

535.641 Midterm

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1. (a) Let  $S_1 = \{(-3, 0, 3), (6, -4, 7), (2, 1, -3)\}$  and  $S_2 = \{(3, 0, 3), (3, -4, -1), (1, 1, 2)\}$ . Test each set for linear independence. Note: The vectors in the sets are column vectors. They are written in row form in order to save space.

(b) Use step-by-step Gauss Elimination to solve the system.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ -3 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 6 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 19 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ans:

(a) Find determinant of  $S_1$ , after converting vector form into matrix form

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 6 & 2 \\ 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 3 & 7 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = -3 \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 1 \\ 7 & -3 \end{vmatrix} - 6 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ 3 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -3(12 - 7) - 6(0 - 3) + 2(0 + 12)$$

$$= -15 + 18 + 24$$

$$= -15 + 42$$

$$= 27$$

since  $\det(S_1)$  is not zero, therefore  $S_1$  are linearly independent.

let's do similar for  $S_2$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - 3 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3(-8 + 1) - 3(-3) + (+12)$$

$$= -21 + 9 + 12$$

$$= 0$$

since  $\det(S_2)$  is zero, therefore  $S_2$  are linearly dependent.

(b) We need to solve  $Ax = b$

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where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 19 \\ -3 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 6 & 4 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 19 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can write augmented matrix as below

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} -1 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 19 \\ -3 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 6 & 4 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

Let's now perform following operation to get the row echelon form.

$$R_1 \rightarrow -R_1$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -3 & -2 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 19 \\ -3 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 6 & 4 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

Let's apply following operation

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 3R_1$$

$$R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + 2R_1$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -3 & -2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 7 & 8 & 0 & 25 \\ 0 & -7 & -4 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{LHS} \quad \text{RHS}$$

More operations

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -3 & -2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 7 & 8 & 0 & 25 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{LHS} \quad \text{RHS}$$

Now matrix is in row echelon form. Let's solve equation using back substitution

$$x_1 - 3x_2 - 2x_3 = -3 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$7x_2 + 8x_3 = 25 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$4x_3 = 16 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$x_3 = 4 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

This gives

$$x_4 = -3$$

$$x_3 = 4$$

$$7x_2 + 8x_3 = 25 \Rightarrow 7x_2 = -7 \Rightarrow x_2 = -1$$

$$x_1 = -3 + 3(-1) + 2(4) = -3 - 3 + 8 = +2$$

Solution is:  $x_1 = 2, x_2 = -1, x_3 = 4, x_4 = -3$

2. (a) Compute the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Show all steps.

(b) Find matrices  $P$  and  $D$  that diagonalize  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$ . Show all steps.

Ans:

(a)

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

To find the inverse of  $M$ , let's use Gauss-Jordan elimination method. Following is augmented matrix  $[M | I]$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Now apply operation to convert left side into identity matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} R_2 &\rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1 \\ R_3 &\rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -2 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_2 &\rightarrow R_2/4 \\ R_3 &\rightarrow R_3/4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 & y_2 & y_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -y_2 & 0 & y_4 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + \frac{1}{2}R_3$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & y_2 & 0 & y_4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & y_4 & y_4 & y_8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 & 0 & 1/4 \end{array} \right]$$

This gives inverse matrix of M as below

$$M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/8 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) To diagonalize A

$$A = P D P^{-1}$$

or

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let's find eigenvalues of A using characteristic equation

$$\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5-\lambda & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$-\lambda \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 5-\lambda & -9 & -5 \\ 5 & -9-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & -9-\lambda & 0 \end{array} \right| - 9 \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & -9 & -9 \\ 0 & -9-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right| = 0$$

$$-\lambda((5-\lambda)(-9-\lambda) - 5 \times -9) - 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$-\lambda(-45 - 5\lambda + 9\lambda + \lambda^2 + 45) = 0$$

$$-\lambda(\lambda^2 + 4\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2(\lambda + 4) = 0$$

The eigenvalues are

$$\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 0, \lambda_3 = -4$$

Since we don't have unique eigenvalues  
therefore let's find eigenvectors as well

For  $\lambda_1 = 0$ :

$$(A - \lambda I)v = 0$$

$$(A - 0I)v = 0$$

$$Av = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x_2 - 9x_3 = 0 \quad \text{Variable } x_1 \text{ is free.}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x_2 = 9x_3$$

The solution space has two linear independent vectors.

$$\text{let } x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 0.$$

This gives eigenvector

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{let } x_1 = 0, x_2 = 9, x_3 = 5, \text{ this gives}$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 9 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{For } \lambda_2 = -4$$

$$\text{Solve } (A + \lambda I)v = 0$$

$$(A + 4I)v = 0$$

$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -9 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) v = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & -9 \\ 0 & 9 & -9 \\ 0 & 5 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Second row gives: } 9x_2 - 9x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = x_3$$

$$\text{From row one: } 4x_1 + 5x_2 - 9x_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x_1 + 5x_3 - 9x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow 4x_1 = 4x_3 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_3$$

This gives simplest eigenvector as

$$v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now construct P and D

D: Is a diagonal matrix containing the eigenvalues

P: Corresponding eigenvectors as its column

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}, P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 9 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Q} = V(DV^{-1}) + f_0 I$$

$$\text{Q} = V \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. (a) Check the set of vectors

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

for orthogonality.

(b) Determine if  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . If it is, find a basis and the dimension.

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} : 2x_2 - 3x_4 = 0 \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$$

Ans (a) we have

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

For these vectors to be orthogonal, their pair of dot product should be zero.

Let's find for each pair

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = 4 - 6 + 6 - 4 = 0$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = -1 + 2 + 6 - 12 = -5$$

since  $v_1 \cdot v_3$  is not zero therefore set of  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_3$  is not orthogonal.

(b)  $S$  to be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ,  $S$  must satisfy three conditions.

Condition 1: Contains the zero vector

The given condition, let's apply zero vector

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

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_2 - 3x_4 &= 0 \\ 2 \cdot 0 - 3 \cdot 0 &= 0 \\ 0 - 0 &= 0 \\ 0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which is true, it means  $S$  contains zero vector.

Condition 2: Closed under addition

let's we two vector

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \end{bmatrix}, v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $u$  &  $v$  vectors in  $S$ , it should satisfy the

condition:

$$2x_2 - 3x_4 = 0$$

let's try both vector

$$2u_2 - 3u_4 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$2v_2 - 3v_4 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Now find sum

$$u+v = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \\ u_3 + v_3 \\ u_4 + v_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now check if  $u+v$  exist in  $S$  satisfying the given condition

$$2(u_2 + v_2) - 3(u_4 + v_4) = 2u_2 - 3u_4 + 2v_2 - 3v_4 \\ = 0 + 0 \\ = 0$$

which is true, it means  $S$  contains  $v_1 + v_2$

Condition 3: closed under scalar multiplication

Let  $u$  be a vector and  $c$  be any scalar

$$c \cdot u = \begin{bmatrix} cu_1 \\ cu_2 \\ cu_3 \\ cu_4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } 2u_2 - 3u_4 = 0$$

Let's check if  $c \cdot u$  exist in  $S$

$$2(cu_2) - 3(cu_4) = c(2u_2 - 3u_4) \\ = c(0) \\ = 0$$

This condition is also satisfied.

Since all three conditions are satisfied  
therefore  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Basis and Dimension:

The given equation for subspace

$$2x_2 - 3x_4 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{3}{2}x_4$$

This means variable  $x_1, x_2$  and  $x_4$  are free.  
let's set free variables as

$$x_3 = s$$

$$x_4 = t$$

This gives

$$x_2 = \frac{3}{2}t$$

A general vector in  $S$  can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{3}{2}t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Three vectors on the right span the subspace  $S$  and are linearly independent. Therefore they form the basis.

Note: To avoid the fraction, we can multiply third vector by 2.

Basis of  $S$  can be defined as

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

Dimension of subspace = No. of vectors in basis  
= 3

4. For the linear differential system  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x}$ , complete the following steps (a)-(c) for each  $A$  matrix given below.

- Find the general solution of real functions.
- Sketch by hand an approximate phase portrait indicating the direction of the trajectories.
- Discuss why the trajectories are shaped as you drew them. What happens as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$  and  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ans: First system:

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

(a) General solution

Solve eigenvalues using the characteristic equation

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

$$\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0$$

$$\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 4-\lambda & 4 \\ 4 & -2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0$$

$$(4-\lambda)(-2-\lambda) - 4 \cdot 4 = 0$$

$$-8 - 8\lambda + 2\lambda + \lambda^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 24 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot -24}}{2 \cdot 1}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 96}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{100}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm 10}{2}$$

$$= 1 \pm 5$$

$$\lambda_1 = 6, \lambda_2 = -4$$

The eigenvalues are real and have opposite signs.  
This indicates the origin is a saddle point.

Now, find the eigenvectors:

For  $\lambda_1 = 6$  let's solve

$$(A - \lambda I)v = 0$$

$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - 6 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) v = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 4 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-2x + 4y = 0 \quad \cancel{\text{①}} \Rightarrow x - 2y = 0 \quad \text{①}$$

$$4x - 8y = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x - 2y = 0 \quad \text{②}$$

$$\text{This gives } x = 2y$$

so eigenvector for simplified value for  $x$  &  $y$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $\lambda_2 = -4$

$$(A - \lambda I)v = 0$$

$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - (-4) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) v = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$