

1. (15 Points) Express the matrices  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB}$ ,  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{BA}$ ,  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{AB}^T$  in terms of matrix components  $A_{ij}$ ,  $B_{ij}$ .

**Hint:** You may need to change the indices of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ .

2. (4 × 15 = 60 Points). Symmetry and antisymmetry,

(a) Let *symmetric* and *antisymmetric* parts of a matrix be defined as,

$$A_{(ij)} := \frac{1}{2}(A_{ij} + A_{ji}) \quad (1a)$$

$$A_{[ij]} := \frac{1}{2}(A_{ij} - A_{ji}) \quad (1b)$$

$$(1c)$$

Show that  $A_{ij}B_{ji} = A_{(ij)}B_{(ji)} + A_{[ij]}B_{[ji]}$

- (b) If  $\mathbf{S}$  is symmetric ( $\mathbf{S}^T = \mathbf{S}$ ) and  $\mathbf{W}$  is antisymmetric ( $\mathbf{W}^T = -\mathbf{W}$ ), show that  $S_{ij}W_{ij} = S_{ij}W_{ji} = 0$ .

(c) If a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric and antisymmetric, show it is zero:  $\mathbf{A} = 0$ .

- (d) Show that any matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  can be *uniquely* written as the sum of a symmetric and an antisymmetric matrices.

**Hint:** Consider  $\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T)$ ,  $\mathbf{W} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^T)$ . For uniqueness assume  $\mathbf{A} = \tilde{\mathbf{S}} + \tilde{\mathbf{W}}$  where  $\tilde{\mathbf{S}}$  is symmetric and  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}$  is antisymmetric. Show  $\tilde{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{S}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}} = \mathbf{W}$ . Use previous problem for the latter proof.

3. (20 Points) Starting from,

$$\det \mathbf{A} = \epsilon_{ijk} A_{1i} A_{2j} A_{3k} \quad (2)$$

which was proven in the class, prove the following equation:

$$\epsilon_{pqr} \det \mathbf{A} = \epsilon_{ijk} A_{pi} A_{qj} A_{rk} \quad (3)$$

**Hint:** Consider  $p = 1, q = 2, r = 3$  and from that consider all 5 other cases that  $p, q, r$  are distinct. From (2) these correspond to determinant of matrices whose rows are permutations of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ . Use the fact that odd and even number of permutations of rows multiply the determinant of a matrix by -1 and 1, respectively. Finally, for cases that at least two of  $p, q, r$  are equal, use a fact about the determinant of a matrix whose two or more rows are equal.

4. (30 Points) By only using indicial notation show (do not expand in explicit components in terms of indices 1, 2, 3),

$$\det(\mathbf{AB}) = (\det \mathbf{A}) \cdot (\det \mathbf{B}) \quad (4)$$

Next, using this equation show that for inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ , satisfying  $\mathbf{AA}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$  ( $\mathbf{I}$  is the identity matrix),

$$\det \mathbf{A}^{-1} = 1 / \det \mathbf{A} \quad (5)$$

**Hint:** For  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB}$  use,

$$\det \mathbf{C} = \frac{1}{6} \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pqr} C_{ip} C_{jq} C_{kr}$$

expand components of  $\mathbf{C}$  in terms of components of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , and finally use one of the two equations from previous question.

5. (20 Points) Show that the components of the inverse of a matrix satisfy,

$$A_{rk}^{-1} = \frac{1}{2 \det A} \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pqr} A_{ip} A_{jq} \quad (6)$$

**Hint:** Compute  $A_{rk}^{-1} A_{km}$ .

6. (25 (a,b) + 30 - extra-credit (c,d) = 55 Points). Examples of function vector spaces.

For the functions defined on the interval  $[a, b]$  define the operator  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx$ . Provided the integral exists and is finite. We define the L2 space of integrable functions on  $[a, b]$  as  $L^2([a, b]) = \{f \mid \langle f, f \rangle < \infty\}$ . That is,  $L^2([a, b])$  is the space of square integrable functions on  $[a, b]$ . For brevity we define  $\mathcal{V} := L^2([a, b])$

- (a) Show that  $\mathcal{V}$  is a vector space with the usual function addition and scalar function multiplication definitions.  
 (b) Show  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is an inner product on  $\mathcal{V}$  so  $\mathcal{V}$  is an inner-product vector space.  
 (c) Is the operator  $\|\cdot\|$ ,

$$\|\cdot\| : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\} \ni \forall f \in \mathcal{V} \quad \|f\| := \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle}$$

a norm on  $\mathcal{V}$ ? Is  $(\mathcal{V}, \|\cdot\|)$  a *normed vector space*?

- (d) Let us define

$$\|\cdot\|_p : \mathcal{V}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\} \ni \forall f \in \mathcal{V}_p \quad \|f\|_p := \sqrt[p]{\int_a^b |f(x)|^p dx}$$

where  $\mathcal{V}_p = \{f \mid \int_a^b |f(x)|^p < \infty\}$  is the space of power  $p$  integrable functions which is denoted by  $L_p([a, b])$ . One can show that  $(\mathcal{V}_p, \|\cdot\|_p)$  is a *normed vector space*. We skip the proof herein. In the limit  $p \rightarrow \infty$  the norm converges to  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  norm,

$$\|\cdot\|_\infty : \mathcal{V}_\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\} \ni \forall f \in \mathcal{V}_\infty \quad \|f\|_\infty = \text{Max}_{x \in \mathcal{V}_\infty} (|f(x)|)$$

where  $\mathcal{V}_\infty$  is the space of bounded functions on  $[a, b]$ . Again,  $(\mathcal{V}_\infty, \|\cdot\|_\infty)$  is a normed vector space. Are any of these  $L_p([a, b])$  spaces ( $p > 2$ , including  $\infty$ ) an inner-product space in addition of a normed space? Can we claim that a normed vector space is also an inner-product vector space? How about the reverse?