

MATH 417  
Supplemental Midterm 2  
*Winter, 2008*

Name:

Class time:

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- **Due** Monday, March 17 at the beginning of class.
  - You may use your text, notes or calculator. You **must** work alone.
  - Show your work, document your reasons for the solution. No credit will be given if we cannot verify the process that led you to your solution.
  - Check your work carefully; you are responsible for your computations. No partial credit will be given for mistakes in computation.
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problem	points	score
1	5	
2	15	
3	10	
Total	30	

1. Find a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^4$  such that the following matrix represents the identity transformation between the standard basis and  $\mathcal{B}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are looking for vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4$  for our basis  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfying the following four equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{e}_1 &= \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_3 - \vec{v}_4 \\ \vec{e}_2 &= 2\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3 + \vec{v}_4 \\ \vec{e}_3 &= \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + 2\vec{v}_3 - \vec{v}_4 \\ \vec{e}_4 &= \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + 2\vec{v}_3 + 2\vec{v}_4 \end{aligned}$$

We can write this as the following matrix equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [\vec{v}_1 \quad \vec{v}_2 \quad \vec{v}_3 \quad \vec{v}_4] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This equation can be solved by computing the matrix inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

so the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  consists of

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix},$$

2. Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis for  $\mathcal{R}^3$  consisting of the following vectors

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation given by

$$T(\vec{v}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T(\vec{v}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T(\vec{v}_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find the matrix for  $T$  relative to the standard basis.  
(b) Find the matrix for  $T$  relative to  $\mathcal{B}$ .  
(c) Find the matrix for  $T$  relative to the following basis, given in coordinates for  $\mathcal{B}$ :

$$[\vec{u}_1]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad [\vec{u}_2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad [\vec{u}_3]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a). We are looking for a matrix  $A$  which satisfies the following matrix equation:

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving for  $A$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 5 & -5 & 3 \\ -1 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A$  is the matrix for  $T$  in standard coordinates.

(b). We are looking for a matrix  $B$  satisfying the following matrix equation:

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving for  $B$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -4 \\ 5 & -1 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$B$  is the matrix for  $T$  in  $\mathcal{B}$  coordinates.

(c). We are told the matrix  $R$  which translates  $\mathcal{C}$  coordinates into  $\mathcal{B}$  coordinates:

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are looking for a matrix  $C$  satisfying the following matrix equation:

$$C = R^{-1}BR = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 5 & -5 & 3 \\ -1 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving for  $C$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -2 & -9 \\ 8 & 7 & 9 \\ -3 & -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$C$  is the matrix for  $T$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  coordinates.

You can also translate from  $\mathcal{C}$  to standard coordinates: the first matrix translates from  $\mathcal{C}$  to standard coordinates, the second translates from standard coordinates back to  $\mathcal{C}$ :

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad Q^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then,

$$C = Q^{-1}AQ = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -4 \\ 5 & -1 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving for  $C$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -2 & -9 \\ 8 & 7 & 9 \\ -3 & -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Find orthonormal bases for the following subspace and for its orthogonal complement:

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} : x - y - z + w = 0 \text{ and } x + z = 0 \right\}$$

$V$  is the set of solutions to the following pair of equations

$$\begin{aligned} x - y - z + w &= 0 \\ x + z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently, the kernel to the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, we can solve for  $V$

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -z \\ w - 2z \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} : z, w \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

We can compute an orthonormal basis for  $V^\perp$ : it is the kernel of the matrix:

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

So, we can solve for  $V^\perp$

$$V^\perp = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} z + 2w \\ -w \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} : z, w \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

We get orthonormal bases for  $V$  and  $V^\perp$  by Gram-Schmidt:

$$V : \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad V^\perp : \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$