

---

## MATH 307 Midterm Exam 2

*November 18, 2021*

---

- No calculators, cellphones, laptops or notes
- Time allowed: 45 minutes
- 35 total marks
- Write your name and student number in the space below

Name:

*Solutions*

Student Number:

2010

1. Short answer questions. Each part is independent of the others.

- (a) (3 marks) Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  and corresponding eigenvectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

True or False:  $A$  is a symmetric matrix. Justify your answer.

$v_1, v_2, v_3$  are orthogonal:  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle v_1, v_3 \rangle = \langle v_2, v_3 \rangle = 0$

$$\Rightarrow A = PDP^{-1} = [v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ & & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} [v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3]^{-1}$$

Normalize the vectors to create  $P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} & \frac{v_2}{\|v_2\|} & \frac{v_3}{\|v_3\|} \end{bmatrix}$

then  $P^{-1} = P^T$  and  $A = PDP^T \Rightarrow A = A^T$ . True

- (b) (3 marks) Consider a matrix  $A$  with LU decomposition  $A = LU$  where

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine the dimension of  $N(A)^\perp$ .

There are 3 nonzero rows in  $U \Rightarrow \text{rank}(A) = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(N(A)) = 5 - 3 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(N(A)^\perp) = 5 - 2 = 3$$

(c) (3 marks) Determine the values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  such that

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{18} & a & 2/3 \\ 1/\sqrt{18} & 1/\sqrt{2} & b \\ -4/\sqrt{18} & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

is an orthogonal matrix.

Columns are orthonormal or  $\delta_{ij}$

$$\Rightarrow \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{18} \\ 1/\sqrt{18} \\ -4/\sqrt{18} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{a = -1/\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{18} \\ 1/\sqrt{18} \\ -4/\sqrt{18} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} + b - 4c = 0$$

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{2}{3} + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{matrix} b = 2/3 \\ c = 1/3 \end{matrix}}$$

(d) (3 marks) True or False: Suppose  $A = P\Sigma Q^T$  is the singular value decomposition of  $A$  such that  $Q$  is a permutation matrix. Then the columns of  $A$  are orthogonal. (Recall that a permutation matrix is any matrix obtained from the identity matrix by permuting the rows.) Justify your answer.

$Q$  is a permutation matrix  $\Rightarrow$  eigenvectors of  $A^T A$

are standard basis:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$\Rightarrow A^T A$  is a diagonal matrix

$\Rightarrow$  Columns of  $A$  are orthogonal True

2. (6 marks) Consider the matrix  $A = Q_1 R_1$  where

$$Q_1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute the orthogonal projection of  $v$  onto  $N(A^T)$  where

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N(A^T) = R(A)^\perp = R(Q_1)^\perp = N(Q_1^T)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow N(A^T) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{proj}_{\underline{u}}(v) = \frac{\langle \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rangle}{\langle \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rangle} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{3}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. (5 marks) Suppose  $A = Q_1 R_1$  where

$$Q_1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the least squares approximation  $Ax \approx b$  for

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ax \approx b \Rightarrow Rx = \underline{c}_1 \text{ where } Q_1^T b = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{c}_1 \\ \underline{c}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{c}_1 = Q_1^T b = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Rx = \underline{c}_1 \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 1 & 2 & 3/2 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3/2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x_3 = 3/2$$

$$x_2 = (3/2 + 3/2) / (-2) \\ = -3/2$$

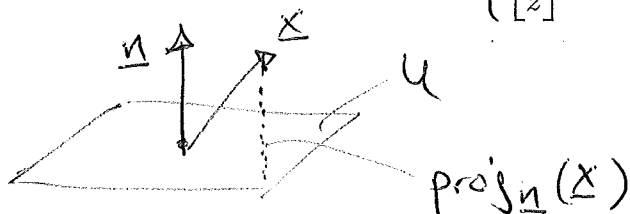
$$x_1 = (3/2 - 2(3/2) - (-3/2))$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3/2 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix}}$$

4. (6 marks) Find the shortest distance from  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$  to the plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 2x - y + 3z = 0 \right\}.$$



$$\underline{n} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\| \text{proj}_n(x) \| = \frac{|\langle \underline{n}, x \rangle|}{|\langle \underline{n}, \underline{n} \rangle|} \| \underline{n} \| = \frac{|\langle \underline{n}, x \rangle|}{\| \underline{n} \|}.$$

$$= \frac{5(2) + 3(-1) + 7(3)}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 3^2}}$$

$$= \frac{28}{\sqrt{14}} = 2\sqrt{14}$$

5. (6 marks) Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) (4 marks) Find matrices  $P$  and  $D$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

(b) (2 marks) Compute the limit

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_1^{-k} A^k$$

where  $\lambda_1$  is the largest eigenvalue (in absolute value). In other words, if  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$  then  $|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2|$ .

$$(a) \quad C_A(x) = x^2 - 7x + 6 = (x-1)(x-6) \quad \boxed{\lambda_1 = 6 \quad \lambda_2 = 1}$$

$$\lambda_1 = 6 \quad (A - \lambda_1 I) \underline{v}_1 = \underline{0} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -4 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{v}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = 1 \quad (A - \lambda_2 I) \underline{v}_2 = \underline{0} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{v}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \langle \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2 \rangle = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{5} & 2/\sqrt{5} \\ -2/\sqrt{5} & 1/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}}_P \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_D \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{5} & 2/\sqrt{5} \\ -2/\sqrt{5} & \sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}^T}_{P^T}$$

$$(b) \quad \lambda_1^{-k} A^k = \lambda_1^{-k} (PDP^T)^k = \lambda_1^{-k} P D^k P^T = P \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & (1/6)^k \end{bmatrix} P^T$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_1^{-k} A^k = P \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} P^T = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$



*Extra workspace*

*Extra workspace. Do not write in the table below.*

Q1	/12
Q2	/6
Q3	/5
Q4	/6
Q5	/6
Total	/35