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 a system of linear equations corresponding to the following augmented matrix.

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

Solution:

$$-4x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 2$$
$$x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0$$
$$-x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3 = 4$$

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E2. Find RREF A, where

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & -2 & 1 & 8 & -5 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 6 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & -4 & 6 \end{array}\right]$$

Solution:

$$\text{RREF } A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 \end{array}\right]$$

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E3. Solve the following linear system.

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

Solution: Let $A = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 3 & 11 \end{array}\right]$, so RREF $A = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array}\right]$. It follows that the system has exactly one solution: $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

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

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 - 5x_3 + 14x_4 = 0$$
$$x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + 5x_4 = 0$$

Solution: Let $A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 3 & -5 & 14 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 5 & 0 \end{array}\right]$, so RREF $A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 4 & 2 \end{array}\right]$. It follows that the basis for the

solution set is given by $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

V1. Let V be the set of all points on the parabola $y = x^2$ with the operations, for any $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 - x_2, y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2)$$
$$c \odot (x_1, y_1) = (cx_1, c^2y_1)$$

(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:

$$c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1 - x_2, y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2) = (c(x_1 - x_2), c^2(y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2))$$

$$c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2) = (cx_1, c^2y_1) \oplus (cx_2, c^2y_2) = (cx_1 - cx_2, c^2y_1 + c^2y_2 - 2(cx_1)(cx_2))$$

Not a vector space as addition is not commutative.

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V2. Determine if $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 6 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ belongs to the span of the set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

Solution: Since

$$\text{RREF}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & | & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & | & 6 \\ 5 & 3 & | & -7 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

does not contain a contradiction, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 6 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear combination of the three vectors.

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V3. Determine if the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 21 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 11 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ span $\mathbb{R}^3$.

Solution:

$$\text{RREF}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & -1 & 4 \\ 21 & -8 & -3 & 11 \\ -7 & 3 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the rank is less than 3, they do not span $\mathbb{R}^3$.

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V4. Let W be the set of all $\mathbb{R}^3$ vectors $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ satisfying $x + y + z = 1$ (this forms a plane). Determine if W is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^3$.

Solution: No, because $\mathbf{0}$ does not belong to 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:

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

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

S2. Determine if the set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis of $\mathbb{R}^4$.

Solution:

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

Since the resulting matrix is not the identity matrix, it is not a basis.

S3. Let $W = \text{span}\left(\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right)$. Find a basis of W.

Solution:

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

Then $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for W.

S4. Let W be the subspace of $\mathbb{R}^{2\times 2}$ given by $W = \text{span}\left(\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right)$.
Compute the dimension of W.

Solution:

$$\text{RREF}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\dfrac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -3x + y \\ -8x + 2y - z \\ 2y + 3z \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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

Solution:

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

A2. Determine if $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$ given by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} e^x \\ e^y \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear transformation.

Solution: It is not linear. For example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} e^2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \neq 2T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2e \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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.

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

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

A4. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^4 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear map given by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 8x - 3y - z + 4w \\ y + 3z - 4w \\ -7x + 3y + 2z - 5w \end{bmatrix}$. Compute a basis

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

Solution:

$$\text{RREF}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ -7 & 3 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for the image, and $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for the kernel.

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M1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \qquad\qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 7 & 7 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \qquad\qquad C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Solution: AB is the only ones that can be computed, and

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -5 & 6 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 35 \end{bmatrix}$$

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M2. Determine if the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible.

Solution:

$$\text{RREF}\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since it is not equivalent to the identity matrix, it is not invertible.

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M3. Find the inverse of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 5 \\ -5 & 24 & -28 \\ 1 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -4 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -5 & 24 & -28 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -5 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}\right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{array}\right]$. Thus the inverse is $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & -8 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

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G1. Compute the determinant of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 5 & -3 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: -1.

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G2. Compute the eigenvalues, along with their algebraic multiplicities, of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 9 & -3 & 2 \\ 19 & -6 & 5 \\ -11 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: 1 with algebraic multiplicity 2, and -1 with algebraic multiplicity 1.

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G3. Find the eigenspace associated to the eigenvalue 2 in the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 11 & -6 & 1 & -1 \\ -9 & 5 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: The eigenspace is spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

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G4. Compute the geometric multiplicity of the eigenvalue 1 in the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & -1 \\ 21 & -8 & -3 \\ -7 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution: The eigenspace is spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{7} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{7} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, so the geometric multiplicity is 2.

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