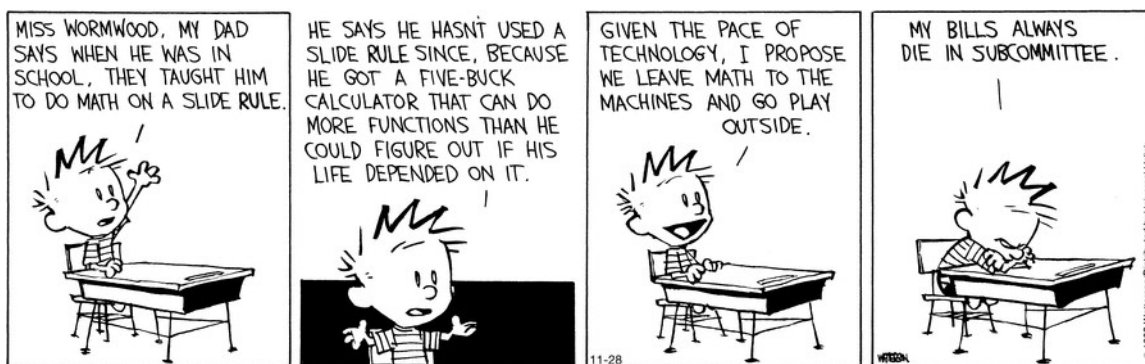


**MATH 218D-1  
MIDTERM EXAMINATION 1**

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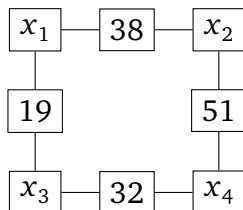
- Do not open this test booklet until you are directed to do so.
- You have 75 minutes to complete this exam.
- If you finish early, go back and check your work.
- The graders will only see the work on the **printed pages** (front and back). You may use other scratch paper, but the graders will not see anything written there.
- You may use a **simple calculator** for doing arithmetic, but you should not need one. You may bring a **3 × 5-inch note card** covered with anything you want. All other materials and aids are strictly prohibited.
- For full credit you must **show your work** so that your reasoning is clear, unless otherwise indicated.
- Do not spend too much time on any one problem. Read them all through first and attack them in an order that allows you to make the most progress.
- Good luck!



## Problem 1.

[20 points]

Consider the following square:



Our *problem* is to find values for the unknowns  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$  such that the sum of the numbers along each edge equals 100.

a) Express this problem as a system of linear equations.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 & = 100 - 38 \\ x_1 & + x_3 = 100 - 19 \\ & x_2 + x_4 = 100 - 51 \\ & x_3 + x_4 = 100 - 32 \end{cases}$$

b) Express this problem as a matrix equation  $Ax = b$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 62 \\ 81 \\ 49 \\ 68 \end{pmatrix}$$

c) Compute the reduced row echelon form of  $(A | b)$ .

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 49 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 68 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

d) Find the general solution in parametric vector form.

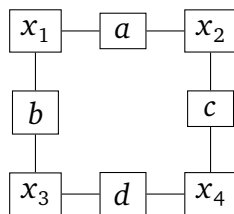
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ 49 \\ 68 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

e) Write one answer to the *problem*: that is, find numbers  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$  such that the sum of the numbers along each edge equals 100.

Substitute any value for  $x_4$  in **d**). For instance, taking  $x_4 = 1$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 14 \\ x_2 &= 48 \\ x_3 &= 67 \\ x_4 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Let us replace the middle numbers with variables  $a, b, c, d$ :



f) This *problem* has a solution when

$$100 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

## Problem 2.

[20 points]

Consider the vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the subspace  $V = \text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ .

a) Find a linear relation among  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ .

$$\boxed{2} v_1 + \boxed{-3} v_2 + \boxed{1} v_3 = 0$$

b) Which vectors are in the span of the other two? Fill in the bubbles of all that apply.

$v_1$         $v_2$         $v_3$

c) Find a basis for  $V$ .

There are many correct answers. You probably chose this one:  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

d)  $\dim(V) = \boxed{2}$ .

e) The vector  $(1, 4, -1)$  is in  $V$ . Express  $(1, 4, -1)$  as a linear combination of your basis vectors in c).

This depends on your answer to c).  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

f) Which of the following is an implicit equation for  $V$ ? Fill in the bubble for the correct answer

- $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 4$         $3x_1 - x_2 - x_3 = 0$   
  $x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 = 0$         $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0$

### Problem 3.

[10 points]

Consider the matrix

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

The reduced row echelon form of  $(A \mid I_3)$  is given below:

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & -5 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2/3 & 5/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -10/3 & -25/3 \end{array} \right).$$

a) Find bases for all four fundamental subspaces:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Nul}(A): & \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & \text{Col}(A): & \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ \text{Row}(A): & \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & \text{Nul}(A^T): & \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 10 \\ 25 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \end{array}$$

b) Explain why  $A$  is not invertible.

It only has 2 pivots. (There are many other reasons.)

## Problem 4.

[10 points]

Consider the matrix

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & -1 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The reduced row echelon form of  $(B \mid I_3)$  is given below:

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 5 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & -8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 4 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -10 & -25 \end{array} \right).$$

a) Find bases for all four fundamental subspaces:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Nul}(A): & \quad \{ \} & \text{Col}(A): & \quad \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ \text{Row}(A): & \quad \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & \text{Nul}(A^T): & \quad \{ \} \end{aligned}$$

b) The inverse of  $B$  is

$$B^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & -8 \\ -1 & 4 & 10 \\ 3 & -10 & -25 \end{pmatrix}$$

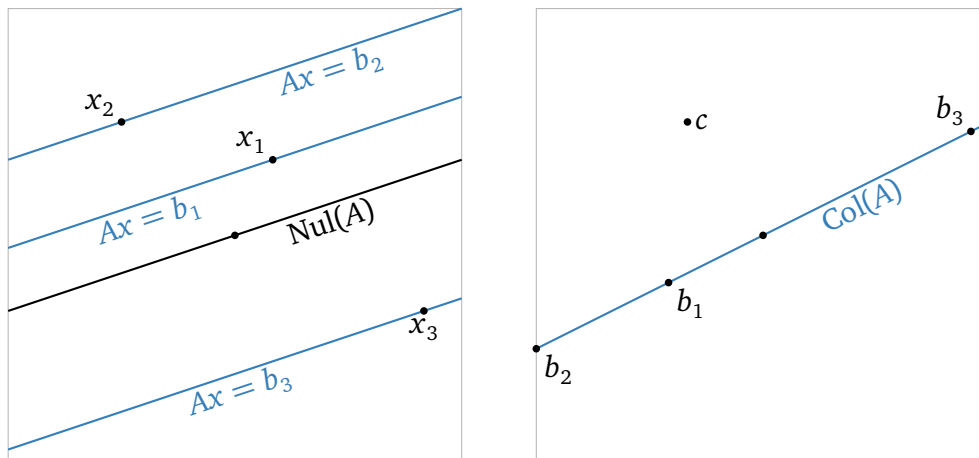
c) Solve the following matrix equations:

$$\begin{aligned} Bx &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & By &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & Bz &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ x &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} & y &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} & z &= \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 10 \\ -25 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 5.

[8 points]

The null space of a certain  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  is drawn in the plot on the left. For certain vectors  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  drawn on the left, the vectors  $b_1 = Ax_1$ ,  $b_2 = Ax_2$ ,  $b_3 = Ax_3$  are drawn on the right. Another vector  $c$  is also drawn on the right.



a)  $\text{rank}(A) = \boxed{1}$ .

b) Draw  $\text{Col}(A)$  on the right.

c) Draw *and label* the solution sets of  $Ax = b_1$ ,  $Ax = b_2$ , and  $Ax = b_3$  on the left.

d) What is the solution set of  $Ax = c$ ?

It is empty because  $c \notin \text{Col}(A)$ .

## Problem 6.

[16 points]

Short-answer questions: no justification is necessary.

a) Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 6 & 5 \\ 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Which of the following vectors are in  $\text{Nul}(A^T)$ ? Fill in the bubbles of all that apply.

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$      $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$      $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$      $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$      $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$      $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$

b) Which of the following subspaces are equal to the plane  $\{(x, y, 0) : x, y \in \mathbf{R}\}$  (the  $xy$ -plane in  $\mathbf{R}^3$ )? Fill in the bubbles of all that apply.

$\text{Nul}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$      $\text{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$   
  $\text{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$      $\text{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$   
  $\text{Nul}\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$      $\text{Col}\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

c) If  $A$  is a  $20 \times 60$  matrix, then

$$\text{rank}(A) + \dim \text{Nul}(A^T) = \boxed{20}.$$

d) Suppose that  $A$  is a  $2 \times 3$  matrix whose null space is a line. What can you conclude about  $A$ ? Fill in the bubbles of all that apply.

$A$  has full column rank     $\text{Col}(A) = \mathbf{R}^2$   
  $A$  has full row rank     $\text{Row}(A)$  is a plane in  $\mathbf{R}^3$   
  $Ax = b$  is consistent for every  $b \in \mathbf{R}^2$      $A$  has linearly independent columns  
  $A$  is invertible    The solution set of  $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is a line.



## Problem 7.

[16 points]

In each part, find an example of a matrix with the given property. If no such matrix exists, write “no way, man,” or use your favorite colloquialism instead. You need not justify your answers.

a) A  $3 \times 4$  matrix with linearly independent columns.

As if. A wide matrix cannot have a pivot in every column.

b) A *non-invertible*  $2 \times 2$  matrix whose null space is  $\{0\}$ .

Yeah, right. An invertible matrix has full column rank.

c) A  $2 \times 2$  matrix whose column space is equal to its null space.

One such matrix is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . The column space and null space of this matrix are both the  $x$ -axis.

d) A  $3 \times 3$  matrix whose column space is equal to its null space.

Not gonna happen. The dimensions of the column space and null space must sum to 3.