

Linear Algebra 040a Midterm Examination Friday, November 4, 2005

- [2 marks] Find the dot product of the vectors $(1, 0, 0, -3, 2)$ and $(2, 3, 0, -2, -2)$.
- [2 marks] Let θ be the angle between the vectors $(0, 1, 0)$ and $(2, 1, 2)$. Find $\cos \theta$.
- [2 marks] Find the value of $c \in \mathbf{R}$ that makes the vectors $(1, 1, 2, 2)$ and $(-1, c, 3, -5)$ orthogonal.
- [2 marks] Find a non-zero vector orthogonal to both $(2, 1, -1)$ and $(1, 2, 1)$.
- [4 marks] Solve the following system of equations.

$$\begin{aligned}2x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 &= 1 \\x_1 + x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \\3x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 &= 1\end{aligned}$$

6. [6 marks] Let

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Exactly two of the following four expressions are defined and the rest are not. Find the value of each defined expression.

$$BC, \quad B(C^T + D), \quad D^T - C^T, \quad CD.$$

7. [6 marks] Solve the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ where

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

Express your answer in vector form.

8. [6 marks] Find the inverse of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

9. [6 marks] Let

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 & 5 \\ 6 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find C_{24} , the $(2, 4)$ -cofactor of M .

10. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) [2 marks] Express $\text{tr}(A)$, the trace of A , in terms of a , b , c , and d .

- (b) [2 marks] Express the matrix A^2 , in terms of a , b , c , and d .
 (c) [2 marks] Express $\text{tr}(A^2)$, in terms of a , b , c , and d .
 (d) [2 marks] Evaluate and simplify

$$\frac{1}{2} \det \begin{bmatrix} \text{tr}(A) & 1 \\ \text{tr}(A^2) & \text{tr}(A) \end{bmatrix}.$$

11. [6 marks] Let $\mathbf{x} = (x, y, z)$, $P = (1, 1, 2)$, $Q = (3, -2, 4)$ and $R = (2, 2, -3)$. Work out both sides of the equation

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ Q - P \\ R - P \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} P \\ Q - P \\ R - P \end{bmatrix}$$

and verify that the resulting equation represents a plane passing through P , Q , and R .

12. [12 marks] Find all eigenvalues of the matrix

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

and find an eigenvector for each eigenvalue.

13. Let

$$A = \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 0 & -15 \\ -9 & 20 & -12 \\ 12 & 15 & 16 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) [2 marks] Write down A^T .
 (b) [4 marks] Calculate $A^T A$.
 (c) [2 marks] Is the matrix A an orthogonal matrix? Justify your answer.
 14. Suppose that A is an invertible 5×5 matrix and some but not all of the entries of A^{-1} are known. Specifically,

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & * & -4 & * & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & * & 2 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) [2 marks] Find the determinant of A .
 (b) [2 marks] Find C_{43} , the $(4, 3)$ -cofactor of A . (Hint: consider the adjoint of A .)
 15. Suppose $T : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^4$ is a linear transformation that satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} T(\mathbf{e}_1) &= (1, -1, 0, 0), \\ T(\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2) &= (2, 2, -4, 0), \\ T(\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3) &= (3, 3, 3, -9). \end{aligned}$$

Here $\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0, 0)$, $\mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1, 0)$, and $\mathbf{e}_3 = (0, 0, 1)$.

- (a) [4 marks] Find the standard matrix of T .

- (b) [4 marks] Let $\mathbf{a} = (1, 1, 1, 1) \in \mathbf{R}^4$. Show that $\text{ran}(T) = \mathbf{a}^\perp$, that is, show that the range of T is equal to $\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^4 : \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x} = 0\}$.

16. Circle the correct answers.

- (a) [2 marks] If $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ and W is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n containing $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$ then both \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are in W . **T** **F**
- (b) [2 marks] The only 8×8 matrix that is symmetric and anti-symmetric is the 8×8 zero matrix. **T** **F**
- (c) [2 marks] If $\mathbf{u} \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ then $-\mathbf{u} \in \text{span}\{-\mathbf{v}_1, -\mathbf{v}_2, \dots, -\mathbf{v}_n\}$. **T** **F**
- (d) [2 marks] If A and B are 9×9 matrices then any solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ is also a solution of $(AB)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. **T** **F**
- (e) [2 marks] The vectors $(3, 0, 1, 0)$, $(-1, 0, 2, -1)$, and $(3, 0, 4, 1)$ are linearly dependent. **T** **F**
- (f) [2 marks] If T is a linear operator on \mathbf{R}^7 then $T(x) \cdot T(y) = x \cdot y$ for all $x, y \in \mathbf{R}^7$. **T** **F**
- (g) [2 marks] If the column space of the 6×13 matrix A is equal to \mathbf{R}^6 then the $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a solution for every $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbf{R}^6$. **T** **F**
- (h) [2 marks] If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\}$ is a linearly independent set of vectors in \mathbf{R}^9 then

$$\mathbf{v}_1 + 2\mathbf{v}_2 + 3\mathbf{v}_3 + 4\mathbf{v}_4 \neq 4\mathbf{v}_1 + 3\mathbf{v}_2 + 3\mathbf{v}_3 + \mathbf{v}_4.$$

- (i) [2 marks] Every elementary matrix has non-zero determinant. **T** **F**