

MIDTERM 2

- Complete the following problems. You may use any result from class you like, but if you cite a theorem be sure to verify the hypotheses are satisfied.
- This is a closed-book, closed-notes exam. No calculators or other electronic aids will be permitted.
- In order to receive full credit, please show all of your work and justify your answers. You do not need to simplify your answers unless specifically instructed to do so.
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2	10 pts	
3	10 ¹² pts	
4	10 ¹⁵ pts	
5	10 ¹⁰ pts	
6	12 pts	
7	10 pts	
Total	80 pts	

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- (1) (10 point) Find the determinant of each of the following matrices. Show your work or justify your answer.

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 & 9 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= -3 \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - 5 \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -3 \left[\det \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \det \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \det \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right] - 5 \left[2 \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right] \\ &= -3 \left[-9 + 18 - 6 \right] - 5 \left[0 + 1 \right] = -3(3) - 5 = -14 \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 10 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 & 4 & 6 & 10 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 7 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & 1 & 1 & 10 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

(Hint: What is row 3 in terms of rows 1 and 2?)

$$\det(A) = 0 \quad \text{since}$$

$$A \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 10 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & 1 & 1 & 10 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = B$$

(subtract I and II from III), But $\det(B) = 0$ since B has a row of zeros, and $\det(A) = \det(B)$ because the row operations we performed preserve determinant.

(2)

(10 points) Suppose that $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$ is a subspace with basis

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

(a) Use the Gram-Schmidt process and B to produce an orthonormal basis for V .

$$\bar{u}_1 = \frac{\bar{v}_1}{\|\bar{v}_1\|} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{u}_2 = \frac{\bar{v}_2 - (\bar{u}_1 \cdot \bar{v}_2) \bar{u}_1}{\|\text{above}\|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \left(\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\|\text{above}\|}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{9} (18) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\|\text{above}\|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}}{\|\text{above}\|} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) Compute the orthogonal projection of $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 0 \\ 25 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$ onto V .

$$\text{proj}_V(\vec{x}) = (\vec{x} \cdot \bar{u}_1) \bar{u}_1 + (\vec{x} \cdot \bar{u}_2) \bar{u}_2$$

$$= \left(\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 0 \\ 25 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \left(\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 0 \\ 25 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} (27) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{25} (18 + 100 - 18) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -4 \\ 16 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 \\ 2 \\ 16 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(3)

(13 points) One can show that $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 , where

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(You don't have to prove this!)

(a) Give the matrix C which changes basis from \mathcal{B} to the standard basis. That is, find C so that

$$C[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{B}} = [\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{S}},$$

where $[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{B}}$ is \vec{v} in \mathcal{B} -coordinates and $[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{S}}$ is \vec{v} in standard coordinates.

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 7 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 8 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Suppose that $T: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ is the linear transformation which satisfies

- $T(\vec{v}_1) = \vec{v}_1 + 2\vec{v}_2$,
- $T(\vec{v}_2) = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_3$,
- $T(\vec{v}_3) = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_4$, and
- $T(\vec{v}_4) = \vec{0}$.

Give the matrix for T in coordinates relative to the basis \mathcal{B} .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (c) Give the matrix for T in coordinates relative to the standard basis. (You may express your answer as a product of matrices and their inverses without expanding out the products or computing the inverses).

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 7 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 8 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 7 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 8 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

(4) (15 points) Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Find all eigenvalues of A .

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I_3) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 5-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & -1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (1-\lambda) \det \begin{bmatrix} 5-\lambda & 1 \\ -9 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda) [(5-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) + 9] \\ &= (1-\lambda) (-5 - 5\lambda + \lambda + \lambda^2 + 9) = (1-\lambda) (\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4) \\ &= (1-\lambda) (\lambda - 2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

So eigenvalues are 1, 2.

(b) For each eigenvalue, give a basis for the corresponding eigenspace.

$$E_1 = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{This matrix has } \dim(C(\cdot)) = 2$$

Since $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ are independent, and so $\dim(N(\cdot)) = 1$

But $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is visibly in $N(\cdot)$, and so

$$E_1 = \text{span} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

$$E_2 = N \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = N \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and hence } \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$E_2 = \text{span} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

(c) Is A diagonalizable? Be sure to explain your answer fully.

No. Since $\sum_{\lambda} \dim(E_{\lambda}) = 2 < 3$, A is not diagonalizable.

(5) (10 points) Suppose that $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n , and let Q be the (square) matrix

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) What is $Q^T Q$? Justify your answer.

$$Q^T Q = \begin{pmatrix} \text{---} \vec{v}_1 \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \vec{v}_n \text{---} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence the ij th entry of $Q^T Q$ is $\vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$ because $\{\vec{v}_i\}$ are orthonormal. This means off-diagonal entries are 0, while all diagonal entries are 1. So

$$Q^T Q = I_n.$$

(b) Prove that $\|Q\vec{x}\| = \|\vec{x}\|$.

let $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$. Then $Q\vec{x} = x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \|Q\vec{x}\|^2 &= Q\vec{x} \cdot Q\vec{x} = (x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n) \cdot (x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n) \\ &= (x_1\vec{v}_1) \cdot (x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n) + (x_2\vec{v}_2) \cdot (x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n) + \dots \\ &\quad + (x_n\vec{v}_n) \cdot (x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n) \\ &= (x_1\vec{v}_1) \cdot (x_1\vec{v}_1) + (x_2\vec{v}_2) \cdot (x_2\vec{v}_2) + \dots + (x_n\vec{v}_n) \cdot (x_n\vec{v}_n) \\ &= x_1^2(\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1) + x_2^2(\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_2) + \dots + x_n^2(\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{v}_n) \\ &= x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = \|\vec{x}\|^2. \text{ Take square root to finish.} \end{aligned}$$

mutual
orthogonality

each \vec{v}_i has
magnitude 1

Alternate proof: $\|Q\vec{x}\|^2 = (Q\vec{x}) \cdot (Q\vec{x}) = (Q\vec{x})^T Q\vec{x} = \vec{x}^T Q^T Q \vec{x} = \vec{x}^T \vec{x} = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{x} = \|\vec{x}\|^2$

(6) (12 points) Let V be a k -dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^n for some $0 < k < n$, and let T be the linear transformation which projects vectors onto V .

(a) Prove that there exists a nontrivial vector in V^\perp .

$$\dim(V^\perp) = n - \dim(V) = n - k > 0 \quad (\text{since } k < n).$$

Hence $\dim(V^\perp) \geq 1$, and so there exists nonzero $\vec{w} \in V^\perp$.

(b) Prove that 0 is an eigenvalue of T .

With \vec{w} the nonzero element of V^\perp , we know

$$\text{proj}_V(\vec{w}) = \vec{0}, \quad \text{or (more suggestively)}$$

$$\text{proj}_V T(\vec{w}) = 0\vec{w}.$$

This means 0 is an eigenvalue.

(c) Prove that 1 is an eigenvalue of T .

Since $\dim(V) \geq 1$, there exists a nonzero vector

$$\vec{v} \in V. \quad \text{For this } \vec{v} \text{ we have } \text{proj}_V(\vec{v}) = \vec{v},$$

or (more suggestively)

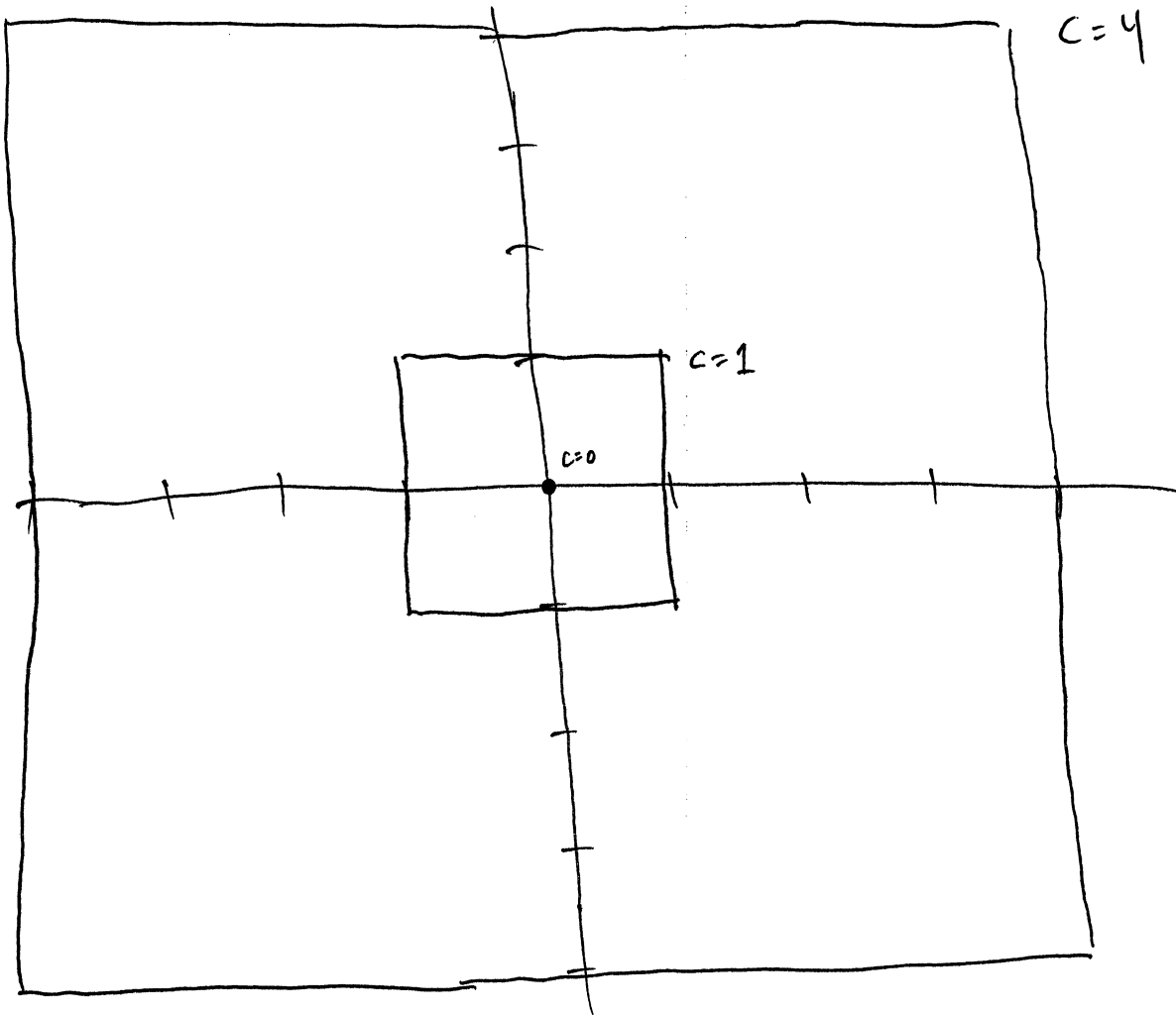
$$T(\vec{v}) = 1\vec{v}.$$

Hence 1 is an eigenvalue of projection.

- (7) (10 points)
(a) Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} |y|, & \text{if } |x| \leq |y| \\ |x|, & \text{if } |y| < |x|. \end{cases}$$

Carefully draw (and label) the level curves $f(x, y) = 0$, $f(x, y) = 1$ and $f(x, y) = 4$.



(b) Determine the value of the constant c so that

$$g(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3 + xy^2 + 2x^2 + 2y^2}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ c & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

is continuous. Be sure to justify your answer.

Notice That

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} g(x, y) = \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{x^3 + xy^2 + 2x^2 + 2y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$= \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(x + 2)}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$= \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} (x + 2) = 2.$$

Hence if we let $g(0, 0) = 2$, then

$$g(0, 0) = \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} g(x, y)$$

and so g will be continuous at $(0, 0)$.

Since at any point $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$, the function $g(x, y)$ is a quotient of polynomials (where the denominator is nonzero), the function $g(x, y)$ is automatically continuous away from $(0, 0)$.

With these two statements together, $g(x, y)$ is continuous everywhere.