

## Midterm 1

Due: Thursday, February 25 – 10:00 am EST

**Problem 1: The four linear subspaces [10 Points]**Every map  $\varphi_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\vec{x} \mapsto A\vec{x}$ ,  $A \in \mathbb{M}(m \times n, \mathbb{R})$  can be factored as

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \ker(\varphi_A) \cong N(A) & \xleftarrow{\varphi_K} & \mathbb{R}^n & \xrightarrow{\varphi_A} & \mathbb{R}^m & \xrightarrow{\varphi_P} & N(A^T) \cong \text{coker}(\varphi_A) \\
 & & \downarrow \varphi_{M_1} & & \uparrow \varphi_{M_2} & & \\
 \text{coim}(\varphi_A) \cong R(A) & & & \xrightarrow{\varphi_X} & C(A) \cong \text{im}(\varphi_A) & & 
 \end{array} \tag{1}$$

We compute this factorization for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 & 10 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 11 & 10 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 12 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{M}(3 \times 5, \mathbb{R})$ .

1. *Kernel embedding* of  $\varphi_A$ :

- Verify  $N(A) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}\{\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \vec{a}_3\}$ . Form  $K = [\vec{a}_1 \quad \vec{a}_2 \quad \vec{a}_3] \in \mathbb{M}(5 \times 3, \mathbb{R})$ .
- Argue that  $\text{im}(\varphi_K) = N(A)$  and that  $\varphi_K$  is injective.

2. *Coimage projection* of  $\varphi_A$ :

- Verify  $R(A) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}\{\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2\}$  and form  $M_1 = [\vec{b}_1 \quad \vec{b}_2]^T \in \mathbb{M}(2 \times 5, \mathbb{R})$ .
- Argue that  $\varphi_{M_1}$  is surjective.

3. *Image embedding* of  $\varphi_A$ :

- Verify  $C(A) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}\{\vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2\}$  and form  $M_2 = [\vec{c}_1 \quad \vec{c}_2] \in \mathbb{M}(3 \times 2, \mathbb{R})$ .
- Argue that  $\text{im}(\varphi_{M_2}) = C(A)$  and that  $\varphi_{M_2}$  is injective.

4. *Cokernel projection* of  $\varphi_A$ :

- Verify  $N(A^T) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}\{\vec{d}_1\}$ . Form  $P = [\vec{d}_1]^T \in \mathbb{M}(1 \times 3, \mathbb{R})$ .
- Argue that  $\varphi_P$  is surjective.

5. Draw eq. (1) for  $A$ . Indicate the dimension of all vector spaces.6. **Math 513:** Isomorphism  $\varphi_X$ :Find an invertible  $X \in \mathbb{M}(2 \times 2, \mathbb{R})$  with  $A = M_2 \cdot X \cdot M_1$ .7. **Bonus:** Write a Python function *image-coimage-factorization*:Input: Arbitrary matrix  $B \in \mathbb{M}(m \times n, \mathbb{R})$ 

Output:

- The matrices  $K$ ,  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$ ,  $P$  in the image-coimage factorization of  $\varphi_B$ .
- **Nice** image of eq. (1). Indicate the vector spaces by their dimension.

Apply it to the matrix  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 & 8 & 10 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{M}(3 \times 5, \mathbb{R})$ .

### Problem 2: Basis extension theorem [10 Points]

1. Which subsets  $S' \subseteq \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  extend to a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ?
2. Extend one such subset  $S'$  to a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Verify that  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .
3. Write a Python function `lin_independent` and justify why it operates correctly:
  - Input:  $k$  vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
  - Output: `True` if the vectors are linearly independent and `false` otherwise.
4. Write a Python function `basis_check` and justify why it operates correctly:
  - Input:  $k$  vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
  - Output: `True` if the vectors are a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and `false` otherwise.
5. Use these functions to verify your answers to (1) and (2).

### Problem 3: Rank-nullity theorem [10 Points]

The rank-nullity theorem states that for  $A \in \mathbb{M}(m \times n, \mathbb{R})$  it holds

$$\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(N(A)) + \dim_{\mathbb{R}}(C(A)) = \dim_{\mathbb{R}}(\text{Source}(\varphi_A)) . \quad (2)$$

1. Argue that this is equivalent to  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(N(A)) + \text{rk}(A) = n$ .
2. Test the rank-nullity theorem for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 6 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 & 4 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{M}(3 \times 4, \mathbb{R})$ .
3. In Python, generate a family  $\mathcal{A}$  of 1000 random matrices in  $\mathbb{M}(5 \times 5, \mathbb{R})$ . The entries of these matrices are required to be the integers 0 or 1. Compute the dimension of the null space of all matrices  $\mathcal{A}$ . What dimensions occur?
4. Write a Python function:  
  
Input:  $A \in \mathbb{M}(m \times n, \mathbb{R})$ .      Output:  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(N(A)) + \text{rk}(A) - n$ .  
  
Use this function to test the rank-nullity theorem for all matrices in  $\mathcal{A}$ .
5. Formulate a hypothesis how  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(N(A^T))$ ,  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(C(A^T))$  and  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(\text{Range}(\varphi_A))$  are related. With Python, verify your hypothesis for all matrices in  $\mathcal{A}$ .
6. **Bonus:** Use eq. (2) to prove your hypothesis.

**Problem 4: A matrix questionnaire [10 Points]**

Suppose  $A$  is a matrix with a two-dimensional null space and a one-dimensional column space. Suppose  $\vec{b}$  belongs to the column space of  $A$ . Answer each of the following questions as true, false, or not enough information. Justify your answer.

1. The system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  is solvable.
2.  $A$  has three columns.
3.  $A$  has three rows.
4.  $\text{rk}(A)$  is divisible by three.
5. The solutions to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  form a plane  $P \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ .