

## Linear Algebra (Math 338) Midterm Exam 2

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Justify answers and show all work for full credit, except for Problem 1.

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**Problem 1.** (10 pts.) *SHORT ANSWERS – NO PARTIAL CREDIT*

(a) **Circle one:** A linearly independent set in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  that is NOT a basis has how many vectors?

AT LEAST  $n$  / AT LEAST  $n + 1$  / AT MOST  $n - 1$  / AT MOST  $n$

(b) **Circle one:** A spanning set in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  that is NOT a basis has how many vectors?

AT LEAST  $n$  / AT LEAST  $n + 1$  / AT MOST  $n - 1$  / AT MOST  $n$

(c) **Circle one:** For  $A_{7 \times 4}$ , if the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent, then  $Ax = 0$  has 0 / 1 /  $\infty$ -many solutions.

(d) If the rows of  $A_{3 \times 5}$  are linearly independent, what is  $\text{nullity}(A)$ ?

(e) If  $\text{Im}(A_{3 \times 5})$  is the plane  $x - 4y + z = 0$ , what are  $\text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{nullity}(A)$ ?

**Problem 2.** (15 pts.)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 7 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find the reduced row-echelon form,  $\text{rref}(A)$ .
- (b) Find the rank and nullity of  $A$ . Justify!
- (c) Find a basis for the column space of  $A$ .

**Problem 3.** (15 pts.)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & -1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 & -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$        $\text{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) Find the rank and nullity of  $A$ .

(b) Find a basis for  $\text{Im}(A)$ .

(c) Find a basis for  $\text{Ker}(A)$ .

**Problem 4.** (15 pts.)

(a) Let  $L : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  be the linear transformation defined by  $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ , where

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

Is the vector  $(-1, -2, 2)$  in the range of  $L$ ? Justify.

(b) Let  $L(x, y, z) = (5x + 3y - 2z, 4x - y + 3z)$ .

Find the standard matrix that represents  $L$ .

**Problem 5.** (25 pts.) Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2\}$  and  $T = \{u_1, u_3\}$  be two bases for  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , where

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Verify that  $S$  is a basis.

(b) Find the coordinate vector of  $v = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  with respect to the basis  $S$ .

(c) Find the coordinate vector of  $v = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  with respect to the basis  $T$ .

(d) Find the transition matrix  $P_{T \leftarrow S}$ .

(e) Verify that  $[v]_S$  and  $[v]_T$  are related by the transition matrix.

**Problem 6.** (20 pts.)

- (a) A student's scores are given as a vector  $\mathbf{u}$ , and each score is worth a certain percentage of the total, given by a vector  $\mathbf{v}$ . For example,  $\mathbf{u} = (82, 75, 89, 9, 6, 8, 8, 7, 9)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (20, 20, 30, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5)$ . Write a general formula for the total student score  $S(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$  out of 100. (Use  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in general, not just for this example!)
- (b) Suppose  $\mathbf{u}$  is orthogonal to both  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$ . Show that  $\mathbf{u}$  is orthogonal to any vector  $(r\mathbf{v} + s\mathbf{w})$  for any scalars  $r$  and  $s$ .
- (c) Write the matrix for a linear transformation of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  that makes a  $90^\circ$  rotation and doubles the length. (Hint: Draw a picture.)
- (d) Write the matrix for a linear transformation of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  that makes a  $90^\circ$  rotation in the  $xz$ -plane.