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EECS 551 Midterm 1, 2021-10-25 6-8PM

- There are **18** problems for a total of **100** points.
- This part of the exam has **8** pages. Make sure your copy is complete.
- Write your name in the upper right of every page!
- You must complete the exam entirely on your own.
- You may use without rederiving any of the results presented in the course notes.
- During the exam you may use two pieces of  $8.5 \times 11$ " paper with notes on both sides, but no electronic devices.
- Clearly  your final answers. For full credit, show your complete work clearly and legibly in the space provided.
- For full credit, ~~cross-out~~ any incorrect intermediate steps.
- For multiple-choice questions, select *all* correct answers.
- To “disprove” any statement, provide a concrete counter-example. For maximum credit, make that counter-example as small and simple as possible, *e.g.*, having the smallest possible matrix dimensions and using the simplest numbers like “0” and “1” as much as possible. For example, to disprove the statement “any square matrix  $A$  is invertible,” the smallest and simplest counter-example is the  $1 \times 1$  matrix  $A = [0]$ .
- For any True-False question, box  and give a short justification if the statement always holds, otherwise box  and give a simple counter-example.
- For multiple-choice questions,  all of the correct given answer choices *and* write a short explanation. If none of the answers is always correct, then write in  and explain briefly. If multiple choices are incorrect, it suffices to explain why *one* of them is incorrect.
- You may use the back side of each exam page for scratch work, but that work will not be graded. *Only the answers in the designated areas will be scanned into gradescope and graded.*
- For all JULIA code, assume that the following code has been invoked already:  

```
using LinearAlgebra, MIRTjim, FFTW, Random, Plots
```

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- [4] 1. For  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\|Ax\|_2$  is maximized for unit norm  $x$  when  $x = \begin{bmatrix} -4/5 \\ 3/5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

True

False

- [4] 2. If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{9 \times 4}$  has 4 nonzero singular values, then  $A^+ A = I$ .

True

False

- [4] 3. If  $A$  is  $M \times N$  with rank  $N$  and  $M \geq N$ , then  $\min_x \|Ax - y\|_2 = 0$ .

True

False

- [4] 4. If  $C = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \end{bmatrix}$  then  $\min_x \|Cx - y\|_2 > \min_z \|Az - y\|_2$ , assuming dimensions match appropriately.

True

False

[4] 5. When  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , a unit norm vector  $x$  that maximizes  $\|Ax\|_2$  is:

- a:  $[1 \ 2]' / \sqrt{5}$
- b:  $[6 \ 4 \ 2]' / \sqrt{14}$
- c:  $[2 \ 4 \ 6]' / \sqrt{14}$
- d:  $[2 \ 1]' / \sqrt{5}$
- e:  $[3 \ 2 \ 1]' / \sqrt{14}$

[4] 6. A left singular vector of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , corresponding to its largest singular value is:

- a:  $[0 \ 2 \ 1]'$
- b:  $[0 \ 1 \ 2]'$
- c:  $[0 \ 2/\sqrt{5} \ 1/\sqrt{5}]'$
- d:  $[0 \ 1/\sqrt{5} \ 2/\sqrt{5}]'$

[4] 7. If  $A$  is Hermitian symmetric, then any left or right singular vector of  $A$  is also an eigenvector of  $A$ .

True  
False

- [4] 8. Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a  $M \times M$  unitary matrix and let  $\mathbf{B}$  denote the last  $N$  columns of  $\mathbf{A}$ , where  $1 \leq N \leq M$ . What is  $\|\mathbf{B}\|_2$ ?

a: 0  
b: 1  
c:  $N$   
d:  $M$   
e:  $\min(N, M)$

- [4] 9. Nesterov's accelerated gradient method for solving the LS problem  $\arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2$  will converge if  $0 < \mu \leq 1/\sigma_1(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A})$ . When  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{1}_2 \mathbf{1}_8'$ , where  $\mathbf{1}_n = \text{ones}(n)$ , the maximum value of the step size  $\mu$  is:

a: 1  
b:  $1/2$   
c:  $1/4$   
d:  $1/8$   
e:  $1/16$

- [4] 10.  $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2^2 = ?$

a: 0  
b: 1  
c: 2  
d: 3  
e: 4

[4] 11. For  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ , the value of  $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2$  is:

- a: 0
- b: 1
- c: 5
- d: 10
- e: 20

[4] 12. If  $\mathbf{B}$  is a  $200 \times 400$  matrix of rank 100, then:

- a:  $\dim(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{B})) = 100$
- b:  $\dim(\mathcal{R}^\perp(\mathbf{B})) = 100$
- c:  $\dim(\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{B})) = 100$
- d:  $\dim(\mathcal{N}^\perp(\mathbf{B})) = 100$
- e: The number of distinct singular values is at least 2.

[4] 13. Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a tall matrix having rank  $r > 0$  with SVD given by  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}' = [\mathbf{U}_r \quad \mathbf{U}_0] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Sigma}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{V}'$ .

Define  $\mathbf{P}_r^\perp \triangleq \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{U}_r\mathbf{U}_r'$  and  $\mathbf{P}_0^\perp \triangleq \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{U}_0\mathbf{U}_0'$  and  $\mathbf{B} \triangleq \mathbf{P}_0^\perp \mathbf{P}_r^\perp$ . Then:

- a:  $\mathbf{B}$  is a unitary matrix
- b:  $\mathbf{B}$  is not a unitary matrix
- c: Need more information to assess

- [10] **14.** The vectors  $\{b_1, b_2, b_3\}$  form an orthonormal basis for a subspace  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , for  $N \geq 5$ . Complete the following JULIA function so that, given input vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ , it returns the nearest vector in  $\mathcal{S}$ .

For full credit, your code must use as few floating-point calculations as possible. Explain briefly.

```
function nearest(x, b1, b2, b3)
```

✓ code (answer)

explain ↓

- [8] **15.** Complete the following JULIA function so that it returns an orthonormal basis (as a matrix) for the null space of a matrix argument. Assume  $\dim(\mathcal{N}(A)) > 0$ .

```
function nullbasis(A)
    (U, s, V) = svd(A, thin=false)
```

✓ code (answer)

explain ↓

- [10] **16.** Let  $U$  and  $V$  denote unitary  $N \times N$  matrices. Complete the following JULIA function so that, given input vector  $y \in \mathbb{C}^N$ , it returns a linear least-squares solution  $\arg \min_{x \in \mathbb{C}^{2N}} \|y - [2U \ 3V] x\|_2$ , computed as efficiently as possible.

```
function lsuv(y, U, V)
```

✓ code (answer)

explain ↓

- [10] **17.** A  $M \times N$  matrix having rank 2 has Frobenius norm = 5 and spectral norm = 4. Determine all of the singular values of this matrix.

[10] **18.**

The following JULIA code produces a scatter plot. Sketch by hand that plot, with labeled values. Add appropriate axis labels relevant to this plot. As always, explain your answer.

```
x = (-1).^ (1:8) # vector of alternating 1, -1 entries
y = ones(8)
A = [3x 5y]; B = A * A'
scatter(svdvals(B), label="")
```