

# Practice Midterm Exam

CAS CS 132: Geometric Algorithms

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- ▷ You will have approximately 75 minutes to complete this exam. Make sure to read every question, some are easier than others.
- ▷ Do not remove any pages from the exam.
- ▷ Your final solution must appear in the solution boxes for each problem. **Only include your final solution in the solution box. You must show your work outside of the solution box.** You will not receive credit if you don't show your work.
- ▷ We will not look at any work on the pages marked "*This page is intentionally left blank.*" You should use these pages for scratch work.

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# 1 Linear Equations and Spans

(6 points) Determine a linear equation whose solution set is the span of the following two vectors. (*Note.* You may not use the cross product for this problem.)

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Solution.*

## 2 Pseudoinverses

(6 points) Determine a matrix  $A$  and two values  $k$  and  $h$  such that

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ h & k & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(*Hint.* First determine the rightmost column of  $A$ .)

*Solution.*

$A =$

$h =$

$k =$

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### 3 Linear Transformations

Consider the following linear transformations.

$$S\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ -x_2 \\ x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ -x_1 - 2x_2 - 3x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- A. (3 points) Determine the matrix that implements  $S \circ T$ , the composition of  $S$  and  $T$ . That is, determine the matrix  $A$  such that the transformation  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto S(T(\mathbf{x}))$  is equivalent to the transformation  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A\mathbf{x}$ .

*Solution.*

- B. (6 points) Determine a general form solution that describes the preimages of the following vector  $\mathbf{b}$  under the linear transformation  $S \circ T$ . That is determine a general form solution where  $S(T(\mathbf{x})) = \mathbf{b}$  if and only if  $\mathbf{x}$  is in the solution set described by your general form solution.

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Solution.*

$x_1$

$x_2$

$x_3$

## 4 True/False

Determine if each of the following statements is **True** or **False**. Bubble in your answers below. You do not need to show your work.

- A. (1 point) A system of linear equations with 3 variables and 4 equations cannot be consistent.
- True  
 False
- B. (1 point) For any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , if  $A = LU$  where  $L$  and  $U$  form an LU-factorization of  $A$ , and if  $L$  is invertible, then so is  $A$ .
- True  
 False
- C. (1 point) For any matrices  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , if  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible, then so is  $AB$ .
- True  
 False
- D. (1 point) If  $A$  is the augmented matrix of a linear system and it has a pivot position in every column, then the system is inconsistent.
- True  
 False
- E. (1 point) If the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has a nontrivial solution, then it has infinitely many solutions.
- True  
 False
- F. (1 point) For any vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , if  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$  is linearly dependent, then so is  $\{\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ .
- True  
 False
- G. (1 point) For any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , the matrix  $AA^T$  is symmetric (recall that a matrix  $B$  is symmetric if  $B = B^T$ ).
- True  
 False
- H. (1 point) For any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , if  $m < n$ , and the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , then the reduced echelon form of  $A$  has only 0s and 1s.
- True  
 False
- I. (1 point) For any matrices  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , if  $AB = I$ , then  $BA = I$ .
- True  
 False

## 5 Linear Dependence

(6 points) Let  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4$  be vectors such that

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3 \ \mathbf{v}_4] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 3 & 8 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine a dependence relation for the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4$ . That is, determine coefficients  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4$  such that  $\alpha_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \alpha_3\mathbf{v}_3 + \alpha_4\mathbf{v}_4 = \mathbf{0}$ .

*Solution.*

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