

Math 2586 sample Final

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Show your work!

Problems

1. Give the detailed definition of vector spaces.
2. Consider the following 3×3 matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find an invertible 3×3 matrix S and a diagonal 3×3 matrix D such that $AS = SD$.

3. Let A be a 3×3 matrix with 3 distinct eigenvalues. Denote by

$$c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3$$

the characteristic polynomial of A . Show that

$$c_0I_3 + c_1A + c_2A^2 + c_3A^3 = O.$$

4. Determine whether the following matrix is invertible or not:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If A is invertible, compute A^{-1} .

5. Show that the set of polynomials in x of degree at most 5 is a vector space.
6. Give the definition of orthogonal matrices.