

MA262 — PRACTICE PROBLEMS FOR EXAM II — SPRING 2022
BASED ON OLD MA262 EXAMS WHICH CAN BE FOUND AT
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This is a collection of problems from old exams, the textbook and some other exercises. We have been using a new textbook book since the fall 2020 and some old exam problems do not match the notation or the content.

1. Review of Algebra find all real and complex roots of the following polynomial equations

I. $z^4 + 16 = 0$

II. $z^4 - 16 = 0$

III. $z^3 + 81 = 0$

IV. $z^3 - 81 = 0$

V. $z^2 + 2z + 5 = 0$

VI. $z^2 + 2z + 3 = 0$

2. Find the general solutions of the differential equations corresponding to the above polynomial equations

I. $y^{(4)} + 16y = 0$

II. $y^{(4)} - 16y = 0$

III. $y^{(3)} + 81y = 0$

IV. $y^{(3)} - 81y = 0$

V. $y'' + 2y' + 5y = 0$

VI. $y'' + 2y' + 3y = 0$

3. Consider the vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

The dimension of the vector space $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ is equal to

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

E. 5

4. Which of the following are subspaces of a given vector space?

- I. S is the set of all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $x + y \geq 0$.
- II. S is the set of all functions $f(x)$ defined on $(-2, 2)$ such that $f(1) + f(-1) = 0$.
- III. S is the set of all (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) in \mathbb{R}^4 such that $x_1 + x_4 + 9x_3 = 0$
- IV. S is the set of all polynomials $P(x)$ such that $P'(x) + P(x) = 1$.

- A. Only I
- B. Only II and III
- C. Only IV
- D. Only II and IV
- E. Only II, III and IV

5. Let \mathcal{P}_4 denote the space of polynomials of degree less than or equal to four. Let \mathcal{V} be the subspace consisting of polynomials $p(x)$ in \mathcal{P}_4 such that $p(0) = 0$. We can say that

- A. The dimension of \mathcal{P}_4 is equal to four and the dimension of \mathcal{V} is equal to three
- B. The dimension of \mathcal{P}_4 is equal to three and the dimension of \mathcal{V} is equal to two
- C. The dimension of \mathcal{P}_4 is equal to five and the dimension of \mathcal{V} is equal to four
- D. The dimension of \mathcal{P}_4 is equal to five and the dimension of \mathcal{V} is equal to three
- E. The dimension of \mathcal{P}_4 is equal to two and the dimension of \mathcal{V} is equal to one

6. Find all values of k such that the vectors $v_1 = (1, -1, 0)$, $v_2 = (1, 2, 2)$ and $v_3 = (0, 3, k)$ form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

- A. $k = 1$
- B. $k = 2$
- C. $k \neq 1$
- D. $k \neq 2$
- E. $k \neq 3$

7. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix}.$$

If the determinant of A is equal to five and the determinant of B is equal to 6 the determinant of the matrix

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & 2a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & 2a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & 2a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3b_{11} & b_{12} + 2b_{11} & b_{13} \\ 3b_{21} & b_{22} + 2b_{21} & b_{23} \\ 3b_{31} & b_{32} + 2b_{31} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

is equal to

- A. 180
- B. 100
- C. 150
- D. 200
- E. 300

8. If $y(x)$ is the solution of

$$\begin{aligned}y'' - 2y' + y &= 0, \\ y(0) &= 1, \quad y'(0) = -1\end{aligned}$$

then $y(\frac{1}{2})$ is equal to

- A. 0
- B. $e^{\frac{1}{2}}$
- C. $2e^{\frac{1}{2}}$
- D. $\frac{1}{2}e^{\frac{1}{2}}$
- E. $-3e^{\frac{1}{2}}$

9. Find linearly independent solutions of $x^2y''(x) + 4xy'(x) + 2y(x) = 0$ $x > 0$ of the form $y(x) = x^r$ and conclude that the general solution of this equation, for $x > 0$, is of the form

- A. $y(x) = C_1x^{-1} + C_2x^{-2}$
- B. $y(x) = C_1x^{-2} + C_2x^{-3}$
- C. $y(x) = C_1x^{-2} + C_2x^{-4}$
- D. $y(x) = C_1x^{-3} + C_2x^{-5}$
- E. $y(x) = C_1 + C_2x^{-3}$

10. Let $y(x)$ satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}x^2y''(x) - 2xy'(x) + 2y(x) &= 0 \\ y(1) &= 2, \quad y'(1) = 3.\end{aligned}$$

Then $y(2)$ is equal to (Hint: use the method of the previous problem.)

- A. 4
- B. 5
- C. 6
- D. 7
- E. 8

11. The constants a, b, c, d are real numbers and the solutions of the polynomial equation $p(r) = ar^3 + br^2 + cr + d = 0$, are given by $r_1 = 1 + 2i$, $r_2 = 1 - 2i$ and $r_3 = 4$. We can say that the general solution of the equation $ay^{(3)} + by^{(2)} + cy' + dy = 0$ is given by

- A. $y(x) = C_1e^{4x} + C_2e^x \cos(2x) + C_3e^x \sin(2x)$
- B. $y(x) = C_1e^{4x} + C_2e^{2x} \cos(2x) + C_3e^{2x} \sin(2x)$
- C. $y(x) = C_1e^{4x} + C_2e^{4x} \cos(x) + C_3e^{4x} \sin(x)$
- D. $y(x) = C_1e^{4x} + C_2e^{2x} \cos(x) + C_3e^{2x} \sin(x)$
- E. $y(x) = C_1e^{4x} + C_2e^x \cos(x) + C_3 \sin(x)$

12. We know that the characteristic polynomial of a certain homogeneous differential equation is given by

$$p(r) = (r^2 - 1)^2(r^2 + 4)^2.$$

We can say that the general solution of the differential equation is given by

- A. $C_1e^x + C_2xe^x + C_3e^{-x} + C_4xe^{-x} + C_5\cos(2x) + C_6x\cos(2x) + C_7\sin(2x) + C_8x\sin(2x)$
- B. $C_1e^x + C_2xe^x + C_3e^{-x} + C_4xe^{-x} + C_5(1+x)\cos(2x) + C_6(1+x)\sin(2x)$
- C. $C_1e^x + C_2xe^x + C_3x^2e^x + C_4(1+x)e^{-x} + C_5\cos(2x) + C_6x\cos(2x) + C_7x^2\cos(2x) + C_8x\sin(2x)$
- D. $C_1e^x + C_2e^{-x} + C_3\cos(2x) + C_4\sin(2x)$
- E. $C_1e^x + C_2e^{-x} + C_3\cos(2x) + C_4x\cos(2x) + C_5\sin(2x) + C_6x\sin(2x)$
- F. $C_1e^x + C_2xe^x + C_3e^{-x} + C_4xe^{-x} + C_5\cos(2x) + C_6x\sin(2x) + C_7x^2\sin(2x)$

13. The Wronskian of the functions $\{x, \sin x, \cos x\}$ (in this order) is equal to

- A. x
- B. $-x$
- C. $x\sin x + \cos x$
- D. $\sin x \cos x$
- E. $x(\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x)$

The next page has two additional problems from exam 2, fall 2019.

6. The following system of linear equations has an infinite number of solutions:

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 = 0,$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 = 1,$$

$$a_{31}x_1 + a_{32}x_2 + a_{33}x_3 = 0,$$

In this case the matrix $A = (a_{ij}) \in R^{3 \times 3}$ satisfies the condition

- A. A is defective
- B. A is nonsingular
- C. The homogeneous systems $Ax = 0$ has exactly one solution
- D. The homogeneous system $Ax = 0$ has more than one solution
- E. None of the above

7. Let A be a 4×4 matrix. If $\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ p_4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \\ q_4 \end{bmatrix}$ are solutions of the system of linear

equations $A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, then which of the following is also a solution?

- A. $\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}$
- B. $\mathbf{q} - 2\mathbf{p}$
- C. $2\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}$
- D. All of the above
- E. None of the above

8. The entry b_{32} of the matrix $A^{-1} = (b_{ij})$ inverse to $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is equal to

A. $-\frac{1}{2}$

B. $\frac{3}{2}$

C. $\frac{2}{3}$

D. 2

E. 4

10. A is an $m \times n$ matrix and \mathbf{b} is an $m \times 1$ vector. The equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has **infinitely many** solutions. Consider the following statements:

- (i) $m \leq n$
- (ii) $n \leq m$
- (iii) the rank of $A = n$
- (iv) the rank of $A < n$
- (v) $\det A = 0$

Which **must** be true?

- A. only (i) and (v)
- B. only (iv)
- C. only (v)
- D. only (iii) and (v)
- E. None of the statements has to be true

15. Let S denote the set of all polynomials of degree less than or equal to 4. What is the dimension of S ?

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

E. 5

(14) If

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -5 & -1 & 8 \\ 3 & 8 & 2 & -12 \end{bmatrix}$$

then the rank of A is

(A) 0

(B) 1

(C) 2

(D) 3

(E) 4

(18) Assume that the 4×4 matrix A is row equivalent to the matrix B , where

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Which of the following statements is true?

- (A) B is not the reduced row echelon form of A .
- (B) $\det(A) \neq 0$.
- (C) The null space of A has dimension 3.
- (D) The column space of A has dimension 2.
- (E) If $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for some $\vec{b} \neq \vec{0}$, then it has infinitely many solutions.

11. If the dimension of the nullspace of a 5×6 matrix A is 4, what are the rank of A and the dimension of the column space of A ?
- A. $\text{rank}(A)=3, \dim[\text{Col}(A)]=3.$
 - B. $\text{rank}(A)=1, \dim[\text{Col}(A)]=2.$
 - C. $\text{rank}(A)=2, \dim[\text{Col}(A)]=1.$
 - D. $\text{rank}(A)=1, \dim[\text{Col}(A)]=1.$
 - E. $\text{rank}(A)=2, \dim[\text{Col}(A)]=2.$

4. Which of the following statements about all 5×5 matrices is **true**?

A. $\det(A + B) = \det A + \det B$

B. $\det A^T = -\det(A)$.

C. $AB = 0$ implies $A = 0$ or $B = 0$.

D. If $\det A = 0$ then some two rows are proportional.

E. $\det(-A) = -\det(A)$.

6. Consider the real vector space \mathbb{M}_2 of all real 2×2 matrices. Let B be a fixed matrix in \mathbb{M}_2 . Which of the following sets is **not** a subspace of \mathbb{M}_2 ?
- A. The set of all the matrices, A in \mathbb{M}_2 such that $AB = BA$.
 - B. The set of all the matrices, A in \mathbb{M}_2 such that $AB = O$, where O is the zero matrix in \mathbb{M}_2 .
 - C. The set of all the matrices, A in \mathbb{M}_2 such that $A^2 = O$, where O is the zero matrix in \mathbb{M}_2 .
 - D. All the upper triangular matrices in \mathbb{M}_2 .
 - E. All the symmetric matrices in \mathbb{M}_2 .

7. What is the dimension of the space $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$?

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4

8. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -2 \\ -4 & 2 & 4 \\ -8 & 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$. Then the following is a basis of the nullspace of A .

A. $\{[2 \ -4 \ -8]^T, [-1 \ 2 \ 4]^T, [-2 \ 4 \ 8]^T\}$

B. $\{[1 \ 0 \ 1]^T, [1 \ 2 \ 0]^T\}$

C. $\{[1 \ 0 \ 1]^T, [1 \ 2 \ 0]^T, [3 \ 2 \ 2]^T\}$

D. $\{[1 \ 0 \ 1]^T\}$

E. $\{[0 \ 2 \ 1]^T\}$

9. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Then the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a solution for any $m \times 1$ matrix \mathbf{b} if and only if
- A. $m = n$.
 - B. $\text{Nullity}(A) = m$.
 - C. $\text{Rank}(A) + \text{Nullity}(A) = n$.
 - D. $A = I$ the identity matrix.
 - E. $\text{Rank}(A) = m$.

7. Find the general solution to the differential equation

$$y^{(4)} - 8y'' + 16y = 0.$$

- A. $y = c_1e^{2x} + c_2e^{-2x}$
- B. $y = c_1xe^{2x} + c_2xe^{-2x}$
- C. $y = c_1e^{2x} + c_2e^{-2x} + c_3xe^{2x} + c_4xe^{-2x}$
- D. $y = c_1xe^{2x} + c_2xe^{-2x} + c_3x^2e^{2x} + c_4x^2e^{-2x}$
- E. $y = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x + c_3x \cos 2x + c_4x \sin 2x$

8. Let $y(x)$ satisfy

$$y'' + 9y' + 18 = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 3.$$

Then $y(\frac{1}{3} \log 3) = ?$

- A. $y(\frac{1}{3} \log 3) = \frac{2}{9}$
- B. $y(\frac{1}{3} \log 3) = \frac{2}{3}$
- C. $y(\frac{1}{3} \log 3) = \frac{3}{4}$
- D. $y(\frac{1}{3} \log 3) = \frac{1}{3}$
- E. $y(\frac{1}{3} \log 3) = \frac{1}{4}$

11. Find the solution to the initial value problem

$$y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

- A. $y(t) = e^t + e^{-t}$
- B. $y(t) = \cos t + \sin t$
- C. $y(t) = e^t \cos t + e^t \sin t$
- D. $y(t) = e^{-t} \cos t - e^{-t} \sin t$
- E. $y(t) = e^{-t} \cos t + e^{-t} \sin t$

12. Consider the differential equation

$$y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0.$$

Which one of the following statements is true?

- A. The equation has only one linearly independent solution e^{3t}
- B. The equation has only one linearly independent solution te^{3t}
- C. The equation has two linearly independent solutions e^{3t} and te^{3t}
- D. The equation has two linearly independent solutions t and e^{3t}
- E. The equation has two linearly independent solutions t^3 and e^{3t}