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MATH 430 (Fall 2006) Exam 1, October 4th

Show all work and give complete explanations for all your answers.  
This is a 75 minute exam. It is worth a total of 100 points.

(1) [30 pts]

(a) Define the term *maximal linearly independent set*.

A subset  $B = \{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$  of a FDS  $V$  is a MI set if

- ①  $B$  is a LI set
- ② If  $B' = \{\vec{d}_1, \dots, \vec{d}_m\}$  is any other LI set of  $V$  then  $m \leq n$ .

(b) State the Basis Characterization Theorem.

Let  $V$  be a F.D.V.S., and let  $B = \{\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \dots, \vec{b}_n\} \subseteq V$

TAKE

- ①  $B$  is a basis for  $V$
- ②  $B$  is a maximal LI set for  $V$
- ③  $B$  is a minimal spanning set for  $V$

(c) State the definition of a least squares solution of a linear system  $Ax = b$ .

A vector  $\vec{x}$  is a least squares solution of  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  if it minimizes the function

$$\epsilon(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (A\vec{x} - \vec{b})_i^2 = (A\vec{x} - \vec{b})^T(A\vec{x} - \vec{b})$$

(d) Suppose that  $B_{r \times r}$  is an invertible  $r \times r$  matrix and that  $0_{p \times q}$  is the  $p \times q$  zero matrix. Let  $A$  be the square matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} B_{r \times r} & 0_{r \times s} \\ 0_{s \times r} & 0_{s \times s} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find bases for the nullspace,  $N(A)$ , and the range,  $R(A)$ , of  $A$  and verify that the Rank and Nullity Theorem holds for  $A$ .  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^r \quad \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^s$

$$\begin{pmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x} \\ \vec{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B\vec{x} \\ \vec{0} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{0} \\ \vec{0} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{iff } \vec{x} \in N(B) = \{\vec{0}\}$$

as  $B$  is invertible

$$\text{So } \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x} \\ \vec{y} \end{pmatrix} \in N(A) \text{ iff } \vec{x} = \vec{0}.$$

So basis for  $N(A)$  is  $\{\vec{e}_{r+1}, \dots, \vec{e}_{r+s}\}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} \in R(A) \text{ means } \begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x} \\ \vec{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B\vec{x} \\ \vec{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

RTN THM
dim $N(A) = s$
dim $R(A) = r$
$n = s+r$

So  $\vec{v} = \vec{0}$  and  $\vec{u} = B\vec{x}$  must hold, i.e.  $\vec{u} \in R(B)$

So if  $B = [B_{*1} \dots B_{*r}]$  decomposes  $B$  into columns  
Then the vectors  $B_{*1} \dots B_{*r}$  are LI as  $B$  is invertible. So

$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} B_{*1} \\ 0_{s \times 1} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} B_{*r} \\ 0_{s \times 1} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  are a basis for  $R(A)$

(1e) If  $N(A) = N(B)$  for two matrices  
does  $\text{Rank}(A) = \text{Rank}(B)$ ?

Yes Let  $A$  be  $m \times n$ ,  $B$   $k \times l$ .

$$\text{Then } N(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \quad N(B) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^l$$

Since  $N(A) = N(B)$  they must both contain vectors with same # of components

So  $n = l$  must hold.

So RTW THM gives

$$\dim N(A) + \text{Rank}(A) = n$$

$$\dim N(B) + \text{Rank}(B) = n$$

So  $\text{Rank}(A) = \text{Rank}(B)$

(if). We did this in class.

(2) [15 pts] Let  $A$  be the matrix

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

Find bases for the nullspace and range of the  $A$  and for the range of  $A^T$ .

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right) \rightsquigarrow \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & -5 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{3}R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow \cancel{-5}R_3 + 5R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \sim \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) = U \quad R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 2R_2$$

$R(A)$  has basis given by pivot columns in  $A$ :  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$x_1, x_3$  basic variables,  $x_2, x_4$  free variables.

Solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} x_3 &= -x_4 \\ x_1 &= -2x_2 - 3x_4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2x_2 - 3x_4 \\ x_2 \\ -x_4 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Basis for  $N(A) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

Basis for  $R(A^T) = \text{Non-zero rows of } U$   
 $= \left\{ (1, 2, 0, 3) \text{ and } (0, 0, 1, 1) \right\}$

$$38 - \frac{9}{25} \\ = 37 \frac{16}{25}$$

(3) [15 pts] Find the least squares solutions to the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 3y &= 2 \\ 4x - 2y &= -1 \\ x + 5y &= 1 \\ 2x + 0y &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$13 - \frac{21}{25} \\ = 12 \frac{4}{25}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{i.e. } A\vec{x} = \vec{b}.$$

Least squares solutions of  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  are precisely solutions of Normal equations  $A^T A \vec{x} = A^T \vec{b}$ :

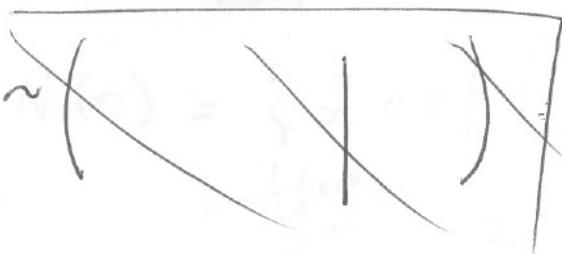
$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 25 & 3 \\ 3 & 38 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^T \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 25 & 3 & 7 \\ 3 & 38 & 13 \end{array} \right) \quad R2 \rightarrow R2 - \frac{3}{25} R1$$

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 25 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 37 \frac{16}{25} & 12 \frac{4}{25} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} 37 \frac{16}{25} y &= 12 \frac{4}{25} \\ y &= \frac{12 \times 25 + 4}{37 \times 25 + 16} \cdot \frac{25}{37 \times 25 + 16} \\ y &= \frac{12 \times 25 + 4}{37 \times 25 + 16} \\ 25x &= 7 - 3y \\ x &= \frac{7 - 3 \left( \frac{12 \times 25 + 4}{37 \times 25 + 16} \right)}{25} \end{aligned}}$$



(4) [10 pts] Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two matrices with the same number of columns and let  $C = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix}$ . Prove that  $N(C) \subseteq N(A)$ . Is  $N(C) = N(A)$ ? Why?

~~Let  $\vec{x} \in N(C)$~~

Let  $\vec{x} \in N(C)$ .

$$\text{So } \vec{0} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{0} \\ \vec{0} \\ \vec{0} \end{pmatrix} = C\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix}\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} A\vec{x} \\ B\vec{x} \end{pmatrix}$$

So  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  must hold

Therefore  $\vec{x} \in N(A)$

So  $N(C) \subset N(A)$ .

$N(C) \neq N(A)$ : as can be seen by the following example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1 \times 1), \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1 \times 1), \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad 2 \times 1$$

~~$N(A) = \mathbb{R}$~~

$$N(C) = \left\{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R} \mid \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R} \mid \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \{0\} = \{0\} \neq \mathbb{R}$$

(5) [10 pts] Suppose that  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with

$$A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad A \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Without working out the entries of  $A$ , find  $A \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let's write  $\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

Solving for  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ :

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 2 & 5 & 10 \end{array} \right) \quad R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1$$

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right) \sim \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right) \quad R1 \rightarrow R1 - 2R2$$

gives  $y = -2, x = 10$

So

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} = 10 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + -2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

So by linearity of matrix multiplication.

$$A \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} = 10 A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + -2 A \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 10 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$$

(6) [10 pts] Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Suppose that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\{v_{r+1}, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis for  $N(A)$ . Prove that  $\{Av_1, \dots, Av_r\}$  is a basis for  $R(A)$ .

### SPANNING

Let  $\vec{w} \in R(A)$ .

So  $\vec{w} = A\vec{u}$  for some  $\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Since  $\{\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_r\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$   $\exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\vec{u} = \alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r \vec{v}_r$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } A\vec{u} &= \alpha_1 A\vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r A\vec{v}_r \\ &\quad + \alpha_{r+1} A\vec{v}_{r+1} + \dots + \alpha_n A\vec{v}_n \\ &= \alpha_1 A\vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r A\vec{v}_r + \vec{0} + \dots + \vec{0} \\ &\quad \text{as } A\vec{v}_j = \vec{0} \text{ as } \vec{v}_j \in N(A) \text{ for } j > r. \end{aligned}$$

So  $\vec{w} = A\vec{u} \in \text{Span}\{A\vec{v}_1, \dots, A\vec{v}_r\}$

LT

$$\text{Suppose } \alpha_1 A\vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r A\vec{v}_r = \vec{0}$$

$$\text{Then } A(\alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r \vec{v}_r) = \vec{0}$$

$$\text{So } \alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r \vec{v}_r \in N(A)$$

Since  $\vec{v}_{r+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  is a basis for  $N(A)$   $\exists \beta_{r+1}, \dots, \beta_n$ :

$$\alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r \vec{v}_r = \beta_{r+1} \vec{v}_{r+1} + \dots + \beta_n \vec{v}_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r \vec{v}_r &= \beta_{r+1} \vec{v}_{r+1} + \dots + \beta_n \vec{v}_n \\ \text{So } \alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r \vec{v}_r &= \beta_{r+1} \vec{v}_{r+1} + \dots + \beta_n \vec{v}_n = \vec{0} \text{ as } \vec{v}_{r+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n \text{ are LT} \end{aligned}$$

(7) [10 pts] Let  $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$  be two column vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $I$  denote the  $n \times n$  identity matrix. Suppose that  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v} \neq 1$ . Show that the matrix  $I - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T$  is invertible and that its inverse is a matrix of the form  $I - c\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T$ , for some scalar  $c$ . Also, find a formula for  $c$  in terms of  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$ .

$I - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T$  is invertible if  $\exists B$ :

$$(I - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T)B = I = B(I - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T)$$

Let try  $B = I - c\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T$ .

Well

$$\begin{aligned} (I - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T)(I - c\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T) &= I - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T - c\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T + c\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T \\ &= I - (1+c)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T + (c\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v})\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T \\ &= I + (-1-c + c\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v})\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T = I \end{aligned}$$

iff  $-1 - c + c\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v} = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 = -c(1 - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c = \frac{1}{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v} - 1} \quad \text{provided } \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v} \neq 1 \text{ as we assumed.}$$

So  $(I - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T)^{-1} = I - \frac{\mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T}{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v} - 1}$  should hold.

Indeed if you redo calculation  $\oplus$  with  $c = \frac{1}{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{v} - 1}$ ,  
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You see that you get  $I$ , as required.

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$$(I - c \vec{v} \vec{w}^T)(I - \vec{v} \vec{w}^T)$$

$$= I - c \vec{v} \vec{w}^T - \vec{v} \vec{w}^T + c \vec{v} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{w}^T & \vec{v}^T \end{bmatrix} \vec{w}^T$$

$$= I + (-c - 1 + c \vec{w}^T \vec{v}) \vec{v} \vec{w}^T$$

$$= I \quad \text{if} \quad c = \frac{1}{\vec{w}^T \vec{v} - 1} \quad \text{as required.}$$

Together these results shows that

~~$I - \vec{v} \vec{w}^T$~~   $(I - \vec{v} \vec{w}^T)^{-1} = I - \frac{\vec{v} \vec{w}^T}{\vec{w}^T \vec{v} - 1}$