

M20580 L.A. and D.E. Tutorial
Worksheet 9
Sections 6.5, 1.1, 1.2

1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Use Gram-Schmidt process to find a orthogonal basis for $\text{Col } A$, and use the orthogonal basis you get to find the QR factorization of A .

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- (b) Use the QR factorization you found in part(a) to find the least-squares solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, where $\mathbf{b} = (7, 3, 1)$ (as a column vector).

2. Solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 0.05A + 15, \quad A(0) = 0.$$

3. The partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

is called *Laplace's equation*, and any solution to this equation is called a *harmonic function*. Determine whether the given function is harmonic.

(a) $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$.

(b) $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$.

(c) (optional) $f(x, y) = e^x \cos y$ and $g(x, y) = e^x \sin y$.

4. Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = y(y-1)(y-2)$, and $\phi(x)$ a solution for various initial conditions.

(a) Give a rough sketch of the direction field.

(b) Without using any integrals, find the general solution $\phi(x)$ for the initial condition $\phi(0) = 1$.

(c) Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \phi(x)$ for any solution $\phi(x)$ satisfying the given initial condition:

- $\phi(-1) = 0.5$

- $\phi(1) = 1.5$

- $\phi(5) = 3$