Math 404, Exam II

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Problem 1. State a definition of (2 points each):

- a) a T-invariant subspace of a vector space;
- b) the matrix representation $M_{\mathbf{v}}^{\mathbf{w}}(T)$ of $T: V \longrightarrow W$ in ordered bases $\mathbf{v} = v_1, ..., v_n$ of V and $\mathbf{w} = w_1, ..., w_m$ of W;
- c) the transition matrix from a basis \mathbf{v} to a basis \mathbf{v}' of a vector space V;
- d) similar matrices;
- e) the elementary $n \times n$ matrix $E_{1,2}(2)$;

Problem 2. Find the inverse of the matrix

$$A = egin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \ 2 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Verify your answer. (6 points)

b) Express A as a product of elementary matrices (write down the actual matrices). (4 points)

Problem 3. A linear transformation $S: \mathbb{R}^5 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ is given by the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 & 1 & 4 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 7 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$.

Find bases of the kernel and of the image of S. (7 points)

Problem 4. a) Find the matrix of the linear transformation

$$T: \mathbb{R}^3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \quad T(x, y, z) = (x + y + z, x - y + z)$$

in the basis (1, -2, 1), (1, 2, 1), (0, 2, 1) of \mathbb{R}^3 and the basis (1, 1), (1, -1) of \mathbb{R}^2 . (7 points)

b) What is the change of basis matrix from the basis $\mathbf{b} = \{(1,1,1), (1,0,1), (0,0,1)\}$ to the basis $\mathbf{d} = \{(2,1,1), (2,2,1), (3,2,2)\}$ of \mathbb{R}^3 ?. Find the coordinates of a vector in the basis \mathbf{d} if its coordinates in the basis \mathbf{b} are (0,1,2). (7 points)

Problem 5. Find a linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^6 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ such that ker T has basis (1,0,2,0,-2,3), (0,1,-1,0,1,1), (0,0,0,1,-2,2). (7 points)

Problem 6. Answer true or false. In each case provide an explanation (2 points each).

- a) Every matrix is a product of elementary matrices.
- b) If $T:V\longrightarrow V$ is a linear transformation then ker T is a T-invariant subspace.
- c) There exists a linear transformation $T: K^5 \longrightarrow K^5$ such that $\ker T = \operatorname{Im} T$.
- d) The matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is a transition matrix from some basis of \mathbb{R}^2 to some other basis.
- e) The sum of two invertible matrices is always invertible.
- f) If $T: V \longrightarrow V$ is a linear transformation then ImT is a T-invariant subspace.

Problem 7. a) Let $T:V\longrightarrow V$ be a linear transformation. Suppose that $V=\mathrm{Im}T\oplus W$. Show that if W is T-invariant then $W=\ker T$. (5 points)

b) Let S, T be liner transformations $V \longrightarrow V$ such that ST = TS. Prove that ker T is S-invariant. (5 points)

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c) Let A be a matrix of size 5×3 and let B be a matrix of size 3×5 . Prove that the 5×5 matrix AB is not invertible. (Hint: Think in terms of linear transformations). (5 points)

The following problems are optional. You may earn extra points, but work on these problem only after you are done with the other problems

Problem 8. Let $T: V \longrightarrow V$ be a linear transformation such that every one dimensional subspace of V is T-invariant. Prove that T = aI for some constant a. (7 points)

Problem 9. For a square matrix A, define the **trace** $\operatorname{tr} A$ as the sum of all diagonal entries of A (so if $A = (a_{i,j})$ then $\operatorname{tr} A = a_{1,1} + a_{2,2} + a_{3,3} + \ldots$). Prove that for any two 3×3 matrices A, B we have $\operatorname{tr}(AB) = \operatorname{tr}(BA)$. Conclude that if M, N are similar 3×3 matrices then $\operatorname{tr} M = \operatorname{tr} N$ (all this is true for matrices of arbitrary size). Are the matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

similar? (8 points)
