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MAT185H1S — Linear Algebra

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Instructions:

1. Attempt *all* questions.
2. The value of each question is indicated at the end of the space provided for its solution; a summary is given in the table opposite.
3. Write the final answers *only* in the boxed space provided for each question.
4. No aid is permitted.
5. The duration of this test is 90 minutes.
6. There are 7 pages and 5 questions in this test paper.

For Markers Only		
Question	Value	Mark
A		
1	10	
B		
2	10	
C		
3	10	
4	10	
5	10	
Total	50	

A. Definitions and Statements

Fill in the blanks.

1(a). State the *Fundamental Theorem of Linear Algebra*.

Let \mathcal{V} be a vector space spanned by n vectors. If a set of m vectors from \mathcal{V} is linearly independent, then $m \leq n$.

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1(b). A *basis* for a vector space \mathcal{V} is defined as

a set of vectors $E = \{e_1, e_2 \dots e_n\} \in \mathcal{V}$ if and only if (i) E is linearly independent and (ii) E spans \mathcal{V} .

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1(c). The *dimension* of a vector space \mathcal{V} is defined as

the number of vectors in any of its bases.

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1(d). The *column space* of $\mathbf{A} \in {}^m\mathbb{R}^n$ is defined as

$$\text{col } \mathbf{A} = \left\{ \mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \mathbf{c}_i, \forall x_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

where $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{c}_1 \ \mathbf{c}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{c}_n]$, $\mathbf{c}_i \in {}^n\mathbb{R}$.

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1(e). Give two equivalent statements to “ $\mathbf{A} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$ is not invertible.”

[Any two statements in Chapter 7, Theorem III, other than statement 1.]

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B. True or False

Determine if the following statements are true or false and indicate by “T” (for true) and “F” (for false) in the box beside the question. The value of each question is 2 marks.

2(a). Let p, q be polynomials. Then $\{p, pq\}$ is linearly independent if and only if $\deg q \geq 1$.

F

2(b). If $1 < k < n$ and $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \dots \mathbf{x}_k\} \subset {}^n\mathbb{R}$ is linearly independent and $\mathbf{A} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$ not invertible then $\{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_2 \dots \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_k\}$ is linearly dependent.

F

2(c). If, for a given $\mathbf{A} \in {}^2\mathbb{R}^2$, $\mathcal{U} = \{\mathbf{X} \in {}^2\mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mathbf{X}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}\}$ then $\dim \mathcal{U} \geq 2$.

T

2(d). If $\mathbf{A} \in {}^m\mathbb{R}^n$ then $\dim \text{null } \mathbf{A}^T = m - \text{rank } \mathbf{A}$.

T

2(e). If $\mathbf{A} \in {}^m\mathbb{R}^n$ and $\dim \text{null } \mathbf{A} \leq m$ then $m \geq \frac{1}{2}n$.

T

C. Problems

3. Let $\mathbf{A} \in {}^m\mathbb{R}^n$ and $\mathbf{V} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$. Show that $\text{col } \mathbf{AV} \subseteq \text{col } \mathbf{A}$ with the equality holding if \mathbf{V} is invertible.

To show that $\text{col } \mathbf{AV} \subseteq \text{col } \mathbf{A}$, let \mathbf{V} have columns \mathbf{v}_k and \mathbf{A} columns $\mathbf{c}_k, k = 1 \cdots n$. By block multiplication,

$$\mathbf{AV} = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Av}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{Av}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

and so the k th column of \mathbf{AV} is

$$\mathbf{c}'_k = \mathbf{Av}_k = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} v_{1k} \\ v_{2k} \\ \vdots \\ v_{nk} \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{j=1}^n v_{jk} \mathbf{c}_j$$

which is a linear combination of the columns of \mathbf{A} . It follows that all the columns of \mathbf{AV} are in $\text{col } \mathbf{A}$. Thus

$$\text{col } \mathbf{AV} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}'_1, \mathbf{v}'_2 \cdots \mathbf{v}'_n\} \subseteq \text{col } \mathbf{A}$$

If \mathbf{V} is invertible, then by the result we have just proven

$$\text{col } \mathbf{A} = \text{col } \mathbf{AVV}^{-1} \subseteq \text{col } \mathbf{AV}$$

and so $\text{col } \mathbf{AV} = \text{col } \mathbf{A}$.

4. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & -1 & 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find a basis for $\text{col } \mathbf{A}$ from among the columns of \mathbf{A} . What is $\text{rank } \mathbf{A}$?
(b) Find a basis for $\text{null } \mathbf{A}$. What is $\dim \text{null } \mathbf{A}$?

4(a). Find a basis for $\text{col } \mathbf{A}$ from among the columns of \mathbf{A} . What is $\text{rank } \mathbf{A}$?

Row-reduce \mathbf{A} :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & -1 & 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} &\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & 7 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & \frac{7}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & \frac{5}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & \frac{7}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \end{aligned}$$

The first two columns are the only ones with leading “1”s; accordingly a basis for $\text{col } \mathbf{A}$ is the first two columns of \mathbf{A} .

Also

$$\text{rank } \mathbf{A} = 2$$

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4(b). Find a basis for null \mathbf{A} . What is $\dim \text{null } \mathbf{A}$?

Solving

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ was computed above. The free variables are x_3, x_4, x_5 and

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= -\frac{4}{3}x_4 - \frac{5}{3}x_5 \\x_2 &= x_3 - \frac{7}{3}x_4 - \frac{2}{3}x_5\end{aligned}$$

or

$$\mathbf{x} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_5 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence a basis for null \mathbf{A} is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

As expected,

$$\dim \text{null } \mathbf{A} = n - \text{rank } \mathbf{A} = 5 - 2 = 3$$

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5. Let $\mathbf{A} \in {}^m\mathbb{R}^n$. Show that the following statements are equivalent:

1. $\text{null } \mathbf{A} = {}^n\mathbb{R}$
2. $\text{col } \mathbf{A} = \{\mathbf{0}\}$
3. $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{O}$

[1 \Rightarrow 2] If $\text{null } \mathbf{A} = {}^n\mathbb{R}$, then $\dim \text{null } \mathbf{A} = n$. By the Dimension Formula, $\text{rank } \mathbf{A} = n - \dim \text{null } \mathbf{A} = 0$, which means that $\dim \text{col } \mathbf{A} = 0$. Thus $\text{col } \mathbf{A} = \{\mathbf{0}\}$.

[2 \Rightarrow 3] If $\text{col } \mathbf{A} = \{\mathbf{0}\}$, then \mathbf{A} cannot have a nonzero column; otherwise, its column space would contain a nonzero column. Hence $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{O}$.

[3 \Rightarrow 1] If $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{O}$, then $\text{rank } \mathbf{A} = 0$. By the Dimension Formula, $\dim \text{null } \mathbf{A} = n - \text{rank } \mathbf{A} = n$. Now $\text{null } \mathbf{A} \subseteq {}^n\mathbb{R}$ and $\dim {}^n\mathbb{R} = n$. Thus, by Chapter 6, Theorem VI (not necessary to cite explicitly), $\text{null } \mathbf{A} = {}^n\mathbb{R}$.