

## Math 337 – Fall 2004 Midterm Examination 1

**Instructions.** Show your work. Calculators are not permitted. Scoring: 12 points per problem, except problem 8 which is 16 points (parts of problems are equally weighted unless noted otherwise). This examination has eight problems; problem 5 through 8 are on the back of this page.

**Problem 1.** (12 points) Where possible perform the following matrix calculations:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} & \quad (b) [1 \ 2] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} & \quad (c) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} [1 \ 2] \\ (d) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} & \quad (e) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \quad (f) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 \\ 5 & 5 & 5 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2.** (12 points) For each part, determine whether or not the given vector  $\mathbf{x}$  is a linear combination of the vectors in the given set  $S$ . Explain your reasoning.

- (a)  $\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, 3)$ ,  $S = \{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$
- (b)  $\mathbf{x} = (0, 0, 0)$ ,  $S = \{(1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 6), (7, 8, 9)\}$
- (c)  $\mathbf{x} = (2, 3)$ ,  $S = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 2)\}$

**Problem 3.** (12 points) Showing your work, find all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A$  that satisfy

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} A.$$

**Problem 4.** (12 points; 3 points per part) (a) Which three matrices  $E_{21}$ ,  $E_{31}$ ,  $E_{32}$  put  $A$  into upper triangular form  $U$ ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}A = U.$$

(b) Multiply those  $E$ 's to get one matrix  $M$  that does elimination:  $MA = U$ . (c) If possible, find  $M^{-1}$ . (d) If possible, give the  $LU$  factorization of  $A$ .

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**Problem 5.** (12 points) Compute the inverses of the following matrices (if possible):

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (c) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Problem 6.** (12 points) For each matrix  $A$  below, show (if possible) that there is a nonzero vector  $\mathbf{x}$  in the null space of  $A$ ; also determine if the matrix  $A$  is invertible.

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Problem 7.** (12 points) Suppose that  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  with  $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Consider the linear combinations of  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  of the form  $\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{y}$  where  $t$  is a real number.

- Find the linear combination of this form having the shortest length; call it  $\mathbf{w}$ . Hint: Minimize  $\|\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{y}\|^2$ .
- Show that  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  are perpendicular.

**Problem 8.** (16 points) Suppose

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (12 points) Find all solutions  $\mathbf{x}$  of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .
- (2 points) Prove or disprove that  $\mathbf{b} \in C(A)$  where  $C(A)$  is the column space of  $A$ .
- (2 points) What is the rank of  $A$ ?

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