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## **SEMIFINAL**

Math 237 – Linear Algebra

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Choose up to 6 problems to work. Work each problem on one of the attached pages; write the standard in the upper left corner. Show all work and justify all of your answers. Answers without work or sufficient reasoning will not receive credit. You may use a calculator, but you must show all relevant work to receive credit for a standard.

E1. Write an augmented matrix corresponding to the following system of linear equations.

$$x_1 + 3x_2 - 4x_3 + x_4 = 5$$
$$3x_1 + 9x_2 + x_3 - 7x_4 = 0$$
$$x_1 - x_3 + x_4 = 1$$

Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -4 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 9 & 1 & -7 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

E2. Find the reduced row echelon form of the matrix below.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & | & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & | & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & | & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & | & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 15 & -2 & | & -3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 24 & -2 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{12} & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{5}{12} & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & | & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{12} & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**E3.** Solve the following linear system.

$$3x + 2y + z = 7$$
$$x + y + z = 1$$
$$-2x + 3z = -11$$

**Solution:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 3 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$ , so RREF  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . It follows that the system has exactly one solution:  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

E4. Find a basis for the solution set to the homogeneous system of equations given by

$$3x + 2y + z = 0$$
$$x + y + z = 0$$

**Solution:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so RREF  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . It follows that the basis for the solution set is given by  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

**V1.** Let V be the set of all pairs of real numbers with the operations, for any  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$$
  
 $c \odot (x_1, y_1) = (c^2 x_1, c^3 y_1)$ 

- (a) Show that scalar multiplication **distributes scalars** over vector addition:  $c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2).$
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:** Let  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$  and let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$$

$$= (c^2(x_1 + x_2), c^3(y_1 + y_2))$$

$$= (c^2x_1, c^3y_1) \oplus (c^2x_2, c^3y_2)$$

$$= c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2)$$

However, V is not a vector space, as the other distributive law fails:

$$(c+d)\odot(x_1,y_1)=((c+d)^2x_1,(c+d)^3y_1)\neq((c^2+d^2)x_1,(c^3+d^3)y_1)=c\odot(x_1,y_1)\oplus d\odot(x_1,y_1).$$

**V2.** Determine if  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$  can be written as a linear combination of the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solution:

$$RREF\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since this system has a solution,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$  can be written as a linear combination of the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\0\\1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$$
, namely

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**V3.** Determine if the vectors 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\3\\6\\3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\-1\\3\\-2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 7\\-1\\8\\-3 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Solution:

$$RREF \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since there are zero rows, they do not span. Alternatively, by inspection  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so the set is linearly

dependent, so it spans a subspace of dimension at most 3, therefore it does not span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

V4. Let W be the set of all polynomials of even degree. Determine if W is a subspace of the vector space of all polynomials.

**Solution:** W is closed under scalar multiplication, but not under addition. For example,  $x - x^2$  and  $x^2$  are both in W, but  $(x - x^2) + (x^2) = x \notin W$ .

**S1.** Determine if the set of vectors  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3\\-1\\0\\4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\-2\\1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3\\-8\\6\\5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is linearly dependent or linearly independent.

Solution:

$$RREF\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 3\\ -1 & 2 & -8\\ 0 & -2 & 6\\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2\\ 0 & 1 & -3\\ 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the reduced row echelon form has a nonpivot column, the vectors are linearly dependent.

**S2.** Determine if the set  $\{x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x + 2, -x^3 + 4x^2 - x + 1, -x^3 + 2x + 1, 3x^2 + 3x + 9\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{P}^3$  or not.

**Solution:** 

$$RREF \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since this is not the identity matrix, the set is not a basis.

**S3.** Let W be the subspace of  $\mathcal{P}^3$  given by  $W = \text{span} \left( \left\{ x^3 + x^2 + 2x + 1, 3x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x + 3, 3x^3 - x^2 + 3x - 2, 7x^3 - x^2 + 8x - 3 \right\} \right)$ . Find a basis for W.

Solution:

$$RREF \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then a basis is  $\{x^3 + x^2 + 2x + 1, 3x^3 - x^2 + 3x - 2\}$ .

**S4.** Let  $W = \operatorname{span}\left(\left\{\begin{bmatrix}1\\-1\\3\\-3\end{bmatrix},\begin{bmatrix}2\\0\\1\\1\end{bmatrix},\begin{bmatrix}3\\-1\\4\\-2\end{bmatrix},\begin{bmatrix}1\\1\\1\\-7\end{bmatrix}\right\}\right)$ . Compute the dimension of W.

Solution:

$$RREF \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 1 \\ -3 & 1 & -2 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This has 3 pivot columns so dim(W) = 3.

**A1.** Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^4$  be the linear transformation given by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -3x + y \\ -8x + 2y - z \\ 2y + 3z \\ 7x \end{bmatrix}.$$

Write the matrix for T with respect to the standard bases of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**A2.** Determine if the map  $T: \mathcal{P}^3 \to \mathcal{P}^4$  given by T(f(x)) = xf(x) - f(x) is a linear transformation or not.

**A3.** Determine if each of the following linear transformations is injective (one-to-one) and/or surjective (onto).

(a)  $S: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  given by the standard matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b)  $T: \mathbb{R}^4 \to \mathbb{R}^3$  given by the standard matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -7 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Solution:

(a) RREF  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Since each column is a pivot column, S is injective. Since there is no zero row, S is surjective.

(b) Since  $\dim \mathbb{R}^4 > \dim \mathbb{R}^3$ , T is not injective.

RREF 
$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -7 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since there are only two pivot columns, T is not surjective.

**A4.** Let  $T: \mathcal{P}^3 \to \mathcal{P}^3$  be the linear transformation given by

$$T\left(ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d\right) = (a + 3b + 3c + 7d)x^3 + (a + 3b - c - d)x^2 + (2a + 6b + 3c + 8d)x + (a + 3b - 2c - 3d)$$

Compute a basis for the kernel and a basis for the image of T.

Solution:

$$RREF \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then a basis for the kernel is

$$\left\{-3x^3 + x^2, -x^3 - 2x + 1\right\}$$

and a basis for the image is

$$\left\{x^3 + x^2 + 2x + 1, 3x^3 - x^2 + 3x - 2\right\}$$

M1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exactly one of the six products AB, AC, BA, BC, CA, CB can be computed. Determine which one, and compute it.

**Solution:** CB is the only one that can be computed, and

$$CB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 7 & -8 \\ 8 & 4 & -4 & 8 \\ 5 & -2 & 8 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

M2. Determine if the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  is invertible.

Solution:

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

This matrix is not row equivalent to the identity matrix, so it is not invertible.

**G1.** Compute the determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution: -15.

**G2.** Compute the eigenvalues, along with their algebraic multiplicities, of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & 2 \\ 23 & -9 & 5 \\ -7 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** The eigenvalues are 0 with multiplicity 1 and -2, with algebraic multiplicity 2.

**G3.** Compute the eigenspace associated to the eigenvalue 2 in the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -9 & 5 & 0 \\ 15 & -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** The eigenspace is the solution space of the system (B-2I)X=0.

$$RREF(B-2I) = RREF \left( \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -9 & 3 & 0 \\ 15 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So the system simplifies to  $x - \frac{y}{3} = 0$ , or 3x = y. Thus the eigenspace is

$$E_2 = \operatorname{span}\left(\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\3\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}\right)$$

**G4.** Compute the geometric multiplicity of the eigenvalue -1 in the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & -1 \\ 15 & -7 & -3 \\ -5 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solution:

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$$(A+I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{2}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So the geometric multiplicity is 2.

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