

Linear Algebra (I) Final Exam

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Time: 110 minutes

注意事項:

- 本題目紙背面也有試題。
- 請在答案紙的封面寫上自己的姓名。
- 請勿使用任何書籍、筆記或電子儀器。
- 請將答案寫在答案紙上並清楚標明題號。
- 答題順序不拘，雙面皆可書寫，但請勿將一題的答案分散在不連續的頁面上。
- 字跡請勿潦草，以免批改者無法辨識。
- 每一題皆須邏輯正確無誤且論證完整清晰才能得到滿分。批改者可斟酌給予部分分數。
- 課堂上或習題中證明過的定理可以直接引用，無須重新證明一次。
- 除了將英文翻譯成中文以外，監考人員不回答任何跟試題有關的問題。
- 如有未盡事宜，以監考人員的指示為準。

1. (5 points) Find the inverse of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & c & 1 & 0 \\ b & d & e & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

2. (5 points) Find all $t \in \mathbb{R}$ such that the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & t & 0 & 0 \\ t & 1 & t & 0 \\ 0 & t & 1 & t \\ 0 & 0 & t & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is not invertible.

3. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 7 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & 7 & 7 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & -5 & 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) (5 points) Solve the system of linear equations $Ax = b$ over \mathbb{R} .

(b) (5 points) Find the rank of A .

(c) (5 points) Find a basis for the null space of L_A .

(d) (5 points) Let $W = \{w \in \mathbb{R}^5 \mid Ax = w \text{ has a solution}\}$. Find a basis for W .

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4. (5 points) Let $Ax = b$ be a system of n linear equations in n unknowns such that all entries of A and b are integers. Show that if $\det(A) = 1$, then all entries of the solution x are integers.
5. (5 points) Find the determinant of the $n \times n$ matrix whose diagonal entries are c and all the other entries are 1. Hint: Let $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be the standard basis for F^n , and let $v = e_1 + \dots + e_n$. Then the determinant in question can be written as $\det((c-1)e_1 + v, (c-1)e_2 + v, \dots, (c-1)e_n + v)$.
6. (5 points) Let A and B be $n \times n$ invertible matrices. Show that $\det(A) = \det(B)$ if and only if there exists an $n \times n$ matrix C with $\det(C) = 1$ such that $AC = B$.
 $C = A^{-1}B$
7. (5 points) Let $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ and let $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Show that if $\det(A) = 0$, then the system of linear equations $Ax = b$ either has no solution or has infinitely many solutions.
8. Let $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ be a matrix such that the linear system $Ax = b$ has a solution for any $b \in F^m$.
 $n \geq m$
 - (a) (5 points) Show that $n \geq m$.
 - (b) (5 points) Show that the solution space of the homogeneous system $Ax = 0$ is $(n-m)$ -dimensional.
9. (5 points) Let $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$. Show that the row vectors of A are linearly independent (and distinct) if and only if there exists a subset of the column vectors of A which is a basis for F^m .
10. (a) (5 points) Let $T: V \rightarrow V$ be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space V . Show that if $T^2 = 0$, then $\text{rank}(T) \leq \dim(V)/2$. Hint: the condition $T^2 = 0$ is equivalent to $R(T) \subseteq N(T)$.
 (b) (5 points) Use the results of (a) to show that if an $n \times n$ matrix A satisfies $A^2 = 0$, then $\text{rank}(A) \leq n/2$.

Solutions:

2.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t & 0 & 0 \\ t & 1 & t & 0 \\ 0 & t & 1 & t \\ 0 & 0 & t & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow t = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

4.

$$\because \det A = 1 \neq 0$$

$$\therefore x = A^{-1}b = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{\det A}b = \text{adj}(A)b$$

\because all entries of A are integers

- \therefore the cofactors of A must be integers
- \therefore all entries of $\text{adj}(A)$ are integers
- \therefore all entries of b are integers
- \therefore all entries of $\text{adj}(A)b$ are integers
- \therefore all entries of the solution x are integers

5.

Let $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be the standard basis for F^n

Let $v = e_1 + e_2 + \dots + e_n$

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} c & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & c & \ddots & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & c \end{pmatrix} &= \det(ce_1 + e_2 + \dots + e_n, e_1 + ce_2 + e_3 + \dots + e_n, \dots, e_1 + \dots + e_{n-1} + ce_n) \\ &= \det((c-1)e_1 + v, (c-1)e_2 + v, \dots, (c-1)e_n + v) \\ &= \det((c-1)e_1 + v, (c-1)(e_2 - e_1), \dots, (c-1)(e_n - e_1)) \\ &= (c-1)^n \det(e_1, (e_2 - e_1), \dots, (e_n - e_1)) \\ &\quad + (c-1)^{n-1} \det(e_1 + e_2 + \dots + e_n, (e_2 - e_1), \dots, (e_n - e_1)) \\ &= (c-1)^n \det(e_1, \dots, e_n) + (c-1)^{n-1} \det(ne_1, (e_2 - e_1), \dots, (e_n - e_1)) \\ &= (c-1)^n + n(c-1)^{n-1} \det(e_1, \dots, e_n) = (c-1)^n + n(c-1)^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

6.

(\Leftarrow)

$$\det AC = \det A \det C = \det A \cdot 1 = \det B$$

(\Rightarrow)

$$\text{Let } C = A^{-1}B \in M_{n \times n}(F)$$

$$\det C = \det A^{-1}B = \det A^{-1} \det B = \frac{1}{\det A} \det B = \frac{1}{\det B} \det B = 1$$

7.

$$\therefore \det A = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{rank}(A) < n$$

$$\therefore \text{nullity}(A) = n - \text{rank}(A) > 0$$

$$\therefore N(A) \neq \{0\}$$

If $Ax = b$ has no solution, then proved!

Otherwise, say $Ax_0 = b$ for some x_0

The solution set $\{x|Ax = b\} = x_0 + \{x|Ax = 0\} = x_0 + N(A)$

$\Rightarrow Ax = b$ has infinitely many solutions

8.

(a)

$$L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^m$$

$\because \forall b \in F^m, L_A(x) = b$ has a solution

$\therefore L_A$ is surjective

$$\therefore n \geq m$$

(b)

$\because L_A$ is onto

$$\therefore \text{rank}(L_A) = m$$

\therefore the solution space of $Ax = 0$ has dimension $n - \text{rank}(A) = n - \text{rank}(L_A) = n - m$

Type equation here.

9.

(\Rightarrow)

\because row vectors of A are linear independent

\therefore row vectors of A forms a basis for F^m

$$\dim \text{row}(A) = m = \dim \text{col}(A)$$

\therefore we can find a subset of m 's column vectors of A which forms a basis for $\text{col}(A)$

\Rightarrow which is a basis for F^m

(\Leftarrow)

\because a basis of column vector is a basis for F^m

$$\therefore \dim \text{col}(A) = \dim F^m = m$$

\therefore the row vectors of A are a basis for F^m

\therefore the row vectors of A are linearly independent

10.

(a)

$$\forall v \in V$$

$$\because T(T(v)) = 0$$

$$\therefore T(v) \in N(T)$$

$$\therefore R(T) \subseteq N(T)$$

$$\therefore \text{rank}(T) \leq \text{nullity}(T)$$

$$\dim V = \text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) \geq \text{rank}(T) + \text{rank}(T) = 2\text{rank}(T)$$

$$\therefore \text{rank}(T) \leq \dim V / 2$$

(b)

$$\text{Let } T = L_A, V = F^n$$

$$L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^n$$

$$\therefore A^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore L_A^2 = 0$$

By (a),

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(L_A) \leq \dim F^n / 2 = n/2$$