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There are 8 multiple choice questions worth 7 points each and 4 partial credit questions each worth 11 points. Record your answers by placing an \times through one letter for each problem on this answer sheet.

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Multiple Choice.

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Total.

Part I: Multiple choice questions (7 points each)

1. Suppose that A and B are 3×3 matrices such that $\det(A) = 3$ and $\det(B) = -2$. What is $\det(3B^T A^{-1} B)$?

- (a) -36 (b) 0 (c) 4 (d) 36 (e) none of the above

$$3^3 \cdot \det(B) \cdot \frac{1}{\det A} \cdot \det B$$

$$= 27 \cdot (-2) \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot (-2) = 36$$

2. What are the eigenvalues of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$?

- (a) $-4, 0$ (b) $-3, -1$ (c) $-2, 1$ (d) $1, 2$ (e) none of the above

$$0 = \det \begin{bmatrix} -2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 3$$

$$= (\lambda+1)(\lambda+3)$$

So $\lambda = -1$ and $\lambda = -3$

3. The vector $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -3 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. What is the corresponding eigenvalue?

- (a) -4 (b) -2 (c) 0 (d) 2 (e) 4

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -3 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = (-2) \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Suppose that $T : \mathcal{P}_2 \rightarrow M_{2,2}$ is a linear transformation. Which of the following statements are always true? (Recall that $M_{2,2}$ is the vector space of 2×2 matrices, and \mathcal{P}_2 is the vector space of polynomials of degree at most 2. Also recall that $\text{rank}(T)$ is the dimension of the range of T , and $\text{nullity}(T)$ is the dimension of the kernel of T .)

I. $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = 4$. ~~X~~

II. T is one-to-one if and only if $\text{nullity}(T) = 0$. \checkmark

III. The range of T is a subspace of \mathcal{P}_2 . ~~X~~

- (a) I only (b) II only (c) I, III only (d) II, III only (e) none of them

I. $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim \mathcal{P}_2 = 3$

II. one-to-one $\Leftrightarrow \ker T = \{ \vec{0} \}$
 $\Leftrightarrow \text{nullity}(T) = 0$

III. Range is a subspace of $M_{2,2}$

5. Recall that $M_{2,2}$ is the vector space of 2×2 matrices. Consider the linear transformation

$$T : M_{2,2} \rightarrow M_{2,2}, \quad T \left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a + 2b + c & b - c + d \\ -a - 3c + 2d & a + 3b + d \end{bmatrix}.$$

Which of the following vectors is in the kernel of T ?

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ (e) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{matrix} \downarrow T \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \\ \times \end{matrix}$

 $\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \dots \\ \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \\ \times \end{matrix}$

 $\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \checkmark \end{matrix}$

 $\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \\ \times \end{matrix}$

 $\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \\ \times \end{matrix}$

6. Which of the following statements are always true for an $n \times n$ matrix A ?

I. If A is invertible, then 0 is not an eigenvalue of A . \checkmark

II. If \mathbb{R}^n has a basis of eigenvectors of A , then A is diagonalizable. \checkmark

III. Every matrix similar to A has the same characteristic polynomial as A . \checkmark

- (a) I only (b) I, II only (c) I, III only (d) II, III only (e) I, II, III

7. Consider the linear system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 = 3, \\ x_1 - x_2 = 2. \end{cases}$$

According to Cramer's rule, what is x_2 ?

(a) $\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}$ (b) $\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}$ (c) $\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}$ (d) $\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}$ (e) $\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}$

$\vec{A} \vec{x} = \vec{b}$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $x_2 = \frac{|A_2(\vec{b})|}{|A|}$

8. Recall that $M_{2,2}$ is the vector space of 2×2 matrices. Consider the function

$$T : M_{2,2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \quad T \left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + b^2 \\ c^2 + d^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Which of the following statements are true?

I. T is a linear transformation. \times

II. T is not a linear transformation because $T(\vec{0}) \neq \vec{0}$. \times

III. T is not a linear transformation because there exist A in $M_{2,2}$ and a scalar k such that $T(kA) \neq kT(A)$. \checkmark

(a) none of them (b) I only (c) II only (d) III only (e) II, III only

II. $T \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

III. $T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

for $k=2$, $T \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \neq k \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Part II: Partial credit questions (11 points each). Show your work.

9. Consider the bases

$$\mathcal{B} = \{1 - x, x - x^2, x^2\} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{C} = \{1 - x + x^2, 1 + 3x, 2 - x - 2x^2\}$$

of \mathcal{P}_2 (the vector space of polynomials of degree at most 2 in the variable x).

(a) Find the change-of-basis matrix $P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}}$ from \mathcal{C} to \mathcal{B} .

Assume $\mathcal{E} = \{1, x, x^2\}$:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

$\underbrace{\begin{matrix} P \\ \mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C} \end{matrix}}$

(b) Suppose that $p(x)$ is a vector in \mathcal{P}_2 with $[p(x)]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. What is $[p(x)]_{\mathcal{B}}$?

$$[p(x)]_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}} \cdot [p(x)]_{\mathcal{C}}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

10. Recall that \mathcal{P}_2 is the vector space of polynomials of degree at most 2 in the variable x . Consider the linear transformation

$$T : \mathcal{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2, \quad T(p(x)) = p(x) - (1+x)p'(x),$$

where $p'(x)$ is the derivative of $p(x)$.

(a) Verify that T can be expressed more explicitly as

$$T(\underbrace{a + bx + cx^2}_{p(x)}) = (a - b) - 2cx - cx^2.$$

$$p'(x) = b + 2cx$$

$$\Rightarrow T(p(x)) = a + bx + cx^2 - (1+x)(b + 2cx) = (a - b) - 2cx - cx^2$$

(b) Let $\mathcal{E} = \{1, x, x^2\}$ be the standard basis of \mathcal{P}_2 . Find the matrix $[T]_{\mathcal{E}} = [T]_{\mathcal{E} \leftarrow \mathcal{E}}$ of T with respect to \mathcal{E} .

$$\begin{aligned} [T]_{\mathcal{E}} &= \left[[T(1)]_{\mathcal{E}} \quad [T(x)]_{\mathcal{E}} \quad [T(x^2)]_{\mathcal{E}} \right] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Find a basis for the kernel of T and a basis for the range of T .

$$\text{Null} \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow x_1 = t \\ \leftarrow x_3 = 0 \\ \uparrow \\ x_2 = t \\ \text{free} \end{array}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Null } [T]_{\mathcal{E}} &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Ker } T \text{ has basis } \{1+x\}}$$

$$\text{Col } [T]_{\mathcal{E}} \text{ has basis } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Range}(T) \text{ has basis } \{1, -2x - x^2\}$$

11. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & t \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where t is some real number.

(a) Calculate the determinant of A . (Your answer may depend on t .)

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{vmatrix} 1 & t & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & t \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & t & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & t \\ 0 & 1-2t & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ & = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & t \\ 1-2t & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -t(1-2t) \\ & = -t + 2t^2 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Find all values of t such that A is invertible.

$$A \text{ invertible} \Leftrightarrow \det A \neq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow t(1-2t) \neq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow t \neq 0 \text{ and } t \neq \frac{1}{2}$$

12. Let A be the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The characteristic polynomial of A is $\det(A - \lambda I) = (1 - \lambda)^2(-2 - \lambda)$.

(a) What are the eigenvalues of A ?

$$0 = (1 - \lambda)^2(-2 - \lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda = -2$$

(b) Diagonalize A , that is, find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $A = PDP^{-1}$.

$$E_1 = \text{null}(A - I) = \text{null} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

↓ REF

$$\begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x_1 = t - 2s$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$
 $x_2 = t \quad x_3 = s$

$$\Rightarrow E_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t - 2s \\ t \\ s \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\vec{v}_1 \quad \vec{v}_2$ ← basis

$$E_{-2} = \text{null}(A + 2I) = \text{null} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

↓ REF

$$E_{-2} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

\vec{v}_3

$$\begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -t \\ x_2 = -2t \end{array}$$

\uparrow
 $x_3 = t$

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$$P = [\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2 \ \vec{v}_3]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$