

AI511/MM505 Linear Algebra with Applications
Take-Home Exam
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- The solutions of the take-home exam have to be submitted as a single PDF file on Digital Eksamen until the deadline of November 6, 2024 at 20:59.
- You are required to solve the exercises on your own and you are not permitted to
 - (i) discuss the exercises with anyone else (this includes your fellow students as well as posting questions about the exercises on the internet);
 - (ii) use generative models (such as ChatGPT).

Any suspicious similarities of the solutions or any other concerns will be investigated.

- You are allowed to use everything else (including the lecture material, textbooks, Wikipedia, etc.).
- You are required to demonstrate how you arrive at your solution by providing a suitable amount of explanations and intermediate computations. Exercise 7 is an exception since you are only required to write true or false in Exercise 7.
- You can scan and submit your handwritten solutions as long as the solutions are properly organised and the handwriting is readable.
- You may write the solutions in English or Danish.

The total number of points is 100.

Good luck!

1. Consider the following system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} x - 3y + 2z = -1; \\ 2x - 5y + 9z = 10; \\ 2x - 5y + 6z = 4. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

- (a) (2 pts) Is $(x, y, z) = (35, 12, 0)$ a solution of (1)?
(b) (2 pts) Give the expression of the augmented matrix corresponding to (1).
(c) (8 pts) Transform the augmented matrix into a reduced row echelon form using the Gauss-Jordan elimination to find the solution of (1).
2. Suppose that

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) (5 pts) Determine $\text{range}(A)$.
(b) (2 pts) What is the largest possible value of $\text{rank}(A)$? Determine the actual value of $\text{rank}(A)$.
(c) (5 pts) Give a basis for $\text{null}(A)$.
(d) (2 pts) Determine $\text{nullity}(A)$.
3. Suppose that $A, B \in \mathcal{M}_4$ such that $\det(A) = 4$ and $\det(B) = -3$. Compute the following determinants
- (a) (4 pts) $\det(A^{-1}BA)$;
(b) (4 pts) $\det(A'BA)$, where A' is the transpose of A ;
(c) (4 pts) $\det(B^5)$.
4. (5 pts) Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ be defined by

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} b - 5d \\ 2b \\ 2d \\ d \end{bmatrix} : b, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

Is S a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 ?

5. (15 pts) Suppose that

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -2 & -9 \\ 6 & 4 & 8 \\ 4 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Does b belong to $\text{range}(A)$?

6. Suppose that

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

- (a) (4 pts) Compute the eigenvalues of A and their algebraic multiplicities.
- (b) (8 pts) Compute bases of the eigenspaces of A and geometric multiplicities of the eigenvalues of A .
- (c) (5 pts) Let E_λ denote the eigenspace corresponding to the eigenvalue λ . For each eigenvalue λ of the matrix A , describe how the matrix A transforms non-zero vectors $v \in E_\lambda$.
- (d) (15 pts) Find a matrix $A^{1/2}$ such that $A^{1/2}A^{1/2} = A$ and verify your answer by multiplying $A^{1/2}$ with itself to show that the product is indeed equal to A .

7. You are only required to respond true or false to the following statements.

- (a) (2 pts) A product of two invertible matrices is an invertible matrix.
- (b) (2 pts) Every subspace of \mathbb{R}^n has a unique basis.
- (c) (2 pts) Every basis of \mathbb{R}^n has n vectors.
- (d) (2 pts) Determinants of triangular matrices are non-negative.
- (e) (2 pts) A sum of two eigenvalues is an eigenvalue.