MATH 2270: Homework 8/Midterm 2 Practice Problems

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Instructions: Do the following problems on a separate sheet of paper. Show all of your work.

1. Determine whether or not the following matrix is invertible. *Do not try to invert it*

   (a)
   $$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 3 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 8 & -5 & 6 & 7 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

   (b) Find the determinant of A^5.

2. Prove that if $\det(B^3) = 0$, then $\det B = 0$.

3. Answer each of the following yes/no questions, and then give an explanation of your reasoning.

   (a) Is $\mathbb{R}^3$ a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^4$?

   (b) Is $\mathbb{P}_4$ a subspace of $C(\mathbb{R}) = \{f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$?

   (c) Is the function $T : \mathbb{P}_3 \to \mathbb{R}^4$ defined by $T(a_3t^3 + a_2t^2 + a_1t + a_0) = \begin{bmatrix} a_3 & a_2 & a_1 & a_0 \end{bmatrix}^T$ a vector space isomorphism?

4. Show that $H = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid f(0) = 0\}$ is a subspace of $C(\mathbb{R})$.

5. Find a linear transformation $S : C(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathbb{R}$ whose kernel is equal to H from the previous problem.

6. Consider the following matrix:
   $$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & 6 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 & -1 & -18 \\ 8 & 4 & 12 & -5 & 18 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -13 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

   (a) Find a basis for $\operatorname{col} A$.

   (b) Find a basis for $\operatorname{row} A$.

   (c) Find a basis for $\ker A$.

7. Consider the linear transformation $D : \mathbb{P}_3 \to \mathbb{P}_3$ defined by $D(p) = p' + 2p$. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$ and let $\mathcal{C} = \{1, 1+t, 1+t+t^2, 1+t+t^2+t^3\}$.

   (a) Find the matrix for the linear transformation D with respect to the basis $\mathcal{B}$.

   (b) Let $p(t) = -2t^3 + 3t^2 - 10t + 1$. Find $[p(t)]_{\mathcal{C}}$.

   (c) Find the change of basis matrix $\underset{\mathcal{C}\leftarrow\mathcal{B}}{P}$ and the change of basis matrix $\underset{\mathcal{B}\leftarrow\mathcal{C}}{P}$. *Hint: It's probably easier to find them both directly than it is to find one and then compute its inverse.*

(d) What is the dimension of the image of D? What is the dimension of the kernel of D?

(e) Find a basis for $\ker D$.

8. Is $\left[\begin{smallmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{smallmatrix}\right]$ an eigenvector of $\left[\begin{smallmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 6 \end{smallmatrix}\right]$ If so, what is the associated eigenvalue?

9. Is $\lambda = -3$ an eigenvalue of the matrix $\left[\begin{smallmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 6 & 9 \end{smallmatrix}\right]$?

10. Find a basis for the eigenspace of the matrix A corresponding to the eigenvalue $\lambda = 2$ where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -4 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$