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- Only the Faculty approved calculators (TI-30X, TI-34X, Casio FX-260X and Casio FX-300X) are allowed. All others will be confiscated.
- The correct answer requires justification written legibly and logically: you must convince me that you know why your solution is correct. Answer these questions in the space provided. Use the backs of pages if necessary.
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- Where it is possible to check your work, do so.
- Good luck!

Student number: _____, Total marks: _____ out of 30

Problem	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Marks							

Question 1. [3 points] Determine the values of a and b for which the system

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + ax_2 &= 5 \\ 3x_1 + 6x_2 &= b\end{aligned}$$

has

- a) no solutions?
- b) a unique solution?
- c) infinitely many solutions?

Solution.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & a & 5 \\ 3 & 6 & b \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-3R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & a & 5 \\ 0 & 6-3a & b-15 \end{array} \right].$$

(a) $6 - 3a = 0$ and $b - 15 \neq 0 \implies a = 2$ and $b \neq 15$.

(b) $6 - 3a \neq 0 \implies a \neq 2$.

(c) $6 - 3a = 0$ and $b - 15 = 0 \implies a = 2$ and $b = 15$.

Question 2. [3 points] Find all values of x for which the matrix A is not invertible

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 & 2 \\ x & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & x & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution.

The matrix A is not invertible if $\det(A) = 0$.

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & 1 & 2 \\ x & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & x & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 2x + 3 + 2x^2 + 2 - 3x^2 + 2x = -x^2 + 4x + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 4x - 5 &= 0 \\ (x - 5)(x + 1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, the values for which the matrix is not invertible are $x = 5$ and $x = -1$.

Question 3. [5 points] Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

a) Find the inverse of A .

b) Find the solution of $Ax = b$, where $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 [A|I] &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{-R1 + R2 \rightarrow R2 \\ -2R1 + R3 \rightarrow R3}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\xrightarrow{\substack{-R2 + R1 \rightarrow R1 \\ -R2 + R3 \rightarrow R3}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{-2R3 + R1 \rightarrow R1 \\ R3 + R2 \rightarrow R2}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\xrightarrow{-R2 \rightarrow R2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) The solution of the system $Ax = b$ is given by $x = A^{-1}b$. So we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Question 4. [3 points] Calculate the eigenvalues of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 8 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 - \lambda & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 8 & 4 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2 - \lambda)(1 - \lambda)(4 - \lambda) + (1 - \lambda) \\ &= (1 - \lambda)[(2 - \lambda)(4 - \lambda) + 1] = (1 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 9) \\ &= (1 - \lambda)(\lambda - 3)^2. \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues are $\lambda = 1$ and $\lambda = 3$.

Question 5. [2 points] Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- a) Show that $1 + 2i$ is an eigenvalue of A and find the other eigenvalue.
b) (**Bonus 2 points**) Find the eigenvectors corresponding to $1 + 2i$.

Solution.

$$(a) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 3 - \lambda & 2 \\ -4 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = (3 - \lambda)(-1 - \lambda) + 8 = 0.$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5 = 0 \implies \lambda = \frac{1}{2}(2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 20}) = 1 \pm 2i.$$

So, the other eigenvalue is $\lambda = 1 - 2i$.

(b)

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 - \lambda & 2 \\ -4 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 3 - 1 - 2i & 2 \\ -4 & -1 - 1 - 2i \end{vmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2 - 2i & 2 \\ -4 & -2 - 2i \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{(2+2i)R1 \rightarrow R1} \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 4 + 4i \\ -4 & -2 - 2i \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{(1/2)R1 + R2 \rightarrow R2} \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 + 2i \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$v_2 = s \text{ (free)} \implies v_1 = -\frac{2+2i}{4}s = (-1/2 - 1/2i)s.$$

The eigenvectors corresponding to $1 + 2i$ are $s \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 - 1/2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, where s is a nonzero complex number.

Question 6. [8 points] Consider the system of differential equations

$$\begin{aligned}x_1' &= x_1 + 2x_2 \\x_2' &= 2x_1 + x_2\end{aligned}$$

- Calculate the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of the coefficient matrix.
- Give the general solution of the system.
- Find the unique solution with initial conditions $x_1(0) = 3$, $x_2(0) = 1$.

Solution.

(a) First we find the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1 - \lambda)^2 - 4 = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3 = 0 \implies \lambda = 3 \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda = -1.$$

For $\lambda = 3$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 = s \text{ and } v_2 = s \implies v = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } s \neq 0.$$

For $\lambda = -1$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w_1 = s \text{ and } w_2 = -s \implies w = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ -s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } s \neq 0.$$

(b) The general solution is

$$x(t) = C_1 e^{3t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c)

$$x_1(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 3$$

$$x_2(0) = C_1 - C_2 = 1$$

$$\implies C_1 = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad C_2 = 1$$

Therefore, the solution of the initial value problem is

$$x(t) = 2e^{3t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Question 7. [6 points] Consider the function $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 1}}$.

- Determine the domain of the function and sketch it in the xy -plane.
- Determine the range of the function.
- Sketch the level curves $f(x, y) = k$ for $k = \sqrt{1/3}$ and $k = 1/4$. Label your coordinate system and clearly indicate which curve to which k corresponds.
- Find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface, given by $f(x, y)$, at the point $(x, y) = (2, 1)$. **Do not** simplify your answer.

Solution.

(a) $x^2 + y^2 - 1 > 0 \implies x^2 + y^2 > 1$. The domain is $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 > 1\}$. This is the region in xy -plane outside of the circle of radius 1.

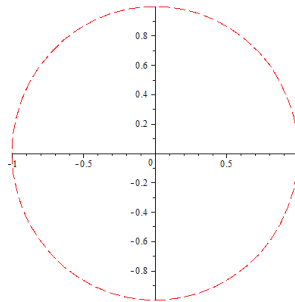


Figure 1: The domain is the region outside of the circle

(b) $\{f \in \mathbb{R} | f > 0\}$

$$(c) \quad f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \implies \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 1} = \sqrt{3} \implies x^2 + y^2 = 4.$$

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 1}} = \frac{1}{4} \implies \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 1} = 4 \implies x^2 + y^2 = 17.$$

So, the level curves are circles with radius 2 and $\sqrt{17}$, respectively, centered at the origin.

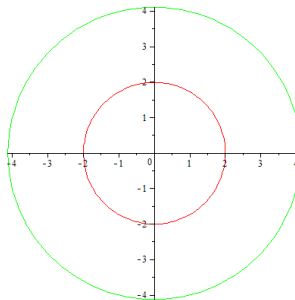


Figure 2: Level curves: $R = 2$, $R = \sqrt{17}$

(d) The equation of tangent plane at (x_0, y_0) is $z - z_0 = f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
z_0 = f(2, 1) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 - 1}} \implies z_0 = \frac{1}{2}. \\
f_x(x, y) &= -\frac{x}{\left(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 1}\right)^3} \implies f_x(2, 1) = -\frac{2}{\left(\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 - 1}\right)^3} = -\frac{1}{4}. \\
f_y(x, y) &= -\frac{y}{\left(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 1}\right)^3} \implies f_y(2, 1) = -\frac{1}{\left(\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 - 1}\right)^3} = -\frac{1}{8}.
\end{aligned}$$

The equation of the tangent plane at $(2, 1)$ is $z - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4}(x - 2) - \frac{1}{8}(y - 1)$.