

DAWSON COLLEGE
MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT
Final Examination

Mathematics 201-NYC-05
Linear Algebra (Regular)
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Time: 2:00 - 5:00

1. Consider the following system of equations:

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} 9x & 18y & + & 45z & = & 39 \\ 2x & + & 5y & & 11z & = & 28=3 ; \\ 7x & & 17y & + & 38z & = & 97=3 \end{array}$$

- (a) (5 marks) Find all solutions using Gauss-Jordan elimination.
(b) (2 marks) Find any two particular solutions.

2. Consider the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute whenever it is possible:

- (a) (2 marks) A^{-1}
(b) (2 marks) C^{-1}
(c) (2 marks) $(3A - I)B - C^T$
(d) (2 marks) $\det(3B)$
(e) (2 marks) $\text{trace}(AC)^T$

3. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and B a 4×4 matrix with $\det(B) = 3$.

- (a) (3 marks) Find $\det(A)$.
(b) (3 marks) Find $\det(3A^{-1}B^2)$.

4. (5 marks) Prove that if $A^T A = A$, then A is symmetric and $A = A^2$.

5. (5 marks) Show that if a square matrix A satisfies $A^2 - 4A + I = 0$, then A is invertible and $A^{-1} = 4I - A$.

6. (4 marks) Solve for x : $\begin{pmatrix} x & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & x+1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ x & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

7. Consider the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3=2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1=2 \\ 0 & 7 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) (2 marks) Is it possible to find an elementary matrix E_1 such that $E_1 A = B$? If yes, what is E_1 ? If no, justify.
(b) (2 marks) Is it possible to find an elementary matrix E_2 such that $E_2 B = C$? If yes, what is E_2 ? If no, justify.

8. Consider the following system of equations:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 3x & + & 2y & = & 12 \\ x & + & 4y & = & 7 \end{array}$$

- (a) (3 marks) Solve the system using Cramer's rule.
(b) (3 marks) Solve the system using the inverse of A .

9. Given $u = (3; 0; 1)$, $v = (-2; 1; 2)$ and $w = (4; -2; 1)$, find

(a) (2 marks) $ku + vk$

(b) (2 marks)