

**UH - Math 4377/6308 - Dr. Heier - Fall 2011**  
**Sample Final Exam**  
**Time: 175 min**

**WITH SOLUTION**

1. (a) (3 points) Let  $z = a + ib$  be a complex number. Prove that  $|z|^2 = z\bar{z}$ .  
(b) (4 points) Solve the equation  $z(1 + i) = i$  for  $z$ .  
(c) (3 points) Is the function  $f : (1, 4) \rightarrow (1, 2)$ ,  $x \mapsto \sqrt{x}$  one-to-one? Onto?

2. (a) (5 points) Determine if the following subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a subspace. Justify your answer carefully:

$$\{(a_1, a_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : a_1 \cdot a_2 = 0\}.$$

- (b) (5 points) Determine if the following subsets of the vector space of  $2 \times 2$  matrices with real entries are subspaces. You may assume as true that the set of  $2 \times 2$  matrices with real entries forms a vector space with the usual addition and scalar multiplication.

(a)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_1 + a_2 \\ a_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} : a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

(b)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_1 \cdot a_2 \\ a_2 & a_3 \end{pmatrix} : a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

3. (a) (5 points) Find bases for the kernel and range of

$$T : \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4, (a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5) \mapsto (a_1 + a_4 + a_5, -a_1 + a_2 + a_4, a_5 - a_4, a_1 + 2a_5).$$

- (b) (5 points) Let  $G = \{(1, -1, 0, 1), (1, 0, 1, 0), (1, 2, 4, 2), (0, 2, 2, 2)\}$ . Let  $L = \{(2, -4, -3, 0)\}$ . Find a subset  $H \subset G$  of cardinality 3 such that  $H \cup L$  spans  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Prove the spanning property with an explicit computation.

4. (a) (5 points) Find the rank of

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 5 & 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & 5 & 3 & 5 \\ 8 & 4 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) (5 points) Give an example of  $A, B \in M_{4 \times 4}(\mathbb{R})$  such that both  $A$  and  $B$  have rank 2, but their product  $AB$  has rank 1.

5. (10 points) Find the inverse of

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{5} \end{pmatrix}.$$

6. (a) (5 points) Let

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

and let

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find  $\det(A)$ ,  $\det(B)$  and  $\det(AB)$ .

(b) (5 points) Compute the determinant of

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

7. (a) (5 points) Let  $A, B \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  be such that  $AB = -BA$ . Prove that if  $n$  is odd, then at least one of the two matrices  $A, B$  is not invertible.

(b) (5 points) Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  have two distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ . Give a necessary and sufficient criterion in terms of  $\dim E_{\lambda_1}$  and  $\dim E_{\lambda_2}$  for the diagonalizability of  $A$ .

8. (a) (5 points) Find the eigenvalues of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) (5 points) Find the eigenvectors of  $A$ .

(c) (5 points) Find a matrix  $Q$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ$  is diagonal.

9. (15 points) Is the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -8 \\ -4 & 9 & -4 \\ -10 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

diagonalizable? If yes, give a basis of eigenvectors of  $A$  for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

# Solution

1. a) left hand side:  $|z|^2 = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}^2 = \underline{a^2 + b^2}$

Right " " :  $z\bar{z} = (a+ib)(a-ib) =$   
 $= a^2 - iab + iab + i(-i)b^2$   
 $= a^2 + b^2$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $i^2 = -1$

b)  $z = \frac{i}{1+i} = \frac{i(1-i)}{(1+i)(1-i)} = \frac{1+i}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$

c) One-to-one: yes: let  $\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{y}$   
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{x}^2 = \sqrt{y}^2 \Rightarrow x = y$

Onto: yes: let  $y \in (1, 2)$ . Then

$y^2 \in (1, 4)$  and  $\sqrt{y^2} = y$ .

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2. a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  both satisfy  $a_1 \cdot a_2 = 0$   
but  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  does not.  $\Rightarrow$  not a subspace

b) a) closedness for "+":

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_1 + a_2 \\ a_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & b_1 + b_2 \\ b_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + b_1 & a_1 + a_2 + b_1 + b_2 \\ a_2 + b_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + b_1 & (a_1 + b_1) + (a_2 + b_2) \\ a_2 + b_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Closedness for " $\cdot$ ":

$$c \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_1 + a_2 \\ a_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ca_1 & c(a_1 + a_2) \\ ca_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ca_1 & ca_1 + ca_2 \\ ca_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  both satisfy the condition,  
but  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  does  
not  $\Rightarrow$  not closed  $\Rightarrow$  not a subspace

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3 a) Computation yields

$$N(T) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2a_3 \\ -3a_5 \\ a_3 \\ a_5 \\ a_5 \end{pmatrix} \mid a_3, a_5 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$
$$= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\dim(\mathbb{R}^5) = \dim N(T) + \dim R(T)$$

$\overset{5}{\parallel}$                        $\overset{2}{\parallel}$

$\Rightarrow$  need 3 lin. indep. vectors to have basis for the range  $R(T)$ .

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$$T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$a_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + a_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + a_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \dots \Leftrightarrow a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ is basis of } R(T)$$

3b) Method: Trial and error:

$$\text{I pick } H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{Check: } a_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + a_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + a_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + a_4 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_1 + a_2 + 2a_4 &= 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow 2a_2 + 2a_3 - 4a_4 &= 0 \\
 a_1 + 4a_2 + 2a_3 - 3a_4 &= 0 \\
 2a_2 + 2a_3 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{1} \\
 \Leftrightarrow a_2 + a_3 - 2a_4 &= 0 \\
 3a_2 + 2a_3 - 5a_4 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{1} \\
 \textcircled{2} \\
 \Leftrightarrow -a_3 + a_4 &= 0 \\
 4a_4 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

4a) Rank is unchanged by taking transpose:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & -3 & -6 \\ 0 & -5 & -5 & -5 & -10 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# non-zero rows = 2 = rank

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


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5)

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{5} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

↓ (it's hard not to make a computational error here, but try!)

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 9 & -36 & 30 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -36 & 192 & -180 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 30 & -180 & 180 \end{array} \right)$$

the inverse matrix



$$6a) \det A = 2 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 5 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \\ = 2(-11) - 2(-21) = \underline{20}$$

$$\det B = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 6 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \underline{2}$$

$$\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B = \underline{40}$$

b) Suggested method: expansion along 2nd row:

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

$$= \dots = \underline{-40}$$

$$7a) \quad AB = -BA$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(AB) = \det(-BA)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{"} & & \text{"} \\ \det A \cdot \det B & & \det(-B) \cdot \det A \end{array}$$

If  $\det A = 0 \Rightarrow A$  not invertible - done.

So assume  $\det A \neq 0$ . n odd

$$\Rightarrow \det B = \det(-B) = (-1)^n \det B \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} -\det B$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cdot \det B = 0 \Rightarrow \det B = 0$$

$\Rightarrow B$  not invertible Q.E.D

$$7b) \quad \dim E_{\lambda_1} + \dim E_{\lambda_2} = n.$$

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$$8a) \quad \det \begin{pmatrix} 3-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 3-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 8 \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda = 2 \text{ or } \lambda = 4$$

b) Compute:

$$E_2 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$E_4 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$c) \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$9) \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & -8 \\ -4 & 9-\lambda & -4 \\ -10 & 0 & -1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{\text{exp. along first row}}{=} \dots$$

$$= (1-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 9-\lambda & -4 \\ 0 & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} - 8 \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 9-\lambda \\ -10 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (9-\lambda) (-(1-\lambda)(\lambda+1) - 80) = (9-\lambda)(\lambda^2 - 81)$$

$$= (9-\lambda)(\lambda+9)(\lambda-9) = -(\lambda-9)^2(\lambda-(-9))$$

The eigenvalues are:  $\lambda = 9$  (twice)

$$\lambda = -9$$

$$E_9 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad (\text{computation omitted})$$

$$E_{-9} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad (\text{computation omitted})$$

$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis

of eigenvectors (and  $A$  is diagonalizable)