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Math 130 Linear Algebra
Final Exam
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You may use a calculator and a sheet of notes. Leave your answers as expressions such as $e^2 \sqrt{\frac{\sin^2(\pi/6)}{1 + \ln 10}}$ if you like. Show all your work for credit. Points for each problem are in square brackets.

1. [18; 6 points each part] Consider the linear transformation $T : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$ such that $T(\mathbf{e}_1) = \mathbf{e}_2$, $T(\mathbf{e}_2) = \mathbf{e}_3$, and $T(\mathbf{e}_3) = \mathbf{e}_1$.

a. What is the 3×3 matrix A that represents T , that is, $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{bmatrix}$$

b. The matrix A^3 represents $T \circ T \circ T$, the triple composition of T . What matrix is that?

c. Is the transformation T a reflection, and if so, across which plane, or is it a rotation, and if so, then by what angle and about what axis, or is it some other transformation of space?

2. [18; 6 points each part] Consider the matrix

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

a. Find the characteristic polynomial of A .

b. Find the eigenvalues for A .

c. Choose one of the eigenvalues that you found in part **b** and determine all the eigenvectors for it.

3. [10] Find a basis and the dimension of the vector space of all vectors of the form (a, b, c, d) in \mathbf{R}^4 , where $a + b = c + d$.

4. [12] Prove that if A is an upper triangular matrix, then the eigenvalues of A are the elements on the main diagonal of A .

5. [10] Find the inverse of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. (Check your answer if you have time.)

6. [12] Consider the linear transformation $T : \mathbf{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$ represented by the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine the rank and nullity of T . (Show your work)

Rank =

Nullity =

7. [21; 3 points each] True/false. For each sentence write the whole word “true” or the whole word “false”. If it’s not clear whether it should be considered true or false, you may explain in a sentence if you like.

_____ a. Given a linear transformation $T : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$, there is a basis of \mathbf{R}^n whose basis vectors are all eigenvectors.

_____ b. Inner products distribute over addition, that is, $\langle \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} | \mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{w} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{v} | \mathbf{w} \rangle$.

_____ c. The determinant of a square matrix is equal to the determinant of its transpose.

_____ d. The inequality $\|\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{v}\| \leq \|\mathbf{w}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$ is known as Cramer’s inequality.

_____ e. Matrix multiplication is commutative: $AB = BA$.

_____ f. The following set S is a basis for \mathbf{R}^6 .

$$S = \{(3, 2, 0, 8, -5, 2), (4, 3, -2, 0, 4, 1), (-3, 2, 1, 4, 5, 2), (2, 3, -2, 1, 0, 0), (0, 3, 2, 3, 2, 1)\}$$

_____ g. The fixed points \mathbf{x} of a matrix transformation $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ are eigenvectors with eigenvalue 1.

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