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Homework 3 (Sections 4.1 and 6.1)

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**Question 1.** Mark each of the following statements by True or false

- (1) () If  $L : P_3 \rightarrow P_2$  is the linear transformation defined by  $L(ax^2 + bx + c) = (a + b)x + (b + c)$ , then  $x^2 - x + 1$  is in  $\ker(L)$ .
- (2) () If  $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is the linear transformation defined by  $L(x, y)^T = (x - y, x + y, 2x - 2y)^T$ , then  $(2, 3, 4)$  is in  $\text{Range}(L)$ .
- (3) () If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for a matrix  $A$ , then  $\lambda^2$  is an eigenvalue for  $A^2$ .
- (4) () If  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue for a matrix  $A$ , then  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .
- (5) () If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvector  $x$ , then  $\alpha x$  is an eigenvector of  $\lambda$  for every nonzero scalar  $\alpha$ .
- (6) () If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$ -matrix,  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then  $\text{rank}(A - \lambda I) = n$ .
- (7) () If  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix,  $\text{trace}(A) = 0$  and 1 is an eigenvalue for  $A$ , then  $A$  is singular.
- (8) () Let  $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be defined by  $L(x, y) = (x - y, 1, 2x)$ , then  $L$  is a linear transformation.
- (9) () Any Two similar matrices have the same eigenvalues.

**Question 2.** Circle the most correct answer

- (1) Let  $L : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation such that  $L((1, 0, 0)^T) = (2, 2)^T$ ,  $L((0, 2, 0)^T) = (-3, -5)^T$ ,  $L((0, 0, 4)^T) = (-2, -3)^T$ , then  $L((1, -2, 4)^T) =$ 
  - (a)  $(0, 0)^T$
  - (b)  $(-3, -6)^T$
  - (c)  $(3, 4)^T$
  - (d)  $(-3, 0)^T$
  
- (2) Let  $L : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear transformation defined as  $L \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_3 + x_1 \\ x_2 + x_1 \\ x_2 + x_1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $\dim(\ker(L)) =$ 
  - (a) 2
  - (b) 0
  - (c) 1
  - (d) 3

(3) Let  $L : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear transformation defined as  $L \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_3 + x_1 \\ x_2 + x_1 \\ x_2 + x_1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then

$\dim(\text{Im}(L)) =$

- (a) 3
- (b) 0
- (c) 1
- (d) 2

(4) If a  $4 \times 4$  matrix  $A$  has  $1, -1, i$  as eigenvalues, then  $\det(A) =$

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c)  $-1$
- (d)  $-i$

(5) If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  singular matrix such that  $\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 3$  are eigenvalues of  $A$ , then  $\text{trace}(A) =$

- (a) 18
  - (b) 36
  - (c) 6
  - (d) 0
- $\text{trace}(A) = 2+3+0 = 5 ?$

(6) One of the following is not a linear transformation

- (a)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $T(x, y) = (x, y, 0)$
- (b)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $T(x, y) = (x, xy, x)$
- (c)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $T(x, y) = (x, y, x - y)$
- (d)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $T(x, y) = (0, y, x)$

(7) If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix such that  $Ax = 0$  has a nonzero solution, then one of the following might be the characteristic polynomial of  $A$

- (a)  $x^2 - 2x$
- (b)  $x^3 - 2x$
- (c)  $x^3 - 2x + 1$
- (d)  $x^3 - 2$

(8) Let  $A$  be an upper triangular matrix, then the eigenvalues of  $A$  are

- (a) the elements of the first column of  $A$
- (b) the elements of the main diagonal of  $A$ .
- (c) the elements of the first row of  $A$ .
- (d) none of the above

Question 3. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & 0 \\ -3 & 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$$P(\lambda) = |A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 4-\lambda & 0 \\ -3 & 6 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(4-\lambda)(2-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 4, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 2$$

(b) Find a basis for each eigenspace of  $A$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$(A - 2I)x = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2-2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 4-2 & 0 \\ -3 & 6 & 2-2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} x_3 = \beta \\ x_2 = 0 \\ x_1 = 0 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow E[\lambda = 2] = \left\{ \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : \beta \text{ scalar} \right\}$$

$$\lambda = 4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2-4 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 4-4 & 0 \\ -3 & 6 & 2-4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & -6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} x_3 = \beta \\ x_2 = -\frac{\beta}{3} \\ x_1 = 0 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow E[\lambda = 4] = \left\{ \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : \beta \text{ scalar} \right\}$$

Basis for  $N(A - \lambda I) =$

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$