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SOLUTIONS

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1. [6 points]

3 pts (a) Compute the determinant of $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 21 & 7 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

Cofactor expansion:

there are two options for a row or col. with only one nonzero entry.

$$\det A = +2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

sign for cofactor expansion is $-$.

$$= (+2)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2(-1)5 = -10$$

$2(2) - 1(-1)$

3 pts (b) Let A_0 be an invertible 4×4 matrix with $\det A_0 = 1$, and suppose:

- A_1 is obtained from A_0 by interchanging 2 rows,
- A_2 is obtained from A_1 (note: not A_0) by scaling a row of A_1 by 3,
- A_3 is obtained from A_2 (note: not A_0) by row-replacement.

Find the determinants of these matrices and fill them in below:

$$\begin{aligned} \det A_1 &= -1 \\ \det A_2 &= -3 \\ \det A_3 &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

← since $\det A_0 = 1$
 ↘ scaling
 ↘ row replacement has no effect.

1 pt each →
 & don't penalize cumulative errors

2. [8 points] Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -6 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 & 7 & 6 \\ -1 & 2 & -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

which is row-equivalent to $\begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

x_2 free x_4 free

2 pts. (a) Find a basis for Col A.

\nearrow is in REF (good)

Take pivot columns of original matrix A:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

3 pts. (b) Find a basis for Nul A.

use param. vec. form of REF:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 = 2x_2 - 3x_4 \\ x_2 = x_2 \\ x_3 = 0 \\ x_4 = x_4 \end{array} \right\} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_4 \quad (\text{parametrizes Nul } A)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{basis is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(c) Prove that the null space of any 3×4 matrix A is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 .

This is a standard proof that works for any $m \times n$ matrix A:

Nul A is a subset of \mathbb{R}^n since, by definition, $\text{Nul } A = \{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \}$

Test 3 subspace axioms:

a) $\vec{0} \in \text{Nul } A$ since $A\vec{0} = \vec{0}$.

b) Let $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \text{Nul } A$. Then $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ and $A\vec{y} = \vec{0}$

Adding the equations, $A\vec{x} + A\vec{y} = A(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = \vec{0} + \vec{0} = \vec{0}$

So $\vec{x} + \vec{y} \in \text{Nul } A$.

c) Let $\vec{x} \in \text{Nul } A$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $A(c\vec{x}) \stackrel{\text{linearity}}{=} c(A\vec{x}) = c\vec{0} = \vec{0}$

2 So $c\vec{x} \in \text{Nul } A$ □

3. [6 points]

3pts (a) Let $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \right\}$.

Is the set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ a basis for H ? Explain.

$\leftarrow \vec{v}_1$ $\leftarrow \vec{v}_2$ $\leftarrow \vec{v}_3$

here, a proof they are not L.I. could also be giving $\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$, a dependence relation (*)

1pt for not a basis, 2 for why.

Although $H = \text{Span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3 \}$ (see below), the set is not linearly independent, so is not a basis.

$[\vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2 \vec{v}_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} \text{II} & 0 & \text{I} \\ 0 & \text{II} & \text{I} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ in REF, showing lack of linear independence.

\uparrow free variable

Not needed:

To check span claim: $H = \text{Nul} [1 \ 1 \ 1] = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

which you can see equals $\text{Span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3 \} = \text{Span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3 \}$ via * above.

(b) Let A and B be matrices such that AB exists. Prove that $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank} A$. [Hint: each column of AB is in $\text{Col} A$.]

3pts.

don't need for full points; can assume true.

Why is hint true? since j^{th} col of (AB) is A times (j^{th} col of B).

So, $\text{Col}(AB)$ is the span of vectors all of which lie in $\text{Col} A$.

thus $\boxed{\text{Col}(AB) \subseteq \text{Col} A} + 1$ \leftarrow subset relation.

Since $\text{Col}(AB)$ is a subspace (because it's a span), it is then a subspace of $\text{Col} A$.

Thm 11 in Ch. 4 can then apply: $\boxed{\dim \text{Col}(AB) \leq \dim \text{Col} A} + 2$
 ("dimension of a subspace can't exceed dimension of the V.S. it's a subspace of")

By definition of rank (= dim Col), the claim follows. \square

\rightarrow this can be proved via spanning set thm applied to a basis for the V.S. (not needed)

4. [9 points] Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

[Hint: numbers will come out very simply, so stop and check your work if they are not!]

3 pts

(a) Use the characteristic polynomial to find A 's eigenvalues and their algebraic multiplicities:

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 5-\lambda & -4 & -2 \\ 2 & -1-\lambda & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (3-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 5-\lambda & -4 \\ 2 & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

(factor about this.)

$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 1)$$

So, char. poly factors as $(3-\lambda)^2(1-\lambda)$ \Rightarrow Eigvals:
 $\lambda = 3$ has multiplicity 2.
 $\lambda = 1$ " " 1.

4 pts

(b) For each distinct eigenvalue of A , find a basis for its eigenspace:

4 pts each

$\lambda_1 = 1$: $A - 1I = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ EF

$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ REF so $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$; $\{\vec{v}_1\}$ is basis for eigenspace.

↑ free.

$\lambda_2 = 3$: $A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & -2 \\ 2 & -4 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 2x_2 + x_3 \\ x_2 = x_2 \\ x_3 = x_3 \end{cases}$

so $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is basis for eigenspace.

2 pts

(c) Evaluate A^{2017}

using eigenvector eqn. $A\vec{v}_1 = \lambda_1\vec{v}_1$

$$= \lambda_1^{2017} \vec{v}_1 = 1^{2017} \vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

↑ is \vec{v}_1 above.

5. [8 points]

- (a) A linear system has a system matrix A of size 7×9 (ie 7 equations in 9 unknowns). Say you know that there is some right-hand side vector for which there is no solution. What is the smallest $\dim \text{Nul } A$ may be, and why?


3pts.

If there is some \vec{b} such that $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ inconsistent, there cannot be a pivot in every row. So there are at most 6 (= $m-1$) pivots. By the rank theorem (or by counting free variables),

$$\dim \text{Nul } A = n - \text{rank } A \geq n - 6 = 3.$$

3pts

- (b) Now let A be any matrix. If the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for all right-hand sides \vec{b} , explain why the system $A^T\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only the trivial solution.

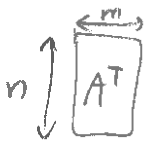
A is $m \times n$: $m \uparrow$ 

$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ consistent for all $\vec{b} \Rightarrow \text{rank } A = m$. (ie, pivot in every row).

Since $\text{rank } A^T = \text{rank } A$ (since one is $\dim \text{Row } A$, the other $\dim \text{Col } A$),

we get $\text{rank } A^T = m$

note: pivot positions are not transposed!



Since A^T has m columns, it has a pivot in every column, ie no free variables, so $A^T\vec{x} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{0}$, unique.

- (c) Let A be any matrix. Is some subset of the rows of a A a basis for $\text{Row } A$? Prove your answer. [As always, indicate what if any theorem(s) you use.]

2pts

ie, does there exist a subset of rows of A that are basis for $\text{Row } A$?

- You cannot appeal to taught procedure for a basis for $\text{Row } A$, since this is the set of pivot rows in the row-reduced A , which differ in general from any rows of the original A !

Proof 1) let $\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_m$ be the rows of A . By defn, $\text{Row } A = \text{Span}\{\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_m\}$

By the spanning set theorem (Thm 5, ch.4), some subset of the elements

$\{\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_m\}$ is a basis for their span. If A is 0 matrix, empty subset is a basis. \square

OR Proof 2) $\text{Row } A = \text{Col } A^T$ so pivot cols of A^T are basis for $\text{Row } A$. \square

[1/3 if ignored info about RHS \vec{b}]

[2/3 if confused w/ k.n.]

if claims case $A =$ zero matrix, no non-empty subset is basis, get 2pts.

6. [6 points]

call \mathcal{B}

3 pts

(a) Is the set $\{1+t, 1-t, t+2t^2\}$ a basis for \mathbb{P}_2 ? Prove your answer. [State any theorems or results that you use.]

[1 pt was for isomorphism]

\mathbb{P}_2 is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^3 , so we can answer via the set's coord vectors.
 (via the std. basis $\{1, t, t^2\} = \mathcal{S}$, coord. map.)

$1+t \xrightarrow{\text{coord map}} [1, 1, 0]^T \rightarrow$ is basis for \mathbb{R}^3 ?

$1-t \rightarrow [1, -1, 0]^T$

$t+2t^2 \rightarrow [0, 1, 2]^T$

Stack & reduce:

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

full set of $n=3$ pivots.

\Rightarrow by I.M.T., is a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

a.k.a. coordinates.

\Rightarrow by isomorphism, \mathcal{B} was basis for \mathbb{P}_2 .

3 pts

(b) Find the coefficients of $4(1+t)^2$ relative to the set from part (a).

[which we now know is a basis]

expand.
 $p(t) = 4 + 8t + 4t^2$

so $[p(t)]_{\mathcal{S}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

By isomorphism, can find coeffs via a linear system in \mathbb{R}^3 :

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{so coeffs are } \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

read off $\vec{z} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix}$

7. [7 points] In this question only, no working is needed; just circle T or F.

- (a) T / F: The eigenvalues of a lower-triangular matrix (ie, all zeros above the diagonal) are the diagonal entries.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11}-\lambda & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ a_{21} & a_{22}-\lambda & 0 & \dots \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33}-\lambda & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{char poly} = (a_{11}-\lambda)(a_{22}-\lambda)\dots$$

- (b) T / F: The dimension of an eigenspace can never exceed the algebraic multiplicity of the corresponding eigenvalue.

See sec. 5.2.

- (c) T / F: An eigenvector with eigenvalue 2 could be a linear combination of an eigenvector with eigenvalue 3 and an eigenvector with eigenvalue 4.

In 5.1 it's proved that eigenvectors from distinct eigenspaces (different λ 's) are L.I.

} assume these come from same matrix.

- (d) T / F: Row reduction of a matrix always preserves its row space.

since $\text{Row } B \subseteq \text{Row } A$ & $\text{Row } A \subseteq \text{Row } B$
where $B \sim A$.

- (e) T / F: Row reduction of a square matrix always preserves its eigenvalues.

R.R. was never used to find eigenvalues.

- (f) T / F: If $T : \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^5$ is a linear transformation with standard matrix A and the rank of A is 2, then it is possible to have $T(x) = 0$ for every x in the domain.

\hookrightarrow 2 pivots.

\hookrightarrow would imply $A = \text{zero matrix}$.

- (g) T / F: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is an isomorphism from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m , with $n, m > 0$, with standard matrix A . Then it is impossible for $\text{Nul } A$ and $\text{Col } A$ to have the same dimension.

isomorphism means same dimension, so $m=n$,
and one-to-one, so $\dim \text{Nul } A = 0$,
and onto, so $\dim \text{Col } A = n$. } but $n \neq 0$.

So, indeed it is impossible.