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## Differential Equations and Linear Algebra 2250

Midterm Exam 2

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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 3/4, answers count 1/4.

4. (Determinants) Do all parts.

(a) [20%] State four different determinant rules for  $n \times n$  matrices.

(b) [20%] Assume given  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A, B$ . Suppose  $AB = E_3 E_2 E_1 A$  and  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  are elementary matrices representing respectively a swap, a combination, and a multiply by  $-1/3$ . Assume  $\det(A) = 13$ . Find  $\det(2B)$ .

(c) [20%] Determine all values of  $x$  for which  $B^{-1}$  fails to exist, where  $B$  equals the transpose of the

matrix 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 5x & 0 \\ 3x & 0 & 10 & 0 \\ 1 & x-1 & 7 & 0 \\ x^4 & x^3 & x^2 & x \end{pmatrix}.$$

(d) [40%] Apply the adjugate [adjoint] 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.

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

- (a) Triangular rule, swap rule, combo rule, multiply rule, cofactor rule, transpose rule, rules for zero determinant, product rule, sum rule
- (b)  $|2B| = 2^3 |B|$  and  $|A||B| = |E_3||E_2||E_1||A|$  by the product rule for determinants. Because  $|E_3| = -\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $|E_2| = 1$ ,  $|E_1| = -1$ , then  $|B| = \frac{1}{3}$ , so  $|2B| = 2^3 \frac{1}{3} = \frac{8}{3}$ .
- (c)  $B^{-1}$  fails to exist when  $|B| = 0$ . But  $|B| = |B^T| = x \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 5x \\ 0 & x-1 & 10 \\ 5x & 10 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -x(x-1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 5x \\ 0 & x-1 & 10 \\ 5x & 10 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -x(x-1)(20 - 15x^2) = -x(x-1)(4-3x^2)5 = 0$ , which is  $x = 0, 1, \pm 2/\sqrt{3}$ .
- (d) entry in row 3, col 4 of  $A^{-1} = \frac{\text{cofactor}(A, 4, 3)}{|A|} = \frac{(-1)^{4+3} \text{minor}(A, 4, 3)}{|A|}$ .
- $$|A| = 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{by cofactor expansion on Col}(A, 3) \text{ and the sum rule for determinants}$$
- $$|A| = (-1)(1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + (-2)(+1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$
- $$\text{minor}(A, 4, 3) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{entry} = \frac{(-1)^{4+3} (2)}{(-1)} = \boxed{2}$$
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## 5. (Linear Differential Equations) Do all parts.

(a) [20%] Solve for the general solution of  $12y'' + 7y' + y = 0$ .(b) [40%] The characteristic equation is  $r^2(2r-3)^2(r^2-2r+5) = 0$ . Find the general solution  $y$  of the linear homogeneous constant-coefficient differential equation.(c) [20%] A third order linear homogeneous differential equation with constant coefficients has two particular solutions  $2e^{3x} + 4 \sin 2x$  and  $e^{3x}$ . What are the roots of the characteristic equation?(d) [20%] Circle the functions which can be a solution of a linear homogeneous differential equation with constant coefficients. For example, you would circle  $\cos^2 x$  because  $\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2x)$  is a linear combination of the two solutions 1 and  $\cos(2x)$  of a third order equation whose characteristic equation has roots 0,  $2i$ ,  $-2i$ .

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| $e^{\ln 2x }$         | $e^{x^2}$                  | $e+x$     | $\cos(\ln x )$ | $\tan x$    |
| $\cos(x \ln 3.7125 )$ | $x^{-1}e^{-x} \sin(\pi x)$ | $\cosh x$ | $\sin^2 x$     | $\cos(x^2)$ |
- (a)  $12r^2 + 7r + 1 = (4r+1)(3r+1) \Rightarrow r = -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \text{atoms} = e^{-x/4}, e^{-x/3}$   
 $y = \text{linear combination of the atoms.}$
- (b)  $r^2(2r-3)^2((r-1)^2+4) = 0$  has roots  $0, 0, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 1 \pm 2i$ , atoms =  
 $1, x, e^{3x/2}, xe^{3x/2}, e^x \cos 2x, e^x \sin 2x$ . Then  $y = \text{linear combination of the atoms.}$
- (c) The DE must have atoms  $e^{3x}, \cos 2x, \sin 2x$  so the roots are  
 $r = 3, \pm 2i$ .
- (d)  $e^{\ln|2x|} = |2x|$  not an atom;  $e^{x^2}$  not an atom;  $e+x$  = l.c. of atoms;  $\cos(\ln|x|)$  not an atom;  $\tan x$  not an atom;  $\cos(bx)$  is an atom for  $b = \ln|3.7125|$ ;  $x^{-1}$  cannot be a factor of an atom;  $\cosh(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$  is a linear combination of atoms;  $\sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}$  is a l.c. of atoms;  $\cos(x^2)$  is not an atom.

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