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LINEAR ALGEBRA AND VECTOR ANALYSIS

MATH 22B

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## Unit 38: Final Exam Practice

PROBLEMS

**Problem 38P.1) (10 points):**

- a) Write down the Laplacian  $L$  of the complete graph with four vertices and find its eigenvalues and eigenvectors.
- b) Solve the wave equation  $f_{tt} = -Lf$  on the graph with initial position  $f(0) = [2, 4, 3, 3]$ .

**Problem 38P.2) (10 points):**

- a) The set of all  $800 \times 600$  gray scale pictures are a subspace of a large vector space  $M(m, n)$  What is the dimension of this space?
- b) The map  $(x, y, z, w) \rightarrow (y, z, w, x)$  defines a linear transformation on  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . What is its determinant?
- c) The set of all words in the alphabet  $A - Z$  feature an addition  $+$  given by concatenation. The zero element  $0$  is the empty word. What is the name of this algebraic structure?
- d) Which of the three following people is not associated to an axiom system *Euclid, Peano, Jordan*.
- e) What does the rank-nullity theorem tell for a  $n \times m$  matrix?
- f) If  $S$  is the eigenbasis of a  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ , what can you say about  $S^{-1}AS$ ?
- g) If  $A$  is a  $n \times 1$  matrix and  $A = QR$  is the QR-decomposition of  $A$ , what shape does the matrix  $R$  have?
- h) What is the name of a matrix  $A$  with complex entries for which  $\overline{A}^T A = 1$ .
- i) What is the determinant of a matrix  $A \in SU(2)$ ?
- j) Which of the fundamental forces are associated to  $SU(2)$ . The electromagnetic, the weak, the strong or the gravitational force?

**Problem 38P.3) (10 points):**

We look for 4 numbers  $x, y, z, w$ . We know their sum is 20 and that their “super sum”  $x - y + z - w$  is 10. As a matter of fact these two equations form a system  $Ax = b$  which defines a 2-dimensional plane  $V$  in 4-dimensional space.

a) (6 points) Find the solution space of all these numbers by row reducing its augmented matrix  $B = [A|b]$  carefully.

$$B = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 20 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 10 \end{array} \right].$$

b) (4 points) Find two linearly independent vectors which are perpendicular to the kernel of  $A$ .

**Problem 38P.4) (10 points):**

People on social media have been in war about expressions like  $2x/3y - 1$  if  $x = 9$  and  $y = 2$ . Computers and humans disagree: most humans get 2, while most machines return 11. A psychologist investigates whether the size of the numbers influences the answer and asks people. This needs data fitting: using the least square method, find those  $a$  and  $b$  such that

$$\frac{ax}{3y} - b = 2$$

best fits the data points in the following table:

x	y
9	3
6	1
-3	1
0	1

**Problem 38P.5) (10 points):**

Let  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$  denote the number of vertices, edges and faces of a polyhedron. During a **Barycentric refinement**, this vector transforms as

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

- a) (5 points) Verify that  $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  are eigenvectors of  $A$  and find their eigenvalues.
- b) (5 points) Write down a closed form solution of the discrete dynamical system  $\vec{x}(t+1) = A\vec{x}(t)$  with the initial condition  $\begin{bmatrix} v \\ e \\ f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 12 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Problem 38P.6) (10 points):**

The **Arnold cat map** is  $T\vec{v} = A\vec{v}$  where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

It is an icon of chaos theory.

- a) (2 points) What is the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ ?
- b) (2 points) Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ .
- c) (2 points) Find the eigenvectors of  $A$ .
- d) (2 points) Is the discrete dynamical system defined by  $A$  asymptotically stable or not?
- e) (2 points) Write down an orthogonal matrix  $S$  and a diagonal matrix  $B$  such that  $B = S^{-1}AS$ .

**Problem 38P.7) (10 points):**

The following configuration is called the “Beacon Oscillator” in the **Game of Life**.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a) (2 points) What is the rank and the nullity of  $A$ ?
- b) (4 points) Find a basis for the kernel and a basis for the image of  $A$ .
- c) (4 points) The following matrix is called the “glider configuration” in the **Game of life**.

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

Find the inverse of  $A$  using row reduction.

**Problem 38P.8) (10 points):**

Remember to give computation details. Answers alone can not be given credit.

a) (2 points) The following matrix displays the solution of the Cellular automaton 10. Find its determinant

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

b) (2 points) Find the determinant of

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} .$$

c) (2 points) Find the determinant of

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 8 & 8 \\ 4 & 5 & 0 & 8 & 8 \\ 6 & 0 & 0 & 8 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} .$$

d) (2 points) Find the determinant of

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 12 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 13 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 12 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 11 \end{bmatrix} .$$

e) (2 points) Find the determinant of  $E = 2Q + 5Q^{-1} + 7I$ : (you can leave it in terms of eigenvalues of the basic circulant matrix  $Q$  you have seen. No simplifications are required):

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 5 & 7 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 7 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 7 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} .$$

**Problem 38P.9) (10 points):**

Find the general solution to the following differential equations:

a) (1 point)

$$f'(t) = 1/(t + 1)$$

b) (1 point)

$$f''(t) = e^t + t$$

c) (2 points)

$$f''(t) + f(t) = t + 2$$

d) (2 points)

$$f''(t) - 2f'(t) + f(t) = e^t$$

e) (2 points)

$$f''(t) - f(t) = e^t + \sin(t)$$

f) (2 points)

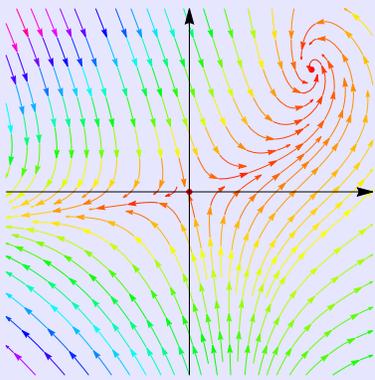
$$f''(t) - f(t) = e^{-3t}$$

**Problem 38P.10) (10 points):**

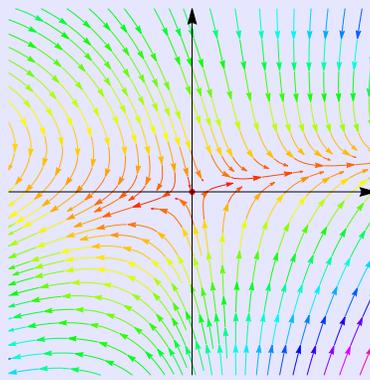
We consider the nonlinear system of differential equations

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}x &= x + y - xy \\ \frac{d}{dt}y &= x - 3y + xy.\end{aligned}$$

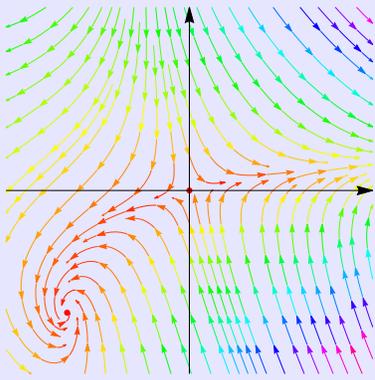
- a) (2 points) Find the equilibrium points.
- b) (3 points) Find the Jacobian matrix at each equilibrium point.
- c) (3 points) Use the Jacobian matrix at an equilibrium to determine for each equilibrium point whether it is stable or not.
- d) (2 points) Which of the diagrams A-D is the phase portrait of the system above?



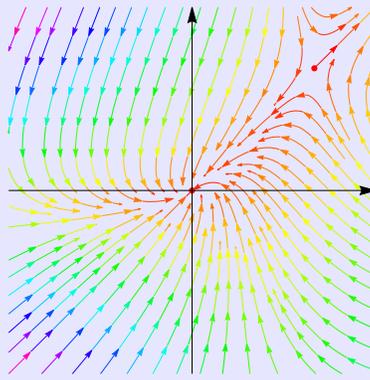
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**Problem 38P.11) (10 points):**

a) (6 points) Find the **Fourier series** of the function which is 1 if  $|x| > 1$  and  $-1$  else. We call it the **Pacific rim** function.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & |x| > 1 \\ -1 & |x| \leq 1 \end{cases} .$$

b) (4 points) Find the value of the sum of the squares of all the Fourier coefficients of  $f$ .

**Problem 38P.12) (10 points):**

a) Solve the system  $f_t = 3f_{xx} - f + t$  with  $f(0, x) = x$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$

b) Solve the system  $f_t = 3f_{xx} - 9f_{xxxx}$  with  $f(0, x) = x$ .

**Problem 38P.13) (10 points):**

a) Solve the system  $f_{tt} = 9f_{xx}$  with  $f(0, x) = x$  and  $f_t(0, x) = 11 \sin(88x)$ .

b) Solve  $f_{tt} = 9f_{xx} - f_{xxxx}$  with  $f_t(0, x) = x$ .