

# Solutions

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## MAT 254 -01-02 Fundamentals of Linear Algebra Final

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**Note:** You have 120 minutes.

1-) Let  $W = \text{span} \{(1, -1, 4), (3, -1, 4), (1, 1, -4), (4, -2, 8)\}$ .

a) Find  $\dim W$ . (10 pt.)

b) Find an orthogonal basis for the subspace  $W$ . (10 pt.)

First way

$$a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & -4 \\ 4 & -2 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{some row operation}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \text{span} \{(1, -1, 4), (0, 2, -8)\}$$

$$\text{so a basis is } \{(1, -1, 4), (0, 2, -8)\}$$

second way

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 4 & 4 & -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{some row operation}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \text{span} \{(1, -1, 4), (3, -1, 4)\}$$

$$\text{so a basis } \{(1, -1, 4), (3, -1, 4)\}$$

b) Let's take  $\{(1, -1, 4), (0, 2, -8)\}$

By using Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process to orthogonalize this set

$$d_1 = (1, -1, 4)$$

$$d_2 = (0, 2, -8) - \frac{(0, 2, -8) \cdot (1, -1, 4)}{(1, -1, 4) \cdot (1, -1, 4)} (1, -1, 4) = (0, 2, -8) + \frac{34}{18} (1, -1, 4)$$

$$= \left( \frac{17}{9}, \frac{1}{9}, -\frac{4}{9} \right)$$

So  $\{(1, -1, 4), (\frac{17}{9}, \frac{1}{9}, -\frac{4}{9})\}$  is an orthogonal basis of  $W$ .



2-) Find the inverse of the matrix (You can use any method) (10 pt.)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & -2 \\ 1 & -4 & -2 \\ -3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & -3 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_2 \leftrightarrow r_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -4 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_3 \rightarrow r_3 + 3r_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -4 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & -5 & 0 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{r_3 \rightarrow r_3 - 3r_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -4 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_2 \leftrightarrow r_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -4 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_3 \rightarrow r_3 + 3r_2}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -4 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -8 & 9 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_2 \rightarrow r_2 - r_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -4 & 0 & -16 & 19 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & -6 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -8 & 9 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_1 \rightarrow r_1 + 4r_2}$$

$$\xrightarrow{r_1 \rightarrow r_1 + 4r_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & -6 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -8 & 9 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{A}^{-1}}$$

You can use  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} \text{Adj } A$  or Cayley Hamilton Theorem, as well.



3-) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  be the matrix representation of the linear transformation  $L : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  relative to the standard bases. Find  $L(2, -3, 1)$ . (10 pt.)

$$e_1 = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$e_2 = (0, 1, 0)$$

$$e_3 = (0, 0, 1)$$

$$L(1, 0, 0) = 0 \cdot e_1 + (-2)e_2 + 1 \cdot e_3 = (0, -2, 1)$$

$$L(0, 1, 0) = (-1)e_1 + 1e_2 + 2e_3 = (-1, 1, 2)$$

$$L(0, 0, 1) = 2e_1 + 3e_2 - 3e_3 = (2, 3, -3)$$

$$(2, -3, 1) = 2 \cdot e_1 + (-3)e_2 + 1e_3 \Rightarrow$$

$$L(2, -3, 1) = L(2e_1 + (-3)e_2 + e_3) = 2L(1, 0, 0) - 3L(0, 1, 0) + L(0, 0, 1)$$

$$= 2 \cdot (0, -2, 1) - 3(-1, 1, 2) + (2, 3, -3) = (5, -4, -7)$$



4-) Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $T(a, b, c) = (a + c, b - c)$ .

a) Find a bases for  $\ker T$ . (10 pt.)

b) Find a generator set for  $\text{im} T$ . (10 pt.)

$$a) \ker T = \{ (a, b, c) : T(a, b, c) = 0 \}$$

$$T(a, b, c) = 0 \Rightarrow (a + c, b - c) = (0, 0) \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} a + c &= 0 \\ b - c &= 0 \\ c &= b \\ a &= -b \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\ker T = \{ (-t, t, t) : t \in \mathbb{R} \} = \langle (-1, 1, 1) \rangle \text{ so } \{(-1, 1, 1)\} \text{ is a basis for } \ker T.$$

$$b) \text{im } T = \{ T(a, b, c) : (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \}$$

$$= \{ (a + c, b - c) : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$= \{ a(1, 0) + b(0, 1) + c(1, -1) : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$= \langle (1, 0), (0, 1), (1, -1) \rangle$$

so  $\{(1, 0), (0, 1), (1, -1)\}$  is a generator set.



5-) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- a) Find the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ . (5 pt.)  
 b) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$ . (15 pt.)  
 c) Is  $A$  diagonalizable? If so, determine the invertible matrix  $P$  and diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $P^{-1}AP = D$ . (10 pt.)

$$a) |xI - A| = \begin{vmatrix} x-1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & x-1 & 1 \\ -4 & 4 & x-5 \end{vmatrix} = (x-1) \begin{vmatrix} x & -1 \\ 4 & x-5 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -4 & x-5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} -1 & x \\ -4 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (x-1)(x^2 - 5x + 4) + 2(1-x) + 4(x-1)$$

$$= (x-1)(x^2 - 5x + 4 - 2 + 4) = (x-1)(x^2 - 5x + 6)$$

$$= (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)$$

b)  $\lambda_1 = 1$  For  $\lambda_1 = 1$   $A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{r_3 \rightarrow r_3 - 4r_2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\lambda_2 = 2$

$\lambda_3 = 3$

$$\Rightarrow (A - I)x = 0 \Rightarrow 2x_2 - x_3 = 0 \quad x_2 = t \quad x_3 = 2t$$

$$x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0 \quad x_1 = -t$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{eigenvector} = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $\lambda_2 = 2$

$$A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 4 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[r_3 \rightarrow r_3 + 4r_1]{r_2 \rightarrow r_2 - r_1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (A - 2I)x = 0$$

$$4x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

$$x_2 = t \quad x_3 = 4t$$

$$x_1 = -2t$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{eigenvector} = t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$



For  $\lambda_3 = 3$

$$(A - 3I) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 4 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{r_3 \rightarrow r_3 + 2r_1} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{r_1 \rightarrow r_1 + 2r_2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow (A - 3I)x = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} 4x_2 - x_3 &= 0 & x_2 = t & \quad x_3 = 4t \\ x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 &= 0 & x_1 &= -t \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{eigenvector} = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

C) Every eigenvalue is distinct then  $A$  is diagonalizable

$$P = \begin{matrix} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{eigenvectors} \\ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$  eigen values with same order



6-) True or False. If true, you should prove the statement. If false, you should provide a counterexample (Undisclosed answers will not be evaluated).

- a) The set  $W = \{f \in P_3(x) : \deg f = 3\}$  is a subspace of  $P_3(x)$ . (5 pt.)
- b) The set of  $n \times n$  skew-symmetric matrices is closed under the matrix addition. (5 pt.)
- c) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\det A = 4$ . (5 pt.)
- d) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  diagonalizable matrix with eigenvalues only 1's and -1's. Then  $A^2 = I$ . (5 pt.)

Note that a and b were also your midterm questions.

a) (F)  $x_3 \in W$   $-x_3 \in W$  but  $x_3 + (-x_3) = 0 \notin W$   
so it is not closed under addition

b) (T) Let  $A, B$  be skew-symmetric matrices ( $A^T = -A, B^T = -B$ )  
 $A+B$  is skew-symmetric?

$(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T = -(A+B)$  so  $A+B$  skew symmetric

c) (F) determinants of nonsquare matrices are not defined.

d) (T) Since  $A$  is diagonalizable, we can write  $A = PDP^{-1}$   
where all diagonal entries of  $D$  consist 1's and (-1)'s

Since  $A^2 = P D^2 P^{-1}$  and  $\begin{matrix} 1^2 = 1 \\ (-1)^2 = 1 \end{matrix}$ ,  $D^2 = I$  and  $A^2 = P I P^{-1} = I$

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