

Mathematics 152 Midterm 2 Review Package –

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Problems are ranked in difficulty as (*) for easy, (**) for medium, and (***) for difficult. Note that sometimes difficulty can be subjective, so do not be discouraged if you are stuck on a (*) problem.

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Some of the problems in this package were not created by the EUS. Those problems originated from one of the following sources:

- Schuam's Outline of Matrix Operations; Richard Bronson
- Calculus 7th ed; James Stewart
- Linear Algebra; Sterling K. Berberian
- Linear Algebra and Its Applications 3rd ed; Gilbert Strang
- Linear Algebra and Matrix Theory; Robert Stoll

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EUS Health and Wellness Study Tips

- **Eat Healthy**—Your body needs fuel to get through all of your long hours studying. You should eat a variety of food (not just a variety of ramen) and get all of your food groups in.
- **Take Breaks**—Your brain needs a chance to rest: take a fifteen minute study break every couple of hours. Staring at the same physics problem until your eyes go numb won't help you understand the material.
- **Sleep**—We have all been told we need 8 hours of sleep a night, university should not change this. Get to know how much sleep you need and set up a regular sleep schedule.



Good Luck!

(*) 1. Consider the linear system

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y + z = 1 \\ -x + 3z = 1 \\ x - y - 3z = 0 \end{cases}$$

- (a) Write this system as an augmented matrix.
- (b) Write the system to row echelon form
- (c) Write the system in reduced row echelon form
- (d) Find the solution to the system

(*) 2. Compute the rank of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

- (*) 3. (a) Find the work done in moving an object along a vector $\mathbf{r} = 3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 5\mathbf{k}$ if the applied force is $\mathbf{F} = 2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$
- (b) Find the angle between the applied force and the displacement.

- (**) 4. Consider the following lines of Matlab code:
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x = 1:7;
y = 1:0.3:1.7;
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- (a) What is  $x$ ?

- (b) What is  $y$ ?
- (c) If you call  $\sin(y)$ , what will the output be? If this operation is defined, you may leave your answers in terms of trigonometric functions.
- (d) Is  $\text{cross}(x, y)$  defined?

(\*) 5. What matrix  $A : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  represents projection onto the  $x$  axis followed by projection onto the  $y$  axis?

(\*) 6. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$   $C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Compute

- (a)  $AB$
- (b)  $AC$

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What can you say about  $AB$  and  $AC$ ? What does it say about cancellation of matrices? Does  $AB = AC$  imply that  $B = C$ ?

- (\*) 7. Compute the determinant of the matrix:
- $$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 & \log 2 & \pi^2 & e \\ 0 & 5 & 2 & 4 & \sqrt{5} \\ 0 & 0 & \pi & \sin(9) & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 21 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (\*) 8. What matrix  $A : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  represents projection onto the  $x$  axis followed by projection onto the  $y$  axis?

- (\*) 9. Compute the transpose of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 9 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & \pi & 3 \\ 5 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

(\*) 10. (a) Compute the product  $A\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) Without computing the determinant, determine if the matrix  $A$  is invertible or not.

(\*) 11. Given  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & -5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 8 \\ 0 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

(a) If it is defined, compute  $AB$

(b) If it is defined, compute  $BA$

(\*) 12. Given  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 9 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$ , and  $S(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & 6 \\ -4 & 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$ , compute the following (if defined)

(a)  $T \circ S$

(b)  $S \circ T$

(c)  $T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right)$

(d)  $S\left(\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}\right)$

(e)  $S\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}\right)$



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- (\*) 13. (a) Find the matrix  $R : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  that rotates vectors by  $225^\circ$  counterclockwise  
(b) Find the image of  $(2, 5)$  under this linear transformation.

- (\*\*) 14. What matrix has the effect of rotating a vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$  through  $90^\circ$  clockwise, and then projecting the result onto the  $x$  axis?

(\*\*) 15. If possible, compute the inverse of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$

(\*) 16. Show that  $A = A^{-1} = A^T$ , if  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . What is the effect of  $A$  acting on a  $3 \times 3$  matrix?

(\*\*) 17. If  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ , is a linear transformation, and we know that

$$T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Compute  $T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}\right)$
- (b) Find the matrix for the linear transformation  $T$
- (c) Find the inverse transformation  $T^{-1}$

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(\*\*) 18. If possible, compute the inverse of the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(\*\*) 19. If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, and  $\det(A) = x$ , what are

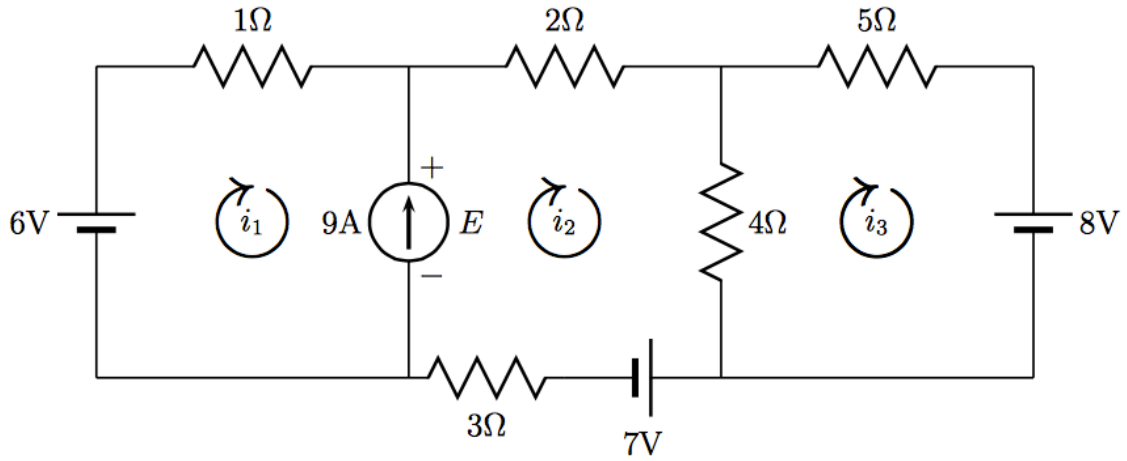
- (a)  $\det(3A)$
- (b)  $\det(-A)$
- (c)  $\det(A^2)$
- (d)  $\det(A^{-1})$

(\*\*) 20. (a) Find the matrix  $R : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  that reflects vectors across the line  $y = -2x$ .

(b) Show that  $R^2 = I$ .

(c) Reflect the vector  $(-2, 3)$  across the line  $y = -2x$ .

- (\*\*) 21. Set up the augmented matrix  $A$  corresponding to this resistor network, with the loop currents in the first three columns.



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- (\*\*) 22. If each year,  $1/10$  of electrical engineering students transfer to computer engineering, and  $2/10$  of computer engineering students transfer to electrical engineering, and there are initially 400 people in electrical engineering, and 600 people in computer engineering
- Find the transition matrix  $P$
  - Find how many students there are in each discipline after 2 years?

- (\*\*) 23. A Physics 158 course is taught in two sections, and initially 400 students are in section 201, and 350 students are in section 203. If every week  $1/4$  of those in section 201 and  $1/3$  of those in section 203 permanently drop the course, and  $1/6$  of each section transfer to the other section,
- (a) Find the transition matrix  $P$
  - (b) the number of students in each state after 2 weeks.

You may leave your answer in calculator ready form. (That is, there is no need to multiply out or add fractions to common denominators)



(\*\*) 24. Given  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$

- (a) Evaluate  $\det(A)$  by reducing the matrix to upper triangular form.
- (b) Compute the determinants of
- i.  $B$
  - ii.  $C$
  - iii.  $AB$
  - iv.  $A^T A$
  - v.  $C^T$

(\*\*) 25. Consider the linear system for the unknowns  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

$$4x + 2y - 3z - 6 = 0$$

$$x - 4y + z + 4 = 0$$

$$-x + 2z - 2 = 0$$

- (a) Write the system in an augmented matrix.
- (b) Perform row operations on the augmented matrix to change it to upper triangular form.
- (c) Find the solution to the problem from above.

- (\*) 26. Consider the resistor network below:
- Set up the augmented matrix  $A$  corresponding to this resistor network
  - Solve the augmented matrix for the currents 1, 2, and 3
  - Find the voltage  $V_0$

