

**Math 20580**  
**Midterm 2**  
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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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1.  a  b  c  d  e

2.  a  b  c  d  e

3.  a  b  c  d  e

4.  a  b  c  d  e

5.  a  b  c  d  e

6.  a  b  c  d  e

7.  a  b  c  d  e

8.  a  b  c  d  e

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Multiple Choice.

9.

10.

11.

12.

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Total.

**Part I: Multiple choice questions (7 points each)**

1. Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are two  $4 \times 4$  matrices with determinants  $\det A = 2$ ,  $\det B = 3$ . Find the determinant  $\det(2A^T B^2 A B^{-1})$ .

(a) 0      (b) 192      (c) -36      (d) 48      (e) cannot be determined.

$$\begin{aligned}\det(2A^T B^2 A B^{-1}) &= 2^4 \det(A^T) \det(B)^2 \det(A) \det(B^{-1}) \\ &= 2^4 \cdot 2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \\ &= 192\end{aligned}$$

2. What are the eigenvalues of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ?

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

$$\begin{aligned}\det(A - \lambda I) &= (1-\lambda)(4-\lambda) + 2 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6 \\ &= (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 3)\end{aligned}$$

E-vals are:  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $\lambda = 3$

3. Let  $M_{2,3}$  denote the vector space of  $2 \times 3$  matrices. Which among the following subsets of  $M_{2,3}$  is a subspace?

~~I.~~ The set of all  $2 \times 3$  matrices whose columns sum to  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $\vec{0} \notin S$

~~II.~~ The set of all matrices whose entries are all non-negative. Not closed under

III.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t & t+s & s \\ 0 & s+2t & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid t, s \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

mult. by neg. scalars.

IV. The set of all matrices with a zero in the first row, second column.

(a) III and IV only

(b) IV only

(c) I, III, and IV only

(d) all of them

(e) none of them.

$$\text{IV} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

4. Which of the following statements is always true?

I. If two matrices are similar, then they have the same determinant.

~~II.~~ If two matrices have the same characteristic polynomial, then they are similar.

~~III.~~ If a matrix is diagonalizable, then it is invertible.

IV. If a matrix  $A$  is invertible, then zero is not an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

(a) III and IV only

(b) I only

(c) I and IV only

(d) all of them

(e) none of them.

II:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  have same char. poly, but if they were similar,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  would be diagonalizable, which it isn't.

III:  $O_{2,2}$  is diagonalizable but not invertible

5. Which of the following matrices has complex eigenvalue  $4 + 2i$ ?

(I)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  (II)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$  (III)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  (IV)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

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

I	Char poly $\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 20$	e-val's $4 \pm 2i$
II	$\lambda^2 - 12$	$\pm 2\sqrt{3}$
III	$\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 12$	2, 6
IV	$\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 20$	$4 \pm 2i$

6. Let  $H = \text{span}\{1, t^2 + 1, t^3 + t^2 + t, t^3 + t - 1\}$ , considered as a subspace of  $\mathbb{P}_3$  (the vector space of all polynomials of degree at most 3). What is the dimension of  $H$ ?

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3 (e) 4

Two Methods

1)  $t^3 + t - 1 = (t^3 + t^2 + t) + (-1)(t^2 + 1) + 0 \cdot 1$ , so

$H = \text{span}\{1, t^2 + 1, t^3 + t^2 + t\}$

The set  $\{1, t^2 + 1, t^3 + t^2 + t\}$  is LI  $\Rightarrow \dim H = 3$

2) Express everything in terms of

$\mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$  :

$$A = \begin{matrix} & [p_1]_{\mathcal{B}} & [p_2]_{\mathcal{B}} & [p_3]_{\mathcal{B}} & [p_4]_{\mathcal{B}} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \quad \dim H = \text{rk}(A)$$

row reduce  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{rk}(A) = 3 = \dim(H)$

$$V \rightarrow W$$

7. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^8 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{12}$  be a linear transformation which is one-to-one. What is the dimension of the range of  $T$ ?

(a) 12

(b) 8

(c) 4

(d) 0

(e) cannot be determined.

$$\text{Rank-nullity: } \dim(\text{range}(T)) + \dim(\text{ker}(T)) = \dim V = 8$$

$$T \text{ one-to-one} \iff \dim(\text{ker}(T)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(\text{range}(T)) = 8$$

8. The vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -7 & 0 \\ 0 & -18 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . What is the corresponding eigenvalue?

(a) 2

(b) -18

(c) 7

(d) 0

(e) 3

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -18 \\ -54 \\ 18 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

9. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{91} & \pi \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 11000 & 10 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \sin(8) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Calculate the determinant of  $A$ . Explain how this computation implies that  $A$  is invertible. (**Hint:** The size of the matrix and the irrational entries should encourage you to be efficient in your computation.)

Row Reduction

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2 + 3R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1 \\ R_4 - R_1 \end{array} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 & \sqrt{91} & \pi \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 11000 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \sin(8) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] =: B$$

$$\det(A) \neq 0, \text{ so invertible}$$

$$\det(A) = \det(B) = 1 \cdot 3 \cdot (-1) \cdot 1 \cdot 2$$

$$= -6$$

Cofactor Expansion

$$\det(A) = (-1)^{5+5} 2 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{91} \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 11000 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= (-1)^{5+5} \cdot 2 \cdot \left[ (-1)^{1+3} \cdot 1 \det \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & \sqrt{91} \\ 1 & 1 & 11000 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + (-1)^{4+3} \cdot 1 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & \sqrt{91} \\ 1 & 1 & 11000 \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left( -3(1 - 11000) + \sqrt{91} \cdot 0 - (-\sqrt{91}) - (-3)(11000) - \sqrt{91} \right)$$

$$= 2(-3) = -6$$

(b) Compute the entry in the the 5th row and 5th column of  $A^{-1}$ .

$$(A^{-1})_{55} = \frac{(-1)^{5+5}}{\det(A)} \cdot \det(A_{55})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \cdot \det(A_{55})} \cdot \det(A_{55}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

10. Consider the two ordered bases  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{b}_1}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{b}_2}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{b}_3} \right\}, \quad \mathcal{C} = \left\{ \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{c}_1}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{c}_2}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{c}_3} \right\}.$$

(a) Find the change of coordinate matrix  $P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}}$  from  $\mathcal{C}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$  (recall that  $P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}}$  is the matrix such that  $[\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}} \cdot [\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{C}}$  for all vectors  $\vec{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ).

$$P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}} = \left[ [\vec{c}_1]_{\mathcal{B}} \mid [\vec{c}_2]_{\mathcal{B}} \mid [\vec{c}_3]_{\mathcal{B}} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{c}_1 = \vec{b}_1 \Rightarrow [\vec{c}_1]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{c}_2 = \vec{b}_2 + 2\vec{b}_3 \Rightarrow [\vec{c}_2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{c}_3 = -\vec{b}_1 - \vec{b}_3 \Rightarrow [\vec{c}_3]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) If  $\vec{v}$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with  $[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , determine  $[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $\vec{v}$ .

$$\vec{v} = \vec{c}_1 + \vec{c}_2 + \vec{c}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}} [\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

11. Let  $A$  be the matrix

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

(a) Find all the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$\lambda = 1, -1, 2$  ( $A$  is upper triangular, so e-values are entries on diagonal.)

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

null( $A - \lambda I$ ) computations.

$$\lambda = 1: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\lambda = 2: \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) Express  $A^4$  in the form  $PEP^{-1}$ , where  $E$  is a diagonal matrix.

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 16 \end{bmatrix} = D^4$$

(An answer; there is some freedom)



12. Consider the vector space  $\mathbb{P}_2$  of polynomials of degree at most 2 in the variable  $x$ , and the linear transformation

$$T: \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2, \quad T(p(x)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(p(x+2)),$$

where  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$  means taking the derivative with respect to  $x$ .

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

$$T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = (a_1 + 4a_2) + 2a_2x.$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (a_0 + a_1(x+2) + a_2(x+2)^2) \\ &= (a_1 + 4a_2) + (2a_2x) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Write down a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $\mathbb{P}_2$ . Find the matrix  $[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T]_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$  of  $T$  with respect to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

$$\mathcal{B} = \{1, x, x^2\}$$

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \left[ [T(\vec{b}_1)]_{\mathcal{B}} \mid [T(\vec{b}_2)]_{\mathcal{B}} \mid [T(\vec{b}_3)]_{\mathcal{B}} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) Find bases for the kernel and the range of  $T$ .

$$\text{Set } A = [T]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{row reduce}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Basis for } \text{null}(A): \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{Basis for } \ker(T) = \{1 + 0x + 0x^2\}$$

$$\text{Basis for } \text{col}(A): \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{Basis for } \text{range}(T) = \{1 + 0x + 0x^2, 4 + 2x + 0x^2\}$$

