

## Math 1410–Solutions for the Final Exam Practice Sheet

The Final Exam will be 9:00am–11:00am, Friday, December 16, in PE250

1. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -5 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & -9 & -10 \\ -2 & 0 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a basis and the dimension of

- (a) the row space of  $A$ ,

**Solution:**

We need to find the reduced echelon form of  $A$ .

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 1 & -5 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & -9 & -10 \\ -2 & 0 & 4 & 6 \end{array} \right] \\
 \xrightarrow[\substack{\sim \\ R1 \longleftrightarrow R3}]{} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} -2 & 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & -9 & -10 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & 4 \end{array} \right] \\
 \xrightarrow[\substack{\sim \\ -\frac{1}{2}R1}]{} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -9 & -10 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & 4 \end{array} \right] \\
 \xrightarrow[\substack{\sim \\ -2R1 + R2}]{} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & 4 \end{array} \right] \\
 \xrightarrow[\substack{\sim \\ -R2 + R3}]{} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right] \\
 \xrightarrow[\substack{\sim \\ \frac{1}{8}R3}]{} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
 \xrightarrow[\substack{\sim \\ 3R3 + R1}]{} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right].
 \end{array}$$

To form a basis of the row space of  $A$ , we can use the non-zero rows of the reduced echelon form of  $A$  i.e.

$$\{(1, 0, -2, 0), (0, 1, -5, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1)\}$$

is a basis of  $\text{row}(A)$ . Alternately, if we do not switch any rows, we can use the rows in  $A$  corresponding to the rows in which the leading ones appear in the reduced form of  $A$ . i.e.

$$\{(0, 1, -5, 4), (2, 1, -9, -10), (-2, 0, 4, 6)\}$$

is also a basis of  $\text{row}(A)$ .

Lastly, the dimension of a space is the number of vectors in its basis, so the dimension of  $\text{row}(A)$  is 3.

(b) the solution set of  $A\underline{x} = 0$ .

**Solution:**

We use the work done in A. First, let  $\underline{x} = [w \ x \ y \ z]^t$ . Then, the general solution of  $A\underline{x} = 0$  is

$$\begin{bmatrix} w \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2y \\ 5y \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = y \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,  $\{(2, 5, 1, 0)\}$  is a basis of the solution set of  $A\underline{x} = 0$ , and the dimension of this solution set is 1.

2. Show that  $\underline{u}_1 = \left(\frac{3}{13}, \frac{4}{13}, \frac{12}{13}\right)$ ,  $\underline{u}_2 = \left(\frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5}, 0\right)$ , and  $\underline{u}_3 = \left(\frac{36}{65}, \frac{48}{65}, -\frac{25}{65}\right)$  form an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Solution:**

$$\underline{u}_1 \circ \underline{u}_2 = \left(\frac{3}{13}\right)\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) + \left(\frac{4}{13}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) + 0 = \frac{12}{65} - \frac{12}{65} = 0,$$

$$\underline{u}_1 \circ \underline{u}_3 = \frac{3}{13} \cdot \frac{36}{65} + \frac{4}{13} \cdot \frac{48}{65} + \left(\frac{12}{13}\right)\left(-\frac{25}{65}\right) = \frac{108}{845} + \frac{192}{845} - \frac{300}{845} = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\underline{u}_2 \circ \underline{u}_3 &= \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \left(\frac{36}{65}\right) + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) \left(\frac{48}{65}\right) + 0 = \frac{144}{325} - \frac{144}{325} = 0, \\
\|\underline{u}_1\| &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{13}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{4}{13}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{12}{13}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{9}{169} + \frac{16}{169} + \frac{144}{169}} = \sqrt{\frac{169}{169}} = 1, \\
\|\underline{u}_2\| &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 + (0)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{16}{25} + \frac{9}{25}} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{25}} = 1, \text{ and} \\
\|\underline{u}_3\| &= \sqrt{\frac{36^2}{65^2} + \frac{48^2}{65^2} + \frac{25^2}{65^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1296}{4225} + \frac{2304}{4225} + \frac{625}{4225}} = \sqrt{\frac{4225}{4225}} = 1,
\end{aligned}$$

so  $\underline{u}_1$ ,  $\underline{u}_2$ , and  $\underline{u}_3$  form an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

3. Let  $\underline{v}_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1)$ ,  $\underline{v}_2 = (3, 1, 9, -5)$ , and  $\underline{v}_3 = (13, -3, 11, -1)$ .

- (a) Use Gram-Schmidt to orthonormalize  $\underline{v}_1$ ,  $\underline{v}_2$ , and  $\underline{v}_3$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
\underline{u}_1 &= \underline{v}_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1), \\
\underline{u}_2 &= \underline{v}_2 - \text{proj}_{\underline{u}_1} \underline{v}_2 = \underline{v}_2 - \frac{\underline{v}_2 \circ \underline{u}_1}{\underline{u}_1 \circ \underline{u}_1} \underline{u}_1 \\
&= (3, 1, 9, -5) - \frac{3+1+9-5}{1+1+1+1} (1, 1, 1, 1) \\
&= (3, 1, 9, -5) - \frac{8}{4} (1, 1, 1, 1) \\
&= (3, 1, 9, -5) - (2, 2, 2, 2) \\
&= (1, -1, 7, -7), \text{ and} \\
\underline{u}_3 &= \underline{v}_3 - \text{proj}_{\underline{u}_1} \underline{v}_3 - \text{proj}_{\underline{u}_2} \underline{v}_3 \\
&= \underline{v}_3 - \frac{\underline{v}_3 \circ \underline{u}_1}{\underline{u}_1 \circ \underline{u}_1} \underline{u}_1 - \frac{\underline{v}_3 \circ \underline{u}_2}{\underline{u}_2 \circ \underline{u}_2} \underline{u}_2 \\
&= (13, -3, 11, -1) - \frac{13-3+11-1}{1+1+1+1} (1, 1, 1, 1) - \frac{13+3+77+7}{1+1+49+49} (1, -1, 7, -7) \\
&= (13, -3, 11, -1) - \frac{20}{4} (1, 1, 1, 1) - \frac{100}{100} (1, -1, 7, -7) \\
&= (1, 2, 2, 0) - (5, 5, 5, 5) - (1, -1, 7, -7) \\
&= (7, -7, -1, 1).
\end{aligned}$$

We now normalize these vectors to create the orthonormal basis  $\{\underline{w}_1, \underline{w}_2, \underline{w}_3\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{w}_1 &= \frac{1}{\|\underline{u}_1\|} \underline{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} (1, 1, 1, 1) = \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right), \\ \underline{w}_2 &= \frac{1}{\|\underline{u}_2\|} \underline{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{100}} (1, -1, 7, -7) = \left( \frac{1}{10}, -\frac{1}{10}, \frac{7}{10}, -\frac{7}{10} \right), \\ \text{and } \underline{w}_3 &= \frac{1}{\|\underline{u}_3\|} \underline{u}_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{100}} (7, -7, -1, 1) = \left( \frac{7}{10}, -\frac{7}{10}, -\frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{10} \right).\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Determine whether  $\underline{a} = (8, 8, 0, 0)$  is in the span of  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}& \text{proj}_{\underline{w}_1} \underline{a} + \text{proj}_{\underline{w}_2} \underline{a} + \text{proj}_{\underline{w}_3} \underline{a} \\ &= (\underline{a} \circ \underline{w}_1) \underline{w}_1 + (\underline{a} \circ \underline{w}_2) \underline{w}_2 + (\underline{a} \circ \underline{w}_3) \underline{w}_3 \\ &= 8 \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right) + 0 \left( \frac{1}{10}, -\frac{1}{10}, \frac{7}{10}, -\frac{7}{10} \right) + 0 \left( \frac{7}{10}, -\frac{7}{10}, -\frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{10} \right) \\ &= (4, 4, 4, 4) + 0 + 0 \neq \underline{a},\end{aligned}$$

so  $\underline{a}$  is not in the span of  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$ .

- (c) Determine whether  $\underline{b} = (30, -30, -40, 40)$  is in  $\text{span}\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}& \text{proj}_{\underline{w}_1} \underline{b} + \text{proj}_{\underline{w}_2} \underline{b} + \text{proj}_{\underline{w}_3} \underline{b} \\ &= (\underline{b} \circ \underline{w}_1) \underline{w}_1 + (\underline{b} \circ \underline{w}_2) \underline{w}_2 + (\underline{b} \circ \underline{w}_3) \underline{w}_3 \\ &= 0 \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right) + (-50) \left( \frac{1}{10}, -\frac{1}{10}, \frac{7}{10}, -\frac{7}{10} \right) + (50) \left( \frac{7}{10}, -\frac{7}{10}, -\frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{10} \right) \\ &= 0 + (-5, 5, -35, 35) + (35, -35, -5, 5) \\ &= (30, -30, -40, 40) = \underline{b},\end{aligned}$$

so  $\underline{b}$  is in  $\text{span}\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$ .

4. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 12 & 0 \\ 12 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) Show that  $(1, -1, 0)$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  and find the corresponding eigenvalue.

**Solution:**

We need to show that  $\underline{x} = [1 \ -1 \ 0]^t$  is a non-zero solution of  $A\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$  for some value of the scalar  $\lambda$ .

$$A\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 2\underline{x}$$

Therefore,  $(1, -1, 0)$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ , and its corresponding eigenvalue is 2.

- (b) Find all the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

**Solution:**

$$|A - \lambda I|$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -1-\lambda & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 5-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} -1-\lambda & -3 \\ 3 & 5-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2-\lambda)[(-1-\lambda)(5-\lambda) - (3)(-3)]$$

$$= (2-\lambda)[-5 + \lambda - 5\lambda + \lambda^2 + 9]$$

$$= (2-\lambda)[\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4]$$

$$= (2-\lambda)[(\lambda-2)(\lambda-2)]$$

$$= -(\lambda-2)^3.$$

So, the only eigenvalue of  $A$  is 2.

(c) Find a basis for each eigenspace of  $A$ .

**Solution:**

The augmented matrix for the system  $(A - 2I)\underline{x} = 0$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 - (2) & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 - (2) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 - (2) & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 = & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 \sim_{R1+R2} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 \sim_{-\frac{1}{3}R1} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

The general solution to this system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = y \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

so  $\{(-1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$  is a basis of the eigenspace.

(d) Is  $A$  diagonalizable?

**Solution:**

We do not have enough linearly independent eigenvectors of  $A$  to create an invertible  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $P$ , so  $A$  is not diagonalizable.

(e) Find all the eigenvalues of  $B$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |B - \lambda I| \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} 6-\lambda & 12 & 0 \\ 12 & -1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= (15-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 6-\lambda & 12 \\ 12 & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= (15-\lambda) [(6-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) - (12)^2] \\
 &= (15-\lambda) [-6 - 6\lambda + \lambda + \lambda^2 - 144] \\
 &= (15-\lambda) [\lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 150] \\
 &= (15-\lambda)[(\lambda-15)(\lambda+10)] \\
 &= -(\lambda-15)^2(\lambda+10).
 \end{aligned}$$

So, the eigenvalues of  $B$  are 15 and  $-10$ .

(f) Find a basis for each eigenspace of  $B$ .

**Solution:**

$\lambda = 15$ : The augmented matrix for the system  $(B - 15I)\underline{x} = 0$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 6-(15) & 12 & 0 & 0 \\ 12 & -1-(15) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15-(15) & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -9 & 12 & 0 & 0 \\ 12 & -16 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \xrightarrow{\sim} \\
 -\frac{1}{9}\mathbf{R}1 \\
 \xrightarrow{\sim} \\
 -\mathbf{R}1 + \mathbf{R}2
 \end{array}
 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c}
 1 & -\frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\
 1 & -\frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
 \end{array} \right]
 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c}
 1 & -\frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
 \end{array} \right].$$

The general solution to this system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{3}y \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = y \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

so  $\left\{ \left( \frac{4}{3}, 1, 0 \right), (0, 0, 1) \right\}$  is a basis of this eigenspace.

$\lambda = -10$ : The augmented matrix for the system  $(B - (-10)I)\underline{x} = 0$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c}
 6 - (-10) & 12 & 0 & 0 \\
 12 & -1 - (-10) & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 15 - (-10) & 0
 \end{array} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c}
 16 & 12 & 0 & 0 \\
 12 & 9 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 25 & 0
 \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\stackrel{\sim}{\xrightarrow{\frac{1}{16}R1}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & \frac{3}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{3}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
\stackrel{\sim}{\xrightarrow{-R1+R2}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & \frac{3}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
\stackrel{\sim}{\xrightarrow{R2 \longleftrightarrow R3}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & \frac{3}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].
\end{array}$$

The general solution to this system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{4}y \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = y \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{4} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

so  $\left\{ \left( -\frac{3}{4}, 1, 0 \right) \right\}$  is a basis of this eigenspace.

(g) Orthonormalize the vectors found in (f), using Gram-Schmidt if necessary.

**Solution:**

The vectors  $\left( \frac{4}{3}, 1, 0 \right)$ ,  $(0, 0, 1)$ , and  $\left( -\frac{3}{4}, 1, 0 \right)$  are already orthogonal, so we just need to normalize them:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{\left\| \left( \frac{4}{3}, 1, 0 \right) \right\|} \left( \frac{4}{3}, 1, 0 \right) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5/3}} \left( \frac{4}{3}, 1, 0 \right) = \left( \frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, 0 \right), \\
\frac{1}{\left\| (0, 0, 1) \right\|} (0, 0, 1) &= \frac{1}{1} (0, 0, 1) = (0, 0, 1),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{1}{\|(-\frac{3}{4}, 1, 0)\|} \left(-\frac{3}{4}, 1, 0\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(-\frac{3}{4}, 1, 0\right) = \left(-\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0\right).$$

(h) Use the vectors found in (g) to create a matrix  $P$  that diagonalizes  $B$ .

**Solution:**

The columns of  $P$  are the vectors we found in (g):

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We now verify that  $P$  diagonalizes  $B$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P^t B P &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^t \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 12 & 0 \\ 12 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 12 & 0 \\ -8 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -10 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix} = D. \end{aligned}$$

$D$  is a diagonal matrix, so  $P$  diagonalizes  $A$ .

(i) Find the (1,1)-entry in  $B^5$ .

**Solution:**

$$B^5 = P D^5 P^t$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -10 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix}^5 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^t \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -10^5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 15^5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15^5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{5}(10^5) & -\frac{4}{5}(10^5) & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5}(15^5) & \frac{3}{5}(15^5) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15^5 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{9}{25}(10^5) + \frac{16}{25}(15^5) & \frac{12}{25}(10^5) + \frac{12}{25}(15^5) & 0 \\ \frac{12}{25}(10^5) + \frac{12}{25}(15^5) & -\frac{16}{25}(10^5) + \frac{9}{25}(10^5) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15^5 \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

So, the (1,1)-entry of  $B^7$  is  $-\frac{9}{25}(10^5) + \frac{16}{25}(15^5)$ , or 450000.

5. Determine whether each statement is true or false. Justify your answer.

(a)  $(br - cq, cp - ar, aq - bp)$  is orthogonal to both  $(a, b, c)$  and  $(p, q, r)$ .

**Solution:** This statement is TRUE.

$$\begin{aligned}
&(br - cq, cp - ar, aq - bp) \circ (a, b, c) \\
&= (br - cq)a + (cp - ar)b + (aq - bp)c \\
&= bra - cqa + cpb - arb + aqc - bpc = 0, \text{ and} \\
&(br - cq, cp - ar, aq - bp) \circ (p, q, r) \\
&= (br - cq)p + (cp - ar)q + (aq - bp)r \\
&= brp - cqp + cpq - arq + aqr - bpr = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

- (b)  $\{(x, y) : x^2 = xy\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Solution:** This statement is FALSE.

This subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  contains  $(0, 1)$  and  $(1, 1)$ , but it does not contain

$$(0, 1) + (1, 1) = (1, 2).$$

- (c) If 0 is an eigenvalue of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ , then  $A$  is invertible.

**Solution:** This statement is FALSE.

Let 0 be an eigenvalue of  $A$ . Then,  $\lambda = 0$  satisfies  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\implies |A - 0I| = 0 \implies |A| = 0,$$

which means that  $A$  is not invertible.

- (c) (Bonus) If 0 is an eigenvalue of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ , then  $A$  is not invertible.

**Solution:** This statement is TRUE.

Let 0 be an eigenvalue of  $A$ . Then,  $\lambda = 0$  satisfies  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\implies |A - 0I| = 0 \implies |A| = 0,$$

which means that  $A$  is not invertible.

- (d) (Bonus) If  $A^3 + 8I = 0$  and  $A^t = A$ , then  $A$  is both invertible *and* diagonalizable.

**Solution:** This statement is TRUE.

Let  $A$  be a matrix that satisfy  $A^3 + 8I = 0$  and  $A^t = A$ . To show that  $A$  is invertible, we manipulate  $A^3 + 8I = 0$

$$\implies A^3 = -8I \implies -\frac{1}{8}A^3 = I \implies A\left(-\frac{1}{8}A^2\right) = I.$$

Since  $A$  is square (necessarily),  $A$  is invertible, and  $A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{8}A^2$ . Next, if  $A^t = A$ , then  $A$  is symmetric, so by Theorem 5.4 on page 160 of the textbook,  $A$  must be diagonalizable.