

MATH 20F WINTER 2007 MIDTERM EXAM II

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GUIDELINES:

- Please put your **name**, **ID number**, **TA's name**, and **section time** on your blue book or exam sheet.
- No books, notes, or calculators are allowed.
- Write your solutions clearly and give explanations for your work. Answers without justifications will not be given credit.
- If any question is not clear, ask for clarification.

PROBLEMS:

1. [10pts] Let B be a 3×3 matrix such that $\det B = 2$, and let A be given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 1 & 8 & 64 \\ 1 & 13 & 169 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- a). [5pts] Calculate $\det(BAB)$.
b). [5pts] Write A in LU form, that is, find an upper triangular matrix U and a unit lower triangular matrix L such that $A = LU$.

2. [10pts] Let the matrix A and the vectors $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ and $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ be given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & 6 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 \\ 10 \\ -1 \\ -14 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 23 \\ 43 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- a). [5pts] Find a *basis* for and the *dimension* of $\text{Nul } A$. Is \mathbf{u} in $\text{Nul } A$? (*Hint on row reducing A* : Scale the second row by factor $\frac{1}{2}$ and interchange the first two rows. Then do not use scaling until the last moment. This will save some arithmetics on fractions.)
b). [5pts] Find a *basis* for and the *dimension* of $\text{Col } A$. Is \mathbf{w} in $\text{Col } A$?

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3. [10pts] Let H be a vector space and let $\mathcal{V} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ be a basis for H . Let the vectors \mathbf{u}_1 , \mathbf{u}_2 , and \mathbf{u}_3 be given by
- $$\mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{v}_1 - 2\mathbf{v}_3, \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = -3\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2 + 4\mathbf{v}_3, \quad \mathbf{u}_3 = 2\mathbf{v}_1 - 3\mathbf{v}_2 + 4\mathbf{v}_3.$$
- a). Is $\mathcal{U} = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$ a basis for H ? If so, find the *change-of-coordinate matrix* from \mathcal{V} to \mathcal{U} , that is, find the matrix Q such that $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{U}} = Q[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{V}}$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in H$. Here $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{U}}$ denote the *coordinate vectors* of \mathbf{x} relative to the bases \mathcal{V} and \mathcal{U} , respectively.
- b). If $\mathbf{x} = 4\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2 - 3\mathbf{v}_3$, find $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{U}}$.
4. [10pts] Mark each statement TRUE or FALSE. Briefly justify each answer.
- a). If A and B are invertible $n \times n$ matrices, then $A^{-1}B^{-1}$ is the inverse of AB .
- b). If A is invertible, then elementary row operations that reduce A to I also reduce I to A^{-1} .
- c). The determinant of a matrix in echelon form is the product of its pivot entries.
- d). The number of pivot columns in A is the dimension of $\text{Nul } A$.
- e). If V is a vector space of dimension k , and \mathbf{x} is in V , then the coordinate vector of \mathbf{x} relative to any basis for V is in \mathbb{R}^k .