

Show all your work.

1. (10 pts.) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) Find all solutions to  $Ax = b$ .

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x+y-2z=-1 \\ y+z=2 \\ z \text{ free} \end{array} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3+3z \\ 2-z \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} y = 2 - z \\ x = -y + 2z - 1 \\ \quad = -(2-z) + 2z - 1 = -3 + 3z \end{array}$$

Use your answer to (a) to answer the following, without additional calculation:

(b) Give a basis for the nullspace of  $A$ .  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  (from the solutions in (a))

(c) Give a basis for the columnspace of  $A$ .  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  (the pivot columns of  $A$ )

2. (6 pts.)

(a) (2 pts.) Give a symmetric matrix  $A$  so that  $x^T Ax = 2x^2 - 2xy + y^2$

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

(b) (4 pts.) Determine whether  $A$  is positive definite. (This can be done several different ways; any correct method is acceptable as long as your work is shown.)

The determinants to check are  $|2| = 2$  and  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 - 1 = 1$ .  
Both are positive, so  $A$  is positive definite

3. (8 pts.) The vectors  $v_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0)$ ,  $v_2 = (-2, 1, 0, 2)$ ,  $v_3 = (-1, 3, 0, 1)$  are a basis for a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Find an orthonormal basis for that subspace.

$$w_1 = v_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$w_2 = v_2 - \text{proj}_{w_1} v_2 = (-2, 1, 0, 2) - \frac{w_2 \cdot v_2}{w_2 \cdot w_1} w_1 = (-2, 1, 0, 2) - \frac{-2}{1}(1, 0, 0, 0) = (0, 1, 0, 2)$$

$$w_3 = v_3 - \text{proj}_{w_1} v_3 - \text{proj}_{w_2} v_3 = (-1, 3, 0, 1) - \frac{-1}{1}(1, 0, 0, 0) - \frac{5}{5}(0, 1, 0, 2) = (0, 2, 0, -1)$$

$$f_1 = \frac{w_1}{\|w_1\|} = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$f_2 = \frac{w_2}{\|w_2\|} = \left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, 0, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$$

$$f_3 = \frac{w_3}{\|w_3\|} = \left(0, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, 0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$$

4. (10 pts.) Find inverses of the following matrices, if they exist. If no inverse exists, explain how you know that.

(a) (3 pts.)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\frac{1}{-2+4} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) (7 pts.)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. (10 pts.) The annual changes in the population of an organism is modeled by  $\mathbf{p}_{t+1} = A\mathbf{p}_t$ , where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 0.2 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$ . The first entry of  $\mathbf{p}_t$  refers to young, and the second to adults.

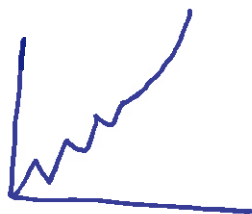
(a) (2 pts.) What is the biological meaning of the 0.2 in this matrix?

*20% of the young become adults each year*

(b) (2 pts.) The diagonalization  $A = SAS^{-1}$  has  $\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1.2 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.5 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . What is the stable age distribution of this model? What does it tell you about the population?

*$\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . In the long term, the population will have roughly 5 young for every 2 adults.*

(c) (3 pts.) Sketch a graph of time vs. population size for the two groups in this model that indicates typical qualitative behavior you should see if the initial population,  $\mathbf{p}_0$ , is randomly chosen.



*exponential growth (due to  $\lambda = 1.2$ )  
with overlay of decaying oscillations  
(due to  $\lambda = -0.5$ )*

(d) (3 pts.) If the initial population were  $\mathbf{p}_0 = (10, 4)$  (twice the first column of  $S$ ), what would  $\mathbf{p}_{20}$  be?

$$(1.2)^{20} \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. (8 pts. — 4 pts. each) Decide whether each of these transformations  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is linear or not. If it is not linear, explain why it is not. If it is linear, give a matrix to express it (using the standard bases).

(a)  $T(x, y) = (x, y) + (1, -1)$ .

*Not linear.  $T(0, 0) \neq \vec{0}$*

(b)  $T(x, y) = (y, 0)$ .

*Linear.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$*

7. (8 pts. — 4 pts. each) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) Find all eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3-\lambda & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 5-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (3-\lambda)[(1-\lambda)(5-\lambda)-5] = (3-\lambda)(\lambda^2-6\lambda) = (3-\lambda)\lambda(\lambda-6)$$

$$\lambda = 0, 3, 6$$

(b) Find an eigenvector for the largest eigenvalue of  $A$ .

$\lambda = 6$   $A - 6I = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -5 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$   $\begin{matrix} -3x + y + 4z = 0 \\ -5y + 5z = 0 \\ z \text{ free} \end{matrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{5}{3}z \\ z \\ z \end{pmatrix} = z \begin{pmatrix} 5/3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

8. (8 pts.) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) (6 pts.) Let  $V$  be the column space of  $A$ . Find a basis for  $V^\perp$ .

$$V = \mathcal{C}(A) \quad V^\perp = \mathcal{N}(A^T)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & -6 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x + 2y + z = 0 \\ -3y - z = 0 \\ z \text{ free} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{3}z \\ -\frac{1}{3}z \\ z \end{pmatrix} = z \begin{pmatrix} -1/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) (2 pts.) What is the rank of  $A$ ? (If you did part (a) you should be able to answer this with no further computation.)

$$\text{rank}(A) = 2$$

9. (8 pts.) Four data points in the plane are  $(x, y) = (-2, 2), (-1, 2), (0, 1), (1, -1)$ .

(a) (2 pts.) Give a matrix equation that you would *like to solve* (but which has no solution) to find the equation of a line  $y = mx + b$  through these points.

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

(b) (6 pts.) Give a matrix equation that *can be solved* to find the least squares best-fit line for these points. (Do not solve it.)

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

10. (24 pts. — 2 pts. each) Give short answers.

- (a) We can be sure a real square matrix has real eigenvalues if it is symmetric.
- (b) If for some specific  $A, \mathbf{b}$ , where  $A$  is  $4 \times 5$  and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ , we know  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has no solution, then the rank of  $A$  must be (list all possibilities) 0, 1, 2, 3.
- (c) If for some specific  $A, \mathbf{b}$ , where  $A$  is  $4 \times 5$  and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ , we know  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a 2-dimensional plane of solutions, then the rank of  $A$  must be (list all possibilities) 3.
- (d) If for some specific  $A$ , where  $A$  is  $4 \times 5$  we know  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution for every  $\mathbf{b}$ , then the rank of  $A$  must be (list all possibilities) 4.
- (e) If  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix, then its determinant can only be  $\pm 1$ .  
(Hint: What is  $Q^T Q$ ?)
- (f) Using the 'big formula' to find the determinant of a  $7 \times 7$  matrix would require adding (or subtracting)  $7!$  terms, each of which is the product of 7 numbers. For such a matrix, it would be much easier to compute the determinant by elimination.

(g) Using Cramer's rule to solve  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$  gives  $x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} e & b \\ f & d \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{ed-bf}{ad-bc}$

(h) A  $4 \times 4$  matrix with eigenvalues 1,3,3,3 could have as few as 2 eigenvectors. But it must have 4 orthogonal eigenvectors if  $A$  is symmetric

(i) If  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  form three edges of a parallelepiped, then its volume can be computed as  $|\det(\begin{pmatrix} -v_1 \\ -v_2 \\ -v_3 \end{pmatrix})|$

(j) A matrix that rotates vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  about the origin by an angle of  $\theta$  counterclockwise is  $R_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$

(k) If the SVD of a matrix  $A$  is

$$U\Sigma V^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} & 1/\sqrt{5} \\ 1/\sqrt{5} & -2/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

then the rank of  $A$  is 1 and the pseudoinverse  $A^+$  is (you may leave your answer as a product):

$$V \begin{pmatrix} 1/10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} U^T$$

(l) If  $A$  has eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , then  $MAM^{-1}$  will have eigenvector  $M\mathbf{v}$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .