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**Math 2270-1**  
**Sample Final Exam**  
**SOLUTIONS**  
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This exam is closed-book and closed-note. You may not use a calculator which is capable of doing linear algebra computations. In order to receive full or partial credit on any problem, you must show all of your work and **justify your conclusions**. There are 200 points possible, and the point values for each problem are indicated in the right-hand margin. Of course, this exam counts for 30% of your final grade even though it is scaled to 200 points. Good Luck!

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[ > restart:with(linalg):  
Warning, the protected names norm and trace have been redefined and unprotected  
[ >  
1) Let
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$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then  $L(\mathbf{x})=A\mathbf{x}$  is a matrix map from  $\mathbf{R}^3$  to  $\mathbf{R}^2$ .

1a) Find the four fundamental subspaces associated to the matrix A.

(20 points)

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[ > A:=matrix(2,3,[1,-1,2,1,0,1]);  
A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}  
[ > rref(A);  
\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}
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*So, the row space is the span of  $\{[1,0,1],0,1,-1\}$ . The column space is the span of the first two columns of A, and this is all of  $\mathbf{R}^2$ . The nullspace can be obtained by backsolving the homogeneous system, using  $\text{rref}(A)$ . We see that  $x_3=t$ ,  $x_2=t$ ,  $x_1=-t$ , so  $x=t[-1,1,1]$ , so a nullspace basis is  $\{[-1,1,1]\}$ . Since the column space is all of  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , its orthogonal complement is the zero vector.*

1b) State and verify the theorem which relates rank and nullity of A, in this particular case

(5 points)

*rank + nullity = #cols(A). In this case  $2+1=3$ .*

1c) Find an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  in which the first two vectors are a basis for the row space of A and the last vector spans its nullspace.

(10 points)

The row space and nullspace of A are already orthogonal, so I just need to Gramschmidt my row space basis, and then normalize:

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> w1:=vector([1,0,1]);
  w2:=vector([0,1,-1]);

                                w1 := [1, 0, 1]
                                w2 := [0, 1, -1]

> v1:=evalm(w1);
  v2:=evalm(w2-(dotprod(w2,v1)/dotprod(v1,v1))*v1);

                                v1 := [1, 0, 1]
                                v2 := [1/2, 1, 1/2]

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[ So my basis is

$$\left[ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{6} \\ \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6}\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3} \\ \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3} \\ \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

1d) Find an implicit equation  $ax+by+cz = 0$  satisfied for precisely those points which are in the row space of A.

(5 points)

I can take normal vector as my nullspace basis, so the equation is  $-x+y+z=0$ .

2a) Exhibit the rotation matrix which rotates vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by an angle of  $\alpha$  radians in the counter-clockwise direction.

(5 points)

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[
                                rot := alpha -> [cos(alpha)  -sin(alpha)]
                                                [sin(alpha)   cos(alpha)]
>

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2b) Verify that the product of an  $\alpha$ -rotation matrix with a  $\beta$ -rotation matrix is an  $(\alpha+\beta)$ -rotation matrix.

(10 points)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\beta) & -\sin(\beta) \\ \sin(\beta) & \cos(\beta) \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha)\cos(\beta) - \sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta) & -\cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta) - \sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta) \\ \sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta) + \cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta) & \cos(\alpha)\cos(\beta) - \sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta) \end{bmatrix}$$

[ By trig addition angle formulas we recognize this last matrix as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha + \beta) & -\sin(\alpha + \beta) \\ \sin(\alpha + \beta) & \cos(\alpha + \beta) \end{bmatrix}$$

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3) Find the least-squares line fit through the four points (1,1), (2,1), (-1,0), (-2,0) in the plane. (10 points)

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b := \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

[ Our least squares solution will solve

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} m \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{10} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

[ So the least squares line fit is

$$y = \frac{3}{10}x + \frac{1}{2}$$

4a) Explain the procedure which allows one to convert a general quadratic equation in n-variables

$$x^T A x + B x + c = 0$$

into one without any ‘cross terms’. Be precise in explaining the change of variables, and the justification for why such a change of variables exists.

(10 points)

*A is symmetric, so we can diagonalize it with an orthogonal matrix P, ie transpose(P)AP=Lambda. We then let*

$$x = Py$$

and the quadratic form transforms to

$$y^T \Lambda y + B P y + c = 0$$

4b) Apply the procedure from part (4a) to put the conic section

$$6x^2 + 9y^2 - 4xy + 4\sqrt{5}x - 18\sqrt{5}y = 5$$

into standard form. Along the way, identify the conic section.

(20 points)

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

> eigenvects(A);

$$[10, 1, \{[1, -2]\}], [5, 1, \{[2, 1]\}]$$

Since both eigenvalues are positive, we have an ellipse. Continuing, we can take

$$P := \frac{1}{5}\sqrt{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

And, using u,v for our new variables, our transformed equation is

$$10u^2 + 5v^2 + 40u - 10v = 5$$

we may complete the square to get

$$5(v-1)^2 - 45 + 10(u+2)^2 = 5$$

$$5(v-1)^2 + 10(u+2)^2 = 50$$

$$\frac{1}{10}(v-1)^2 + \frac{1}{5}(u+2)^2 = 1$$

5) Let

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

5a) Find the inverse of C using elementary row operations.

(15 points)

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[
  > rref(%);
]

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

So the inverse matrix is

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[
  > inv(C);
]

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$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

5b) Find the inverse of C using the adjoint formula.

(15 points)

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[
  > cof(C):=matrix(3,3,[1,2,-4,1,1,-3,-1,-1,2]);
  cof(C):=
  > adj(C):=transpose(cof(C));
  adj(C):=
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$$\text{cof}(C) := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{adj}(C) := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -4 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We calculate that  $\det(C)=2-2-1=-1$ , so the inverse is given by

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[
  > detC:=-1;
  (1/detC)*adj(C);
]

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$$\det C := -1$$

$$-\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -4 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

6a) Define what it means for a function  $L:V \rightarrow W$  between vector spaces to be a **linear transformation**.

(5 points)

I)  $L(u+v)=L(u)+L(v)$  for all  $u,v$  in  $V$

II)  $L(cu)=cL(u)$  for all  $u$  in  $V$ ,  $c$  in  $R$ .

6b) Define what it means for a set  $S=\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  to be a **basis** for a vector space  $V$ .

(5 points)

$S$  is a basis for  $V$  if it is linearly independent and spans  $V$ .

6c) For a linear map  $L$  as in part (6a), define the **nullspace (kernel)** of  $L$ .

(5 points)

The kernel of  $L$  is the set of all vectors in  $V$  which satisfy  $L(v)=0$ .

6d) Let  $S=\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  be a basis for  $V$ , and  $T=\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \dots, \mathbf{w}_m\}$  be a basis for  $W$ . Let  $L:V \rightarrow W$  be linear. Explain what the matrix for  $L$  with respect to  $S$  and  $T$  is, and how to compute it.

(10 points)

The matrix for  $L$  with respect to  $S$  and  $T$  is the matrix  $A$  which has the property that  $A$  times the  $S$ -coordinates of a vector  $v$  in  $V$  equals the  $T$ -coordinates of  $L(v)$ , for all  $v$  in  $V$ . The  $j$ th column of  $A$  is just the coordinates of  $L(\mathbf{v}_j)$ , with respect to  $T$ . (So that's one way to compute it.)

7) Let

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -6 & 5 \\ 4 & 4 & -2 \\ -6 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

7a) Let

$$T := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(Note these are the columns of your matrix  $C$  from #5.) Let  $L(x)=Ax$ , a matrix map from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Thus  $A$  is the matrix of  $L$  with respect to the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Find the matrix of  $L$  with respect to the  $T$  basis.

(20 points)

This means use the  $T$ -basis in both the domain and range space.

Method I: The matrix for  $L$  with respect to  $T$  is the triple product  $[P_{T \leftarrow E}][A][P_{E \leftarrow T}]$

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> A:=matrix(3,3,[-7,-6,5,4,4,-2,-6,-5,6]);
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$$A := \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -6 & 5 \\ 4 & 4 & -2 \\ -6 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

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> PET:=matrix(3,3,[1,-1,0,0,2,1,2,1,1]);
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$$PET := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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> evalm(inverse(PET))*evalm(A)*evalm(PET);
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[ > evalm(inverse(PET)*A*PET);
      [ -1  -1  1 ] [ -7  -6  5 ] [ 1  -1  0 ]
      [ -2  -1  1 ] [ 4   4  -2 ] [ 0   2  1 ]
      [ 4   3  -2 ] [-6  -5  6 ] [ 2   1  1 ]
      [ 3   0   0 ]
      [ 0   0   1 ]
      [ 0   2   0 ]

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Method 2: For  $T=\{v1,v2,v3\}$  compute  $\{Av1,Av2,Av3\}$  and then find coords with respect to  $T$ . It turns out that  $Av1=3v1$ ,  $Av2=2v3$ ,  $Av3=v2$ . So it is easy to write down the matrix for  $L$  exhibited above.

In general, this leads to the augmented matrix

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[ > matrix(3,6,[1,-1,0,3,0,-1,0,2,1,0,2,2,2,1,1,6,2,1]);
      [ 1  -1  0  3  0  -1 ]
      [ 0  2  1  0  2  2 ]
      [ 2  1  1  6  2  1 ]
[ > rref(%);
      [ 1  0  0  3  0  0 ]
      [ 0  1  0  0  0  1 ]
      [ 0  0  1  0  2  0 ]

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From which we take the last 3 columns as our matrix.

7b) Let

$$v := 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute  $L(v)$  two ways: once using the matrix for  $L$  with respect to  $T$ , and once using the matrix  $A$ . Verify that your answers agree.

(10 points)

Method 1: Use the  $E$ -coordinates for  $v$

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[ > evalm(A)*matrix(3,1,[1,1,4])=evalm(A*matrix([[1], [1], [4]]));
      [ -7  -6  5 ] [ 1 ] [ 7 ]
      [ 4   4  -2 ] [ 1 ] = [ 0 ]
      [ -6  -5  6 ] [ 4 ] [ 13 ]

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[ Method 2: Use  $T$ -coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

8) True-False. Two points each. No justification required!

(20 points)

8a) Let  $A$  be an  $n$  by  $n$  matrix. Then if  $Ax=Ay$  it follows that  $x=y$ .

*FALSE: would only be true if  $A$  was non-singular*

8b) If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n$  by  $n$  matrices, then

$$(A + B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$$

*FALSE: would only be true if  $AB=BA$*

8c) If the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$  are orthogonal to  $\mathbf{w}$ , then any vector in the span of  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  is also orthogonal to  $\mathbf{w}$ .

*TRUE: if the dot product of each  $v_i$  with  $w$  is zero, then the dot product of any linear combination of the  $v_j$ 's with  $w$  is also zero.*

8d) Every set of five orthonormal vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^5$  is automatically a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^5$ .

*TRUE: orthonormal vectors are automatically linearly independent, and 5 independent vectors automatically span a 5-dimensional space*

8e) The number of linearly independent eigenvectors of a matrix is always greater than or equal to the number of distinct eigenvalues.

*TRUE: each eigenspace is at least one-dimensional, and the union of eigenspace bases is still linearly independent.*

8f) If the rows of a 4 by 6 matrix are linearly dependent then the nullspace is at least three dimensional.

*TRUE: rows dependent so row rank is at most 3. Since row rank plus nullity equals 6 this means nullity is at least 3*

8g) A diagonalizable  $n$  by  $n$  matrix must always have  $n$  distinct eigenvalues.

*FALSE: e.g. the identity matrix has only one distinct eigenvalue ( $=1$ ), but is diagonal*

8h) Every orthogonal matrix is diagonalizable.

*FALSE: e.g. rotation matrices have no real eigenvectors (unless the rotation is a multiple of  $\pi$ ).*

8i) If  $A$  and  $B$  are orthogonal matrices then so is  $AB$ .

*TRUE: use the fact that the transpose of  $AB$  is  $B$  transpose time  $A$  transpose.*

8j) If  $A$  is a square matrix and  $A^2$  is singular, then so is  $A$ .

*TRUE: if  $\det(A^2)=0$ , then this also equals  $(\det(A))^2$  by multiplicative determinant property, so  $\det(A)=0$ .*