

Math 2270 - 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*

Circle the subsets below that are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 :

(a) The set of all vectors $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$ with $a_3 = a_1 + a_2$.

(b) $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$.

(c) The set of all vectors $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$ with $a_3 \geq a_1 + a_2$.

(d) The set of all vectors $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$ with $a_3 = 0$.

(e) The set of all vectors $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$ with $a_3 = 1$.

2. (20 points) For the following matrix, determine the special solutions for the nullspace, provide a basis for the nullspace, and state the dimension of the nullspace.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

A $\xrightarrow{\text{Subtract } 3 \times \text{row 1 from row 2 and row 1 from row 3}}$

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

$\xrightarrow{\text{Subtract } 2 \times \text{row 2 from row 3}}$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

x_2, x_4 free.

$$x_2 = 1, x_4 = 0.$$

$$x_2 = 0, x_4 = 1.$$

$$x_3 = 0, x_1 = -2$$

$$x_3 = -1, x_1 = -3$$

$$\vec{s}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{s}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The special solutions are a basis, and so the dimension is 2.

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

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 & -12 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Add $2 \times$
row 1 to
row 3 \rightarrow

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 & -12 \end{pmatrix}$$

Subtract row 2
from row 3 and
add $3 \times$ row 2 to row 4 \rightarrow

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

Multiply row 2
by -1 and row
4 by $\frac{1}{3}$ \rightarrow

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

3 pivots, so $\text{rank}(B) = 3$.

Basis for column space:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Dimension of
column space
is 3.

4. (10 points) For an 8×11 matrix A of rank 5 what are:

- $\dim(\mathbf{C}(A)) = 5$

- $\dim(\mathbf{C}(A^T)) = 5$

- $\dim(\mathbf{N}(A)) = 11 - 5 = 6$

- $\dim(\mathbf{N}(A^T)) = 8 - 5 = 3$

5. (25 points) Calculate the complete solution $Ax = b$ for the following:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & -5 & 0 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -5 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & -5 & 0 & 8 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -5 & -9 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Subtract } 3 \times \\ \text{row 1 from row 2} \\ \text{and row 1 from row 3}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -3 & -7 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & -6 & -14 & -14 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Subtract} \\ 2 \times \text{row 2 from} \\ \text{row 3}}} \begin{pmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & -3 & -7 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Last column is free,
so solution exists

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = 0 \\ x_2 = -7, x_1 = 5$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_3 = 1, x_4 = 0, x_5 = 0 \\ x_2 = -1, x_1 = 1 \\ x_3 = 0, x_4 = 1, x_5 = 0 \\ x_2 = 3, x_1 = -1$$

$$x_3 = 0, x_4 = 0, x_5 = 1 \\ x_2 = 7, x_1 = -5$$

Total solution:

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_5 \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. (10 points) For what value b_3 does the following equation have a solution? (Don't worry about providing the solution, just give the necessary value of b_3 .)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 & b_3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{subtract } 2x \text{ row} \\ \text{from row 2 and } 3x \\ \text{row 1 from row 3}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -4 & b_3 - 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\substack{\text{subtract} \\ \text{row 2 from} \\ \text{row 3}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3 - 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Must have

$$\boxed{b_3 = 7}$$

7. (10 points extra credit) If $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ is a basis for a vector space \mathbf{V} prove that every vector $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}$ can be expressed *uniquely* as a linear combination of the given basis vectors.

$\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ are a basis for \vec{V}
so every vector in \vec{V} can be written
as

$$\vec{v} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n$$

Suppose

$$\vec{v} = c_1' \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n' \vec{v}_n$$

then

$$\vec{0} = \vec{v} - \vec{v} = (c_1 - c_1') \vec{v}_1 + \dots + (c_n - c_n') \vec{v}_n$$

As the vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ are linearly independent we must have

$$c_1 - c_1' = c_2 - c_2' = \dots = c_n - c_n' = 0.$$

So, $c_1 = c_1', c_2 = c_2', \dots, c_n = c_n'$.

Thus, the representation is unique.