

# CS 210

## Practice Midterm

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Rules:

- Work individually. No notes, calculators, etc., permitted. Scratch paper will be provided by the proctor.
- The proctor is not allowed to answer individual questions during the exam, but may choose to make an announcement if something requires correction/clarification.
- If you see a possible error or ambiguity in an exam question, you may bring it to the attention of the proctor.
- You should answer every question to the best of your ability even if you think there is a issue/mistake in the question.

Question	Points	Score
1	2	
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11	4	
12	4	
13	4	
14	4	
15	4	
16	10	
17	8	
18	12	
Total	70	

## True/False

For each question, indicate whether the statement is true or false by circling T or F, respectively. Let  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

1. (T/☒F)  $\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T$  has rank  $n$ .
2. (☒T/F)  $(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T)\mathbf{w} = \alpha\mathbf{u}$ , where  $\alpha = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$ .
3. (☒T/F)  $\mathbf{e}_i^T A \mathbf{e}_j = a_{ij}$ , where  $\mathbf{e}_i, \mathbf{e}_j$  are the  $i^{\text{th}}$  and  $j^{\text{th}}$  canonical vectors, respectively, and  $a_{ij}$  is the entry of  $A$  in row  $i$  and column  $j$ .
4. (T/☒F)  $AB = BA$  for all  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .
5. (☒T/F)  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$  for all  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .
6. (☒T/F) The relative error in representing a number as a denormalized floating point number could be higher than the relative error in representing a number as a normalized floating point number.
7. (T/☒F) In floating point arithmetic, it is guaranteed that  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$ .
8. (T/☒F) In the IEEE-754 floating point standard,  $5/\text{Inf}$  is undefined.
9. (☒T/F) Cancellation error can occur when two very close numbers are subtracted.
10. (☒T/F) Cholesky factorization without pivoting is a stable algorithm.

## Multiple Choice

Instructions: For the multiple choice problems, circle exactly one of (a) - (e).

11. Consider non-zero vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , with  $1 \leq k < n$ . Which scenario is possible?
  - (a) ☒  $\text{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k) = \text{span}(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n)$ .
  - (b)  $\text{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k) = \mathbb{R}^n$ .
  - (c)  $\text{span}(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n) = \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{u}_j = 0 \forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\}, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .
  - (d)  $\dim \text{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k) = 0$ .
  - (e) None of the above are possible.
12. Which conditions necessarily imply that a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is singular?
  - I.  $\det(A) < 0$ .
  - II. There exists a  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , such that  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has more than one solution  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
  - III.  $\|A\| = 0$ .
  - (a) I only
  - (b) II only
  - (c) I and III only
  - (d) ☒ II and III only
  - (e) I, II and III

13. Which of the following statements are true?

- I. The diagonal matrix  $10^6 I$ , where  $I$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix, is well-conditioned.
- II. An unstable algorithm may compute a solution that has a large backward error.
- III. LU factorization without pivoting is an example of an unstable algorithm.

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

14. Let  $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $\mathbf{q}$  be a unit vector (i.e.,  $\|\mathbf{q}\|_2 = 1$ ). Let  $\mathbf{v}_{||}$  be the component of  $\mathbf{v}$  parallel to  $\mathbf{q}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{\perp}$  be the component of  $\mathbf{v}$  orthogonal to  $\mathbf{q}$ , so that  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_{\perp} + \mathbf{v}_{||}$ . Which statement is false?

- (a)  $\mathbf{v}_{||} = (\mathbf{q}^T \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{q}$
- (b)  $(I - \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^T)(I - \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^T) = (I - \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^T)$
- (c)  $\mathbf{v}_{\perp} = (I - 2\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^T)\mathbf{v}$
- (d)  $(I - \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^T)(\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^T)\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$

15. Let  $A, P, M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , and let  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , and let  $P$  be a permutation matrix. Which statement is false?

- (a)  $PAP^T \mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{b}$ .
- (b) If  $AP\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$ , then  $\mathbf{y} = P^T \mathbf{x}$ .
- (c)  $MA\mathbf{x} = M\mathbf{b}$ , where  $M$  is a singular matrix.
- (d)  $PA$  is a row permutation of  $A$ .
- (e)  $PP^T = I$ , where  $I \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the  $n \times n$  identity.

### Written Response

16. Let  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Compute the following:

- (a)  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty$
- (b)  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1$
- (c)  $\|A\|_\infty$
- (d)  $\|A\|_1$
- (e)  $\|A\|_F$  (Frobenius norm of  $A$ )

**Solution:**

- (a)  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = \max(|1|, |2|, |-3|) = 3$
- (b)  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = |1| + |2| + |3| = 6$
- (c)  $\|A\|_\infty = \max_i \sum_j |a_{ij}| = \max(|1| + |2| + |3|, |-1| + |0| + |4|, |2| + |-2| + |1|) = \max(6, 5, 5) = 6$
- (d)  $\|A\|_1 = \max_j \sum_i |a_{ij}| = \max(|1| + |-1| + |2|, |2| + |0| + |-2|, |3| + |4| + |1|) = \max(4, 4, 8) = 8$
- (e)  $\|A\|_F = (\sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (1 + 4 + 9 + 1 + 16 + 4 + 4 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{40}$

17. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

- (a) What is the rank of  $A$ ?
- (b) Give a basis for the column space of  $A$ .
- (c) Give a basis for the null space of  $A$ .

**Solution:**

- (a)  $A$  has two columns which can be seen to be linearly dependent by inspection. Therefore, the column space of  $A$  is spanned by the first column of  $A$  and has dimension 1. The rank of  $A$  is the dimension of its column space, so  $\text{rank}(A) = 1$ .
- (b) Either column of  $A$ , or any nonzero multiple thereof, comprises a basis for the column space of  $A$ . E.g.,  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$
- (c) The domain of  $A$  is  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .  $A$  has rank 1, so the null space has dimension  $2-1 = 1$ . Note that

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

Therefore a basis for the null space of  $A$  is

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

18. Consider the  $3 \times 3$  matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -4 & 12 \\ -4 & 13 & 6 \\ 12 & 6 & 73 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find the Cholesky factorization of  $A$ . Specifically, express  $A$  as  $A = LL^T$  where  $L$  is a lower triangular matrix.
- (b) It is possible to avoid square roots by instead computing the  $LDL^T$  decomposition  $A = LDL^T$ , where  $L$  is unit lower triangular, and  $D$  is a diagonal matrix. Find the  $LDL^T$  decomposition of  $A$  from your result in part (a).
- (c) Give pseudocode for computing the  $LDL^T$  decomposition of a matrix.

**Solution:**

(a)

$$l_1 l_1^T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -4 & 12 \\ -4 & 4 & -12 \\ 12 & -12 & 36 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A - l_1 l_1^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 18 \\ 0 & 18 & 37 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$l_2 l_2^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 18 \\ 0 & 18 & 36 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A - l_1 l_1^T - l_2 l_2^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$l_3 l_3^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Putting this together,

$$A = l_1 l_1^T + l_2 l_2^T + l_3 l_3^T = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_L \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{L^T}$$

(b) We rescale the columns of  $L$  and the rows of  $L^T$  to get

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_L \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_D \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{L^T} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Note that if  $A = LDL^T$ , then

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ii} \mathbf{l}_i \mathbf{l}_i^T,$$

where  $\mathbf{l}_i$  are the columns of  $L$  and  $d_{ii}$  are the diagonal entries of  $D$ . Below is pseudocode for computing the  $LDL^T$  decomposition of a matrix.

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function [L,D] = LDL(A)

[m,n] = size(A);

for k=1:n
    D(k,k) = A(k,k);

    % compute the vector l_k
    for i = k:n
        L(i,k) = A(i,k) / D(k,k);
    end

    % update A <- A - d_kk l_k l_k^T
    for i = k:n
        for j = k:n
            A(i,j) = A(i,j) - L(i,k) * D(k,k) * L(j,k);
        end
    end
end
end
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