

(20) 1. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) For each of the four subspaces associated with A , find the dimension of the subspace and a basis of it.

Solution: Row-reduction yields $R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. $C(A)$ has dimension 2 and a basis

consists of the first two columns of A . $R(A)$ has dimension 2 and a basis consists of the first two rows of R . $N(A)$ has dimension 2 and has as a basis the special solutions, namely

$(3, -3, 1, 0)$ and $(4, -4, 0, 1)$. Finally $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ row-reduces to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, so

$N(A^T)$ has dimension 1 and a basis consists of the special solution $(1, -1, 1)$.

- (b) Of these four subspaces, which are orthogonal complements of which?

Solution: $N(A)$ is the orthogonal complement in \mathbf{R}^4 of $R(A)$ (more precisely, of $C(A^T)$), and $N(A^T)$ is the orthogonal complement in \mathbf{R}^3 of $C(A)$.

- (c) What is the largest number of linearly independent vectors which can be found in \mathbf{R}^4 which are perpendicular to all the rows of A ? Explain briefly.

Solution: The vectors perpendicular to all the rows of A are the vectors in $N(A)$. Since $\dim(N(A)) = 2$, the largest number is 2.

- (20) 2. Circle **T** or **F**. Explain BRIEFLY in each case to receive credit.

- T F** (a) Any 6 vectors in \mathbf{R}^5 must span \mathbf{R}^5 .

Solution: **False**. There are many counterexamples. The 6 vectors could all be $\mathbf{0}$, or could all be scalar multiples of one another, or could all lie in a plane, etc., etc.

- T F** (b) Let V be the nullspace of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$. Then any three vectors in V which span V must be linearly independent.

Solution: **True**. The rank of this matrix is 1, so $\dim(N(A)) = \# \text{ of columns} - \text{rank} = 3$. In any 3-dimensional vector space, any three vectors which span the space are linearly independent.

- T F** (c) Suppose that $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$ are vectors in \mathbf{R}^3 . If \mathbf{v}_2 is not a scalar multiple of \mathbf{v}_3 , and if \mathbf{v}_1 is not a linear combination of \mathbf{v}_2 and \mathbf{v}_3 , then $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$ must span \mathbf{R}^3 .

Solution: **False but almost true**. In the sequence $\mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1$, none of the vectors is a linear combination of its predecessors. As long as all three vectors are nonzero, they therefore form a linearly independent set. Since there are three of them and $\dim(\mathbf{R}^3) = 3$, they therefore span \mathbf{R}^3 .

However, it is possible that $\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0}$, and then the three vectors cannot span \mathbf{R}^3 . Thus the statement is false.

- T F** (d) The value of $\det \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 & 7 \\ 5 & 0 & 11 & a_{34} \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ does not depend on the value of a_{34} . (Hint: expand on a row or column containing a_{34} .)

Solution: True. Expand on the last column. All the cofactors are independent of a_{34} since one crosses out the last column. Furthermore, $C_{34} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = 0$ since the first two rows are linearly dependent. Therefore the determinant is $0 + 7C_{24} + a_{34}C_{34} + 7C_{44} = 7C_{24} + 7C_{44}$, which is independent of a_{34} .

- (10) 3. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -2 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. What is $\det A$?

Solution: Add the third row to the first, then expand on the second column: $\det A =$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -2 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Pivot on the middle 1, expand on second}$$

$$\text{column: } \det A = -\det \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 & 9 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 9 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 9.$$

- (10) 4. Find a basis B of the vector space spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then find additional vector(s) which together with B form a basis of \mathbf{R}^3 .

Solution: Row-reduce: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Since the first two columns are

the pivot columns, a basis B of our vector space is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$. In order to obtain a basis

of \mathbf{R}^3 we need only add one vector which is not a linear combination of these two. There are lots of correct answers. One of them is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (10) 5. Find all the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: $\det A - \lambda I = \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 - \lambda & 2 \\ 2 & -1 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (2 - \lambda)(-1 - \lambda) - 2 \cdot 2 = \lambda^2 - \lambda - 6$. The eigenvalues are the roots of $\lambda^2 - \lambda - 6 = 0$, that is, $\lambda = 2$ and $\lambda = -2$.

The eigenvectors of A corresponding to $\lambda = 3$ are the nonzero solutions \mathbf{v} of $(A - 3I)\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$. These are found by Gaussian elimination: $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The general solution is $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2y \\ y \end{bmatrix} = y \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The eigenvectors for $\lambda = 3$ are the vectors $y \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $y \neq 0$. Similarly the eigenvectors for $\lambda = -2$ arise from $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and so are the vectors $y \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $y \neq 0$.

- (10) 6. Use Cramer's Rule to find the value of x in the solution of

$$\begin{aligned} 3x + 2y + z &= 0 \\ 2x - y - 5z &= 0 \\ -4x + 5y + 7z &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Solution: $x = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 1 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -5 \\ -4 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}} = \frac{-9}{72} = -\frac{1}{8}$.

- (10) 7. Find the projection of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ on the subspace of \mathbf{R}^4 spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The projection is

$$P(\mathbf{b}) = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} = A \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{45} A \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ -0.4 \\ -0.4 \\ 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (10) 8. Find the straight line $y = mx + b$ which is the best approximation (in the least-squares sense) to the data points $(-2, 3)$, $(0, 2)$, $(2, -1)$.

Solution: The three data points give the inconsistent system

$$\begin{aligned} -2m + b &= 3 \\ 0m + b &= 2 \\ 2m + b &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

or $A \begin{bmatrix} m \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b}$, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. The least-squares solution is

$$\begin{bmatrix} m \\ b \end{bmatrix} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4/3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus, the best line is $y = -x + \frac{4}{3}$.

- (10) 9. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to the two columns of A , and then determine the matrices Q and R which make up the QR -factorization of A .

Solution: From $\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, we get $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{b} - \frac{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{A}}{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{b} - \frac{9}{9} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The final stage of Gram-Schmidt yields

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}\|} \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{q}_2 = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{B}\|} \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

so $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ -2/3 & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $R = Q^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$.