

# MATH 115A SECOND MIDTERM EXAMINATION

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**Problem 1.** Let  $V, W, Z$  be vector spaces and  $T : V \rightarrow W$  and  $U : W \rightarrow Z$  be linear transformations.

- (1) Suppose that  $UT : V \rightarrow Z$  is one-to-one. Does it follow that  $T$  is one-to-one? If yes, give a proof. If not, provide a counter example (that is, give an example of vector spaces  $V, W, Z$  and linear transformations  $T, U$  such that  $UT$  is one-to-one but  $T$  is not one-to-one.

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Yes.

$$\text{If } T(x) = T(y) \Rightarrow U(T(x)) = U(T(y)) \text{ so } UT(x) = UT(y)$$

$$\text{And since } UT \text{ is one to one } \Rightarrow x = y$$

Thus  $T$  is one to one.

- (2) Suppose that  $UT : V \rightarrow Z$  is one-to-one. Does it follow that  $U$  is one-to-one? If yes, give a proof. If not, construct a counter example. That is, give an example of vector spaces  $V, W, Z$  and linear transformations  $T : V \rightarrow W$  and  $U : W \rightarrow Z$  such that  $UT$  is one-to-one but  $U$  is not one-to-one.

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No.

$$\text{Assume } T(x, y) = (x, 0) \text{ one to one}$$

$$U(x, y) = (x, 0) \text{ Not one to one}$$

$$UT(x) = U(x, 0) = (x, 0) \text{ is one to one.}$$

**Problem 2.** Let  $V, W$  be vector spaces, and let  $T, U : V \rightarrow W$  be linear transformations. Let  $\mathcal{L}(U, W)$  be the vector space of all linear transformations from  $V$  to  $W$ . Show that if  $R(T) \cap R(U) = \{\vec{0}\}$ , then  $\{T, U\}$  is a linearly independent subset of  $\mathcal{L}(U, W)$ .

Prove by contradiction

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If  $\{T, U\}$  is linearly dependent

then  $T = cU$  for some constant  $c$

Let  $w \in R(T)$   $w = T(v)$

then  $w = T(v) = cU(v) = U(cv)$

Since  $v \in V$ ,  $cv \in V$ .

so  $w \in R(U)$  as well

$w \in R(T) \cap R(U)$

$R(T) \cap R(U) \neq \{0\}$

$\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$

This proves the statement.

Problem 3. 1. Define the trace of an  $n \times n$ -matrix.

$$\text{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ii}$$

2. Show that  $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$  for any two  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(AB) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (AB)_{ii} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik} B_{ki} = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n B_{ki} A_{ik} = \sum_{k=1}^n (BA)_{kk} \\ &= \text{tr}(BA) \end{aligned}$$

3. Show that if two  $n \times n$  matrices  $C$  and  $D$  are similar, then  $\text{tr}(C) = \text{tr}(D)$ .

Assume  $C = Q^{-1} D Q$  for some  $Q$

$$\text{tr}(C) = \text{tr}(Q^{-1} D Q)$$

$$= \text{tr}((Q^{-1} D) Q)$$

(using result from 2.)

$$= \text{tr}(Q(Q^{-1} D))$$

$$= \text{tr}(ID)$$

$$= \text{tr}(D)$$

**Problem 4.** Find the change of coordinates matrix that changes the basis  $\beta'$  into  $\beta$  in the vector space  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ , where

$$\beta = \{x^2 - x, x^2 + 1, x - 1\}, \quad \beta' = \{5x^2 - 2x - 3, -2x^2 + 5x + 5, 2x^2 - x - 3\}.$$

Let  $\beta_0$  be the standard basis.

$$\beta_0 = \{x^2, x, 1\}$$

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad Q' = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 5 & -1 \\ -3 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$Q$  changes basis from  $\beta$  to  $\beta_0$ ,  $Q'$  changes basis from  $\beta'$  to  $\beta_0$ .

Let  $S$  be the matrix that changes  $\beta'$  to  $\beta$ .

$$S = Q^{-1}Q'$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 5 & -1 \\ -3 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 10 & -12 & 6 \\ 0 & 8 & -2 \\ 6 & -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

$$Q^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Problem 5. True/False

Mark every statement as either True (T) or False (F)

F (1) For any two  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , we have

$$\text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) = \text{rank}(A + B)$$

T (2) There is a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^5$  such that  $\text{nullity}(T) = 2$ .

F (3) If  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is linear transformation, then  $\mathbb{R}^2 = N(T) \oplus R(T)$ .

F (4) If  $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$  is linearly dependent, then each vector in  $S$  is a linear combination of other vectors in  $S$ .

F (5) For any  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^3$  there is a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  such that

$$T(\vec{v}_1) = \vec{w}_1, \quad T(\vec{v}_2) = \vec{w}_2.$$

T (6) If  $A, B \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  are such that  $AS = SB$  for an invertible matrix  $S \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ , then  $A$  and  $B$  have the same eigenvalues.

F (7) Every linear transformation of the plane has at least one real eigenvalue.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$

F (8) If you multiply every entry of a square matrix by a constant, the determinant of the matrix is multiplied by the same constant.

T (9)  $\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$  for any two square matrices  $A$  and  $B$ .

F (10)  $\det(A^t) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ .

$$N(T) \cap R(T)$$

$$T(x) = 0$$

$$x \text{ in } R(T) ?$$

$$T(y) = x$$

$$T^2(y) = 0 \text{ but } T(y) \neq 0$$

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$$T(x) = x - 5$$

$$T(5) = 0$$

$$T(10) = 5$$