

EXAM 3

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Math 324 - Linear Algebra

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Read all of the following information before starting the exam:

- You have 50 minutes to complete the exam.
- Show all work, clearly and in order, if you want to get full credit. Please make sure you read the directions for each problem. I reserve the right to take off points if I cannot see how you arrived at your answer (even if your final answer is correct).
- Please box/circle or otherwise indicate your final answers.
- Please keep your written answers brief; be clear and to the point. I will take points off for rambling and for incorrect or irrelevant statements.
- This test has 7 problems and is worth 100 points. It is your responsibility to make sure that you have all of the pages!
- Good luck!

1. Circle your answer for each of the following:

- (a) ☐ True ☒ False P_n is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n . (P_n is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^{n+1})
- (b) ☒ True ☐ False M_{mn} is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^{mn} .
- (c) ☒ True ☐ False There is a subspace of P_8 isomorphic to M_{22} . (Any 4 dimensional subspace will be isomorphic to M_{22})
- (d) ☒ True ☐ False If V is a finite dimensional vector space and $T: V \rightarrow V$ is an isomorphism, then $\ker(T) = \{0\}$.
 \rightarrow consider $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (e) ☒ True ☐ False Every linear transformation $T: M_{22} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ is an isomorphism. definitely not an isomorphism.
- (f) ☒ True ☐ False If V and W are finite dimensional and isomorphic vector spaces, then $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$.
- (g) ☒ True ☐ False $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ are similar matrices. (determinants are not equal. Here, they cannot possibly be similar.)
- (h) ☒ True ☐ False If A is a 3×3 matrix with three eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 1$, $\lambda_2 = 5$ and $\lambda_3 = 15$, then A is diagonalizable.
- (i) ☒ True ☐ False If A is a 3×3 matrix with three eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 1$, $\lambda_2 = 5$ and $\lambda_3 = 15$, then A is invertible.
- (j) ☒ True ☐ False A 3×3 matrix with real entries must always have at least one real eigenvalue.

2. Find the eigenvalues of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

\hookrightarrow characteristic polynomial is a cubic which must always have at least one real root because complex roots come in conjugate pairs (also by the intermediate value thm.)

Find roots of the characteristic equation

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

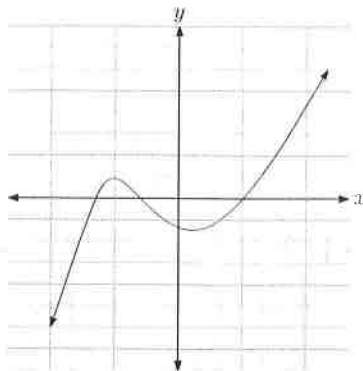
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (4)(4-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (4-\lambda) \left((1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - 9 \right) = 0 \\ &= (4-\lambda) (1 - 2\lambda + \lambda^2 - 9) = 0 \\ &= (4-\lambda) (\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 8) = 0 \\ &= (4-\lambda) (\lambda - 4)(\lambda + 2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda = 4 \mid \lambda = 4 \mid \lambda = -2$$

eigenvalues of A : $\lambda = 4$ (alg. multiplicity 2)
 $\lambda = -2$

3. Suppose the the graph of characteristic polynomial of an 3×3 matrix A is given below.



Circle your answer for each of the following:

- (a) Is A invertible? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Enough Information

Explain your choice:

The characteristic polynomial does NOT pass through the origin,
Hence, 0 is NOT an eigenvalue.
Therefore, A is invertible.

- (b) Is A diagonalizable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Enough Information

Explain your choice:

The characteristic polynomial has 3 distinct roots.
Hence, A has 3 distinct eigenvalues.
Since A is 3×3 , A is diagonalizable.

4. Suppose the characteristic polynomial of a square matrix A is:

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda(\lambda - 1)^2(\lambda + 2)^3$$

- (a) Fill in the following table:

Eigenvalues of A	Algebraic Multiplicity	Possible Geometric Multiplicities
0	1	1
1	2	$1, 2$
-2	3	$1, 2, 3$

- (b) Is A invertible? Circle your choice: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Enough Information

- (c) Is A diagonalizable? Circle your choice: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Not Enough Information

(d) $\text{tr}(A) = \boxed{-4} = 0 + 1 + 1 + (-2) + (-2) + (-2)$ (sum of eigenvalues including multiplicities)

(e) $\det(A) = \boxed{0} = 0 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot (-2) \cdot (-2) \cdot (-2)$ (product of eigenvalues including multiplicities)

- (f) What is the size of the matrix A ?

6×6

→ -OR- use the fact that
 A is NOT invertible to conclude
 $\det(A) = 0$.

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

(a) Find the eigenvalues of A .

SOLVE! $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & -1 \\ -1 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - (-1)(-1) = 0$$

$$1 - 2\lambda + \lambda^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$-2\lambda + \lambda^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda(-2 + \lambda) = 0$$

$$\boxed{\lambda = 0 \quad \lambda = 2}$$

(b) For each eigenvalue from part (a), find a basis for the corresponding eigenspace.

For $\lambda = 0$ (The corresponding eigenspace is $\text{Null}(A - 0I) = \text{Null}(A)$.)

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1-0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1-0 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 + R1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

\uparrow FREE!
 $x_1 = x_2 = s$

$x_2 = s$
 $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Basis: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

For $\lambda = 2$ (The corresponding eigenspace is $\text{Null}(A - 2I)$)

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1-2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1-2 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow -R1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 + R1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$x_1 = -x_2 = -s$
 $x_2 = s$

$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right.$
 \uparrow FREE!
Basis: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(c) Show that A is diagonalizable by stating a diagonalizing matrix P and diagonal matrix D so that $A = PDP^{-1}$. There is no need to check the last equality, just state what P and D are.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow P_2$ defined by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = (a_0 - a_1) + (a_1 - a_2)x + (a_2 - a_0)x^2.$$

(a) Find $[T]_{B', B}$ if B and B' are the standard bases (i.e., $B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and $B' = \{1, x, x^2\}$)

$$\begin{aligned} [T]_{B', B} &= \begin{bmatrix} [T(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix})]_{B'} & [T(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix})]_{B'} & [T(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})]_{B'} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} [1 - 1x^2]_{B'} & [-1 + x]_{B'} & [-x + x^2]_{B'} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Is T one-to-one (an injection)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Proof:

SOL 1: Notice that $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0$
hence $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \ker(T)$
so, T is NOT one-to-one because the kernel is not the trivial vector space

SOL 2:
 $\ker(T) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \vec{0} \text{ in } P_2 \right\}$
 $= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid (a_0 - a_1) + (a_1 - a_2)x + (a_2 - a_0)x^2 = 0 \text{ (for any } x) \right\}$
 $= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid \begin{matrix} a_0 - a_1 = 0 \text{ AND} \\ a_1 - a_2 = 0 \text{ AND} \\ a_2 - a_0 = 0 \end{matrix} \right\}$
 $= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid a_0 = a_1 = a_2 \right\} = \left\{ c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \neq \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$
trivial vector space in \mathbb{R}^3

SOL 3:

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0 \neq T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$\text{BUT } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

T is NOT one-to-one

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use the matrix above and show the Nullspace is NOT trivial -OR- show something like SOL 3. and get the same conclusion.

(c) Is T an isomorphism? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Proof:

SOL 1:

From (b), since T is NOT one-to-one it is NOT an isomorphism.

SOL 2

Show the matrix in (a) is NOT invertible.

Many more solutions as well...

7. Prove that if A and B are similar matrices, then A^3 and B^3 are also similar matrices.

Proof:

suppose A and B are similar matrices.

There exists an invertible P such that

$$A = P^{-1}BP.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} A^3 &= (P^{-1}BP)(P^{-1}BP)(P^{-1}BP) \\ &= P^{-1}B^3P \end{aligned}$$

Hence, A^3 and B^3 are also similar matrices

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