

# MTH 235 Spring 2023

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1. (20 points) Let  $V = P_2(\mathbb{R})$ . Show that  $\alpha = \{-2x, 1+x+2x^2, -6x+3x^2\}$  and  $\gamma = \{1-x, 2x, 3+x+x^2\}$  are both bases for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ . Determine a matrix  $A$  that changes  $\alpha$  to  $\gamma$  coordinates.

For  $\alpha$ :  
 Set  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = A'$

The rank of  $A'$  is 3, so the columns are independent. The vectors of  $\alpha$  are independent. Since  $\dim(P_2(\mathbb{R})) = 3$ ,  $\alpha$  is a basis.

For  $\gamma$ : Set  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = B'$ . The rank of  $B'$  is 3 as well, so  $\gamma$  is also a basis.

Solution (A): Reduce  $(B|A)$  to  $(I|B^{-1}A)$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -2 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -2 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

So  $\left[ I_{P_2(\mathbb{R})} \right]_{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & -9 \\ -1 & -3 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solution (B)  $\left[ I_{P_2(\mathbb{R})} \right]_{\alpha} = \left[ I_{P_2(\mathbb{R})} \right]_{\beta} \left[ I_{P_2(\mathbb{R})} \right]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$  where  $\beta$  is the standard order basis.

That is,  $\left[ I \right]_{\alpha}^{\gamma} = B^{-1}A$ . We determine  $B^{-1}$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$B^{-1}$

$$B^{-1}A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & -9 \\ -1 & -3 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution (C):

$-2x = 0(1-x) - 2x + 0(3+x+x^2)$ : column 1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $1+x+2x^2 = -5(1-x) - 3(2x) + 2(3+x+x^2)$ : column 2 =  $\begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $-6x+3x^2 = -9(1-x) - 9(2x) + 3(3+x+x^2)$ : column 3 =  $\begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ -9 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

2. (20 points) Let  $T : P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  denote the transformation given by

$$T(f) = \begin{pmatrix} f(1) & f(-1) \\ f(0) & -f(1) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Show that  $T$  is an isomorphism on to the subspace of trace zero  $2 \times 2$  matrices and compute

$$[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} \text{ where } \beta = \{1, x, x^2\} \text{ is the standard basis of } P_2(\mathbb{R}) \text{ and } \gamma = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

To show  $T$  is an isomorphism

$$\text{Let } f(x) = a + bx + cx^2.$$

$$f(1) = a + b + c. \text{ If } T(f) = 0, \text{ then } f(1) = -f(-1), \text{ so } a + b + c = 0.$$

$$\text{If } f(0) = 0, \text{ then } a = 0.$$

$$\text{If } f(-1) = 0, \text{ then } c - b = 0. \text{ We have } b + c = b - c, \text{ so } b = c = 0.$$

Then  $T$  has trivial kernel, so  $T$  is one-to-one. Since the dimension of the trace zero  $2 \times 2$  matrices is 3, and  $\dim(P_2) = 3$ ,  $T$  is both one-to-one and onto.

For the matrix:

$$T(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ so } [T(1)]_{\gamma} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ so } [T(x)]_{\gamma} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$T(x^2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ so } [T(x^2)]_{\gamma} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then } [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3. (20 points)

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

(a) Find elementary matrices  $E_1, E_2$  such that the product  $E_1 E_2 A = I_2$ . Determine  $A^{-1}$ .

(b) Find a transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow P_1(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $[T]_\beta^\gamma = A$ , where  $\beta = \{e_1, e_2\}$  and  $\gamma = \{1, x\}$ . Find a transformation  $U : P_1(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $U = T^{-1}$ .

a.)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1+2R_2 \rightarrow R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\downarrow$   $E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$        $\downarrow$   $E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = I_2$ , so  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

b.) Since  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$T(e_1) = 1 - x$

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

$T(e_2) = -2 + 3x$

(Thm 2.6 says it's sufficient to find  $T(\beta)$ .)

Since  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $u(1) = (3, 1)$

$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $u(x) = (2, 1)$

4. (20 points)

Suppose a matrix  $A$  has reduced row echelon form  $B$ , where

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

(a) Suppose columns 1, 2 and 4 of  $A$  are as follows:

$$c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, c_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine  $A$ . Determine the rank of  $A$  and the dimension of its nullspace. (This question continues on the next page.)

(a) To determine  $A$ :

In  $B$ ,  $c_3 = -3c_2$   
 $c_5 = 2c_2 - 2c_4$

then in  $A$   $c_3 = -3 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -15 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $c_5 = 2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 6 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 5 & -15 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

rank  $(A) = 2$   
 nullity  $(A) = 5 - 2 = 3$

(b) Find a basis for the nullspace of  $A$ .

(c) Find the solution set of the linear system  $Ax = b$ , where  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b)

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x_2 = 3s + 2t + r + 2r5 &= x_2 - 3s + 2t = 0 \\ x_3 = 2r & \\ x_4 - 2t = 0 & \\ x_5 = 2t & \end{aligned}$$

$$N(A) = \begin{pmatrix} r \\ 3s-2t \\ s \\ 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $v \in \text{nullspace of } A$ ,  
 $v = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3s-2t \\ s \\ 2t \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$   
 This spanning set has 3 vectors.  $t$  is a basis, it has 0 + 1 + 1 = 2 appropriate.

$A$  is spanning set for the nullspace  $Ae_j = \text{column } j \text{ of } A$ .  
 (c) By inspection,  $Ae_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is a particular solution.  
 We take  $K = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  as a basis.  $K$  has the form  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .  
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(c) In  $A$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{column } 4$  satisfies  $Ae_4 = b$ .  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is a particular solution.  
 So  $K = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

5. (20 points) True or False. You do not need to justify your answers. No partial credit will be awarded.

1. (2pts) If  $A, B$  are matrices such that  $AB$  is defined and  $AB = I$ , then  $B = A^{-1}$ .

True

False

Only true if  $A, B$  are square.

2. (2pts) The solution set of a system of linear equations in  $n$  unknowns is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

True

False

True if homogeneous.

3. (2pts) A matrix and its reduced row echelon form have the same nullspace.

True

False

4. (2pts) If  $\dim V = \dim W$  there exists a unique isomorphism  $\phi: V \rightarrow W$ .

True

False

The isomorphism is not unique.

5. (2pts) If  $A$  is a  $2 \times 5$  matrix and  $B$  is a  $5 \times 2$  matrix, then  $AB$  can have rank 5.

True

False

rank  $(AB) \leq 2$ .

6. (2pts) There exists a  $2 \times 2$  system of linear equations over  $\mathbb{R}$  such that the solution set is  $S = \{(1, 0), (0, 1)\}$ .

True

False

*It is possible to have no solutions, one solution, or  $\infty$ -many.*

7. (8 pts) True or False: For each of the following, decide if the statement is true or false. In each part,  $T$  is a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space  $V$ ,  $\beta = \{\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n\}$  and  $\alpha = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$  are both ordered bases for  $V$ , and  $Q$  is the change of coordinates matrix that changes  $\beta$  coordinates into  $\alpha$  coordinates.

(a)  $Q = [I_V]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$ .

True

False

(b) The  $j$ th column of  $Q$  is  $[\beta_j]_{\alpha}$ .

True

False

(c)  $Q^{-1}$  necessarily exists and it is the change of coordinates matrix from  $\beta$  to  $\alpha$  coordinates.

True

False

(d)  $[T]_{\beta}$  and  $[T]_{\alpha}$  are similar matrices.

True

False