

# Math 2270 - Practice Exam 2

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This is a 50 minute exam. Please show all your work, as a worked problem is required for full points, and partial credit may be rewarded for some work in the right direction.

1. (15 Points) *Subspaces*

For the following subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  explain why they are or are not subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

- (a) The set of all linear combinations of two vectors  $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (b) The set of all vectors with first component equal to 2.
- (c) The set of all vectors with first component equal to 0.

a) Subspace:

Closed under addition:

$$\begin{aligned} (c_1 \vec{v} + c_2 \vec{w}) + (d_1 \vec{v} + d_2 \vec{w}) \\ = (c_1 + d_1) \vec{v} + (c_2 + d_2) \vec{w} \end{aligned}$$

Closed under scalar multiplication

$$k(c_1 \vec{v} + c_2 \vec{w}) = kc_1 \vec{v} + kc_2 \vec{w}$$

b) Not a subspace. Not closed under

addition:  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$

c) Subspace:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{closed under addition}$$

$$k \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ k \cdot \vdots \\ k \cdot \vdots \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{closed under multiplication}$$

2. (20 points) For the following matrix, determine the special solutions for the nullspace, calculate the nullspace, and give its dimension.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 8 & 6 & 16 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Subtract  
3x row 1  
from row 2

$$A \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Special solution 1:

$$\begin{aligned} x_3 &= 1 \\ x_4 &= 0 \\ x_2 &= 0 \\ x_1 &= -2 \end{aligned} \quad \vec{s}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Special solution 2:

$$\begin{aligned} x_3 &= 0 \\ x_4 &= 1 \\ x_2 &= -2 \\ x_1 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \vec{s}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Nullspace} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{dimension} = \boxed{2}$$

3. (20 points) For the following matrix, calculate the rank, determine the dimension of the column space, and provide a basis for the column space:

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

B  $\xrightarrow{\text{Subtract row 1 from row 2}}$   $\begin{pmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \end{pmatrix}$       2 pivots  $\Rightarrow$  rank 2

↑  
pivots

Dimension of column space is 2.

$$\text{Basis} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The columns that become the pivot columns are a basis.

4. (15 points) Calculate the dimension, and find a basis for, the vector space given by:

$$\text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  are linearly independent.

So, there are 2 basis vectors:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the dimension is 2.

5. (30 points) Calculate the complete solution  $Ax = b$  for the following:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 & 9 \\ -1 & -3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 9 & | & 5 \\ -1 & -3 & 3 & | & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Subtract } 2 \times \\ \text{row 1 from row 2} \\ \text{and add row 1 to row 3}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & | & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Divide row 2} \\ \text{by 3}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Pivots      Free

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= 0 \\ x_3 &= 1 \\ x_1 &= -2 \end{aligned} \quad \vec{x}_p = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= 1 \\ x_3 &= 0 \\ x_1 &= -3 \end{aligned} \quad \vec{s}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Complete solution.