

**Note:** This problem set concentrates on material from the end of the course. **For a complete review, you should also study the review problem sets for the two in-class exams. Please consider these earlier problem sets as implicitly included with this one.** Particular topics that should be reviewed from earlier sets include: (i) Solving systems of linear equations, row operations, elementary matrices; (ii) The LU decomposition of a matrix; (iii) Inverses of matrices; (iv) Subspaces, finding bases for  $\text{Col } A$ ,  $\text{Row } A$ , and  $\text{Null } A$ ; (v) Determinants and characteristic polynomial of a matrix.

1. Let  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(a) State the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality and the triangle inequality for  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

(b) Prove the triangle inequality from the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality by calculating  $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2$ .

2. Suppose that  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ , and that  $\mathbf{w}$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with  $\|\mathbf{w}\| = 5$  and  $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 13$ .

(a) Compute  $\|\mathbf{u}\|$ ,  $\|\mathbf{v}\|$ ,  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ , and  $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|$ .

(b) Show that the Cauchy-Schwarz and triangle inequalities are satisfied by  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

(c) Compute  $(\mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{w}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w})$ .

3. Let  $V$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by the vector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Let  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find the vector  $\mathbf{y}$  that is the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  onto  $V$ . Then calculate  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}$  and check that  $\mathbf{z} \perp V$ .

(b) Find a basis for  $V^\perp$  (the subspace of vectors orthogonal to  $V$ ). (*Hint:* This is the null space of a  $1 \times 3$  matrix.)

(c) Use part (b) and Gram-Schmidt to obtain an orthonormal basis  $\{\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2\}$  for  $V^\perp$ .

(d) Let  $\mathbf{z}$  be the vector from (a). Then  $\mathbf{z} \in V^\perp$ , so  $\mathbf{z} = c_1\mathbf{q}_1 + c_2\mathbf{q}_2$  for suitable coefficients  $c_1, c_2$ . Give the general formula for these coefficients in terms of inner products, and use the formula to calculate the coefficients for this particular  $\mathbf{z}$ . Then check that  $\mathbf{z} = c_1\mathbf{q}_1 + c_2\mathbf{q}_2$ .

4. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Give the dimensions of  $\text{Row } A$ ,  $\text{Col } A$ , and  $\text{Null } A$ .

(b) Find orthonormal bases for  $\text{Row } A$ ,  $\text{Col } A$ , and  $\text{Null } A$ . *Hint:* One of these requires no calculation, one requires a small calculation, and one requires Gram-Schmidt.

5. Find a  $3 \times 3$  orthogonal matrix  $Q$  with first column  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

*Hint:* There are some easy choices for columns 2 and 3.

6. True or false (four separate cases—justify your answer in each case). If a  $4 \times 4$  matrix  $A$  satisfies the following condition, it is diagonalizable:

T F (a) the eigenvalues of  $A$  are 0, 1, 2, 3.

T F (b) the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $\lambda^2(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)$ ;

T F (c) the eigenvalues of  $A$  are 0, 1, and 2, and  $A$  has rank 2;

T F (d) the eigenvalues of  $A$  are 0 and 2, and  $A$  is symmetric;

7. (a) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b) Find an invertible matrix  $P$  and diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

8. A certain  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 2$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 1$ , and  $\lambda_3 = -1$ , and corresponding eigenvectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Use the formula  $A = PDP^{-1}$  (for suitable  $P$  and  $D$ ) to find  $A$ .

(b) Let  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . Use (a) to find coefficients  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  so that  $\mathbf{x} = c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + c_3\mathbf{v}_3$ . Then compute  $A^n\mathbf{x}$  from this formula for  $\mathbf{x}$  for arbitrary  $n > 0$ . What is a good approximation to  $A^n\mathbf{x}$  for  $n$  large?

9. Suppose that  $A$  is a symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix and that the vectors  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfy  $A\mathbf{x} = 2\mathbf{x}$  and  $A\mathbf{y} = 3\mathbf{y}$ . Show that  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are orthogonal.

10. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 6 \\ 2 & 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find a vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $A = \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T$ . Show that  $\mathbf{v}$  is an eigenvector for  $A$  and find the eigenvalue.

(b) Calculate the nullity of  $A$  and find a basis for the zero eigenspace of  $A$ . Check that  $\mathbf{v} \perp \text{Null}(A)$  and explain why you know this without explicit calculation.

(c) Use (a) and (b) to find an orthonormal set of eigenvectors of  $A$  which form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(d) Find an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = QDQ^T$ .

11. Classify each statement as true (T) or false (F). If your answer is T, **give a brief proof** showing that the statement is *always* true; if your answer is F, **give a specific example** for which the statement is not true.

T F (a) The null space of a matrix  $A$  is the orthogonal complement of the column space of  $A$ .

T F (b) Every orthogonal matrix has null space  $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ .

T F (c) If  $P$  and  $Q$  are orthogonal matrices then  $P^TQ$  is an orthogonal matrix.

T F (d) If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $0$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  then  $\text{Col } A \neq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

T F (e) If  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix then  $Q = Q^{-1}$ .

T F (f) If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix then eigenvectors for distinct eigenvalues of  $A$  are orthogonal.

12. Suppose that  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  of dimension  $k$  and that  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_k, \mathbf{w}_{k+1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_k\}$  is a basis for  $W$ .

(a) Any vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  has an expansion  $\mathbf{u} = c_1\mathbf{w}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{w}_n$ . Give a simple formula for the coefficients  $c_j$  in terms of inner products.

(b) We know that any  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  can be written uniquely as  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{z}$ , with  $\mathbf{w} \in W$  and  $\mathbf{z} \in W^\perp$ . Explain why  $\mathbf{w} = c_1\mathbf{w}_1 + \dots + c_k\mathbf{w}_k$ .

(c) Let  $C$  be the  $n \times k$  matrix with columns  $\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_k$ . Then  $W = \text{Col}(C)$ . Show that  $C^TC = I_k$ . Then using your answers to (a) and (b), show that  $P_W$ , the orthogonal projection matrix onto  $W$ , is given by  $P_W = CC^T$ . (Recall that, in the notation of (b),  $\mathbf{w} = P_W\mathbf{u}$ .)

(d) Derive the result in (c) from the general formula for  $P_W$  in terms of  $C$ .

13. Consider the data points  $(-3, 9)$ ,  $(-1, 7)$ ,  $(0, 5)$ ,  $(4, 1)$  in the  $(x, y)$  plane.

(a) The method of least squares for a straight line fit to this data minimizes a certain quantity. What is that quantity in this case? Give the answer explicitly; define any variables used.

(b) We obtain a solution by solving the *normal equations*  $C^TC\mathbf{u} = C^T\mathbf{y}$ . What is  $C$  for the data above? What is  $\mathbf{y}$ ? What is  $\mathbf{u}$ ?

(c) Find the equation of the straight line which best fits this data.

14. Do the True-False questions from Sections 6.1 through 6.6 that are listed in the homework assignments.