

# METU - NCC

Basic Linear Algebra - Midterm 2									
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1. (10 pts) Find the matrix product

$$\begin{matrix}
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} \\
 A & B & C
 \end{matrix}$$

$$ABC = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -6 \\ 9 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. (12 pts) Find all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $X$  commuting with the fixed matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (that is,  $XA = AX$ ). Put  $X = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ . Then

$$XA = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AX = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c & d \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $XA = AX$  iff  $c = 0, a = d$ :  $X = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$

3. (10 pts) Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear transformation defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (y - z, x + y, z - 2x)$ . Find the matrix of  $T$  relative to the standard basis  $e$  (that is,  $M_e^e(T)$  or  $M(T)_e^e$ ).

$$M_e^e(T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (12 pts) Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear transformation defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (y, z, 0)$ . Find bases for  $\text{Ker}(T)$  and  $\text{Im}(T)$  respectively.

Note that  $T(x, y, z) = 0$  iff  $y = z = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Therefore } \text{ker}(T) &= \{ (\lambda, 0, 0) : \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \} \\ &= \mathbb{R}(1, 0, 0) = \text{Span}\{(1, 0, 0)\}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\{(1, 0, 0)\}$  is a basis for  $\text{ker}(T)$ .

Further,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{im}(T) &= \{ (a, b, 0) : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \} = \\ &= \text{Span}\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)\}, \text{ that is,}\end{aligned}$$

$\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)\}$  is a basis for  $\text{Im}(T)$ .

5. (10 pts) Show that  $T: \text{Fun}_{\mathbb{R}}(S) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $T(f) = (f(a) + f(b), f(b) + f(c), f(c) + f(a))$  is an isomorphism of vector spaces, where  $S = \{a, b, c\}$ .

$$\text{If } f \in \ker(T) \text{ then } \begin{cases} f(a) + f(b) = 0 \\ f(b) + f(c) = 0 \\ f(c) + f(a) = 0 \end{cases},$$

which in turn implies that

$$f(a) = f(b) = f(c) = 0 \text{ or } f = 0. \text{ Thus } \ker(T) = \{0\}.$$

But  $\dim(\text{Fun}_{\mathbb{R}}(S)) = |S| = 3 = \dim(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .

Based on the Dimension Formula, we derive that  $\dim(\text{Im}(T)) = 3$ .

$$\text{Hence } \text{Im}(T) = \mathbb{R}^3.$$

6. (14 pts) Let  $T : \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $T(p(x)) = (p'(1), \int_0^2 3p(x)dx)$  be a linear transformation.

(a) Find the matrix  $(M_e^f(T)$  or  $M(T)_f^e)$  of  $T$  relative to the pair  $(e, f)$  of bases, where  $e = \{1, x, x^2\}$ ,  $f = \{(1, 0), (0, 1)\}$ .

$$M_e^f(T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Using the Change of Basis Theorem, find the matrix  $(M_{e'}^{f'}(T)$  or  $M(T)_{f'}^{e'})$  of  $T$  relative to the new pair  $(e', f')$  of bases, where  $e' = \{1+x, 1-x, 2x^2\}$ ,  $f' = \{(1, 1), (1, 0)\}$ .

We have  $M_{e'}^{f'}(T) = M_f^{f'}(I) M_e^f(T) M_{e'}^e(I)$

with

$$M_f^{f'}(I) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad M_{e'}^e(I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } M_{e'}^{f'}(T) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 6 & 8 \\ -6 & -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 0 & 16 \\ -11 & -1 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

7. (12 pts) Consider the plane  $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x + y = 0\}$  with its basis vectors  $f_1 = (1, -1, 0)$ ,  $f_2 = (0, 0, 1)$ .

(a) Find the matrix  $(M_e^e(P))$  or  $M(P)_e^e$  of the orthogonal projection  $P : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  onto  $W$ , relative to the standard basis  $e$  used twice. Note that

$$P(\lambda_1 f_1 + \lambda_2 f_2 + \lambda_3 f_3) = \lambda_1 f_1 + \lambda_2 f_2 \text{ with } f_3 = (1, 1, 0)$$

$$\text{But } e_1 = \frac{1}{2}(f_1 + f_3), e_2 = \frac{1}{2}(-f_1 + f_3), e_3 = f_2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow P(e_1) = \frac{1}{2}f_1 = \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0\right), P(e_2) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right),$$

$$P(e_3) = f_2 = (0, 0, 1). \text{ Therefore by}$$

$$M_e^e(P) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Find the matrix  $(M_e^e(Q))$  or  $M(Q)_e^e$  of the skew projection  $Q : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  onto  $W$  parallel to the vector  $f_3 = (1, 0, 0)$  relative to the standard basis  $e$  used twice.

In this case we have  $Q(\lambda_1 f_1 + \lambda_2 f_2 + \lambda_3 f_3) = \lambda_1 f_1 + \lambda_2 f_2$  with  $f_3 = (1, 0, 0)$ . But

$$e_1 = f_3, e_2 = -f_1 + f_3, e_3 = f_2 \Rightarrow Q(e_1) = (1, 0, 0),$$

$$Q(e_2) = -f_1 = (-1, 1, 0), Q(e_3) = f_2 = (0, 0, 1).$$

Hence

$$M_e^e(Q) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

8. (10 pts) Show that  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $T(x, y, z) = (0, 2x, x + y)$  is a nilpotent transformation of index 3. Find a vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $f = (v, T(v), T^2(v))$  would be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and the matrix  $(M_f^f(T))$  or  $M(T)_f^f$  of  $T$  relative to the basis  $f$ .

Note that

$$T^2(x, y, z) = T(0, 2x, x+y) = (0, 0, 2x)$$

$$\text{and } T^3(x, y, z) = T(0, 0, 2x) = \vec{0}.$$

$$\text{If } v = (1, 0, 0) \text{ then } T^2(v) = (0, 0, 2) \neq \vec{0}.$$

Then  $f = (v, T(v), T^2(v))$  is a basis

for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Thus

$$f = ((1, 0, 0), (0, 2, 1), (0, 0, 2)) \text{ and}$$

$$M_f^f(T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

9. (10 pts) Show that  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $T(x, y, z) = (y, z, x)$  is a cyclic transformation. Find a cyclic vector  $v$  for  $T$  and the matrix  $(M_f^f(T)$  or  $M(T)_f^f)$  of  $T$  relative to the basis  $f = (v, T(v), T^2(v))$ .

Put  $v = (1, 0, 0)$ . Then  $T(v) = (0, 0, 1)$  and

$T^2(v) = (0, 1, 0) \neq \vec{0}$ . Hence

$f = ((1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0))$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and

$$M_f^f(T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(f_3) = T(0, 1, 0) = (1, 0, 0)$$