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Before the exam begins:

- Write your name above.
- Turn off all electronics and keep them out of sight: no cellular phones, iPods, wearing of headphones, not even to tell time (and not even if it's just in airplane mode).

As soon as the exam starts:

- Take a quick breath to relax! If you have truly worked through all the homework problems then you will do fine!
- Check that you have all seven pages of the exam. (The number of pages includes this cover page.)
- There is an *extra credit problem* in the last page.

During the exam:

- Keep your eyes on your own exam!
- No notes/books or electronics AT ALL!

Note that the exam length is exactly 1 hr 30 mins. When you are told to stop, you must stop **IMMEDIATELY**. This is in fairness to all students. Do not think that you are the exception to this rule.

Problem	1	2	3	4	Total
Score					

Problem 1: (20 points) TRUE or FALSE? If the statement is true then give a proof. If the statement is false then give a counterexample.

(a) (5 points) Let $v_1, v_2, v_3 \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Then $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = \mathbb{R}^3$.

Solution: FALSE. For example take $v_1 = (1, 0, 0), v_2 = (0, 1, 0), v_3 = (1, 1, 0)$. These are dependent vectors and $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} \neq \mathbb{R}^3$.

(b) (5 points) The vector $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: TRUE. We can verify that

$$Av = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 5v.$$

Therefore v is an eigenvector of A , and the corresponding eigenvalue is 5.

(c)(5 points) The matrix $M = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is not invertible.

Solution: FALSE. Notice that $\det(A) = -3 \neq 0$. Therefore A is invertible.

(d)(5 points) A linear map $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ can not be surjective (i.e., onto).

Solution: TRUE. According to the dimension formula

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(\mathbb{R}^2) &= \dim(\text{null}(T)) + \dim(\text{Range}(T)) \\ \Rightarrow 2 &= \dim(\text{null}(T)) + \dim(\text{Range}(T)). \end{aligned}$$

If T is surjective, then $\text{Range}(T) = \mathbb{R}^4$ i.e., $\dim(\text{Range}(T)) = 4$. Then from the above formula we have $\dim(\text{null}(T)) = -2$. But dimension can not be negative - a contradiction.

Problem 2: (20 points) Consider the following matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) (2 points) The matrix A can be considered as a linear map $A : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^q$. What are the values of p and q ?
- (b) (3 points) Define the null space of the linear transformation A .
- (c) (8 points) Solve the system of equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (d) (3 points) What is a basis of $\text{null}(A)$?
- (e) (2 points) Then what is the dimension of the null space of A ?
- (f) (2 points) Therefore the dimension of $\text{Range}(A)$ is _____.

Solution:

- (a) A can be considered as a linear map $A : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ i.e., $p = 4, q = 2$.
- (b) The null space of A is

$$\text{null}(A) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^4 : Ax = 0\}.$$

- (c) In the given system of equations, we notice that x_1, x_3 are pivot variables and x_2, x_4 are free variables. Since there are two free variables, there will be two independent solutions.

Sol 1: Assign $x_2 = 1, x_4 = 0$. Then given system of equations become

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2 - x_3 &= 0 \\ 2x_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Solving the above system we have $x_3 = 0, x_1 = -2$. Therefore $(-2, 1, 0, 0)$ is a solution of the given system of equations.

Sol 2: Assign $x_2 = 0, x_4 = 1$. In this case the given system becomes as

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_3 - 2 &= 0 \\ 2x_3 + 4 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Solving the above system we obtain $x_3 = -2, x_1 = 0$. Therefore $(0, 0, -2, 1)$ is also a solution of the system.

- (d) From the *part (c)* we can say that a basis of $\text{null}(A)$ is $\{(-2, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, -2, 1)\}$.
- (e) Since there are two vectors in the basis, we have $\dim(\text{null}(A)) = 2$.
- (f) Using the dimension formula, we have $\dim(\text{Range}(A)) = \dim(\mathbb{R}^4) - \dim(\text{null}(A)) = 2$.

Problem 3: (20 points) [Projection Matrix] Consider the vectors $(1, 0, 1), (1, 0, -1) \in \mathbb{R}^3$.

- (a) (1 points) Construct a 3×2 matrix M such that the columns of M are the above two vectors.
- (b) (1 points) Write down that the transpose of the matrix M . Check that M^T is a 2×3 matrix.
- (c) (2 points) Compute the product $M^T M$. Check that it is a 2×2 matrix.
- (★) If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is an invertible matrix then A^{-1} is given by the formula $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$.
- (d) (3 points) Using the formula (★) or otherwise, compute the inverse of $M^T M$.
- (e) (3 points) Using your results from part (d) and part (b), calculate $(M^T M)^{-1} M^T$. Check that it is a 2×3 matrix.
- (f) (3 points) Using your results from part (e) and part (a), calculate $M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T$. Check that it is a 3×3 matrix.
- (g) (3 points) Verify that the original vectors $(1, 0, 1), (1, 0, -1)$ are the eigenvectors of the final matrix $M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T$. What are the corresponding eigenvalues?
- (h) (2 points) Compute the determinant of $M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T$. Then what is the other eigenvalue?
- (i) (2 points) If $P = M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T$ for some matrix M , then prove that $P^2 = P$ (such a matrix P is called a projection matrix).

Solution:

- (a) The matrix M is

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) The transpose of M is given by

$$M^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (c) The product

$$M^T M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (d) Using the formula (★) we have found that

$$(M^T M)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (e)

$$(M^T M)^{-1} M^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

(f)

$$M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(g) We can verify that

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{and } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the vectors $(1, 0, 1)$ and $(1, 0, -1)$ are the eigenvectors of $M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T$, and the corresponding eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 1$.

(h) It is easy to see that $\det[M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T] = 0$. Therefore $\lambda_3 = 0$ is the other eigenvalue.

(i) If $P = M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} P^2 &= M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T \\ &= M(M^T M)^{-1} (M^T M) (M^T M)^{-1} M^T \\ &= M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T \\ &= P. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4: (20 points) Consider the vector space $\mathbb{R}_2[x] = \{\text{polynomials with real coefficients of degree at most two}\}$. We define the inner product between two polynomials $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ by

$$\langle p, q \rangle := \int_0^1 p(x)q(x) dx. \quad (1)$$

Notice that the set $\{1, x, x^2\}$ forms a basis of $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$ (you do not need to prove this statement).

- (a) (6 points) Using the definition (1), compute the inner products between the basis vectors i.e., compute $\langle 1, x \rangle, \langle 1, x^2 \rangle, \langle x, x^2 \rangle$.
- (b) (2 points) Are these basis vectors orthogonal to each other?
- (c) (12 points) Use the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization method to find an orthogonal basis of $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$ (you do not need to normalize the final vectors).

Solution:

- (a) Using the given definition of the inner product we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 1, x \rangle &= \int_0^1 x dx = \frac{1}{2} \\ \langle 1, x^2 \rangle &= \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3} \\ \langle x, x^2 \rangle &= \int_0^1 x \cdot x^2 dx = \int_0^1 x^3 dx = \frac{1}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Since the inner products between the basis vectors are not zero, they are not orthogonal to each other.
- (c) Let us call $f_1 = 1, f_2 = x, f_3 = x^2$. Using the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}_1 &= 1 \\ \tilde{f}_2 &= f_2 - \frac{\langle f_2, \tilde{f}_1 \rangle}{\langle \tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_1 \rangle} \tilde{f}_1 \\ &= x - \frac{\int_0^1 x dx}{\int_0^1 1 dx} 1 \\ &= x - \frac{1/2}{1} 1 \\ &= x - \frac{1}{2}. \\ \tilde{f}_3 &= f_3 - \frac{\langle f_3, \tilde{f}_2 \rangle}{\langle \tilde{f}_2, \tilde{f}_2 \rangle} \tilde{f}_2 - \frac{\langle f_3, \tilde{f}_1 \rangle}{\langle \tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_1 \rangle} \tilde{f}_1 \\ &= x^2 - \frac{\int_0^1 x^2(x - 1/2) dx}{\int_0^1 (x - 1/2)^2 dx} \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{\int_0^1 x^2 dx}{\int_0^1 1 dx} 1 \\ &= x^2 - \frac{1/4 - 1/6}{1/12} \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{1/3}{1} 1 \\ &= x^2 - \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{3} \\ &= x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6}. \end{aligned}$$

. Therefore an orthogonal basis of $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$ is $\{1, (x - 1/2), x^2 - x + 1/6\}$.

Extra Credit: (2 points) Write/draw something mathematical/non-mathematical .