

ITM426, Quiz 3, 2020 Fall

Solution and Grading

- ITM 426 Engineering Mathematics 2020 F
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 - Duration: 90 minutes
 - 5 Questions
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- Write legibly.
 - In on-line exam, start every problem in a new page.
 - Justification is necessary unless stated otherwise.
 - Partial points are given only sparingly for the most problems because you are expected to 1) carry out proper sanity check and 2) correct your mistake by doing so.

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#1. Compute the determinant of the following matrix. [10pt]

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 & -7 & 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 3 & -6 & 4 & -8 \\ 5 & 0 & 5 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Difficulty: Easy

Amount of work: 15 %

Suggested answer:

First expand along either the second row or the second column. Using the second row,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 & -7 & 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 3 & -6 & 4 & -8 \\ 5 & 0 & 5 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^{2+3} \cdot 2 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 & 3 & -5 \\ 7 & 3 & 4 & -8 \\ 5 & 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Now expand along the second column to find:

$$(-1)^{2+3} \cdot 2 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 & 3 & -5 \\ 7 & 3 & 4 & -8 \\ 5 & 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \left((-1)^{2+2} \cdot 3 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 & -5 \\ 5 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \right)$$

Now expand along either the first column or third row. The first column is used below.

$$-2 \left((-1)^{2+2} \cdot 3 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 & -5 \\ 5 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \right) = -6 \left((-1)^{1+1} \cdot 4 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{2+1} \cdot 5 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \right) = (-6)(4(1) - 5(1)) = 6$$

#2. Assuming $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}$, find the determinant of the following. [10pt]

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 2d+a & 2e+b & 2f+c \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}$$

Difficulty: Easy

Amount of work: 10 %

Suggested answer:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 2d+a & 2e+b & 2f+c \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 2d & 2e & 2f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = 2(7) = 14$$

#3. Disprove the following statement by an example. [10pt]

The set H of all points in \mathbb{R}^2 of the form $(3s, 2 + 5s)$ is a vector space.

Difficulty: Easy

Amount of work: 10 %

Suggested answer: Let $s = 2$, then a vector $(6, 12) \in H$, but its scalar multiple $2(6, 12) = (12, 24)$ is not a form of $(3s, 2 + 5s)$. That is, $2(6, 12) \notin H$. Thus, H is not a vector space.

#4. In the following, the matrix A is row equivalent to B . [20pt]

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 4 & -1 & 9 \\ -2 & 6 & -6 & -1 & -10 \\ -3 & 9 & -6 & -6 & -3 \\ 3 & -9 & 4 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -3 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

- (a) Write $\text{rank } A$ and $\dim \text{Nul } A$.
- (b) Find bases for $\text{Col } A$.
- (c) Find bases for $\text{Row } A$.
- (d) Find bases for $\text{Nul } A$.

Difficulty: Easy

Amount of work: 25 %

Suggested answer:

The matrix B is in echelon form. There are three pivot columns, so the dimension of $\text{Col } A$ is 3. There are three pivot rows, so the dimension of $\text{Row } A$ is 3. There are two columns without pivots, so the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has two free variables. Thus the dimension of $\text{Nul } A$ is 2. A basis for $\text{Col } A$ is

the pivot columns of A : $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \\ -6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -10 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. A basis for $\text{Row } A$ is the pivot rows of B :

$\{(1, -3, 0, 5, -7), (0, 0, 2, -3, 8), (0, 0, 0, 0, 5)\}$. To find a basis for $\text{Nul } A$ row reduce to reduced echelon

form: $A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The solution to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ in terms of free variables is

$x_1 = 3x_2 - 5x_4$, $x_3 = (3/2)x_4$, $x_5 = 0$, with x_2 and x_4 free. Thus a basis for $\text{Nul } A$ is

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

#5. It is known that the eigenvalues of the following matrix is 3 and 1.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 4 & 16 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ -2 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Find all eigenvectors corresponding to each eigenvalue. [10pt]

(b) Perform diagonalization. Sanity check is highly recommended. [10pt]

Difficulty: Medium

Amount of work: 20 %

Suggested answer:

The eigenvalues of A are given to be 3 and 1.

For $\lambda = 3$: $A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & 16 \\ 2 & 2 & 8 \\ -2 & -2 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$, and row reducing $[A - 3I \quad \mathbf{0}]$ yields $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The

general solution is $x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and a basis for the eigenspace is $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

For $\lambda = 1$: $A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & 16 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 \\ -2 & -2 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$, and row reducing $[A - I \quad \mathbf{0}]$ yields $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The

general solution is $x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and a basis for the eigenspace is $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

From $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ and \mathbf{v}_3 construct $P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{v}_3] = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -4 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then set $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$,

where the eigenvalues in D correspond to $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ and \mathbf{v}_3 respectively.

#6. Find a nonzero 2×2 matrix that is invertible but not diagonalizable. [10pt]

Difficulty: Medium-Hard

Amount of work: 10 %

Suggested answer:

For a 2×2 matrix A to be invertible, its eigenvalues must be nonzero. A first attempt at a construction might be something such as $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, whose eigenvalues are 2 and 4. Unfortunately, a 2×2 matrix with two distinct eigenvalues is diagonalizable (Theorem 6). So, adjust the construction to $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, which works. In fact, any matrix of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$ has the desired properties when a and b are nonzero. The eigenspace for the eigenvalue a is one-dimensional, as a simple calculation shows, and there is no other eigenvalue to produce a second eigenvector.

#7. Find a nonzero 2×2 matrix that is diagonalizable but not invertible. [10pt]

Difficulty: Medium-Hard

Amount of work: 10 %

Suggested answer:

Any 2×2 matrix with two distinct eigenvalues is diagonalizable, by Theorem 6. If one of those eigenvalues is zero, then the matrix will not be invertible. Any matrix of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ has the desired properties when a and b are nonzero. The number a must be nonzero to make the matrix diagonalizable; b must be nonzero to make the matrix not diagonal. Other solutions are $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & b \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$.

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