) / \det(B^T) \\ &= 8 \frac{\det(A)}{\det(B)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(B) \det E_5 \det E_4 \det E_3 &= \det E_2 \det E_1 \det(A) \\ \det(B) (-1)(4)(1) &= (5)(1) \det(A) \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\det(2A(B^T)^{-1}) = 8 \left(-\frac{4}{5}\right) = -\frac{32}{5}$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad C = A^2 + B^2 - 2AB = (A - B)^2 \quad \text{because } AB = BA$$

$\text{rref}(C) = I$  because  $C^{-1}$  exists

$$I = E_3E_2E_1C \Rightarrow 1 = \det E_3 \det E_2 \det E_1 \det(C)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = (3)(1)(1) \det(C)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(C) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A - B)^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A - B) \det(A - B) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A - B) = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

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

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

(b) [40%] Apply the adjugate formula for the inverse to find the value of the entry in row 2, column 4 of  $A^{-1}$ , given  $A$  below. Other methods are not acceptable.

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

(c) [40%] Solve for  $x_2$  in  $Ax = b$  by Cramer's rule. Other methods are not acceptable.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 5 & 6 & 8 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a)  $\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x-1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 2x & x & x^2 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(+1) \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2x & x \end{vmatrix} + x^2(+1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x-1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$   
 $= (4x - 2x) + x^2(1 - 4x + 4)$   
 $= 2x + 5x^2 - 4x^3$

$A^{-1}$  exists  $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow x \neq 0, \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{57}}{8}$

(b)  $A^{-1}[2,4] = \frac{\text{cof}(A, 4, 2)}{\det(A)}$   
 $= \frac{4}{-2} = \boxed{-2}$   
 $\text{cof} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} (-1)^{4+2} = 4$   
 $\det = -2$  use combo  $(1, 4, -1)$  to reduce to  $3 \times 3$  minor  $(A, 4, 4)$

(c)  $x_2 = \frac{\Delta_2}{\Delta}$   
 $= \frac{-2}{4}$   
 $= \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}$   
 $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 5 & 6 & 8 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 4$   
 $\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & -1 & 8 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(-1)(-1)(0-1) + (1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 5 & 8 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -2$