

Math 421  
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Midterm exam 1  
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- **Organize your work**, in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.
- **Mysterious or unsupported answers will not receive full credit.**
- If you need more space, use the back of the pages; clearly indicate when you have done this.

Problem	Points	Score
1	10	
2	10	
3	10	
4	15	
5	15	
6	20	
7	20	
Total:	100	

1. (10 points) Solve the linear system

$$\begin{aligned}2x_1 + 3x_2 + -2x_3 &= -7 \\4x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 5 \\2x_1 - 5x_2 + 7x_3 &= 19.\end{aligned}$$

Ans:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 & -7 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & -5 & 7 & 19 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & -5 & 7 & 19 \\ 2 & -5 & 7 & 19 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The last two rows imply  $x_1 = 0$ . The system reduces to:

$$\begin{aligned}3x_2 + -2x_3 &= -7 \\x_2 + 3x_3 &= 5.\end{aligned}$$

$-3R2 + R1$  gives  $-11x_3 = -22$  or  $x_3 = 2$ . This gives  $x_2 = -1$ .

2. (10 points) Let

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find  $A$ .

Ans: Some steps of row reductions are shown below:

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 6 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & -3 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3. (10 points) Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find all eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of  $A$ .

Ans: The eigenvalues satisfy  $(4 - \lambda)(1 - \lambda) - 10 = 0$ . That is  $\lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 6 = 0$ . Thus  $\lambda = 6, -1$ .

If  $\lambda = 6$ ,  $A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 5 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus an eigenvector is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

If  $\lambda = -1$ ,  $A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus an eigenvector is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

4. (15 points) Solve the initial value problem

$$y' + 6y = e^{4t}, y(0) = 2.$$

Ans: The Laplace transform is

$$sY(s) - 2 + 6Y(s) = \frac{1}{s-4}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} Y(s) &= \frac{1}{(s-4)(s+6)} + \frac{2}{s+6} \\ &= \frac{1/10}{s-4} + \frac{19/10}{s+6}. \end{aligned}$$

That is  $y(t) = \frac{1}{10}e^{4t} + \frac{19}{10}e^{-6t}$ .

5. (15 points) Solve the initial value problem

$$y' + y = f(t), y(0) = 1$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= 0, 0 \leq t < \pi \\ &= \cos t, t \geq \pi. \end{aligned}$$

Ans:  $y' + y = \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) \cos(t) = y' + y = -\mathcal{U}(t - \pi) \cos(t - \pi)$ .

Taking Laplace transform gives

$$sY(s) - 1 + Y(s) = \frac{-s}{s^2 + 1} e^{-\pi s}.$$

Thus

$$Y(s) = \frac{-s}{(s^2 + 1)(s + 1)} e^{-\pi s} + \frac{1}{1 + s}.$$

We have

$$\frac{s}{(s^2 + 1)(s + 1)} = \frac{A}{s + 1} + \frac{Bs + C}{s^2 + 1}.$$

We have  $A(s^2 + 1) + (Bs + C)(s + 1) = s$ . Plus in  $s = -1$  gives  $A = \frac{-1}{2}$ . Plug in  $s = 0$  gives  $C = \frac{1}{2}$ . Finally  $B = -A = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Thus  $y(t) = -[Ae^{-(t-\pi)} + B \cos(t - \pi) + C \sin(t - \pi)]\mathcal{U}(t - \pi) + e^{-t}$ .

6. (20 points) Solve the initial value problem

$$y' - y = e^t \sin t, y(0) = 0.$$

Ans:

$$sY(s) - Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s-1)^2 + 1}.$$

Thus

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{((s-1)^2 + 1)(s-1)} = \frac{As + B}{(s-1)^2 + 1} + \frac{C}{s-1}.$$

We have  $(As + B)(s-1) + C((s-1)^2 + 1) = 1$ . Plug in  $s = 1$  gives  $C = 1$ . Plug in  $s = 0$  gives  $B = 1$ . Finally  $A = -C = -1$ . Thus

$$Y(s) = -\frac{s-1}{(s-1)^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{s-1}.$$

Thus

$$y(t) = -e^t \cos t + e^t.$$

7. (20 points) Let

$$f(t) = \frac{s+1}{s^3(s+1)^2}.$$

Find the partial fraction decomposition of  $f(t)$ .

Ans:

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{s^3(s+1)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{C}{s^3} + \frac{D}{s+1}.$$

We have  $D = \frac{1}{s^3}|_{s=-1} = -1$ .  $C = \frac{1}{s+1}|_{s=0} = 1$ .  $B = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2(\frac{1}{s^3(s+1)} - \frac{1}{s^3}) = -1$ . Finally plug in  $s = 1$  gives  $A = 1$ .



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