

1. (10 points) Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 8 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 9 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Compute A^{-1} if it exists; if instead A^{-1} does not exist, explain why not.

- (b) Compute $\det(A)$, showing all steps.

2. (10 points)

- (a) Let $\mathbf{T} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a linear transformation given by $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$, where A is a 2×2 matrix; and suppose we know that

$$\mathbf{T} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{T} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find A ; show your reasoning.

- (b) Find, with justification, a 2×2 matrix M such that $M \neq I_2$, $M^2 \neq I_2$, and $M^3 \neq I_2$, but $M^4 = I_2$. (Here I_2 is the 2×2 identity matrix.)

3. (10 points) Let $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 , where

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) If $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$ is a vector in \mathbb{R}^4 , find the vector $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$ (also known as the \mathcal{B} -coordinates of \mathbf{x}).

(b) If $\mathbf{T} : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ is the linear transformation given by $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix},$$

find the matrix of \mathbf{T} with respect to the basis \mathcal{B} . You may use any method you wish, but simplify your answer as much as possible.

4. (10 points) Let L be the line in \mathbb{R}^2 spanned by the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, and let \mathcal{B} be the basis

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

for \mathbb{R}^2 . Now consider the two linear maps

- $\mathbf{Proj}_L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ (namely, projection onto the line L), and
 - $\mathbf{Proj}_{x\text{-axis}} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ (namely, projection onto the x -axis).
- (a) Find, with reasoning, the matrix of \mathbf{Proj}_L with respect to the basis \mathcal{B} . You may use any method you wish, but simplify your answer as much as possible.
- (b) Find, with reasoning, the matrix of $\mathbf{Proj}_L \circ \mathbf{Proj}_{x\text{-axis}}$ with respect to the basis \mathcal{B} ; simplify your answer as much as possible.

5. (10 points) Let

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

- (a) Show that A has eigenvalues 2, -1 , 0, and for each eigenvalue find a basis for the corresponding eigenspace.

- (b) What is A^{14} ? (If you wish, you may leave your answer expressed as a product of a few — *no more than three* — explicit matrices or matrix inverses.)

6. (10 points) For this problem, let A be a 3×3 *symmetric* matrix.
- (a) With no information about A other than the statement above, can we conclude whether A^2 is symmetric? If so, explain what we can conclude and why; if not, give numerical examples showing that A^2 can be either symmetric or non-symmetric, depending on the specific matrix A .
- (b) If we *additionally* know that the eigenvalues of A are $\lambda_1 = 1$, $\lambda_2 = 4$, and $\lambda_3 = 9$, find $\det(A)$ or demonstrate that it cannot be computed from the given information. Give complete reasoning using properties of determinants; do not simply quote a fact.
- (c) Suppose we know (*in addition* to the information from (b)) that $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector for eigenvalue $\lambda_1 = 1$, and that $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector for eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 4$. Find an eigenvector for eigenvalue $\lambda_3 = 9$; show all reasoning.

7. (10 points) Consider the symmetric matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and quadratic form $Q_A(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{v}^T A \mathbf{v}$.

(a) For $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$, give an explicit expression for $Q_A(\mathbf{v})$ in terms of x, y, z .

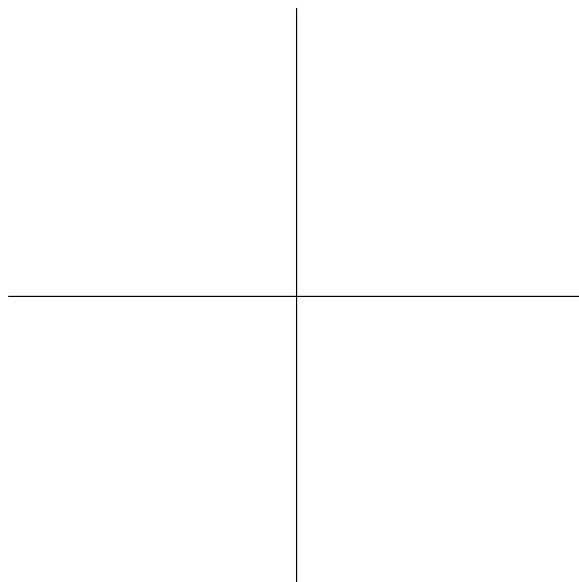
(b) For this and parts (c) and (d) below, let $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$; it is a fact that these are *eigenvectors* of A . Find each of the corresponding eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$. Also, determine the *definiteness* of the form Q_A .

(c) Let $\mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{v}_i / \|\mathbf{v}_i\|$; thus, the set $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 consisting of mutually orthogonal unit-length eigenvectors of A . What is the expression for Q_A in terms of \mathcal{B} -coordinates u_1, u_2, u_3 ? That is, give an explicit (non-matrix) formula for $Q_A(u_1 \mathbf{w}_1 + u_2 \mathbf{w}_2 + u_3 \mathbf{w}_3)$ in terms of u_1, u_2, u_3 . (This does *not* require doing a long or messy computation.)

(d) Compute $Q_A(20\mathbf{v}_1 + 10\mathbf{v}_2 - 13\mathbf{v}_3)$. Use any method you wish, but simplify your answer as much as possible for full credit. (*Hint*: use either your answer to (c) or the fact that $Q_A(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{v} \cdot A\mathbf{v}$.)

8. (10 points) Let $f(x, y) = e^{x+y}$.

- (a) On the axes provided below, sketch and *label* the sets $f^{-1}(\frac{1}{e})$, $f^{-1}(1)$, and $f^{-1}(e)$, that is, the level sets of f at levels $\frac{1}{e}$, 1, and e . Be sure to label the scales on your axes for full credit.



- (b) Consider a particle moving in \mathbb{R}^2 along the parameterized path $\mathbf{r}(t) = (2t + 1, 8t^3 - 4t - 1)$. Compute $\mathbf{r}'(t)$, also known as the velocity vector.

- (c) Determine, showing all steps, all values of t for which the velocity of the particle is perpendicular to a level set of f (or show that there is no such t).