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## Differential Equations and Linear Algebra 2250

SAMPLE Midterm Exam 1

Version 1, SOLUTIONS

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.

## 1. (Quadrature Equations)

(a) [25%] Solve  $y' = \frac{x^2 - 2}{1 + x}$ .

(b) [25%] Solve  $y' = \frac{1}{(\cos x + 1)(\cos x - 1)}$ .

(c) [25%] Solve  $y' = \frac{(1 + e^{2x})^2}{e^x}$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ .

(d) [25%] Find the position  $x(t)$  from the velocity model  $\frac{d}{dt}(e^{2t}v(t)) = 20e^t$ ,  $v(0) = 0$  and the position model  $\frac{dx}{dt} = v(t)$ ,  $x(0) = 100$ .

$$(a) \quad 1+x=u, \quad \frac{x^2-2}{1+x} = \frac{(u-1)^2-2}{u} = \frac{u^2-2u-1}{u} = u-2-\frac{1}{u}$$

$$y = \int y' dx = \int u dx = \frac{u^2}{2} - 2u - \ln|u| + C = \frac{(1+x)^2}{2} - 2(1+x) - \ln|1+x| + C_1$$

$$\text{Also by long division, } \frac{x^2-2}{x+1} = x-1-\frac{1}{x+1} \Rightarrow y = \frac{x^2}{2} - x - \ln|1+x| + C_2$$

$$(b) \quad (\cos x + 1)(\cos x - 1) = \cos^2 x - 1 = -\sin^2 x$$

$$y' = -\csc^2 x \Rightarrow y = \int y' = \int -\csc^2 x = \cot x + C$$

$$(c) \quad y' = \frac{1}{e^x}(1 + 2e^{2x} + e^{4x}) = e^{-x} + 2e^x + e^{3x}$$

$$y = \int y' = \int (e^{-x} + 2e^x + e^{3x}) dx = -e^{-x} + 2e^x + \frac{1}{3}e^{3x} + C$$

$$(d) \quad e^{2t}v = \int \frac{d}{dt}(e^{2t}v) dt = \int 20e^t dt = -20e^{-t} + C$$

$$v(0)=0 \Rightarrow 0 = -20 + C \Rightarrow C = 20.$$

$$v = -20e^{-3t} + 20e^{-2t}$$

$$x = \int v = \int (-20e^{-3t} + 20e^{-2t}) dt = \frac{20}{3}e^{-3t} - 10e^{-2t} + C_1$$

$$x(0)=100 \Rightarrow 100 = \frac{20}{3} - 10 + C_1 \Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{310}{3}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{20}{3}e^{-3t} - 10e^{-2t} + \frac{310}{3}$$

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## 2. (Classification of Equations)

The differential equation  $y' = f(x, y)$  is defined to be **separable** provided functions  $F$  and  $G$  exist such that  $f(x, y) = F(x)G(y)$ .

(a) [40%] Check ☒ the problems that can be converted into separable form. No details expected.

<input type="checkbox"/> $y' + xy = y^2 + xy^2$	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> $y' = (x-1)(y+1) + (y-xy)y$
<input type="checkbox"/> $y' = \cos(xy)$	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> $e^x y' = x \ln  y  + x^2 \ln(y^2)$

(b) [10%] State a partial derivative test that concludes  $y' = f(x, y)$  is a linear differential equation but not a quadrature differential equation.

(c) [20%] Apply classification tests to show that  $y' = xy^2$  is not a linear differential equation. Supply all details.

(d) [30%] Apply a test to show that  $y' = e^x + y \ln |x|$  is not separable. Supply all details.

(a)  $y' = -xy + y^2(1+x)$  not sep |  $y' = xy - y + x - 1 + y^2 - xy^2$   
 $= (x-1)y + (1-x)y^2$   
 $= (x-1)(y-y^2)$  separable

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$y' = \cos(xy)$  not sep |  $e^x y' = x \ln|y| + 2x^2 \ln|y|$   
 $= (x+2x^2) \ln|y|$  separable

①  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \neq 0$  and independent of  $y \Rightarrow$  linear and not quadratic

©  $f(x,y) = xy^2 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2xy$  not independent of  $y \Rightarrow$  NOT Linear

(d)  $f(x,y) = e^x + y \ln|x| \Rightarrow \frac{f_y}{f} = \frac{\ln|x|}{e^x + y \ln|x|}$  depends on  $x$ ,  
because  $\frac{f_y}{f} \Big|_{x=1} = 0$  and  $\frac{f_y}{f} \Big|_{x=2} = \frac{\ln 2}{e^2 + y \ln 2} \neq 0$

Therefore,  $y' = f(x, y)$  is not separable.

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## 3. (Solve a Separable Equation)

Given  $(yx + 2y)y' = ((2 + x) \sin(x) \cos(x) + x)(y^2 + 3y + 2)$ .

(a) [80%] Find a non-constant solution in implicit form.

To save time, **do not solve** for  $y$  explicitly. No answer check expected.

(b) [20%] Find all constant solutions (also called equilibrium solutions; no answer check expected).

$$(a) \quad (x+2)yy' = [(x+2)\sin x \cos x + x](y+2)(y+1)$$

$$\frac{yy'}{(y+2)(y+1)} = \sin x \cos x + \frac{x}{x+2}$$

$$\int \text{LHS} = \int \left( \frac{A}{y+2} + \frac{B}{y+1} \right) y' = A \ln|y+2| + B \ln|y+1| + C_1$$

$$\frac{y}{(y+2)(y+1)} = \frac{A}{y+2} + \frac{B}{y+1} \Rightarrow A=2, B=-1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \text{RHS} &= \int \sin x \cos x \, dx + \int \left( 1 - \frac{2}{x+2} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 x}{2} + x - 2 \ln|x+2| + C_2 \end{aligned}$$

Implicit sol

$$2 \ln|y+2| - \ln|y+1| = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 x + x - 2 \ln|x+2| + C$$

(b) Find  $y = \text{constant}$  in  $y' = F(x)G(y)$  means  $0 = F(x)G(y)$   
 or  $G(y) = 0$ . Here,  $G(y) = \frac{(y+2)(y+1)}{y}$ , so  $\boxed{y=-1, y=-2}$



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## 4. (Linear Equations)

(a) [50%] Solve the linear velocity model. Show all integrating factor steps.

$$\begin{cases} 5v'(t) = -160 + \frac{12}{2t+1}v(t), \\ v(0) = 80 \end{cases}$$

(b) [25%] Solve the homogeneous equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} - \left(\frac{1}{x} + \cos(x)\right)y = 0$ .

(c) [25%] Solve  $4\frac{dy}{dx} - 24y = \frac{2}{\pi}$  using the superposition principle  $y = y_h + y_p$ . Expected are three answers,  $y_h$ ,  $y_p$  and  $y$ .

(a)  $5v' = -160 + \frac{12}{2t+1}v$

$$v' = -32 + \frac{12}{10t+5}v$$

(DE)  $v' - \frac{12}{10t+5}v = -32$

$$W = e^{\int p dt} = e^{-\frac{6}{5} \ln|10t+5|}$$

$$W = (10t+5)^{-6/5} \quad (t \text{ near } 0)$$

$$\frac{(vW)'}{W} = -32 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Replace LHS} \\ \text{of (DE)} \end{array}$$

$$vW = -32 \int W + C \quad \text{Quadr.}$$

$$= -32 \frac{(10t+5)^{-1/5}}{(-1/5)(10)} + C$$

$$v = 16(10t+5) + C(10t+5)^{6/5}$$

$$v(0) = 80 \Rightarrow C = 0$$

$$v = 16(10t+5) = \boxed{160t + 80}$$

Ans check: IC  $\checkmark$  DE  $\checkmark$

$$160 \stackrel{?}{=} -32 + 12(16) \text{ yes.}$$

(b)  $y = \frac{C}{W}$  Shortcut  
 $W = e^{\int p dx} = e^{-\ln(x) - \sin x}$   
 $y = \frac{Cx}{e^{-\ln x}} = \boxed{Cx e^{\sin x}}$

(c) Equil. Sol.:  $y_p = \frac{-2}{24\pi}$   
 Homog. Sol.:  $y' - 6y = 0$   
 $y_h = \frac{C}{e^{-6x}}$

Sol:  $y = y_h + y_p$   
 $= \boxed{Ce^{6x} - \frac{1}{12\pi}}$

Ans check:

$$\begin{aligned} 4y' - 24y &= 24Ce^{6x} - 24y \\ &= -24\left(-\frac{1}{12\pi}\right) \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$



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5. (Stability)

(a) [50%] Draw a phase line diagram for the differential equation

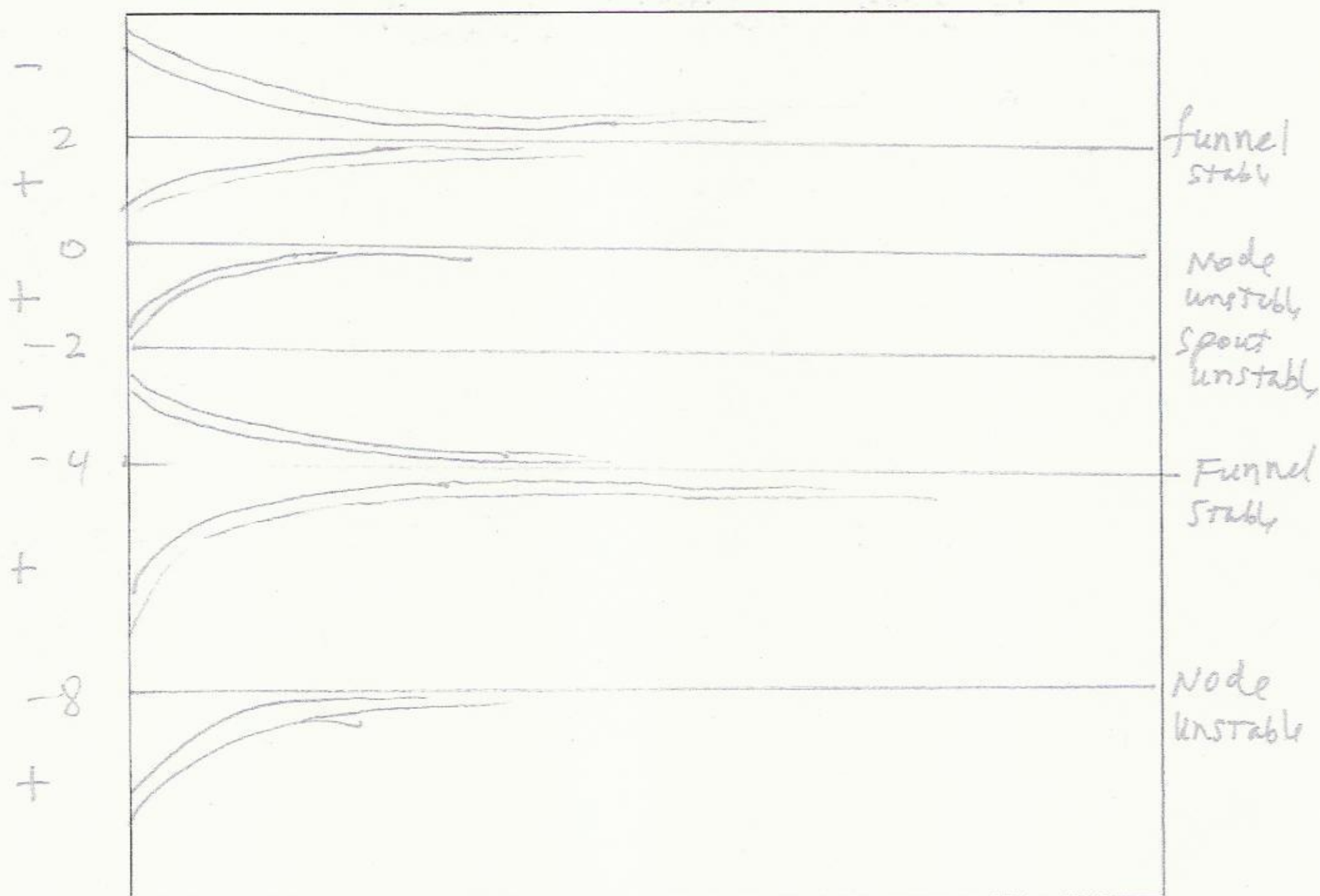
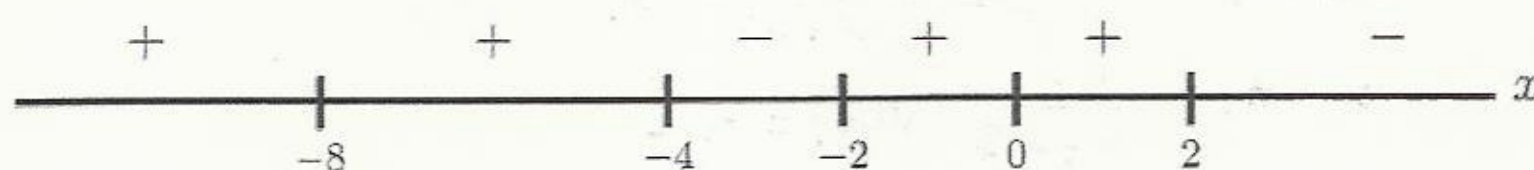
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sinh(x+1)(2-|4x-2|)^3(3-|x|)(x^2-9)(4-x^2).$$

Expected in the phase line diagram are equilibrium points and signs of  $dx/dt$ . Definition:  
 $\sinh(u) = \frac{1}{2}e^u - \frac{1}{2}e^{-u}$ .

roots  $x = -1, 1, 0, 3, -3, 2, -2$



(b) [50%] Assume an autonomous equation  $x'(t) = f(x(t))$ . Draw a phase diagram with at least 12 threaded curves, using the phase line diagram given below. Add these labels as appropriate: **funnel**, **spout**, **node** [neither spout nor funnel], **stable**, **unstable**.



## Calculations for problem 5②

$$\sinh(x+1)=0 \Rightarrow x=-1$$

$$2-|4x-2|=0 \Rightarrow 4x-2=\pm 2 \Rightarrow x=\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2}=1,0$$

$$3-|x|=0 \Rightarrow x=\pm 3$$

$$x^2-9=0 \Rightarrow x=\pm 3$$

$$4-x^2=0 \Rightarrow x=\pm 2$$



$$x=4: + - - + - = \ominus$$

$$x=2.5: + - + - - = \ominus$$

$$x=3/2: + - + - + = \oplus$$

$$x=1/2: + + + * + = \ominus$$

$$x=-1/2: + - + - + = \oplus$$

$$x=-3/2: - - + - + = \ominus$$

$$x=-5/2: - - + - - = \oplus$$

$$x=-4: - - - + - = \oplus$$

$$\sinh(-\frac{1}{2}\pi) = \sinh(\frac{1}{2}) > 0$$

$$\sinh(-\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{e^{-1/2} - e^{1/2}}{2} < 0$$



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6. (The 3 Possibilities with Symbols)

Let  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  denote constants and consider the system of equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2b-4 & 3 & a \\ b+1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1-b & 1 & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b^2 \\ b \\ b^2-b \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) [40%] Determine  $a$  and  $b$  such that the system has a unique solution.
- (b) [30%] Explain why  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$  implies no solution. Ignore any other possible no solution cases.
- (c) [30%] Explain why  $a = b = 0$  implies infinitely many solutions. Ignore any other possible infinitely many solution cases.

Because of a row of zeros (equation  $0=0$ ), we can reduce the question to a  $3 \times 3$  problem  $A\vec{u} = \vec{B}$  where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2b-4 & 3 & a \\ b+1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1-b & 1 & a \end{pmatrix}, \vec{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b^2 \\ b \\ b^2-b \end{pmatrix}, \vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

Then  $|A| = a - ab = a(1-b) \neq 0$  for  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 1$

(a) Unique sol when  $|A| \neq 0$  (see reduction above)

$$\boxed{a \neq 0 \text{ and } b \neq 1}$$

(b) when  $a=0$ , then  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -2b-4 & 3 & 0 \\ b+1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1-b & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  has col rank  $\leq 2$

hence there is one free var, if the system is consistent. We do

rref steps on  $C = \langle A | B \rangle$  to get  $\begin{pmatrix} 2b-4 & 3 & 0 & | & b^2 \\ b+1 & -1 & 0 & | & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & b^2 \end{pmatrix}$

There is a signal eq for  $b \neq 0$ ,

hence no solution for  $a=0, b \neq 0$ .

(c) Define  $C$  as in part (b), then substitute  $a=b=0$  to get

rref step  $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 3 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . A homogeneous system is consistent.

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One free variable implies  
 $\infty$ -many solutions.



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7. (Determinants) Do all parts.

- (a) [10%] True or False The value of a determinant is the product of the diagonal elements.  
 (b) [10%] True or False The determinant of the negative of the  $n \times n$  identity matrix is  $-1$ .  
 (c) [20%] Assume given  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A, B$ . Suppose  $A^2B = E_2E_1A$  and  $E_1, E_2$  are elementary matrices representing respectively a swap and a multiply by  $-5$ . Assume  $\det(B) = 10$ . Let  $C = 2A$ . Find all possible values of  $\det(C)$ .

(d) [30%] Determine all values of  $x$  for which  $(I + C)^{-1}$  fails to exist, where  $C$  equals the transpose of the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 3x & 0 & 1 \\ x-1 & x & x \end{pmatrix}$ .

(e) [30%] Let symbols  $a, b, c$  denote constants. 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.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & b & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & c & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c)  $|A^2B| = |E_2E_1A| \Rightarrow |A|^2|B| = |E_2||E_1||A|$  by the det product Thm. Then  $|B| = 10$ ,  $|E_2| = -5$ ,  $|E_1| = -1$  implies that  $|A|^2(10) = (-5)(-1)|A|$  or  $5(2|A|^2 - |A|) = 0$ . So  $|A| = 0$  or  $|A| = 1/2$ . Then  $|C| = |2A| = |2I||A| = 8|A| = \boxed{0 \text{ or } 4}$

(d)  $|I + C^T| = |I^T + C^T| = |(I + C)^T| = |I + C| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 3x & 1 & 1 \\ x-1 & x & x+1 \end{vmatrix} =$   
 $(3) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ x & x+1 \end{vmatrix} + (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 3x & 1 \\ x-1 & x \end{vmatrix} = 3 - (3x^2 - x + 1) = x - 3x^2 + 2 =$   
 $(-3x - 2)(x - 1)$ , Ans:  $\boxed{x = 1, x = -2/3}$

(e) entry = cofactor( $A, 4, 3$ )/ $|A| = (-1)^{3+4} \text{minor}(A, 4, 3)/|A| = \boxed{1}$   
 $\text{minor}(A, 4, 3) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & b & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -1$ ,  $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & b & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & c & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} (-1) = 1$  (cof on col 3)

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8. (Vector Spaces) Do all parts. Details not required for (a)-(d).

- (a) [10%] True or false: There is a subspace  $S$  of  $\mathcal{R}^3$  containing none of the vectors  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . vector cross-product  
 $\vec{v}_3 = 2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 \Rightarrow \dim(S) = 1, S = \text{span}(\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2)$
- (b) [10%] True or false: The set of solutions  $\vec{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^3$  of a consistent matrix equation  $A\vec{u} = \vec{b}$  can equal all vectors in the  $xy$ -plane, that is, all vectors of the form  $\vec{u} = (x, y, 0)$ . Example:  $\begin{cases} z = 0 \\ u = 0 \\ v = 0 \end{cases}$
- (c) [10%] True or false: Relations  $x^2 + y^2 = 0, y + z = 0$  define a subspace in  $\mathcal{R}^3$ .
- (d) [10%] True or false: Equations  $x = y, z = 2y$  define a subspace in  $\mathcal{R}^3$ . Kernel Theorem
- (e) [20%] Linear algebra theorems are able to conclude that the set  $S$  of all polynomials  $f(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2$  such that  $f'(x) + \int_0^1 f(x)xdx = 0$  is a vector space of functions. Explain why  $V = \text{span}(1, x, x^2)$  is a vector space, then fully state a linear algebra theorem required to show  $S$  is a subspace of  $V$ . To save time, do not write any subspace proof details.
- (f) [40%] Find a basis of vectors for the subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^5$  given by the system of restriction equations

$$\begin{array}{rrrrrr} 3x_1 & + & 2x_3 & + & 4x_4 & + & 10x_5 & = & 0, \\ 2x_1 & + & x_3 & + & 2x_4 & + & 4x_5 & = & 0, \\ -2x_1 & & & & & + & 4x_5 & = & 0, \\ 2x_1 & + & 2x_3 & + & 4x_4 & + & 12x_5 & = & 0. \end{array}$$

(c)  $x^2 + y^2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = 0 \end{cases}$  which are 2 linear algebraic eqs.  
 Rest follows from the Kernel Theorem.

(e)  $V = \text{span}(1, x, x^2) =$  subspace of the vector space of all polynomials, by the SPAN Theorem (Sec. 4.2)

$S$  is a subspace by the Subspace Criterion (Section 4.1)

Theorem  $S$  is a subspace of vector space  $V$  provided

- (1)  $\vec{0}$  is in  $S$ ; (2)  $\vec{x}, \vec{y}$  in  $S \Rightarrow \vec{x} + \vec{y}$  in  $S$ ; (3)  $\vec{x}$  in  $S, c = \text{const} \Rightarrow c\vec{x}$  in  $S$

(f) Variable  $x_2$  missing, so it's a free variable. Augmented matrix is

$$C = \left( \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 3 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 10 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 12 & 0 \end{array} \right), \text{ref}(C) = \left( \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Last frame alg scalar answer is

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 2t_3 \\ x_2 = t_1 \\ x_3 = -2t_2 - 8t_3 \\ x_4 = t_2 \\ x_5 = t_3 \end{cases}$$

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$$\text{Basis} = \{ \vec{v}_{t_1}, \vec{v}_{t_2}, \vec{v}_{t_3} \} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -8 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$