

**Linear Algebra**  
Final Exam (June 13, 2022)

1. (5 %) Let  $A$  be a nonsingular matrix. Show that

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$$

2. Let  $A$  be a  $4 \times 4$  matrix. If

$$\operatorname{adj} A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a. (6 %) Calculate the value of  $\det(\operatorname{adj} A)$ . What should the value of  $\det(A)$  be?  
[Hint:  $\det(\operatorname{adj} A) = (\det(A))^{n-1}$  for  $n \times n$  matrix with  $n > 1$ ]
- b. (4 %) Find  $A$ .
3. (5 %) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Show that if  $B = S^{-1}AS$  for some nonsingular matrix  $S$ , then  $\det(B) = \det(A)$ .
4. (5 %) Determine the null space of matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -2 & -3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. Determine whether the following are spanning sets for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

- a. (5 %)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$
- b. (5 %)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

6. Determine whether the following vectors are linearly independent in  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ :

- a. (5 %)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- b. (5 %)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

7. (5 %) Find the transition matrix representing the change of coordinates on  $P_3$  from the ordered basis  $[1, x, x^2]$  to the ordered basis  $[1 + 2x + x^2, 1 + 2x, 1]$ .
8. Given a matrix

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

- (5 %) Find a basis for the row space.
- (5 %) Find a basis for the column space.
- (5 %) Find a basis for the null space.

9. (5 %) Let  $L: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear operator. If

$$L\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad L\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the value of  $L\left(\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ .

10. (10 %) Let

$$\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and let  $L$  be the linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  into  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined by

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{b}_2 + (x_1 + x_2) \mathbf{b}_3$$

Find the matrix  $A$  representing  $L$  with respect to the ordered bases  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2\}$  and  $\{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3\}$ .

11. (10 %) Prove that if  $A$  is similar to  $B$  and  $B$  is similar to  $C$ , then  $A$  is similar to  $C$ .

12. Let

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and let  $L$  be a linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  whose matrix representation with respect to the ordered basis  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (5 %) Determine the transition matrix from the basis  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$  to the basis  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$ .
- (5 %) Find the matrix representation of  $L$  with respect to  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ .