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In-class Exam #2

Solutions

1. (a) (6 points) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $A^{-1}$  and use it to solve the system of linear

equations  $AX = B$ , where  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**No points will be given for any other solution.**

*Answer:*

Using the method of reduction,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 6 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(R_1+(-6)R_2)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ & \xrightarrow{(\frac{1}{2}R_3)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(R_1+(1)R_3)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -6 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{array} \right] \\ & \xrightarrow{(R_2+(-1)R_3)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -6 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Hence, } X = A^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) (3 points) Write the matrix  $A^{-1}$  from part (a) as a product of elementary matrices.

*Answer:*

Applying the EROs from part (a) to the identity matrix  $I_3$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(R_1+(-6)R_2)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] = E_1, \\ & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(\frac{1}{2}R_3)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{array} \right] = E_2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \xrightarrow{(R_1+(1)R_3)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = E_3, \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \xrightarrow{(R_2+(-1)R_3)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = E_4. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} E_4 \cdot E_3 \cdot E_2 \cdot E_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = A^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

2. (a) (2 points) Let  $A$  be a square matrix of order 3, with  $\det(A) = 5$ . Evaluate  $\det([3A^{-1}]^T)$ .

*Answer:*

$$\det([3A^{-1}]^T) = \det(3A^{-1}) = 3^3 \det(A^{-1}) = 3^3 \frac{1}{\det(A)} = \frac{27}{5}.$$

- (b) (4 points) If  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & k & 3 & 0 \\ k & 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 36$ , find the value(s) of  $k$ .

*Answer:*

Expanding the determinant along the first column,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & k & 3 & 0 \\ k & 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} &= (-1)^{1+1} 2 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{1+2} k \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 5 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2 \cdot 18 - k(k \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{1+2} 3 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}) \\ &= 36 - k[6k - 3(-3)] = 36 - 6k^2 - 9k. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } 36 - 6k^2 - 9k = 36 \implies 6k^2 + 9k = 0 \text{ or } k(6k + 9) = 0.$$

$$\text{Hence, } k = 0 \text{ or } k = -\frac{3}{2}.$$

- (c) (3 points) If  $\begin{vmatrix} a & 3 & c \\ k & 1 & m \\ p & 2 & r \end{vmatrix} = 8$ , and the system  $\begin{cases} ax_1 + bx_2 + cx_3 = 3 \\ kx_1 + lx_2 + mx_3 = 1 \\ px_1 + qx_2 + rx_3 = 2 \end{cases}$

$$\text{has a unique solution in which } x_2 = 2, \text{ then } \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ k & l & m \\ p & q & r \end{vmatrix} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

*Answer:*

By the Cramer's rule,

$$x_2 = \frac{\Delta_2}{\Delta}, \text{ where } \Delta_2 = 8.$$

So,  $2 = \frac{8}{\Delta}$ , and  $\Delta = \frac{8}{2} = 4$ .

3. (a) (5 points) Solve the following equations for  $x$  :

i.  $7^{4\log_7 x} = 81$

*Answer:*

$$7^{4\log_7 x} = 3^4,$$

$$x^4 = 3^4,$$

$$x = \pm 3.$$

But, log is not defined for  $x < 0$ .

Hence,  $x = 3$ .

ii.  $\log_3 9 + \log_3 8 - \log_3 2x = \log_6 6$ .

*Answer:*

$$\log_3 9 + \log_3 8 - \log_3 2x = 1,$$

$$\log_3 3^2 + \log_3\left(\frac{8}{2x}\right) = 1,$$

$$2 + \log_3\left(\frac{4}{x}\right) = 1,$$

$$\log_3\left(\frac{4}{x}\right) = -1,$$

$$\frac{4}{x} = 3^{-1},$$

$$x = 4 \cdot 3 = 12.$$

(b) (3 points) At what nominal rate  $r$  per annum compounded continuously will your investment of \$2000 increase 50% in value in 3 years. (Answer correct to four decimal places.)

*Answer:*

50% of \$2000 is \$1000.

We have,  $S = Pe^{rt}$ . Substituting the values  $S = 2000 + 1000 = 3000$ ,  $P = 2000$ , and  $t = 3$ (years), we obtain

$$3000 = 2000e^{r(3)},$$

$$3r = \ln(1.5),$$

$$r = \frac{\ln(1.5)}{3} \approx 0.1352 \text{ or } 13.52\%.$$

4. Find each of the following limits if it exists:

(a) (2 points)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - 1}{(2x + 3)^2}$

*Answer:*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - 1}{(2x + 3)^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - 1}{4x^2 + 6x + 9} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 - \frac{1}{x^2}}{4 + \frac{6}{x} + \frac{9}{x^2}} = \frac{3}{4}.$$

(b) (2 points)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x^2 - 4x + 3}$

*Answer:*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x^2 - 4x + 3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x - 1)(x + 2)}{(x - 1)(x - 3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x + 2}{x - 3} = -\frac{3}{2}.$$

(c) (2 points)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x - \frac{5}{x})$

*Answer:*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (x - \frac{5}{x}) = \infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (x - \frac{5}{x}) = -\infty.$$

So, the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x - \frac{5}{x})$  does not exist.

(d) (2 points)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{|x - 2|}{x^2 - 2x}$

*Answer:*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{|x - 2|}{x^2 - 2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{2 - x}{x^2 - 2x} = - \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x - 2}{x(x - 2)} = - \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

5. (a) (4 points) Use the definition of the derivative to find  $f'(x)$  if  $f(x) = \sqrt{3x - 2}$ .  
**No points will be given for any other solution.**

*Answer:*

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{3x - 2} - \sqrt{3a - 2}}{x - a} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(\sqrt{3x - 2} - \sqrt{3a - 2})(\sqrt{3x - 2} + \sqrt{3a - 2})}{(x - a)(\sqrt{3x - 2} + \sqrt{3a - 2})} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(3x - 2) - (3a - 2)}{(x - a)(\sqrt{3x - 2} + \sqrt{3a - 2})} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{3(x - a)}{(x - a)(\sqrt{3x - 2} + \sqrt{3a - 2})} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{3}{\sqrt{3x - 2} + \sqrt{3a - 2}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3a - 2} + \sqrt{3a - 2}} = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{3a - 2}}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (2 points) Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of the function  $y = \sqrt{3x - 2}$  at the point  $(2, 2)$ .

*Answer:*

$$\text{From part (a) } f'(x) = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{3x - 2}}.$$

So, the slope of the tangent line to the graph of the function  $y = \sqrt{3x - 2}$  at the point  $(2, 2)$  is  $f'(2) = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{3 \cdot 2 - 2}} = \frac{3}{4}$ .

Hence, the slope-intercept equation of the tangent line will be  $y = \frac{3}{4}x + b$ . Substituting  $x = 2$  and  $y = 2$ , we find  $b = 2 - \frac{6}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$ , and the equation will be

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{1}{2}.$$

- (c) (2 points) Let  $g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - x^2 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ x + 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

Then

i.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} g(x) = 0,$

ii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} g(x) = 2,$

iii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x) =$  (does not exist).

iv. Is  $g(x)$  continuous at  $x = 1$ ? No.

6. (a) (2 points) If  $f(2) = 5$ ,  $g(2) = -5$ ,  $f'(2) = 1.2$ ,  $g'(2) = 0.8$ , then  
 $(fg)'(x) = f(x)g'(x) + f'(x)g(x)$ ,  
 $(fg)'(2) = f(2)g'(2) + f'(2)g(2) = 5(0.8) + (1.2)(-5) = -2$ .

- (b) (3 points) The total cost  $c$  of producing  $q$  widgets ( $q > 5$ ) is estimated by  
 $c = 24 + 4q + 20q^{-1}$ . Find the marginal cost when 15 widgets are produced.

*Answer:*

$$\frac{dc}{dq} = 4 + (-1)\frac{20}{q^2} = 4 - \frac{20}{q^2}.$$

$$\frac{dc}{dq}\bigg|_{q=15} = 4 - \frac{20}{(15)^2} = \$3.91.$$

- (c) (3 points) If  $p = \frac{q+14}{q+4}$  is a demand equation, find the rate of change of the price with respect to quantity  $q$  when  $q = 10$ .

*Answer:*

$$\frac{dp}{dq} = \frac{d}{dq}\left(\frac{q+14}{q+4}\right) = \frac{(q+4) - (q+14)}{(q+4)^2} = -\frac{10}{(q+4)^2}.$$

$$\frac{dp}{dq}\bigg|_{q=10} = -\frac{10}{(10+4)^2} = -\frac{5}{98}.$$

The end