

Final

for Math 308 G, Spring 2017

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- Do not open this exam until you are told to begin. You will have 110 minutes for the exam.
- This exam contains 7 questions for a total of 110 points in 13 pages.
- You are allowed to have one double sided, handwritten note sheet and a non-programmable calculator.
- Show all your work. With the exception of True/False questions, if there is no work supporting an answer (even if correct) you will not receive full credit for the problem.

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Question 1. (10 points) Decide whether the following statements are true or false. For this you don't need to show any work.

(a) [1 point] If \mathcal{A} is a basis of \mathbb{R}^n for every vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $[x]_{\mathcal{A}} = x$.

☐ True ☒ **False**

(b) [1 point] If \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} are basis of a subspace S then $M_{\mathcal{A},\mathcal{B}}$ is a square matrix.

☒ **True** ☐ False

(c) [1 point] If \mathcal{A} is a basis of a subspace S and \mathcal{B} is a basis of S^\perp then \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} have the same number of elements.

☐ True ☒ **False**

(d) [1 point] If λ is an eigenvalue of A then $A - \lambda I$ is invertible.

☐ True ☒ **False**

(e) [1 point] If A is $n \times n$ there is a cofactor C_{ij} equal to zero.

☐ True ☒ **False**

(f) [1 point] If A is upper triangular then $\det A$ is the product of the diagonal elements.

☒ **True** ☐ False

(g) [1 point] If u and v are two orthogonal vectors then $\text{proj}_v(u) = 0$.

☒ **True** ☐ False

(h) [1 point] If λ is an eigenvalue of A then $E_\lambda(A)$ has dimension at least 1.

☒ **True** ☐ False

(i) [1 point] If \hat{x} is a least square approximation of $Ax = b$ then $A\hat{x} = b$.

☐ True ☒ **False**

(j) [1 point] If S is a subspace and $u \notin S$ then $\text{proj}_S(u)$ is the vector of S closest to u .

☒ **True** ☐ False

Question 2. (12 points) For any of the following question, give an explicit example.

- (a) [2 point] An orthogonal basis of \mathbb{R}^3 containing the vector $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Solution:

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

- (b) [2 point] A vector $v \in \text{span}(e_1) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $\|v - e_2\| = \sqrt{5}$.

Solution:

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (c) [2 point] Two bases \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} of \mathbb{R}^3 such that $M_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} = [e_1 + e_2, e_2 + e_3, e_3 + e_1]$.

Solution:

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{E} \quad \mathcal{A} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

- (d) [2 point] A vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and a basis \mathcal{B} of \mathbb{R}^3 different from the standard one such that $[v]_{\mathcal{B}} = e_1$

Solution:

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{B} = \{v, e_2, e_3\}$$

- (e) [2 point] A 3×3 which is diagonalizable but not diagonal.

Solution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (f) [2 point] A 2×2 matrix with e_2 as an eigenvector.

Solution:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Question 3. (18 points) Let A and T_B be the following matrix and linear transformation (where $a \in \mathbb{R}$):

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & a & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & a+1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T_B \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) [2 points] Compute the matrix B associated to the linear transformation T_B , i.e. such that $T_B(x) = B \cdot x$ and identify domain and codomain of both T_A , the linear transformation associated to A , and T_B .

Solution: We have

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Moreover $T_A : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ and $T_B : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$.

- (b) [4 points] For every composition that makes sense, compute the matrices associated to $T_A \circ T_B$ and $T_B \circ T_A$ and identify domain and codomain.

Solution: Since $\text{codom } T_B = \text{dom } T_A$ the composition $T_A \circ T_B : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ make sense and the matrix associated to it is $A \cdot B$ that we compute as follows:

$$A \cdot B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & a & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & a+1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & a+3 \\ 2 & a+2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

On the other hand $\text{codom } T_A \neq \text{dom } T_B$ hence the composition $T_B \circ T_A$ does not make sense.

- (c) [4 points] Let $C = A \cdot B$. Compute for which values of a , C has rank 2.

Solution: We begin by computing the reduced echelon form of C as follows

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & a+3 \\ 2 & a+2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{III} \leftrightarrow \text{I}/2\text{I}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & a+3 \\ 2 & a+2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{III} - 2\text{I}]{\text{II} - 3\text{I}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & a \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

From this we can infer directly that when $a \neq 0$ the REF of C has two leading terms, one for each column; on the other hand if $a = 0$ there is a column without leading term, and two row of zeroes. Therefore $\text{rank}(C) = \dim \text{col}(C) = 2$ whenever $a \neq 0$.

- (d) [4 points] For the values of a you found above, compute basis for $\text{row}(C)$ and $\text{col}(C)^\perp$.

Solution: Given the computation above

$$\mathcal{B}_{\text{row}(C)} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ a \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

which is a basis since we are assuming $a \neq 0$. On the other hand, $\text{col}(C)^\perp = \text{null } C^T$ hence

$$\text{col}(C)^\perp = \text{null} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 2 \\ a+3 & a+2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \text{null} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (e) [4 points] Let v_1, v_2 be the columns of the REF of C with $a = 2$ and let $u_1 = e_1 + e_2$ and $u_2 = e_2$. Show that $\mathcal{B} = \{u_1, u_2\}$ is a basis of $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}$ and compute the change of basis matrix $M_{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{A}}$ where $\mathcal{A} = \{v_1, v_2\}$.

Solution: It is easy to see that u_1 and u_2 are linearly independent and their dot product with e_3 is 0 (note that $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}^\perp = \text{span}\{e_3\}$); in particular they are a basis. Moreover we have

$$v_1 = u_1 - u_2 \qquad v_2 = u_1 + u_2$$

This shows that

$$M_{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{A}} = ([v_1]_{\mathcal{B}}, [v_2]_{\mathcal{B}}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Question 4. (20 points) At each given year $\frac{2}{10}$ of the population of New York (N) moves to California while $\frac{3}{10}$ of Californians (C) move to New York (assuming the remaining part of the population does not move).

- (a) [2 points] Denote by $N(n)$ and $C(n)$ the populations in New York and California respectively at year n . Write a linear system expressing the change of the population in New York and California from year n to year $n + 1$. (Hint: express $N(n + 1)$ using $N(n)$ and $C(n)$ and to the same with $C(n + 1)$).

Solution: Given the description above the linear system reads as follows

$$\begin{cases} N(n+1) = \frac{8}{10}N(n) + \frac{3}{10}C(n) \\ C(n+1) = \frac{2}{10}N(n) + \frac{7}{10}C(n) \end{cases}$$

- (b) [1 points] Write the linear system in vector form (i.e. express the vector $(N(n+1)C(n+1))$ as a matrix A multiplied by a vector).

Solution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} N(n+1) \\ C(n+1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{8}{10} & \frac{3}{10} \\ \frac{2}{10} & \frac{7}{10} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} N(n) \\ C(n) \end{pmatrix}$$

- (c) [3 points] Denoted by A the matrix appearing above compute the eigenvalues of A and their multiplicities.

Solution: The characteristic polynomial of A is given by

$$p_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - 1) \cdot (\lambda - \frac{1}{2})$$

Hence the eigenvalues are 1 and $\frac{1}{2}$ both with multiplicity 1.

- (d) [1 points] Can you tell if A is diagonalizable without further computations? Explain.

Solution: Since A has 2 eigenvalues of multiplicity 1 the corresponding eigenspaces will have both dimension 1 proving that A is diagonalizable.

- (e) [4 points] Compute bases for all eigenspaces of A .

Solution: For $\lambda = 1$

$$E_1(A) = \text{null}(A - I) = \text{null} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{10} & \frac{3}{10} \\ \frac{2}{10} & -\frac{3}{10} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly for $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$

$$E_{\frac{1}{2}}(A) = \text{null}(A - \frac{1}{2}I) = \text{null} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{10} & \frac{3}{10} \\ \frac{2}{10} & \frac{2}{10} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (f) [2 points] If A is diagonalizable find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $A = PDP^{-1}$, and a basis \mathcal{B} of \mathbb{R}^2 of eigenvectors of A .

Solution: By the computation above we can take

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

and the basis $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$.

- (g) [3 points] Assume that the population of New York and California in the year 2017 is respectively 20 and 40 millions. Express the vector $(N(2017), C(2017))$ as a linear combination of the vectors in the base \mathcal{B} .

Solution: We need to find x_1, x_2 such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} N(2017) \\ C(2017) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 40 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Using Gauss-Jordan we have

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} \frac{3}{2} & -1 & 20 \\ 1 & 1 & 40 \end{array} \right) \sim \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 24 \\ 0 & 1 & 16 \end{array} \right)$$

This implies that

$$\begin{pmatrix} N(2017) \\ C(2017) \end{pmatrix} = 24 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 16 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (h) [4 points] Using all the information you gatheres, compute the expected population in 20 years from now, i.e. compute $N(2037)$ and $C(2037)$. (Use the approximation $16/2^{20} \sim 0.00002$).

Solution: This is equivalent to compute

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} N(2037) \\ C(2037) \end{pmatrix} &= A^{20} \begin{pmatrix} N(2017) \\ C(2017) \end{pmatrix} = 24A^{20} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 16A^{20} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 24 \cdot 1^{20} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 16 \cdot \frac{1}{2^{20}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 36 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -0.00002 \\ 0.00002 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 35.99998 \\ 24.00002 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Question 5. (18 points) Let A be the following matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) [4 points] Compute the characteristic polynomial $p_A(\lambda)$ of A , the eigenvalues of A and their multiplicities.

Solution: Since A is diagonal, $A - \lambda I_3$ is also diagonal therefore

$$p_A(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I_3) = (1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)^2.$$

This shows that the eigenvalues of A are 1 and 2 of multiplicity 1 and 2 respectively.

- (b) [2 points] Given your previous computation, is A invertible? Why or why not?

Solution: Since 0 is not an eigenvalue of A by the Big Theorem A is invertible.

- (c) [6 points] Determine a basis for every eigenspace of A .

Solution:

$$E_1(A) = \text{null}(A - 1I_3) = \text{null} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{null} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore $E_1(A)$ is given by the solutions of $x_1 = x_2 = 0$ hence

$$E_1(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

In the same way

$$E_2(A) = \text{null}(A - 2I_3) = \text{null} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \text{null} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

which correspond to the solutions of $x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0$ hence

$$E_2(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

- (d) [3 points] Is A diagonalizable? Why or why not? If it is diagonalizable, find P and D such that $A = P \cdot D \cdot P^{-1}$.

Solution: Yes A is diagonalizable since

$$\dim E_1(A) + \dim E_2(A) = 3$$

therefore there exists a basis of eigenvectors and A is diagonalizable. Given the previous computations we can take

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (e) [3 points] Let $B = A - I_3$. What is $\text{rank}(B)$? (hint: try to compute the nullity(B) first and relate $\text{null}(B)$ with eigenvectors of A).

Solution: If $v \in \text{null}(B)$ then $B \cdot v = (A - I)v = 0$ which is equivalent to $A \cdot v = v$. Hence every vector in the null space is an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue 1. In particular $\text{null}(B) = E_1(A)$ which implies $\text{nullity}(B) = \dim E_1(A) = 1$. By the rank-nullity theorem this implies $\text{rank}(B) = 3 - \text{nullity}(B) = 3 - 1 = 2$.

Question 6. (22 points) You are asked to best fit parabola of the form

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c$$

passing through the points $(1, 1)$, $(0, 1)$, $(-1, 1)$, $(0, 0)$ and $(1, 0)$.

- (a) [1 points] Show that the linear system $Ax = b$ associated to finding a parabola passing through all the given points has no solution.

Solution: Substituting for x and y we get the system

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

The system is clearly inconsistent since the second equation reads $c = 1$ while the fourth asks $c = 0$.

- (b) [5 points] Let A as above and denote by u_1, u_2, u_3 the three columns of A . Compute the vectors

$$v_1 = u_1 \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = u_2 - \text{proj}_{v_1}(u_2) \quad \text{and} \quad v_3 = u_3 - \text{proj}_{v_1}(u_3) - \text{proj}_{v_2}(u_3)$$

(note the projections are onto v_1 and v_2 !).

Solution: We apply the formula of the projection as follows

$$v_2 = u_2 - \text{proj}_{v_1}(u_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{u_2 \cdot v_1}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 0 \\ 1/3 \\ 0 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 0 \\ -4/3 \\ 0 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly

$$v_3 = u_3 - \text{proj}_{v_1}(u_3) - \text{proj}_{v_2}(u_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \underline{0} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (c) [2 points] Show that $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is an orthogonal basis of $\text{col}(A)$.

Solution: It is easy to see that $v_1 \cdot v_2 = v_2 \cdot v_3 = v_3 \cdot v_1 = 0$ so they form an orthogonal set. Moreover by definition v_1, v_2 and v_3 are linear combinations of u_1, u_2 and u_3 hence they all belong to $\text{col}(A)$. Since they are orthogonal they are linearly independent and therefore they form a basis (since $\text{rank}(A) \leq 3$).

- (d) [5 points] Let A and b be as above. Compute $\hat{b} = \text{proj}_{\text{col}(A)}(b)$. (hint: you might want to use the basis you just computed).

Solution: Since $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is an orthogonal basis we have by definition

$$\text{proj}_{\text{col}(A)}(b) = \text{proj}_{v_1}(b) + \text{proj}_{v_2}(b) + \text{proj}_{v_3}(b) = \frac{2}{3}v_1 + \frac{-1}{4}v_2 + \frac{1}{2}v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (e) [3 points] Write the normal equations for the problem of finding the least square approximation (do not solve them yet).

Solution: The Normal Equations are $A^T \cdot Ax = A^T \cdot b$ hence we compute

$$A^T \cdot A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$A^T \cdot b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore the normal equations read

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \hat{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (f) [5 points] Find the least square approximation \hat{x} using the Gauss-Jordan algorithm (hint: you might consider swapping two lines).

Solution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{I} \leftrightarrow \text{II}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{III} - 3\text{I}]{\text{II} - 3\text{I}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -8 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[-1/8\text{III}]{-1/8\text{II}} \\
 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/4 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/4 & -3/8 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{III} - \text{II}]{\text{I} - 3\text{II}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 3/4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/4 & -1/8 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-4\text{III}} \\
 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 3/4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{I} - \text{III}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

From the computation we see that the solution of the normal equations is given by

$$\hat{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

(g) [1 points] Show that $A\hat{x} = \hat{b}$.

Solution:

$$A \cdot \hat{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \hat{b}$$

Extra Credit Question - 10 points

Question 7. (10 points) Let A be a $m \times n$ matrix and B be a $n \times m$ matrix. Assume $n > m$ and $A \cdot B = C$ is an invertible matrix.

- (a) [4 points] Show that $\text{nullity } B = 0$. (Hint: show that $\text{null}(B) \subset \text{null}(A \cdot B)$, i.e. if a vector is the null space of B then it has to be in the null space of $A \cdot B$.)

Solution: If $v \in \text{null}(B)$ then $Bv = \underline{0}$. This implies that $(A \cdot B)v = \underline{0}$ so $v \in \text{null}(A \cdot B) = \text{null}(C) = \{\underline{0}\}$, since C is invertible. Hence $v = \underline{0}$ which shows that $\text{nullity}(B) = 0$.

- (b) [3 points] Show that $\text{rank } A = m$. (Hint: show that $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A \cdot B)$ by showing that the columns of $A \cdot B$ are linear combination of columns of A).

Solution: If $B = [b_1, \dots, b_m]$ then $A \cdot B = [A \cdot b_1, \dots, A \cdot b_m]$ and $A \cdot b_i$ is a linear combination of columns of A . This shows that every column of $A \cdot B$ is a linear combination of columns of A hence $\text{col}(A \cdot B) \subset \text{col}(A)$ which implies $\text{rank}(A \cdot B) \leq \text{rank}(A)$. Similarly, since $C = A \cdot B$ is invertible, $\text{rank}(C) = m$ and $\text{rank}(A \cdot B) = m$. Hence $\text{rank}(A) = m$.

- (c) [2 points] Use this to show that if $T_A \circ T_B$ is an invertible linear transformation then T_B needs to be 1-to-1 and T_A needs to be onto.

Solution: Since $T_A \circ T_B = T_{A \cdot B}$ is invertible this shows that $A \cdot B = C$ is an invertible matrix. We already showed that this implies that $\text{nullity}(B) = 0$ which implies $\ker T_B = \{\underline{0}\}$ hence T_B is 1-to-1. Similarly we showed that $\text{rank}(A) = m$ which implies $\dim \text{range}(T_A) = m$; since $\text{codom } T_A = \mathbb{R}^m$ this shows that T_A is onto.