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**Math 2270-3**  
**First Exam**  
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This exam is closed-book and closed-note. You may not use a calculator which is capable of doing linear algebra computations. **In order to receive full or partial credit on any problem, you must show all of your work and justify your conclusions.** There are 100 points possible, and the point values for each problem are indicated in the right-hand margin. **Good Luck!**

1) Consider the matrix

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1a) Use the algorithm we've learned in this class to find the inverse matrix for A.

(15 points)

$$\begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l} -R_1 + R_2 \\ -R_1 + R_3 \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l} -R_2 \\ (-R_2) + R_3 \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l} -R_3 \\ R_3 + R_1 \\ 3R_3 + R_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l} -3R_2 + R_1 \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & -5 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \end{array}$$

so  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

check:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

1b) Use your work from (1a) to find the solution to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}$$

(7 points)

$$\text{check: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

1c) The algebraic system from (1b) has two geometric interpretations that we've discussed: one involves intersecting planes, and the other is a linear combination problem. Explain these two interpretations by writing the system in two different ways. Explain what the solution vector  $\mathbf{x}$  means in each case.

intersecting planes:  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is the point in common for the 3 planes with equations

(8 points)

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 &= -1 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 &= 3 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

linear combination:  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a linear combo of the 3 vectors in the columns of A.

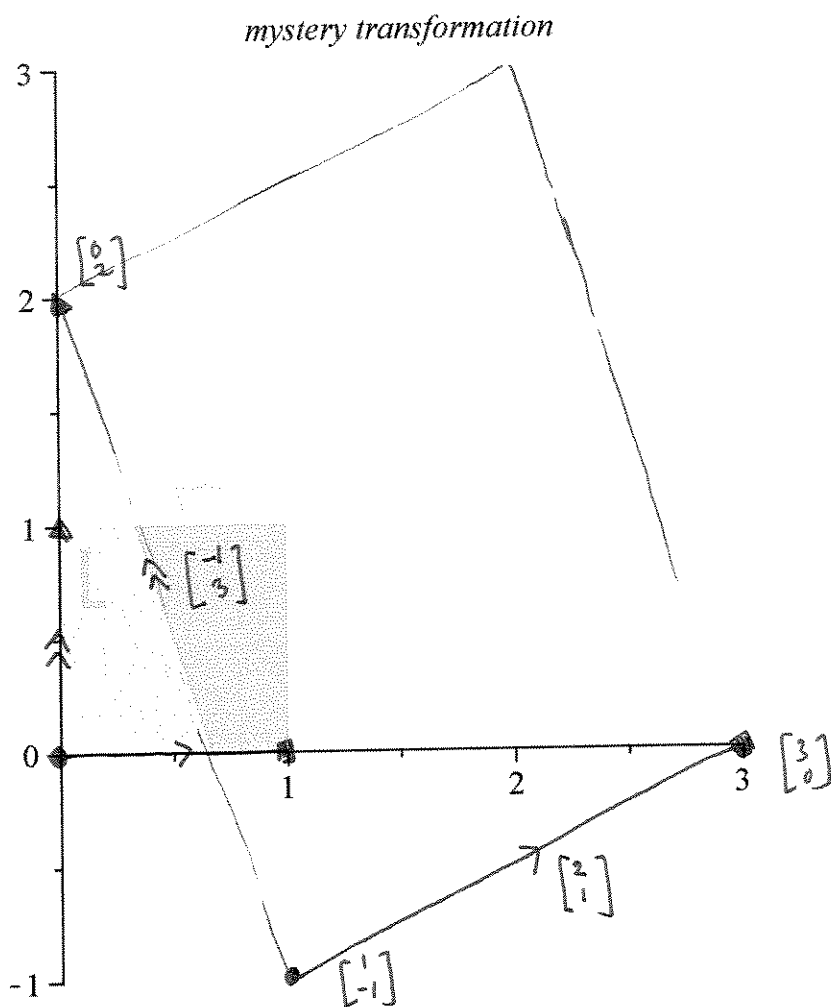
$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

has soln  $x_1 = 3, x_2 = -1, x_3 = 1$ ; i.e.

$$3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

2) Recall that an affine transformation is the composition of a translation with a linear transformation. Here is the template for a mystery affine transformation, showing the original unit square and its image after the affine transformation. Find the transformation!

(10 points)



$$a\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$a\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$a\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\text{so } a\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c} \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \vec{v}_3 & \vec{v}_4 & \vec{v}_5 & \vec{v}_6 \\ \hline \end{array} \leftarrow \text{cols of } B$$

3) Here is a matrix  $B$  and its reduced row echelon form:

$$B := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 1 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & -6 & 1 & 4 & 7 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \quad RREF := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3a) Find a basis for the image of the transformation  $T(x) = Bx$ , using appropriate column vectors above. Justify your work.

$$\text{Image}(T) = \text{span} \left\{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4, \vec{v}_5, \vec{v}_6 \right\} \quad (10 \text{ points})$$

$\begin{array}{l} \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4, \vec{v}_5, \vec{v}_6 \\ \parallel \quad \parallel \quad \parallel \quad \parallel \quad \parallel \quad \parallel \\ -3\vec{v}_1 \quad \vec{v}_1 + 2\vec{v}_3 \quad \vec{v}_1 + 3\vec{v}_3 \quad \vec{v}_1 + 3\vec{v}_3 \quad \vec{v}_1 + 3\vec{v}_3 \quad \vec{v}_1 + 3\vec{v}_3 \end{array}$

all cols are linear combos

of  $\vec{v}_1$  &  $\vec{v}_3$ , so  $\text{colspace} = \text{span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3 \}$

since  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3$  are ind. they are a basis for  $\text{Image}(T)$

a basis =  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
for  $\text{Image}(T)$

3b) Find a basis for the kernel of  $T$ . Justify your work.

(10 points)

backsolve

$$B \mid \vec{0}$$

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$$\begin{array}{cccccc|c} 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$x_1 = 3q - r - 3s - 4t$$

$$x_2 = q$$

$$x_3 = -2r - s - 3t$$

$$x_4 = r$$

$$x_5 = s$$

$$x_6 = t$$

$$\vec{x} = q \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so these 4 vectors span  $\ker T$ .  
if the linear combo above combines  
to yield  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then look at

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{entry 6} \Rightarrow t = 0 \\ \text{entry 5} \Rightarrow s = 0 \\ \text{entry 4} \Rightarrow r = 0 \\ \text{entry 2} \Rightarrow q = 0 \end{array}$$

so they're  
independent

a basis:  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
for  $\ker T$

3c) A different way of finding a basis for the image of  $T$  is to do elementary column operations on the columns of  $B$ , since these don't change the column span. As we discussed in class, you can follow this procedure to compute the "reduced column echelon form" of  $B$ . Here is the result:

$$B := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 1 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & -6 & 1 & 4 & 7 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \quad RCEF := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Use the information above to find a different basis for the image of  $T$  than the one you constructed in (3a). Show how your two different bases for the image are related.

(5 points)

another basis for  $\text{Im}(T)$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $\vec{w}_1 \quad \vec{w}_2$

3a) basis

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $\vec{u}_1 \quad \vec{u}_2$

notice  $\vec{u}_1 = -\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2$   $\left( \text{or } \vec{w}_1 = \vec{u}_2 \right)$   
 $\vec{u}_2 = \vec{w}_1$   $\left( \text{or } \vec{w}_2 = \vec{u}_1 + \vec{u}_2 \right).$

3d) State the rank + nullity theorem for matrix transformations. Verify that the theorem holds in this example.

(5 points)

$$\dim(\text{Image}(T)) + \dim(\ker T) = \dim(\text{domain})$$

$$2 + 4 = 6$$

(6)

4) True-False. Two points for correct answer, and three points for justification, on each problem.

(30 points)

4a) If  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices of the same size, then

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

(F)

$$(A - B)(A + B) = (A - B)A + \cancel{(A - B)B}$$

$$= A^2 - BA + AB - B^2$$

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this only equals  $A^2 - B^2$  when  $BA = AB$ ,  
which is not true  
in general.

4b) There is a linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  for which the kernel of  $T$  coincides with the image of  $T$ .

(T)

since  $\dim(\ker T) + \dim(\operatorname{Im} T) = \dim(\text{domain}) = 2$   
for  $\ker T = \operatorname{Im} T$ , each must be 1-dim'l.

Here's a possible  $T$ :  $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$   $\ker T = x_1\text{-axis} = \operatorname{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$   
 $\operatorname{Im} T = x_1\text{-axis}$

4c) The plane in 3-space whose points satisfy the equation

$$x + 2y - 3z = 6$$

is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(F)

subspaces contain the origin.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is not on this plane!

(planes thru the origin are subspaces.)

4d) If  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear transformation, and if

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

then it must be true that

$$\textcircled{T} \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\textcircled{T} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) + 2 T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \quad \text{because } T \text{ is linear}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad \blacksquare$$

4e) Let  $W$  is a subspace of dimension  $k$ . Then any collection of exactly  $k$  linearly independent vectors in  $W$  is a basis for  $W$ .

$\textcircled{T}$  if  $\dim W = k$ , then  $k$  lin. ind. vcts in  $W$  actually span  $W$  too, so are a basis

4f) If the kernel of a linear transformation  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$  consists of the zero vector only, then the columns of the matrix  $A$  are a basis for  $\text{image}(T)$ .

$\textcircled{T}$  : the cols of  $A$  span  $\text{image}(T)$ .

saying  $\ker(T) = \{\vec{0}\}$  is exactly saying that the only linear combo adding to  $\vec{0}$ !

$$x_1 \text{col}_1(A) + x_2 \text{col}_2(A) + \dots + x_n \text{col}_n(A) = \vec{0}$$

is when  $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ , so col's are also ind.

Thus they're a basis!

