

In general, take off 1 pt for arithmetic mistakes, with max of 1 pt off per portion of problem (a.1 or (b.1), etc.)

Math 211 Fall 1999 Exam 2: Part 1
Tuesday, November 9, 1999

Instructions: This is a closed book, closed notes exam. Use of calculators is not permitted. You have **75 minutes** to complete this exam. Do all 5 problems. The points for this part total to 60. Please do all of your work in the blue books. Remember to write and sign the pledge on your blue book. **Please put your name, your Rice ID number, and the name of your instructor on the front of each of your blue books.**

1. Consider the two by two matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

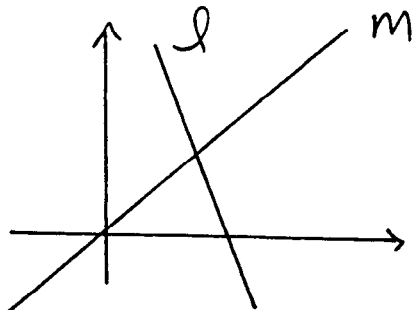
- (a) (4pts) Calculate AB .
- (b) (4pts) Calculate BA .
- (c) (2pts) What does this show about the commutativity of matrix multiplication?

a. $AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

b. $BA = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

c. Since $BA \neq AB$, matrix multiplication is not commutative.

2. Consider the following graph.



(a) (2pts) Is it possible that line l is the solution set of an inhomogeneous system of equations and m is the solution set of the corresponding homogeneous system?

(b) (4pts) Why or why not?

a. NO

b. Because the solutions to ^{the} homogeneous ~~eqn~~ and the inhomog. eqn cannot intersect

or

because the soln to hom & inhom should be parallel

or

because the soln \vec{x} to the inhom. eqn has the form

$$\vec{x} = \vec{x}_p + \vec{x}_h$$

where \vec{x}_p is a particular soln to inhom. system

and \vec{x}_h is the gen. soln to hom. eqn

If they write the correct answer plus some incorrect statements, take off one pt.

3. Consider a reaction between two kinds of chemicals, modeled by the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= (y-2)(x-2) \\ y' &= -y^2 + 4y - 3\end{aligned}$$

where $x(t)$ is the amount of the chemical X-onium, and $y(t)$ is the amount of chemical Y-onite.


- (a) (8pts) Plot the nullclines for each equation. Use a solid line for the nullcline corresponding to the first equation, and a dashed line for the second equation.
- (b) (4pts) Calculate the coordinates of all equilibrium points of the system. Plot the points on your sketch from part 3a and label them with their coordinates.
- (c) (6pts) Suppose that if the amount of X-onium, which is poisonous, ever becomes greater than 3 units, the chemist performing the experiment will die. If the chemist starts the reaction with 1 unit of X-onium and 2 units of Y-onite, will the chemist live or die? Justify your answer.

(vertical)
a. X nullclines $x' = (y-2)(x-2) = 0$ (see graph)
2pts $y=2$ and $x=2$ are nullclines

(horizontal)
Y nullclines $y' = -y^2 + 4y - 3 = -(y-1)(y-3) = 0$
2pts $y=1$ and $y=3$ are nullclines

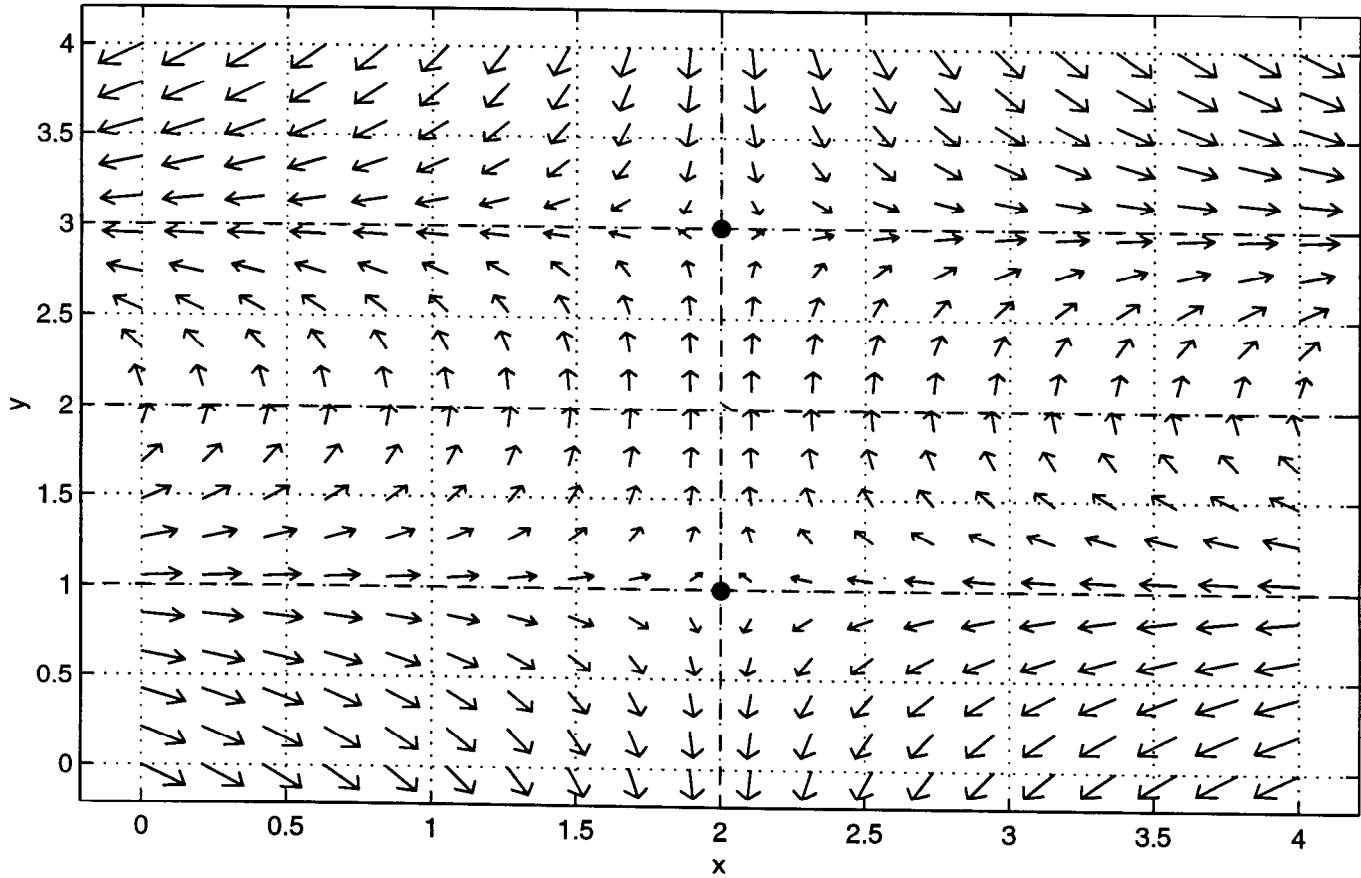
b. equilibria: where an X nullcline meets a Y nullcline
2pts $(2, 1)$ $(2, 3)$ 2pts

c. The chemist will live. 4pts
Because the line $x=2$ is a vertical nullcline, any solution starting in the region with $x < 2$ must remain in that region and not hit 3. 4pts for reason

OR
By looking at direction field, can trace out trajectory and see that trajectory looks like this


$$x' = (y - 2)(x - 2)$$

$$y' = -(y - 1)(y - 3)$$



take off one point if they think that they have to check if y can be > 3 .

4. Consider a spring with damping constant $\mu = 12$ and spring constant $k = 18$. Hang a ball of mass m on the end of the spring, and consider the motion of the spring.

- (a) (2pts) Write down the differential equation corresponding to the motion of the spring.
- (b) (4pts) Describe the m for which the motion of the spring will be overdamped, the m for which it will be critically damped, and the m for which it will be underdamped.
- (c) (3pts) For parts (c), (d), and (e), assume that $m=3$. Find the general solution for the differential equation in part 4a.
- (d) (3pts) Suppose the spring is initially stretched to distance .1 meters and released with initial velocity equal to 0. Find the particular solution corresponding to these initial conditions.
- (e) (2pts) Describe in a few words the physical behavior of the spring after it is released.

a. $y'' + \frac{12}{m}y' + \frac{18}{m}y = 0$ one pt for $y'' + \frac{\mu}{m}y' + \frac{k}{m}y = 0$
 or $my'' + 12y' + 18y = 0$

b. char. eqn

$$\lambda^2 + \frac{12}{m}\lambda + \frac{18}{m} = 0$$

if $\left(\frac{12}{m}\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{18}{m}\right) > 0$ overdamped
 $= 0$ crit damped
 < 0 underdamped

Calculating we see

$$\frac{144}{m^2} - \frac{72}{m} > 0$$

$$\frac{144}{m^2} > \frac{72}{m}$$

$$144 > 72m$$

2 pts this part

$2 > m$	overdamped
$2 = m$	crit. damped
$2 < m$	underdamped

} 2 pts if the know what they have to calculate

-1 if they mix up over : under

c. $m=3$ underdamped

$$\lambda = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16-24}}{2}$$

$$y'' + 4y' + 6y = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 6 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -2 \pm \sqrt{2}i = a \pm bi \quad \text{so } a = -2 \quad b = \sqrt{2}$$

gen soln:

$$y(t) = e^{at} (A_1 \cos(bt) + A_2 \sin(bt)) \quad \leftarrow \text{2 pts if they get this}$$

$$y(t) = e^{-2t} (A_1 \cos(\sqrt{2}t) + A_2 \sin(\sqrt{2}t))$$

d. $y(0) = A_1 = .1 \leftarrow 1 \text{ pt}$

$$y'(t) = -2e^{-2t} (A_1 \cos(\sqrt{2}t) + A_2 \sin(\sqrt{2}t)) + e^{-2t} (-\sqrt{2}A_1 \sin(\sqrt{2}t) + \sqrt{2}A_2 \cos(\sqrt{2}t))$$

$$y'(0) = -2A_1 + \sqrt{2}A_2 = 0$$

$$-.2 + \sqrt{2}A_2 = 0$$

$$\sqrt{2}A_2 = .2$$

$$A_2 = \frac{.2}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } \frac{\sqrt{2}}{10}$$

1 pt

$$y(t) = e^{-2t} (.1 \cos(\sqrt{2}t) + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{10} \sin(\sqrt{2}t))$$

1 pt

e. the spring oscillates 2 pts

5. (a) (2pts) Write the following system of equations in matrix form $Ax = b$:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x - 4y + z &= 6 \\ 3x - 4y + 2z &= 5 \\ -6x + 8y - 4z &= -10. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (6pts) Find the solution space of the system in part 5a. Put your answer in parametrized form.
 (c) (4pts) Is the matrix A for this system singular or nonsingular? Justify your answer.

a.
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 1 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 \\ -6 & 8 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

or
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 1 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 \\ -6 & 8 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. augmented matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 & 5 \\ -6 & -8 & -4 & -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

1 pt for this only

row reduce to

row ech. form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 1/2 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(one possible answer, because of equivalent answers)

or to

reduced row ech form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/4 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

then backsolve

z is a free variable

1 pt for knowing z is free (or writing $z=t$)

4 pts if they got for this

so we get

$$y + \frac{1}{4}z = -2$$

$$y = -2 - \frac{1}{4}z$$

$$x + z = -1$$

$$x = -1 - z$$

soln space is

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 - z \\ -2 - \frac{1}{4}z \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -\frac{1}{4} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

or $\boxed{\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -\frac{1}{4} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}$

beware of
equivalent
answers

1 pt

c. singular because

There exists more than one solution
to the eqn $A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$

OR

In the reduced row ech form or
row ech form of A , there is a zero
on the diagonal.

3 pts for
reason

Again, if they write a correct
reason + some incorrect stuff,
take off one pt.