

Midterm 2vS  
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Question	Points
1	10
2	10
3	10
4	10
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1. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $a, b, c, d$  be some numbers.

(a) (7 points) Compute  $A^{-1}$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{reorder}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{scale}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{shear}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{shear}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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

(b) (3 points) Solve the equation  $A\vec{x} = (a, b, c, d)$ . You may answer in terms of  $a, b, c$  and  $d$ .

$$\vec{x} = A^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a + \frac{3}{2}b - 3d \\ \frac{1}{2}b \\ -\frac{1}{2}b + d \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

2. (10 points) Let  $\mathbb{P}_2$  be the vector space of polynomials with degree at most 2, and let  $\mathcal{B} = \{1+x, 1+x^2, x+x^2\}$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{P}_2$  (and you don't need to prove this). Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  satisfy  $T([a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2]_{\mathcal{B}}) = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$ . Find the matrix corresponding to  $T$ .

$T$  is the change of coordinates matrix from  $\mathcal{B}$  to  $\mathcal{C} = \{1, x, x^2\}$  so the matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ [1+x]_{\mathcal{C}} & [1+x^2]_{\mathcal{C}} & [x+x^2]_{\mathcal{C}} \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Alternate approach:  ~~$T$  is the matrix  $M$~~  Call the matrix  $M$ .

$$T(\vec{e}_1) = T([1+x]_{\mathcal{B}}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(\vec{e}_2) = T([1+x^2]_{\mathcal{B}}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(\vec{e}_3) = T([x+x^2]_{\mathcal{B}}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

3. (10 points) Let  $A$  be a matrix which is row-equivalent to  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^7$

be a linear transformation such that  $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$  if and only if  $\vec{x} = A\vec{y}$  for some  $\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ . What is the dimension of the range of  $T$ ?

This says  $\text{Nul } T = \text{col } A$

$\begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{5} & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  has two pivot positions, so

$$\dim \text{col } A = 2.$$

Rank theorem says

$$\dim \text{Range } T + \dim \text{Nul } T = 3$$

$$\text{So } \dim \text{Range } T + 2 = 3$$

$$\text{So } \dim \text{Range } T = \textcircled{1}$$

4. (a) (5 points) Find the volume of the parallelepiped in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with adjacent vertices  $(0, 1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1, 2)$ ,  $(1, 1, 1)$  and  $(1, 0, -1)$ .

Subtract  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  from each vertex, ~~so~~ to get a parallelepiped

with the same volume and vertices

$$\vec{0}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Volume} = \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right| = \left| 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right| = | -2 | = \textcircled{2}$$

- (b) (5 points) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be invertible matrices with  $\det A = 4$  and  $\det B = 2$ . What is  $\det(A^2 B^{-1})$ ?

~~$$\det(A^2) \det(B^{-1})$$~~

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A^2 B^{-1}) &= \det(A)^2 \det(B)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{4^2}{2} = \textcircled{8} \end{aligned}$$

