

MIDTERM I REVIEW

Logistics:

The midterm will be one hour. You may bring in a single sheet of hand written notes. You should bring some form of technology that will allow you to input a matrix and find its reduced echelon form.

There will be one problems for which you must describe and perform elementary row operations to transform a matrix into reduced echelon form.

Chapter 1: Linear Systems

Section 1.1.1 Gauss's Method

Terminology: linear combination, elementary row operations, Gauss's Method, echelon form

Section 1.1.2 Describing the Solution Set

Terminology: echelon form, leading 1's, parametrized, matrix echelon form, column vector, row vector, components, scalar multiplication

Section 1.1.3 General = Particular + Homogeneous

Terminology: homogeneous system, particular solution, homogeneous solution

Theorems/Lemmas

(3.1) Every solution set can be expressed as the sum of a particular solution and the solution set of a homogeneous system.

(3.7) For a linear system and for any particular p , the solutions set equals $\{p+h|h$ satisfies the associated homogeneous

(3.10) Solutions sets of linear systems are either empty, unique, or have infinitely many elements.

Section 1.3.1 Gauss-Jordan Reduction

Terminology: Gauss-Jordan Reduction, reduced row echelon form, row equivalent matrices,

Theorems/Lemmas

(1.5) Elementary row operations are reversible.

Section 1.3.2 The Linear Combination Lemma

Theorems/Lemmas:

(2.3) Linear combinations of linear combinations are linear combinations.

(2.4) Row equivalent matrices have rows that are linear combinations of each other. That is, if $A' = rref(A)$, then the rows of A' are a linear combinations of the rows of A .

(2.5) The nonzero rows of a matrix in reduced echelon form are not linear combinations of each other. Note that with the language of Section 2.2.1, we would restate this as: The nonzero rows of a matrix in reduced echelon form are linearly independent.

(2.6) The reduced echelon form of a matrix is unique (unlike the echelon form of a matrix).

Chapter 2: Vector Spaces

Section 2.1.1 Definition and Examples

Terminology: vector space, trivial vector space

Theorems/Lemmas:

(1.16) In any vector space V , for any $\vec{v} \in V$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$, the following are true: $0 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{0}$ and $r \cdot \vec{0} = \vec{0}$ and $-1 \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{v} = \vec{0}$.

Section 2.1.2 Subspaces and Spanning Sets

Terminology: subspace, span

Theorems/Lemmas:

(2.9) Any set that is closed under $r_1\vec{v}_1 + r_2\vec{v}_2$, for every $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and every \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 .

(2.15) In a vector space, the span of any subset of vectors is a subspace.

Section 2.2.1 Linear Independence

Terminology: linear dependence, linear independence

Theorems/Lemmas:

(1.2) Let S be a subset of the vector space V . The addition of vector \vec{v} to S doesn't change $\text{span}(S)$ occurs if and only if \vec{v} is already in $\text{span}(S)$. (That is, \vec{v} can be written as a linear combination of vectors in S . That is, $S \cup \{\vec{v}\}$ is linearly dependent)

(1.3) The deletion of the vector \vec{v} from S doesn't change $\text{span}(S)$ can occur if and only if \vec{v} is already in $\text{span}(S)$.

(1.5) A subset $S = \{\vec{s}_1, \vec{s}_2, \dots, \vec{s}_n\}$ of a vector space is linearly independent if and only if the only solution to the system $c_1\vec{s}_1 + c_2\vec{s}_2 + \dots + c_n\vec{s}_n = \vec{0}$ is $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_n = 0$.

(1.14) A set of vectors is linearly independent if and only if the removal of any vector from the set results in a smaller span.

(1.15) Let S be a set of vectors and let $\vec{v} \notin S$. The set $S \cup \vec{v}$ is linearly independent if and only if $\vec{v} \notin \text{span}(S)$.

(1.20) Any subset of a linearly independent set is also linearly independent. Any superset of a linearly dependent set is also linearly dependent.

Section 2.3.1 Basis

Terminology: basis, representation of \vec{v} with respect to a basis B .

Theorems/Lemmas:

(1.12) In any vector space V , a subset B is a basis if and only if every vector of V can be expressed as a linear combination of B in exactly one way.

Section 2.3.2 Dimension

Terminology: finite-dimensional vector space, dimension

Theorems/Lemmas:

(2.3) Given two bases for the same vector space V , it is possible to exchange one vector from one basis with a vector from the other basis and still have a basis for V .

(2.4) If V is finite-dimensional, then all bases have the same number of vectors.

(2.10) No linearly independent set from a finite dimensional vector space V can have more vectors than $\dim(V)$.

(2.12) Any linearly independent set can be expanded to a basis.

(2.13) Any set that spans the vector space V can be reduced to a basis.

(2.14) If $\dim(V) = n$ and S is a subset of V with n vectors, then S spans V if and only if S is linearly independent. (Restate in a practical manner, if $\dim(V) = n$ and S is a subset of V with n vectors, then determining whether S is a bases is reduced to showing only ONE of linear independence OR spanning.)

(implied) Every set that spans the finite-dimensional vector space V with dimension n must have at least n vectors.

Section 2.3.3 Vector Spaces and Linear Spaces

Terminology: column space, row space, column rank, row rank, rank of a matrix, transpose of a matrix

Theorems/Lemmas:

(3.4) The nonzero rows of a matrix in rref are linearly independent.

(3.10) Row operations do not change the column rank.

(3.11) Row rank equals column rank.

NOTE: We are omitting the last two results from this midterm. We will revisit these post midterm 1.

Sample Problems

- Determine if the vector $(1, 2, 3, -2)$ is in the span of the vectors $(1, 0, 1, 0)$, $(0, 1, 1, 1)$, $(0, 0, 1, 2)$.
- Solve each system below. Write your answer in parametrized form. Show your work.

$$(a) \begin{cases} 2x + y - z = 1 \\ 4x - y = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$(b) \begin{cases} x - z = 1 \\ -w + y + 2z = 3 \\ -w + x + 2y + 3z = 7 \end{cases}$$

$$(c) \begin{cases} x - y + z = 0 \\ w + y = 0 \\ w + 3x - 2y + 3z = 0 \\ -w - y = 0 \end{cases}$$

- For each system above, describe the solutions as a particular and homogeneous solution.
- For which values of k are there no solutions, many solutions or a unique solution.

$$\begin{aligned} x - 2y &= 3 \\ 2x + ky &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

- Give examples of two 3 by 3 matrices in reduced echelon form that have their leading ones in the same columns but that are not row equivalent. Explain why your answer is correct.
- Determine whether or not the following are vector spaces.

(a) $\{a_0 + a_1x : a_0 + 2a_1 = 0\}$ under the usual operations of polynomial addition and scalar multiplication

(b) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} : a = b, c + d = 1 \right\}$ under the usual operations of matrix addition and scalar multiplication

- Determine if the set $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ spans all of \mathbb{R}^4 .

- Pick a random 4 by 5 matrix A . Find a basis for the row space of A . Find a basis for the column space of A . Determine the rank of A .
- Demonstrate that the set $S = \{1, 1 + x, x + x^2, 2 + x^3, x + 2x^3\}$, a subset the vector space \mathcal{P}_3 , is linearly dependent but that it spans \mathcal{P}_3 . Find a subset of S that forms a basis of \mathcal{P}_3 , call it B . Write the polynomial $1 + x - x^2 - x^3$ with respect to the basis B .