

Math 290, Midterm II-key

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The following rules apply:

- There are a total of 20 points on this 50 minutes' exam. This contains 7 pages (including this cover page) and 9 problems. Check to see if any page is missing. Enter all requested information on the top of this page.
- To get full credit for a problem, you must show the details of your work in a reasonably neat and coherent way and in the space provided. Answers unsupported by an argument will get little credit.
- NO books. No computers. No cell phones. Do all of your calculations on this test paper.

Multiple choice problem	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Answer	C	B	A	A	A	B	B	C

Problem 1. (2 points). Determine which of the following statements is true.

- (A). Two equivalent vectors must have the same initial point.
- (B). The vectors (a, b) and $(a, b, 0)$ are equivalent.
- (C). If a and b are nonzero scalars such that $a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$, then \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are parallel vectors.
- (D). If k and m are scalars and \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are vectors, then

$$(k + m)(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = k\mathbf{u} + m\mathbf{v}.$$

- (E). The linear combinations $a_1\mathbf{v}_1 + a_2\mathbf{v}_2 = b_1\mathbf{v}_1 + b_2\mathbf{v}_2$ are equal if and only if $a_1 = b_1, a_2 = b_2$.

Problem 2. (2 points). Determine which of the following statements is true.

- (A). Let $\mathbf{u} = (-3, 2, 1, 0)$, $\mathbf{v} = (4, 7, -3, 2)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (5, -2, 8, 1)$ and $2\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$. Then

$$x = (15, 2, 3, 3).$$

- (B). The scalar (c_1, c_2, c_3) such that

$$c_1(1, 2, 0) + c_2(2, 1, 1) + c_3(1, 3, 2) = (1, 1, 1)$$

$$\text{is } c_1 = -\frac{1}{7}, c_2 = \frac{3}{7}, c_3 = \frac{2}{7}.$$

- (C). If each component of a vector in \mathbb{R}^3 is doubled, the norm of the vector is the same.
- (D). If $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$, then $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w}$.
- (E). If $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$, then $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ or $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$.

Problem 3. (2 points.) Determine which of the following statements is true.

- (A). The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality says that, if \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|,$$

where $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ denotes the inner product in \mathbb{R}^n .

- (B). The triangle inequality states that, if \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are in \mathbb{R}^3 , then

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|.$$

If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are collinear, then $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$ holds.

- (C). If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{a} are vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 and $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$, then the projection of \mathbf{u} along \mathbf{a} is $\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} \mathbf{a}$.
- (D). Let \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are two nonzero vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 . Then $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ has the same direction either as that of \mathbf{u} or \mathbf{v} .
- (E). For all vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} , it is true that $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$.

Problem 4. (2 points.) Determine which of the following statements is wrong.

- (A). If the relationship

$$\text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{u} = \text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{v}$$

holds for some nonzero vector \mathbf{a} , then

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}.$$

- (B). Let L be the line in \mathbb{R}^2 that contains the point $(1, 2)$, and is parallel to the nonzero vector $(2, 1)$. Then the equation of the line in the parameter form is

$$(1 + 2t, 2 + t)$$

where t is a parameter in \mathbb{R} .

- (C). If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the solution set of the homogeneous linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ consists of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^n that are orthogonal to every row vector of A .
- (D). Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix and let \mathbf{V} be the solution set of the homogeneous linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ consisting of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^n with the standard addition and scalar multiplication in \mathbb{R}^n . Then \mathbf{V} is a vector space.
- (E). If \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 are two solutions of the non-homogeneous linear system $A\mathbf{x} = b$, then $\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2$ is a solution of the corresponding homogeneous linear system.

Problem 5. (2 points.) Determine which of the following statements is true.

- (A). The set of all pairs of real numbers of the form $\{(x, 0) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ in \mathbb{R}^2 with the standard operations in \mathbb{R}^2 is a vector space.
- (B). The set of all pairs of real numbers of the form $\{(x, y) : x \geq 0, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ with the standard operations in \mathbb{R}^2 is a vector space.
- (C). The set of invertible matrices with the standard matrix addition and scalar multiplication is a vector space.
- (D). The set of invertible matrices in the matrix space M_{22} is a subspace.
- (E). The set \mathbb{R}^2 is a subspace in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Problem 6. (2 points.) Determine which of the following statements is wrong.

- (A). The intersection of any two subspaces of a vector space \mathbf{V} is a subspace of \mathbf{V} .
- (B). The union of any two subspaces of a vector space \mathbf{V} is a subspace.
- (C). The vectors $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 1, 0)$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = (1, 0, 1)$ and $\mathbf{v}_3 = (0, 1, 1)$ span \mathbb{R}^3 .
- (D). All the linear combinations of $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$ form a subspace of the function space $C(-\infty, \infty)$.
- (E). Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$ be a set of vectors in a vector space \mathbf{V} . If there is a nonzero triple of scalars (c_1, c_2, c_3) such that

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + c_3\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0},$$

then the set of vectors $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is linearly dependent.

Problem 7. (2 points.) Determine which of the following statements is wrong.

- (A). A set of two or more vectors is linearly dependent if and only if at least one of the vectors in S is expressible as a linear combination of the other vectors in S .
- (B). A finite set in \mathbb{R}^n that contains the zero vector $\mathbf{0}$ is linearly independent.
- (C). Let $\mathbf{S} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$ be a set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n and $r > n$. Then \mathbf{S} is linearly dependent.
- (D). The set of vectors $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, -2, 3)$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = (5, 6, -1)$ and $\mathbf{v}_3 = (3, 2, 1)$ is linearly dependent.
- (E). If $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$ is linearly independent, then the set $\{\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_3 + \mathbf{v}_1\}$ is linearly independent.

Problem 8. (2 points.) Determine which of the following statements is true.

- (A). If $\mathbf{V} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$, then $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$ is a basis for \mathbf{V} .
- (B). Every linearly independent set of a vector space is a basis for \mathbf{V} .
- (C). In \mathbb{R}^2 , $\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, 1)$ and $\mathbf{u}_2 = (-1, 1)$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .
- (D). Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 0, 0)$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = (2, 2, 0)$ and $\mathbf{v}_3 = (3, 3, 3)$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 . Then the vector with coordinate vector $(1, 2, 3)$ relative to this basis is $(14, 10, 9)$.
- (E). Let $p = x^2 - 3x + 4$. Then the coordinate vector of p with respect to the basis $\{1, -x, x^2\}$ in \mathbf{P}_2 is $(4, -3, 1)$.

Problem 9. (a). (2 point.) Let $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ be a set in \mathbb{R}^3 where

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 1, 1), \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = (1, 2, 1), \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = (1, 0, 2).$$

Show that S is a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

Proof. (1). We prove that S is linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^3 . That is to say,

$$a\mathbf{v}_1 + b\mathbf{v}_2 + c\mathbf{v}_3 = (0, 0, 0)$$

implies that $a = b = c = 0$. We write it in the linear system

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c = 0, \\ a + 2b = 0, \\ a + b + c = 0. \end{cases}$$

We apply the Gauss-Jordan elimination to reduce

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $a = 0, b = 0, c = 0$, which proves that S is linearly independent.

(2). We prove that S spans \mathbb{R}^3 . That is for any (b_1, b_2, b_3) in \mathbb{R}^3 , there exists (a, b, c) such that

$$a\mathbf{v}_1 + b\mathbf{v}_2 + c\mathbf{v}_3 = (b_1, b_2, b_3),$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c = b_1, \\ a + 2b = b_2, \\ a + b + c = b_3. \end{cases}$$

By part **(1)**, the coefficient matrix can be reduced to the identity matrix and so is invertible. Thus there exists a solution to this linear system.

To conclude, S is a basis.

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(b). (1 point.) Find the coordinate vector (a, b, c) of $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0, 0)$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} &\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the coordinate vector is $(4, -2, -1)$.

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(c). (1 point.) Find the vector \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^3 whose coordinate vector relative to S is $(\mathbf{v})_S = (3, 2, 0)$.

Proof.

$$3\mathbf{v}_1 + 2\mathbf{v}_2 = 3(1, 1, 1) + 2(1, 2, 1) = (5, 7, 5).$$

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