

# MATH 2270-3 Fall 2019

## First Midterm Exam

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**INSTRUCTION:** Show all of your work. Make sure your answers are clear and legible. Use *specified* method to solve the question. It is not necessary to simplify your final answers.

Problem 1 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Problem 2 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Problem 3 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Problem 4 10 \_\_\_\_\_

Problem 5 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Problem 6 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Problem 7 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Total 100 \_\_\_\_\_

## PROBLEM 1 15

Let  $S := \{x + iy\sqrt{2} \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Show that  $S$  is a subfield of  $\mathbb{C}$ . (The axioms of fields will be written on the board.)

Axioms of field.

- ①  $\alpha + \beta = \beta + \alpha \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in S$
- ②  $\alpha + (\beta + \gamma) = (\alpha + \beta) + \gamma \quad \forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in S$
- ③  $\exists! \overset{(2 \neq 10)}{0} \in S$  s.t.  $\alpha + 0 = \alpha \quad \forall \alpha \in S$
- ④ For each  $\alpha \in S$ ,  $\exists! -\alpha \in S$   
s.t.  $\alpha + (-\alpha) = 0$ .
- ⑤  $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in S$
- ⑥  $\alpha(\beta\gamma) = (\alpha\beta)\gamma \quad \forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in S$
- ⑦  $\exists! \overset{(one)}{1} \in S$  s.t.  $1 \cdot \alpha = \alpha$   
 $\forall \alpha \in S$
- ⑧ For each  $\alpha \in S$ ,  $\exists! \alpha^{-1} \in S$   
s.t.  $\alpha \cdot \alpha^{-1} = 1$
- ⑨  $\alpha(\beta + \gamma) = \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma$   
 $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in S$

Check

- We define the "zero" in  $S$   
by  $0 + i0\sqrt{2} = 0$ .
- we define the "one" in  $S$   
by  $1 + i0\sqrt{2} = 1$
- For given  $x + iy\sqrt{2} \in S$ ,  
we define  $-(x + iy\sqrt{2})$  by  $-x + i(-y)\sqrt{2}$
- For given  $x + iy\sqrt{2} \in S$   
we define  $(x + iy\sqrt{2})^{-1}$  by  
$$\frac{x}{x^2 + 2y^2} - i \frac{y}{x^2 + 2y^2} \sqrt{2}$$

Now check all the 9 axioms by direct computations.

## PROBLEM 2 15

Let

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For which triples  $(y_1, y_2, y_3)$  does the system  $AX = Y$  have a solution?

We compute the row echelon form for  $A$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{row}(2) - \frac{2}{3}\text{row}(1)} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & \frac{5}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{row}(3) - \frac{1}{3}\text{row}(1)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & \frac{5}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & -\frac{8}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{row}(3) + \frac{8}{5}\text{row}(2)} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & \frac{5}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{6}{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

We conclude that  $A$  is invertible. Hence for

any triples  $(y_1, y_2, y_3)$ , the system  $AX = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}$

has a solution.

## PROBLEM 3 15

Prove or disprove that

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

is invertible. Find  $A^{-1}$  if it exists.

$A$  is invertible since 'all its diagonal entries are non-zero'.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 4 & 6 & 8 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{row } \textcircled{1} \\ -2 \text{ row } \textcircled{2}}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ & 2 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ & & 3 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ & & & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{row } \textcircled{2} - \text{row } \textcircled{3} \\ \text{row } \textcircled{3} - 2 \text{ row } \textcircled{4} \end{array}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ & 2 & 0 & -4 & & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ & & 3 & 0 & & & 1 & -2 \\ & & & 4 & & & & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{row } \textcircled{2} + \text{row } \textcircled{4}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ & 2 & 0 & 0 & & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ & & 3 & 0 & & & 1 & -2 \\ & & & 4 & & & & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{row } \textcircled{2} \\ \text{row } \textcircled{3} \\ \text{row } \textcircled{4} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 2, \\ 3, \\ 4 \end{array}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & & & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & & & & \frac{1}{4} \end{array} \right]$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

## PROBLEM 4 10

Let  $V := \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\}$  be the set of all complex-valued functions  $f$  on the real line such that (for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ )  $f(-t) = \overline{f(t)}$ . Show that  $V$ , together with the operations

$$(f+g)(t) = f(t) + g(t)$$

$$(cf)(t) = c(f(t)),$$

where  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , is a not vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Take  $c = i$ , compute

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{(if)(t)} &= \overline{i(f(t))} \\ &= -i(\overline{f(t)}) \\ &= -i(f(-t)) \\ &= -(if)(-t) \quad \left( \neq (if)(-t) \right) \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that

$$f \in V \quad \text{but} \quad if \notin V$$

Hence it is not a vector field

## PROBLEM 5 | 5

Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ . Let  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  be subspaces of  $V$  such that  $W_1 + W_2 = V$  and  $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$ . Prove that for each vector  $\alpha \in V$  there are unique vectors  $\alpha_1 \in W_1$  and  $\alpha_2 \in W_2$  such that  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = \alpha$ .

Since  $W_1 + W_2 = V$ , for each vector  $\alpha \in V$ , there exists  $\alpha_1 \in W_1$  and  $\alpha_2 \in W_2$  s.t.

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = \alpha \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Assume we have  $\alpha_1' \in W_1$  and  $\alpha_2' \in W_2$  s.t.

$$\alpha_1' + \alpha_2' = \alpha \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Consider (1) - (2)

$$\alpha_1 - \alpha_1' = -(\alpha_2 - \alpha_2') \in W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$$

Hence  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_1'$  and  $\alpha_2 = \alpha_2'$ . This proves the uniqueness.

### PROBLEM 6 15

Let  $F \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a subfield. Suppose  $u, v, w$  are linearly independent vectors in  $V$ . Prove that  $u - v, v - w, w - u$  are linearly independent.

We have  $c_1 u + c_2 v + c_3 w = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ .

Now consider

$$a_1 (u - v) + a_2 (v - w) + a_3 w = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 u + (a_2 - a_1)v + (a_3 - a_2)w = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = 0 \\ a_2 - a_1 = 0 \\ a_3 - a_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = 0 \\ a_2 = 0 \\ a_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

We conclude that all relations for  $u - v, v - w, w - u$  are trivial.

Hence they are linearly independent.

## PROBLEM 7 15

Find a basis for the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by the following 4 vectors

$$v_1 = (1, 1, 2, 4), \quad v_2 = (2, -1, -5, 2), \quad v_3 = (1, -1, -4, 0), \quad v_4 = (2, 1, 1, 6).$$

We compute the row echelon form for

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 & -5 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{row } (2) - 2 \cdot \text{row } (1) \\ \text{row } (3) - \text{row } (1) \\ \text{row } (4) - 2 \cdot \text{row } (1)}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & -9 & -6 \\ 0 & -2 & -6 & -4 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{row } (3) - \frac{2}{3} \text{row } (2) \\ \text{row } (4) - \frac{1}{3} \text{row } (2) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & -9 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$(1, 1, 2, 4), (0, -3, -9, -6)$   
can form a basis.