

WNE Linear Algebra  
Final Exam  
Series B

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- number of your group,
- number of the corresponding problem and the series.

Each problem is worth 10 marks. Each question is worth 4 marks.

## Problems

### Problem 1.

Let  $V = \text{lin}((1, 1, 9, -1), (1, 2, 12, -2), (2, -1, 9, 1))$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

- a) find a basis of the subspace  $V$  and the dimension of  $V$ ,
- b) find a system of linear equations which set of solutions is equal to  $V$ .

### Problem 2.

Let  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^4$  be a subspace given by the homogeneous system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 3x_2 + 16x_3 + 18x_4 = 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + 11x_3 + 12x_4 = 0 \\ x_1 + x_2 + 6x_3 + 6x_4 = 0 \end{cases}$$

- a) find a basis  $\mathcal{A}$  of the subspace  $V$  and the dimension of  $V$ ,
- b) for which  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  vector  $v = (1, t, -1, 1)$  belongs to  $V$ ? For every such  $t$  find coordinates of  $v$  relative to basis  $\mathcal{A}$ .

### Problem 3.

Let

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- a) which of the matrices are diagonalizable?
- b) for each diagonalizable matrix  $A_i$  find a matrix  $C_i \in M(3 \times 3; \mathbb{R})$  such that

$$C_i^{-1}A_iC_i = \begin{bmatrix} a_i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_i \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $a_i \leq b_i \leq c_i$ .

### Problem 4.

Let  $\mathcal{A} = ((0, 0, 1), (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0))$  be an ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and let  $\mathcal{B} = ((1, 2), (1, 1))$  be an ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let  $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be linear transformation given by the matrix

$$M(\varphi)_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

and let  $\psi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation given by the formula

$$\psi((x_1, x_2)) = (x_2, x_1 + 2x_2).$$

- a) find the matrix  $M(\psi)_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}$ ,
- b) find the formula of  $\varphi \circ \psi$ .

**Problem 5.**

Let

$$V = \text{lin}((1, 1, 0), (1, -1, 2), (0, 1, -1)),$$

be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

- find an orthonormal basis of  $V$ ,
- find the orthogonal projection of  $w = (0, 3, 0)$  onto  $V^\perp$ .

**Problem 6.**

Consider the following linear programming problem  $-2x_2 - x_5 \rightarrow \min$  in the standard form with constraints

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 & = 18 \\ x_1 & - 2x_3 - 3x_4 - x_5 = 12 \end{cases} \quad \text{and } x_i \geq 0 \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, 5.$$

- which of the sets  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \{1, 3\}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_2 = \{2, 5\}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_3 = \{4, 5\}$  is basic feasible? Write the corresponding basic solution for all basic sets,
- solve the linear programming problem using simplex method. Start from the basic feasible set taken from part a).

## Questions

**Question 1.**

Let  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^6$  be a subspace given by

$$V = \{(x_1, \dots, x_6) \in \mathbb{R}^6 \mid x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6 = 0\}.$$

Let  $P = M(P_V)_{st}^{st}$  be the matrix of the orthogonal projection onto  $V$ . Let  $v = (1, -2, 3, -5, 4, -1) \in \mathbb{R}^6$ . Does it follow that  $P^{101}v = v$ ?

**Solution 1.**

Yes, it does. Since  $v \in V$ , we have  $P_V(v) = v$  and therefore

$$P^{101}v = Pv = v.$$

**Question 2.**

Let  $M \in M(2 \times 2; \mathbb{R})$  be a matrix. Assume that  $v^\top Mv = 0$  for any  $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Does it follow that  $M = 0$ ?

**Solution 2.**

No, it does not. For example

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0, \quad \text{but } v^\top Mv = 0.$$

**Question 3.**

Let  $A \in M(2 \times 2; \mathbb{R})$  be a matrix such that  $\det A \neq 0$ . Does it follow that

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -A \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} > 0?$$

Hint: in the above matrix 0 denotes the 2-by-2 zero matrix.

Yes, it does.

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -A \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{\substack{r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3 \\ r_2 \leftrightarrow r_4}}{=} (-1)^2 \det \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & -A \end{bmatrix} = (\det A)(\det(-A)) = (\det A)(-1)^2(\det A) = (\det A)^2 > 0.$$

**Question 4.**

Let  $A, B \in M(2 \times 2; \mathbb{R})$ . Assume that  $\det(A - \lambda B) = 0$  has two different solutions  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$  and matrix  $B$  is invertible. Does it follow that  $\det A = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \det B$ ?

**Solution 3.**

Yes, it does.

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda B) &= \det((AB^{-1} - \lambda I)B) = (\det(AB^{-1} - \lambda I))(\det B) = 0, \\ &\quad \Downarrow \\ \det(AB^{-1} - \lambda I) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore 2-by-2 matrix  $AB^{-1}$  has two different eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ . In particular, determinant of a diagonalizable matrix  $AB^{-1}$  is equal to the product of its eigenvalues.

**Question 5.**

Let  $L \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be an affine line. Assume that  $\sigma_L((1, 2)) = (3, 4)$ , where  $\sigma_L$  denotes the affine orthogonal reflection/symmetry about  $L$ . Does it follow that

$$L = \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 - x_2 = -1\}?$$

**Solution 4.**

No, it does not. Let  $p = (1, 2), q = (3, 4)$ . It follows that  $\frac{1}{2}p + \frac{1}{2}q = (2, 3) \in L$  and  $\overrightarrow{pq} = (3, 4) - (1, 2) = (2, 2) \in \overrightarrow{L}^\perp$ . Therefore

$$L = (2, 3) + \text{lin}((1, -1)) \neq \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 - x_2 = -1\} = (2, 3) + \text{lin}((1, 1)).$$