

1. [APPM 2360 Exam (24 pts)] Consider the following matrices:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute the following, if possible. If not possible, write "NOT DEFINED" and provide a brief explanation why.

- (a) \mathbf{AB} (b) \mathbf{AC} (c) $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A}$ (d) $|\mathbf{C}^{-1}|$ (e) $\mathbf{B}^T\mathbf{B}$ (f) $\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{C}^T$ (g) $(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^T)^{-1}$ (h) $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$

SOLUTION:

(a)

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) NOT DEFINED - number of columns in \mathbf{A} is not equal to the number of rows in \mathbf{C}

(c)

$$\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 5 & 3 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) NOT DEFINED - \mathbf{C} is singular (noninvertible)

(e)

$$\mathbf{B}^T\mathbf{B} = [-1 \ 0 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = [2]$$

(f)

$$\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{C}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(g) NOT DEFINED

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [-1 \ 0 \ 1] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is singular (noninvertible)

(h) \mathbf{A} is not square and thus does not possess an inverse

2. [APPM 2360 (32 pts)] The following problems are not related. Be sure to provide thorough justification for your answers.

(a) (8 pts) For what value(s) of t is the set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 4t \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ linearly independent?

(b) (8 pts) Does the set of vectors $\{2 - x, 2x - x^2, 6 - 5x + x^2, x\}$ form a basis for \mathbb{P}_2 ?

(c) (8 pts) Are the functions $\{t, \sin t, \cos t\}$ linearly independent on the real line?

(d) (8 pts) Consider the vector space \mathbb{M}_{22} , the set of all 2×2 matrices with the standard operations for matrix addition and scalar multiplication.

i. Let \mathbb{W}_1 be the set of matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & c \end{bmatrix}$ where a, b, c are real numbers. Is \mathbb{W}_1 a subspace of \mathbb{M}_{22} ?

ii. Let \mathbb{W}_2 be the set of matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & 2 \\ -2 & b \end{bmatrix}$ where a, b are real numbers. Is \mathbb{W}_2 a subspace of \mathbb{M}_{22} ?

SOLUTION:

(a) To be linearly independent, the only solution to

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 4t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

must be $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$. This is equivalent to requiring

$$\begin{bmatrix} t & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

to have only the trivial solution which will be the case if the determinant of the coefficient matrix is nonzero.

$$\begin{vmatrix} t & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4t \end{vmatrix} = 9 - 9t = 0 \implies t = 1$$

Therefore, the vectors will be linearly independent for all real $t \neq 1$.

(b) No, the dimension of \mathbb{P}_2 is 3 and the set contains 4 vectors.

(c) Compute the Wronskian:

$$W(t) = \begin{vmatrix} t & \sin t & \cos t \\ 1 & \cos t & -\sin t \\ 0 & -\sin t & -\cos t \end{vmatrix} = t(-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ -\sin t & -\cos t \end{vmatrix} + (1)(-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} \sin t & \cos t \\ -\sin t & -\cos t \end{vmatrix} = -t$$

Since this is not zero for at least one point in \mathbb{R} , the functions are linearly independent on the real line.

(d) i. Let $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ -u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ -v_2 & v_3 \end{bmatrix}$ be two vectors in \mathbb{W}_1 and A, B be real numbers. Then

$$A\vec{u} + B\vec{v} = A \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ -u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix} + B \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ -v_2 & v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Au_1 & Au_2 \\ -Au_2 & Au_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} Bv_1 & Bv_2 \\ -Bv_2 & Bv_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Au_1 + Bv_1 & Au_2 + Bv_2 \\ -Au_2 - Bv_2 & Au_3 + Bv_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the off-diagonal elements sum to 0, $A\vec{u} + B\vec{v} \in \mathbb{W}_1$, implying that \mathbb{W}_1 is closed under vector addition and scalar multiplication and is thus a subspace of \mathbb{M}_{22} .

ii. Since the zero vector $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin \mathbb{W}_2$, \mathbb{W}_2 is not a subspace of \mathbb{M}_{22} . ■

3. [APPM 2360 Exam (20 pts)] The following problems are not related.

(a) (5 pts) Is $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ an eigenvector of $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \\ 3 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$? Hint: Use an appropriate definition.

(b) (5 pts) Find the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Simplify your answer and **DO NOT** find the eigenvectors.

(c) (10 pts) The characteristic equation for the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 & -2 \\ -6 & 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ is $(\lambda - 3)^2(\lambda + 3) = 0$. Find a basis for and the dimension of the eigenspace corresponding to the repeated eigenvalue.

SOLUTION:

(a)

$$\mathbf{A}\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \\ 3 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -16 \\ 24 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since $\mathbf{A}\vec{v} = 4\vec{v}$, \vec{v} is an eigenvector of \mathbf{A} with eigenvalue $\lambda = 4$.

(b)

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 - \lambda & 5 \\ -1 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = (3 - \lambda)(-1 - \lambda) + 5 = -3 - 3\lambda + \lambda + \lambda^2 + 5 = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 2 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(1)(2)}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = 1 \pm i$$

(c) We need to solve the system $(\mathbf{A} - 3\mathbf{I})\vec{v} = \vec{0}$. The augmented matrix is

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ -6 & 6 & -6 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \implies v_1 = v_2 - v_3$$

v_2 and v_3 are free variables so that

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} s - t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so a basis for the eigenspace $\mathbb{E}_3 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ which has dimension 2.

4. [APPM 2360 Exam (24 pts)] The following problems are not related.

(a) (4 pts) For what value(s) of k can Cramer's Rule be used to solve the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} x + ky &= 10 \\ 7x + 21y &= -4 \end{aligned}$$

(b) (8 pts) Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to find the inverse matrix and use the inverse to solve the system

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 &= 6 \\ 3x_1 + 4x_2 &= 14 \end{aligned}$$

No points for using a formula to find the inverse matrix.

(c) (12 pts) Consider the linear system

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

i. (8 pts) Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to transform the augmented matrix of the system to RREF.

ii. (3 pts) Use the Nonhomogeneous Principle to write the solution of the linear system in the form $\vec{x} = \vec{x}_h + \vec{x}_p$.

iii. (1 pts) What is the dimension of the solution space of the associated homogeneous system?

SOLUTION:

(a) The coefficient matrix of the system, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ 7 & 21 \end{bmatrix}$, must have nonzero determinant to use Cramer's Rule.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & k \\ 7 & 21 \end{vmatrix} = 21 - 7k = 0 \implies k = 3$$

If $k \neq 3$, then Cramer's Rule can be used to solve the linear system.

(b)

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2^* = -3R_1 + R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1^* = R_2 + R_1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2^* = -\frac{1}{2}R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

Thus $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ and

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) i.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_2^* = -2R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3^* = R_1 + R_3 \end{matrix}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_1^* = R_3 + R_1 \\ R_2^* = -3R_3 + R_2 \end{matrix}} \implies$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

This then gives $x_1 = -1 + x_3$ and $x_2 = 0$ with x_3 as free variable so that

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + t \\ 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$$

ii. A particular solution is obtained by letting $t = 0$ or $\vec{x}_p = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The RREF of the augmented matrix corresponding to the associated homogeneous system is

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

implying that $x_1 = x_3, x_2 = 0$ with $x_3 = t$ a free variable. Therefore, $\vec{x}_h = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The Nonhomogeneous Principle then gives the solution to the linear system as

$$\vec{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

iii. The dimension of the solution space of the associated homogeneous system is 1. ■