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MATH 129A (8)

Midterm 2

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75 pts.

Show all your work!

1. 8 pts. Find the inverse of the following matrix if it exists:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -3 & 7 & -6 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -18 & -3 & 5 \\ -12 & -2 & 3 \\ -5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[A \ I_3]$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 7 & -6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\begin{matrix} \rightarrow \sim \\ R_3' = R_3 - R_2 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \sim \\ R_2' = R_2 + 3R_3 \\ R_1' = R_1 - R_3 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 6 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -12 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{matrix} R_1' = R_1 + 2R_2 \\ R_3' = R_3 - 2R_2 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -18 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -12 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

See verification on loose sheet.

8 pts

2. 8 pts. Determine which of the matrices are invertible. Use as few calculations as possible. Justify your answers.

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

These two vectors are linearly independent since they are not scalar multiples. By Invertible Matrix theorem, this square 2×2 matrix is invertible.

Verified on loose leaf with determinants well.

(b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ -3 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Only linearly dependent if:

$$C_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check if row 1 holds

only possible if $C_2 = \frac{4}{3}$ due to row 2. Hence

$$\frac{8}{3}(1) + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)(-5) = -4$$

$$-3C_1 + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)6 = 0$$

$$\frac{8}{3} - \frac{20}{3} = -4$$

$$-3C_1 + 8 = 0$$

$$-4 = -4$$

$$C_1 = \frac{8}{3}$$

Not invertible as \vec{a}_3 is linearly dependent.

8 pts

Also verified on loose leaf via determinant

Columns 1 and 2 not linearly dependent since not scalar multiples. If column 3 is not a linear combination of columns 1 & 2 it is also linearly independent making it invertible.

3. 7 pts. Explain why the columns of A^2 span \mathbb{R}^n whenever the columns of A are linearly independent. [Hint: $A^2 = AA$].

This statement is only true if A is square (not given in the problem).

If the columns of A are linearly independent and A is square, then A is invertible by IMT.

2) If A is invertible, then A^2 is the product of two invertible matrices (A and itself) making A^2 also invertible.

3) If A^2 is invertible, then by IMT its columns span \mathbb{R}^n (assuming A is $n \times n$).

7pts

4. 8 pts. Combine the methods of row reduction and cofactor expansion to compute the following determinant:

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

8pts

Cofactor expansion across row 2

$$\Delta = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} + 0 + (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} + 0$$

$$\Delta = (-1)(-2+7) + (-6)(3-4)$$

$$\Delta = (-15) + 6$$

$$\Delta = -9$$

I calculated (-17) on my loose leaf, I have neither on one of them. Just grade this above derivation.

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

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2' = R_2 + 2R_1 \\ R_3' = R_3 + R_1 \\ R_4' = R_4 - R_1 \end{array} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 4 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 & 7 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Cofactor expansion down the fourth column

$$\Delta = (-1)(-1)^5 \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 & 7 \\ 3 & 0 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 & 7 \\ 3 & 0 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

5. 10 pts. Let W be the set of all vectors of the form shown, where a, b , and c represent arbitrary real numbers. In each case, either find a set S of vectors that spans W or give an example to show that W is not a vector space.

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} -a+1 \\ a-6b \\ 2b+a \end{bmatrix}$

Not a vector space as does not contain zero vector.

$$-a+1=0 \Rightarrow a=1$$

$$a-6b=0 \wedge a=1 \Rightarrow b=\frac{1}{6}$$

$$a+2b \wedge a=1 \wedge b=\frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow 1+\frac{1}{3} \neq 0$$

So no way to get the zero vector.

(b) $\begin{bmatrix} a-b \\ b-c \\ c-a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a-b \\ b-c \\ c-a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 0 \\ -a \\ b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -b \\ b \\ 0 \\ b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -c \\ c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

10 pts

6. 10 pts. Find an explicit description of $\text{Nul } A$ by listing vectors that span the null space.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 16 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 = R_1 + 6R_2$$

For the equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{cases} x_1 = -16x_3 \\ x_2 = -2x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \\ x_4 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Nul } A = \vec{x} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -16 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad x_3, x_4 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Nul } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -16 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

10 pts

7. 12 pts. Find bases for Nul A and Col A.
Also, find the dimensions of Nul A and Col A.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 7 & -3 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 & 8 & 3 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$R_3 = R_3 + R_2$$

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

$$R_3 = R_3 + R_2$$

Two pivots in
First and third
column

$$\text{Col } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\dim \text{Col } A = 2$$

$$\text{Basis col } A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\dim \text{Nul } A = 3 \text{ (as three free variables)}$$

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

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 9 & -16 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 = R_1 + 2R_2$$

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \text{ then}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{cases} x_1 = 2x_2 - 9x_4 + 16x_5 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \\ x_3 = 3x_4 - 5x_5 \\ x_4 \text{ is free} \\ x_5 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

$$\vec{x} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_5 \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 0 \\ -5 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Basis of Nul } A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 0 \\ -5 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

12 pts

8. 12 pts. Use coordinate vectors to test the linear independence of the set of polynomials. Explain your work.

$$1 + 3t^3, \quad 2 + 4t - t^2, \quad -t + 2t^2 - t^3$$

To check for
linear independence
in \mathbb{R}^4 row reduce!

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

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_4 = R_4 + 3R_3$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -6 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Swap
 R_2 and R_3

Standard basis for
 $\mathbb{P}_3 = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$

Using this basis
the vectors can
be mapped into \mathbb{R}^4 .

They would be:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -13 \end{bmatrix}$$

This will have three pivots
(i.e. one in each column). Hence

This makes them linearly independent
in \mathbb{R}^4 . By isomorphism, they
are also linearly independent
in \mathbb{P}_3 .

12 pts

1)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -3 & 7 & -6 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -18 & -3 & 5 \\ -12 & 2 & 3 \\ -5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -18+24-5 & -3+4-1 & 5-6+1 \\ 54-12-6 & 9-14+6 & -15+21-6 \\ -36+36+0 & -6+6+0 & 10-9+0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Verified.

2a) $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Delta = (3 \cdot 8 - (4 \cdot -5))$$

$$\Delta = 24 + 20 = 44$$

 $\Delta \neq 0$ so invertible.

2b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ -3 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\Delta = 0$

So not invertible

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & -9 & -12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = (1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -9 & -12 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = (3)(-12) - (-9)(4)$$

$$\Delta = -36 - (-36) = 0$$

4)

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

Swap
 R_1 and R_4

$$\Delta = (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 4 & -1 \\ 5 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -17 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det = (-1)(1)(-1)(-17)$$

$$\det = -17$$

This conflicts with my test
So either a miscalculation,