

Review for the Second Exam (§3.1 through §4.7)¹

1. **Cofactor definition of determinant:** Compute $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$.
2. **Properties of determinants:** Suppose $|M| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = -4$. Find the determinant of each of the following matrices. In each case, be sure to explain how you are getting your answer.
 - (a) $A = \begin{bmatrix} c & b & a \\ f & e & d \\ i & h & g \end{bmatrix}$.
 - (b) $B = M^3$
 - (c) $C = (2M)^{-1}$.
3. **More properties:**
 - (a) Is the matrix in problem 1 invertible?
 - (b) Give an example of a 3×3 matrix B whose determinant is 322
 - (c) Give an example of a 3×3 matrix C with $|CC^T| = 2$.
4. **Cramer's rule, matrix inverse and volume:**
 - (a) Use Cramer's rule to solve $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 - (b) Find the area of the parallelogram with vertices $(-1, 0)$, $(0, 5)$, $(1, -4)$ and $(2, 1)$
 - (c) Find the area of the parallelepiped with vertices $(-1, 0, 4)$, $(0, 5, 4)$, $(1, -4, 4)$ and $(2, 1, 4)$
5. **Miscellaneous determinant questions:**
True or False. Justify your answer.
 - (a) If A and B are $n \times n$ matrices with $\det A = 2$ and $\det B = 3$ then $\det(A + B) = 5$.
 - (b) $\det AA^T \geq 0$.
 - (c) If $A^3 = 0$ then $\det A = 0$.
 - (d) Any system of n linear equations and n variables can be solved by Cramer's rule.
6. **Two more determinant questions:**
 - (a) Use row operations to show $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = (b-a)(c-a)(c-b)$.
 - (b) Prove the determinant of an $n \times n$ upper triangular matrix is the product of the diagonal entries.

¹The exam is Friday, November 22, 2024 9:00 am - 9:50 am in our classroom.

7. Vector spaces and subspaces:

Determine if the given set V is a subspace of the vector space W , where

- (a) $V = \{\text{polynomials of degree at most } n \text{ with } p(0) = 0\}$ and $W = \{\text{polynomials of degree at most } n\}$.
- (b) $V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \right\}$ and $W = \mathbb{R}^2$.
- (c) $V = \text{span of any two fixed vectors } \mathbf{a} \text{ and } \mathbf{b} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3$ and $W = \mathbb{R}^3$.
- (d) $V = \text{the set of all vectors in } \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ with integer coefficients}$ and $W = \mathbb{R}^2$.
- (e) $V = \{\text{all diagonal } n \times n \text{ matrices with real entries}\}$ and $W = \text{all } n \times n \text{ matrices with real entries}$.

8. Null space, column space, basis, linear independent sets Suppose a matrix A is row equivalent to the following matrix:

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

- a. The $\text{Col}(A)$ is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^a$ (find a).
- b. The $\text{Row}(A)$ is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^b$ (find b).
- c. The null space of A is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^c$ (find c).
- d. The dimension of the column space, row space and nullspace of A is...

9. Null space, column space, basis, linear independent sets

- (a) Find a basis for the null space, column space and row space of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 & 3 & 9 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$
- (b) Let $M_{2 \times 2}$ be the vector space of all 2×2 matrices. Define $T : M_{2 \times 2} \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}$ by $T(A) = A^T$.
 - (i) Show T is a linear transformation.
 - (ii) What is the range of T ?
 - (iii) Describe the kernel of T .
- (c) Find a basis for all those V in Exercise 7 which are subspaces.

10. Pivots:

Give four reasons why pivots are important. You may state relevant theorems to support your argument.

11. Coordinate systems:

- (a) Use coordinate vectors to verify the polynomials $1 + 2t^2$, $4 + t + 5t^2$ and $3 + 2t$ are linearly dependent in $\mathbb{P}_2$ the vector space of polynomials of degree at most 2.
- (b) Show the ordered set $\mathcal{B} = \{1 - t^2, t - t^2, 2 - t + t^2\}$ is a basis for $\mathbb{P}_2$. Find the coordinate vector of $p(t) = 1 + 3t - 6t^2$ relative to this basis. What polynomial does $[1, 2, 3]_{\mathcal{B}}^T$ correspond to?

12. Dimension of a vector space:

- (a) State the dimension of each of the subspaces in problem 7.
- (b) If A is a 3×5 matrix, what are the possible dimensions of the null space of A ? For each possibility, find a matrix which has that nullity.

13. Change of basis:

Let $\mathcal{A} = \{1, 1 + t, 1 + t + t^2\}$ and $\mathcal{B} = \{1, 1 - t, 2 - 4t + t^2\}$ be two ordered bases for $\mathbb{P}_2$.

(a) Find the change of basis matrix from $\mathcal{A}$ to $\mathcal{B}$.

(b) Use part (a) to find the coordinates of the vector $[x]_{\mathcal{A}} = [1, 1, 1]$ with respect to the new basis $\mathcal{B}$.

Very Brief Answers

1. -3
- 2a. 4
b. $(-4)^3$
c. $-1/32$
3. a. Yes
b. $\text{Diag}\{1, 1, 322\}$
c. Pick any 3×3 matrix C with $|C| = \sqrt{2}$
4. a. $x_1 = -2/3$, $x_2 = 1/3$, $x_3 = 2/3$, $x_4 = 1/3$
b. 14
c. 0
5. a. FALSE. Let $A = \text{diag}\{2, 1, \dots, 1\}$ and $B = \text{diag}\{3, 1, \dots, 1\}$. Then $A+B = \text{diag}\{5, 2, \dots, 2\}$ and $\det(A+B) = 5 \cdot (2^{n-1})$.
b. TRUE. (Can you prove it?)
c. TRUE. (Can you prove it?)
d. FALSE. If $\det A = 0$ (i.e., A not invertible), then you are stuck.
6. a. Carefully row-reduce (or column reduce) to show this.
b. See class notes.
7. a. IS a subspace
b. NOT a subspace
c. IS a subspace
d. NOT a subspace
e. IS a subspace
8. a. 2
b. 5
c. 5
d. 2, 2, 3
9. a.

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

So basis for $\text{Col}(A)$ is {columns 1, 2 & 4 of A }.

Basis for $\text{Row}(A)$ is {rows 1, 2, & 3 of row-reduced A }
Basis for $\text{Nul}(A)$ is $[2, -1, 1, 0]^T$.

- b. i. Check $T(A+B) = T(A) + T(B)$ and $T(cA) = c T(A)$ (Easy)
ii. $\text{Range}(T) =$ all 2×2 matrices with real entries
iii. $\ker(T)$ is the zero 2×2 matrix.
- c. For a. $\{t, t^2, \dots, t^n\}$
For c. Assuming the vectors a and b are nonzero and linearly independent, then basis is $\{a, b\}$. If a and b are dependent and a is nonzero, then $\{a\}$. If both are zero, then no basis. For e, take the matrices $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\}$ with zeroes everywhere except for a 1 in the (i, i) entry of the matrix E_i .

10. You should be able to come up with many reasons...

11. a. $5(1+2t^2) - 2(4+t+5t^2) + 1(3+2t) = 0$.
b. Let's row-reduce the basis vectors and solve for the coordinates at the same time:

$$a(1-t^2) + b(t-t^2) + c(2-t+t^2) = 1 + 3t - 6t^2:$$

becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row-reduce:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 3 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & | & -6 \end{bmatrix} \sim \dots \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note the columns have 3 pivots, so they form a basis for P_2 . The coordinates are $[3 \ 2 \ -1]^T$.

$[1 \ 2 \ 3]^T$ in the basis B is $7-t$ in the standard basis.

There are many ways to do this!

12. a. a is n ; b is not; c depends on the vectors -- could be 0, 1 or 2; d is not; e is n .
b. If A has 0 pivots, then nullity = 5;
If A has 1 pivot, then nullity = 4;
If A has 2 pivots, then nullity = 3;
If A has 3 pivots, then nullity = 2.

Examples are omitted.

13. a. Row reduce

$[B \mid A]$ to $[I \mid B^{-1}A]$
where

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

- b. Multiply $B^{-1}A$ $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$