

\*\*\*\*\*!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The midterm date: November 3, 2009 (Tuesday) !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!\*\*\*\*\*

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!\*\*\*\*\* The midterm will be in HH 141, Starting time: 8am \*\*\*\*\*!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

SOLUTIONS

165 f09	Sample Midterm	Exam Time: Tu. 11/3/09, 8:00 - 9:30
Name:	Student No.:	

Circle the name of your instructor: Prof. Salur (MW 2pm) Prof. Arian (MWF 10am)

**Instructions:**

- Answer ALL questions from Section A
- You may use a handwritten sheet of notes. Calculators are NOT permitted.
- Read all questions carefully
- Unless explicitly told otherwise, you should explain all your answers fully.
- Do NOT separate the pages of your exam.

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**Section A:** Answer ALL questions.

**Problem A1:** [16=8+8 pts] Consider the family of curves given by the equation  $y^2 = 2x + c$  where  $c$  is a constant, and  $x, y$  are variables.

(a) What is the differential equation which gives the slope of the family at a point  $(x, y)$ ?

**Solution:**

If we implicitly differentiate the equation  $y^2 = 2x + c$ , we get  $2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2$ . Solving for  $dy/dx$  we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{y}, \quad (y \neq 0).$$

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(b) Find the the orthogonal trajectories to the family given above. Give your answer in explicit form.

**Solution:**

The differential equation the orthogonal family satisfies is

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -y.$$

This separates to

$$\frac{1}{y} dy = -dx.$$

Integrating both sides yields

$$\ln |y| = -x + c$$

and exponentiating gives

$$y = Ae^{-x}$$

where  $A = \pm e^c$ .

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**Problem A2:** [16=8+8 pts]

(a) Find the general solution of the equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - (\tan x)y = 8 \sin^3 x.$$

**Solution:**

This is a first order linear equation. Since

$$\int -\tan(x)dx = -\ln|\sec(x)| + \text{constant}$$

The integrating factor can be taken as

$$I(x) = e^{-\ln(\sec(x))} = \frac{1}{\sec(x)} = \cos(x).$$

The equation can then be re-written as

$$(y \cos(x))' = 8 \sin^3 x \cos x.$$

Integrating both sides yields

$$y \cos x = 2 \sin^4 x + C.$$

Therefore, the general solution is

$$y = 2 \sin^4 x \sec x + C \sec x.$$

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(b) Solve the initial value problem

$$y' = y^3 \sin x, \quad y(0) = 1.$$

**Solution:**

This is separable equation, that separates to

$$\frac{1}{y^3} dy = \sin x dx.$$

Integrating both sides yields

$$-\frac{1}{2y^2} = -\cos x + C.$$

Since  $y(0) = 1$ , we see that  $-\frac{1}{2} = -1 + C$  and so  $C = \frac{1}{2}$ . Thus the solution is

$$y^2 = \frac{1}{2 \cos x - 1}.$$

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**Problem A3:** [16=6+10 pts]

(a) For which value(s) of  $k$  is the following system of linear equations consistent?

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y &= 1 \\ 2x + ky &= -5\end{aligned}$$

**Solution:**

We construct the augmented matrix and row reduce

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & k & -5 \end{array}\right) \xrightarrow{A_{12}(-2)} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & k-4 & -7 \end{array}\right)$$

The system is inconsistent if the bottom row of reduction is  $(0 \ 0 \ | \ -7)$ , i.e. if  $k = 4$ . Therefore, the system is consistent for any  $k \neq 4$ .

$k$  can be any real except 4

(b) Find the solution(s) to the following system of linear equations:

$$\begin{aligned}3x + y + 5z &= 5 \\ x + y - z &= 1 \\ 2x + y + 2z &= 3\end{aligned}$$

Write your answer in vector format. If the system is inconsistent, write "inconsistent". Justify your answer. (No credit will be given for a method not based on either Gaussian or Gauss-Jordan elimination)

**Solution:**

We construct the augmented matrix and row reduce

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 1 & 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{array}\right) &\xrightarrow{P_{12}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{array}\right) \xrightarrow{A_{12}(-3), A_{13}(-2)} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 8 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & 1 \end{array}\right) \\ &\xrightarrow{M_2(-1/2)} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & 1 \end{array}\right) \xrightarrow{A_{23}(1)} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right)\end{aligned}$$

This is consistent and reduces to the system

$$\begin{aligned}x + y - 4z &= 1 \\ y - 4z &= -1 \\ z &= t\end{aligned}$$

where  $t$  is a parameter. We compute  $y = -1 + 4z = -1 + 4t$ ,  $x = 1 + z - y = 2 - 3t$ . Hence,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} t$$

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**Problem A4:** [12=5+5+2 pts] Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Compute  $\text{adj}(A)$ .

**Solution:**

The matrices of minors and cofactors are

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 6 & 4 \\ 11 & -6 & -4 \\ 16 & -8 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} -7 & -6 & 4 \\ -11 & -6 & 4 \\ 16 & 8 & -8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The adjoint matrix  $\text{adj}(A)$  is the transpose of  $C$ . Hence,

$$\text{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} -7 & -11 & 16 \\ -6 & -6 & 8 \\ 4 & 4 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Compute  $\det(A)$ .

**Solution:**

$\det(A)$  can be computed using a cofactor expansion with respect to any row or column.

Let's expand with respect to the 1<sup>st</sup> row of  $A$ :

Using the 1<sup>st</sup> row of  $A$  and the 1<sup>st</sup> row of  $C$  (corresponding cofactors), we get

$$\det(A) = -2(-7) + 3(-6) + (-1)(4) = -8$$

$$\det(A) = -8$$

(c) Is  $A$  invertible? If so, find  $A^{-1}$ , if not justify your answer.

**Solution:**

As  $\det(A) \neq 0$ ,  $A$  is invertible. We get  $A^{-1}$  using the formula  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A)$ .

$$A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{8} \begin{pmatrix} -7 & -11 & 16 \\ -6 & -6 & 8 \\ 4 & 4 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

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**Problem A5:** [12=4+4+4 pts] Suppose that

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = 3$$

(a) Find  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 2g+d & 2h+e & 2i+f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}$

**Solution:**

This matrix is obtained by adding 2 times row 1 to row 3.  
This does not change the determinant.

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(b) Find  $\begin{vmatrix} g & h & i \\ d & e & f \\ 2a & 2b & 2c \end{vmatrix}$

**Solution:**

This matrix is obtained by swapping rows 1 and 3 and then multiplying row 3 by 2.  
This multiplies the determinant by  $-1$  and then by 2.

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(c) Find  $\begin{vmatrix} 2a & d & g \\ 2b & e & h \\ 2c & f & i \end{vmatrix}$

**Solution:**

This matrix is obtained by multiplying row 1 by 2 and then transposing the matrix.  
This multiplies the determinant by 2 with no change from the transpose.

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**Problem A6:** [12=4+4+4 pts] For each set of vectors, decide whether or not the set is linearly independent.

Fully justify your answers.

(a)  $\{e^t, e^{-t}, t\}$

**Solution:**

We compute the Wronskian:  $W(e^t, e^{-t}, t) = \begin{vmatrix} e^t & e^{-t} & t \\ e^t & -e^{-t} & 1 \\ e^t & e^{-t} & 0 \end{vmatrix} = t(2) - 1(0) + 0 = 2t$  where we used the cofactor expansion along the 3rd column. Since  $W(e^t, e^{-t}, t) \neq 0$  for  $t \neq 0$ , the functions are linearly independent.

linearly independent

(b)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

**Solution:**

EITHER compute

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1(-1 + 8) - 1(2 + 12) + 1(4 + 3) = 0$$

so the vectors are linearly dependent.

OR use the augmented matrix of the system  $x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  :

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -4 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{A_{12}(-2), A_{13}(-3)} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{M_2(-1/3), A_{23}(1)} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

So, for any real  $t$ , we have a solution of the form  $(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (t, -2t, t)$ .

Thus, for any  $t \neq 0$ , there is a non-trivial linear dependency between the given column vectors:

$$t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - 2t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

linearly dependent

(c)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

**Solution:**

The vector space  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  is known to have dimension 4.

As the set contains more than 4 vectors, it must be linearly dependent.

linearly dependent

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**Problem A7:** [16=8+8 pts]

(a) Is  $B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Justify your answers.

**Solution:**

As  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is 3 dimensional, this set is a basis if it is linearly independent or it spans  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Use one of the following methods:

Method-1:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 1(1-2) - 3(-2-1) + 1(4+1) = -1 + 9 + 5 = 13 \neq 0$$

so the vectors are linearly independent ( $\Rightarrow B$  is a basis).

Method-2:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & x \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & y \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & z \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{12}(-2), A_{13}(-1)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & x \\ 0 & -7 & -1 & y-2x \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & z-x \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{M_2(-1/7), A_{23}(1)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 & 1/7 & (x-2y)/7 \\ 0 & 0 & -13/7 & z-x+(x-2y)/7 \end{pmatrix}$$

so the system is consistent for all  $x, y, z$ . Therefore, the vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^3$  ( $\Rightarrow B$  is a basis).

Method-3:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{12}(-2), A_{13}(-1)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -7 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{M_2(-1/7), A_{23}(1)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -13/7 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so the only linear dependency between the vectors is trivial and they are linearly independent ( $\Rightarrow B$  is a basis).

Yes

(b) Determine a basis for the subspace  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  consisting of all solutions to the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 &= 0 \\ -2x_1 + 3x_2 - 4x_3 + x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

What is the dimension,  $\dim(S)$ , of  $S$ ?

**Solution:**

We row reduce the coefficient matrix of the system to determine the system parameters and the solutions:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{12}(2)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{M_2(-1)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{21}(2)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Any solution is of the form  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (s + 5t, 2s + 3t, s, t)$  where  $s, t$  are arbitrary reals (parameters). So

$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} s + \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} t \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ . Since the set  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is linearly independent and spans  $S$ , it is a basis

for  $S$ . The dimension of a subspace is the number of vectors in any basis of the subspace. Therefore,  $\dim(S) = 2$ .

$$\text{Basis} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \dim(S) = 2$$