



MTH 309Y LINEAR ALGEBRA EXAM 3

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- Textbooks and electronic devices (calculators, cellphones etc.) are not permitted.
- You may use one sheet of notes.
- For full credit explain your answers fully, showing all work.
- Each problem is worth 20 points.

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1. Consider the following vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 :

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The set $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is a basis of some subspace V of \mathbb{R}^4 .

- a) Find an orthogonal basis $\mathfrak{D} = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$ of the subspace V.
- **b)** Compute the vector $proj_V \mathbf{u}$, the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{u} on V.

2. Find the equation $f(x) = ax + b$ of the least square line for the points $(1,0)$, $(-1,2)$, $(2,1)$.
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3. Consider the following matrix *A*:

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{rrr} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

For each value of λ given below determine if it is an eigenvalue of A.

- a) $\lambda = 0$
- **b)** $\lambda = -1$
- c) $\lambda = -2$



4. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 & 4 \\ -2 & 11 & 4 \\ 2 & -8 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Knowing that eigenvalues of A are $\lambda_1=3$ and $\lambda_2=5$ diagonalize this matrix; that is, find a diagonal matrix D and an invertible matrix P such that

$$A = PDP^{-1}$$

Note: you do not need to compute P^{-1} .



- **5.** For each of the statements given below decide if it is true or false. If it is true explain why. If it is false give a counterexample.
- a) If A is a 2×2 matrix and \mathbf{v} is an eigenvector of A corresponding to an eigenvalue λ then $2\mathbf{v}$ is an eigenvector of A corresponding to the eigenvalue 2λ .
- **b)** If V is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbf{w} is a vector such that $\operatorname{proj}_V \mathbf{w} = -\mathbf{w}$ then \mathbf{w} must be the zero vector.
- c) If A is a square matrix which is both symmetric and orthogonal then A^2 is the identity matrix.
- d) If A and B are 2×2 matrices which are both orthogonally diagonalizable, then the matrix A + B is also orthogonally diagonalizable.