

Answers to Math 20F Final Practice Problems

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Warning: this document contains only *answers* to the practice problems. It does not contain full solutions. Moreover, for problems where the answer is, effectively, the entire worked out solution (such as proofs, or justification for true/false questions), the answer has either been omitted or shortened. (This means, for example, that if you look at the justification for a true/false answer, you may see a very kurt reason, but on an exam, you would have to explain it in more detail.)

1. (a) Show \mathcal{B} spans P_2 and is linearly independent.

(b) $5t^2 + 5 = 1(1) + 1(t - 2)^2 + 4(t^2 + t)$.

2. (a) $\lambda = 2$ (multiplicity 1), $\lambda = 3$ (multiplicity 2).

(b) $\lambda = 2: \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. $\lambda = 3: \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

(c) $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}; D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

3. (a) $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{11} \\ -3/\sqrt{11} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} \\ -1/\sqrt{11} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

(b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7/11 \\ -4/11 \\ -1/11 \end{bmatrix}$.

(c) $\frac{15\sqrt{11}}{11}$.

(d) $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3/10 \\ 1/10 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/10 \\ 3/10 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

4. (a) $(A - \lambda I)^T = A^T - \lambda I$

(b) Consider $A(c_1\vec{x}_1 + c_2\vec{x}_2)$.

5. $P = \begin{bmatrix} -2/3 & -1/\sqrt{5} & 4\sqrt{5}/15 \\ -1/3 & 2/\sqrt{5} & 2\sqrt{5}/15 \\ 2/3 & 0 & \sqrt{5}/3 \end{bmatrix}; D = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$.

6. $\vec{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 14/3 \\ -5/3 \end{bmatrix}$; yes.

7. (a) Yes. Usual argument.

(b) No. Take two distinct lines through the origin in \mathbb{R}^2 . (On an exam you need to write more than this. Actually come up with two different lines, and show which subspace property their union violates.)

8. (a) No. Rank-nullity \implies smallest dim for nullspace is 2.

(b) Yes. 5×5 system with unique solution, then add equation $0 = 0$.

(c) Use determinants or invertible matrix theorem to use that D^{-1} exists.

9. (a) Usual argument.

(b) Basis for $\text{Col}(A) : \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Basis for $\text{Nul}(A) : \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

A has rank 2.

(c) Yes. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$(d) \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

10. (a) $\lambda = 1$ (multiplicity 1), $\lambda = 2$ (multiplicity 1), $\lambda = 3$ (multiplicity 1).

$$(b) P = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(c) 10 \cdot 2^{100} \vec{x} + 2 \cdot 3^{100} \vec{y}.$$

$$11. (a) \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5/2 \\ 5/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 5/2 \\ 21/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

12. (a) False. (Take A to be $(n+1) \times (n+1)$.)

(b) False. (Take $P = 0$.)

(c) True.

(d) True. $A^T = A^{-1}$ is also orthogonal.*

(e) True. $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$.

(f) True.

13. (a) $\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$.[†]

(b) Usual definition.

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$14. \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 10 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

*This is true for *our* class, since we require an orthogonal matrix to be square. However, for the class in which this problem was posed, the answer was probably false.

[†]On the exam which had this question, likely \vec{b} was given explicitly, so one would have to actually do a bit of computation.

15. (a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

(b) $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

16. (a) 3

(b) $\{ [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1/2 \ -7/2], [0 \ 1 \ 0 \ -1 \ -1/2], [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 3/2 \ 2] \}$.[‡]

(c) $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

17. 1, 1/2, and 1/3; multiply both sides of $A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$ by A^{-1} .

18. (a) True. $B = A^{-1}0$.

(b) False. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

(c) True.

(d) False. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = I_{2 \times 2}$.

19. $\begin{bmatrix} 21/5 \\ -3/5 \\ 12/5 \\ 6/5 \end{bmatrix}$.

20. The vectors are linearly *dependent*.

21. $x_2 = 10/3$.

22. (a) True.

(b) False.

[‡]There are multiple correct answers; this basis is obtained from the *reduced* row echelon form.

- (c) True.
- (d) False.
- (e) False.
- (f) True.
- (g) False.
- (h) True.
- (i) False.

23. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

24. (a) 0.
 (b) $n - 1$.
 (c) $I_{n \times n}$.
 (d) 0.
 (e) Consider $\det(A)$.

25. Start with $c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + c_3 \vec{v}_3 + c_4 \vec{v}_4 = \vec{0}$. Show $c_4 = 0$, then conclude that $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$. (On an exam you would *need* to fill in more details here.)

26. $\begin{bmatrix} 9 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$: eigenvalue 7, eigenvector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 9 & 0 \\ 5 & 8 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$: eigenvalues 3, 5, 10; eigenvectors $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 14 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}.$

27. $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$

28. $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}. A^{10} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3^{10}+1}{2} & \frac{1-3^{10}}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1-3^{10}}{2} & \frac{3^{10}+1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2^{10} \end{bmatrix}.$

29. $\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{3}; \|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{6}.$

$$30. \quad (a) \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$(b) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(c) \quad \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}.$$

$$(d) \quad \vec{y}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{y}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$31. \quad (a) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(b) \quad \vec{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(c) \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

32. Start with $c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2\vec{v}_2 + c_3\vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$. Take dot product and conclude that $c_1 = 0$, $c_2 = 0$, and $c_3 = 0$. (As before, you *need* to fill in more details here.)

$$33. \quad \text{Basis for } W: \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}. \quad \text{Basis for } W^\perp: \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 16/21 \\ 4/21 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/7 \\ 2/7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

34. (a) True.

(b) False.

(c) True.

(d) False.

- (e) False.
 - (f) False.[§]
 - (g) False.
 - (h) False.
 - (i) True.[¶]
 - (j) False.
 - (k) True.
 - (l) True.
 - (m) True.
 - (n) True.
 - (o) False.
 - (p) True.
35. (a) True.
- (b) True.
 - (c) True.
 - (d) False.
 - (e) True.
 - (f) False.
 - (g) False.
 - (h) True.
 - (i) True.
 - (j) True.
 - (k) False.^{||}
 - (l) False.
 - (m) True.
 - (n) False.

[§]The question as stated does not say that D is a *diagonal* matrix.

[¶]This assumes that the inverse exists.

^{||}Again, they did not give the dimensions of the matrix.

- (o) True.
 - (p) False.
 - (q) True.
 - (r) False.**
 - (s) True.
 - (t) True.
36. (a) 27
- (b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/18 \\ -4/9 & 5/9 & -1/9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$.
- (c) \mathbb{R}^3 .
- (d) $\lambda^3 - 9\lambda^2 + 27\lambda - 27$.
- (e) $\lambda = 3$.
- (f) $E_3: \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.
- (g) Not diagonalizable.
37. (a) 17.
- (b) 6. B is invertible, so pivot in every row.
- (c) 6. B is invertible, so pivot in every column.
38. Make sure you fill in more details:
- (a) Multiply both sides of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ by A^{-1} .
 - (b) Usual argument.
 - (c) Use matrix form of dot product, i.e., $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u}^T \vec{v}$, with columns of A .

** Once again, we don't know the dimensions of A .