

**51)** We give four points  $P = (1, 1, 0)$ ,  $Q = (0, 1, 1)$ ,  $R = (1, 2, 0)$  and  $S = (4, -3, 2)$  in a 3-dimensional space by their coordinates. Let  $E$  be the plane that goes through the points  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$ . We want to determine the distance of  $S$  to this plane  $E$ :

a) Perform a shift such that point  $P$  becomes the origin  $P' = (0, 0, 0)^T$  and  $Q, R, S$  change accordingly to  $Q' = (-1, 0, 1)$ ,  $R' = (0, 1, 0)$ ,  $S' = (3, -4, 2)$ . Then the plane  $E'$  through  $P', Q', R'$  goes through the origin and corresponds to a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Determine a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  of this (2-dimensional) subspace  $U$ .

b) Determine a basis  $\mathcal{C}$  for  $U^\perp$ . Now  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  together form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

c) Express the vector to the point  $S'$  as a linear combination of the vectors from  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$ .

d) Find the point on  $E'$  that is closest to  $S'$ . (Hint: What does the linear combination in c) tell us?)

e) What is the distance between  $E$  and  $S$ ?

**52)** In  $V = C[0, 2]$  with inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^2 f(x)g(x) dx$ , let  $U = \mathcal{P}_2$  (i.e. polynomials of degree  $\leq 2$ ). Calculate the orthogonal projection  $P_U(\exp(x))$  of  $\exp(x)$  onto  $U$ .

(Hint: use partial integration to evaluate  $\int_0^2 x^j e^x dx$ .)

**53)** Determine the least-squares quadratic polynomial  $y = c_0 + c_1 t + c_2 t^2$  for approximating the following data set  $\{(t, y)\}$ :

$\{(0, 5), (1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 8), (4, 12), (5, 20)\}$

**54)** We want to find out the value of three variables  $x_1, x_2, x_3$ . From measurements we get the equations

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 2x_1 & +4x_2 & +1x_3 = 1 \\ 1x_1 & +3x_2 & +4x_3 = 2 \\ 3x_1 & & +5x_3 = 1 \end{array}$$

a) Does this system have a solution? What is the solution?

b) To reduce influence of measurement errors, we make some more measurements and get three further equations:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 5x_1 & -1x_2 & = 0 \\ 7x_1 & +6x_2 & +10x_3 = 1 \\ -3x_1 & & -4x_3 = 1 \end{array}$$

Does the system of the six equations (from a) and b) together) have a solution?

c) What values for  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  should we deduce from these six equations?

**55\*)** Let  $V$  be an inner product space and  $S \leq V$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis for  $S$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  be a basis for  $S^\perp$ .

a) Show that the union  $\mathcal{B} \cup \mathcal{C}$  is linearly independent. (**Hint:** Consider the orthogonal projection onto  $S$ .)

b) Show that  $\mathcal{B} \cup \mathcal{C}$  is a basis for  $V$ .

Problems marked with a \* are bonus problems for extra credit.

Note the changed due date! Monday April 3, as April 5 is Midterm 2.

Please note that Dr. Painter will not conduct his review sessions the week of March 27-31.

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## Sample Midterm Problems

We will have the second Midterm on Wednesday, April 5. Setup is as before: The midterm will cover the material up to this homework sheet. There will be 5 problems in total. You are permitted to bring a calculator (no PDA, laptop or similar).

The following problems are (in addition to all the homework problems on the previous sheets) typical midterm problems. (This does **not** mean that every midterm problem will be exactly of a type as given here.)

**1)** Let  $V = \mathcal{P}_3$  with basis  $\mathcal{B} = (1, x, x^2)$  and let  $L: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $L: f(x) \mapsto (f(1), f(2))^T$ .

a) Show that  $L$  is linear.

b) For the standard basis  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , calculate  $_{\mathcal{S}}[L]_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

c) Determine the dimension of  $\ker(L)$ .

**2)** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1 = (0, 1, 4)^T, \mathbf{b}_2 = (1, 2, 3)^T\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $V = \text{Span}(\mathcal{B})$ . Let  $\mathcal{C} = \{\mathbf{c}_1 = (3, 7, 13)^T, \mathbf{c}_2 = (2, 5, 10)^T\}$ . (You may assume that  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  both are linearly independent.)

a) Show that  $\text{Span}(\mathcal{C}) = V$ . Explain your reasoning.

b) Determine  $_{\mathcal{B}}[\text{id}]_{\mathcal{C}}$ .

c) Let  $L: V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation such that  $L(\mathbf{c}_1) = \mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2$  and  $L(\mathbf{c}_2) = \mathbf{c}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2$ .

Determine  $_{\mathcal{C}}[L]_{\mathcal{C}}$  and  $_{\mathcal{B}}[L]_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

**3)** Which of the following matrices can be diagonalized? Justify your answer. (You do **not** need to perform the actual diagonalization!)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & -6 & -9 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\chi_A(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3) \quad \chi_B(x) = (x-2)^2(x-3) \quad \chi_C(x) = (x-2)^2(x-3) \quad \chi_D(x) = (x-1)^3$$

4) Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  such that  $AB = BA$ . Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$ . Show that the corresponding eigenspace of  $A$  (this space is  $N(A - \lambda I)$ ) is invariant under  $B$ .

5) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

a) Show that  $A$  can be diagonalized and find a matrix  $S$  such that  $S^{-1}AS$  is diagonal.

b) Find two different matrices  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  such that  $R_1^2 = R_2^2 = A$ .

(Hint: Consider first the case of a diagonal matrix.)

6) Determine the least-squares approximation by a linear function (i.e. a polynomial of the form  $a + bx$ ) for the following data set:

$$(0, 35), (1, 20), (2, 15), (3, 10)$$

7) a) Let  $V$  be a vector space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{w}} \in V$  a particular vector. Show: The map  $L: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by setting  $L(\underline{\mathbf{v}}) = \langle \underline{\mathbf{w}}, \underline{\mathbf{v}} \rangle$  is linear.

b) Let  $V = \text{Span}(1, x, x^2)$  with inner product  $\langle \underline{\mathbf{f}}, \underline{\mathbf{g}} \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x) dx$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{w}} = 1 + x \in V$ . Determine  $\langle 1, \underline{\mathbf{w}} \rangle$ ,  $\langle x, \underline{\mathbf{w}} \rangle$  and  $\langle x^2, \underline{\mathbf{w}} \rangle$ .

c) For  $V$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{w}}$  as defined in b) define  $L: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $L(\underline{\mathbf{v}}) = \langle \underline{\mathbf{w}}, \underline{\mathbf{v}} \rangle$ . (By part a)  $L$  is linear.) Determine  ${}_S[L]_{\mathcal{B}}$ , where  $\mathcal{S} = (1)$  is the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathcal{B} = (1, x, x^2)$ .

8) Let  $V = C[0, 1]$  with the inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(x)g(x) dx$ . Let  $\mathcal{B} = (1, x^2)$  and  $U = \text{Span}(\mathcal{B}) \leq V$ .

a) Compute the Gram matrix  $G_{\mathcal{B}}$  for  $\mathcal{B}$ .

b) Compute the orthogonal projection of  $\sin(x)$  onto  $U$ .

Hint:  $\int x^2 \cdot \cos(x) dx = (x^2 - 2) \sin(x) + 2x \cos(x)$ .

9) Consider the following matrix over the complex numbers:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -6 & 3 & 14 \\ 41 & -107 & 20 & 107 \\ -2 & 8 & -1 & -3 \\ 39 & -106 & 19 & 102 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \chi_A(x) = (x-1)(x+1)(x+i)(x-i),$$

where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ .

a) What are the eigenvalues of  $A$ ? Show that  $A$  is diagonalizable and determine a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $D = S^{-1}AS$  for some suitable matrix  $S$  (you do **not** need to determine  $S$ )?

b) Determine  $D^{2001}$  (Note that  $2001 = 4 \cdot 500 + 1$ ).

c) Determine  $A^{2001}$ . (Hint: You do **not** need to compute eigenvectors explicitly.) Explain your reasoning!