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1. Find the following:

(a) [2 marks]  $\dim(S^\perp)$ , if  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^7$  and  $\dim(S) = 4$ .

(b) [4 marks]  $\det(-2A B^{-1} A^T)$ , if  $A$  and  $B$  are  $3 \times 3$  matrices, with  $\det(A) = 3$  and  $\det(B) = 5$ .

(c) [2 marks] the characteristic polynomial of  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(d) [2 marks]  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 10 & -3 \\ 13 & 5 & e & -5 \\ -9 & 4 & \pi & -4 \\ 14 & -1 & \sqrt{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$



2. Let  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{u}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Show  $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_3, \vec{u}_4\}$  is an orthogonal set, and write  $\vec{x}$  as a linear combination of  $\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_3, \vec{u}_4$ .



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3. Let  $A = \frac{1}{17} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 15 \\ 15 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the eigenvalues of  $A$  and a basis for each eigenspace of  $A$ . Plot the eigenspaces of  $A$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and clearly indicate which eigenspace corresponds to which eigenvalue. Interpret your result geometrically.



4. Let  $S$  be the set of vectors  $\vec{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  such that

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & x_1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & x_2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & x_3 \\ 5 & 2 & -1 & x_4 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

(a) [5 marks] Explain why  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

(b) [5 marks] Find a basis for  $S$  and its dimension.



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5. Solve the system of differential equations

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = -x + 4y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = 8x - 5y \end{cases}$$

for  $x$  and  $y$  as functions of  $t$ , given that  $(x, y) = (6, 12)$  when  $t = 0$ .



6. Find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $D = P^T AP$ , if  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .



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7. Let  $S = \text{span} \left\{ [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0]^T, [0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 0]^T, [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ -2]^T \right\}$ .

(a) [3 marks] Find a basis for  $S^\perp$ , the orthogonal complement of  $S$ .

(b) [4 marks] Find the standard matrix of the linear transformation  $\text{perp}_S : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ .

(c) [3 marks] What is the standard matrix of  $\text{proj}_S : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ ? (You can make use of part (b).)



8. Prove the following:

(a) [5 marks] if  $A$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , then  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ .

(b) [5 marks] if  $A$  is a  $7 \times 5$  matrix with rank 4, then the matrix  $A^T A$  is not invertible.



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9. Use the method of least squares to find the best fitting quadratic function  $f(x) = a + bx + cx^2$  for the five data points  $(x, y) = (-2, 3), (-1, 2), (0, 0), (1, 2)$  and  $(2, 8)$ .



10. Find all linear transformations  $L : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  such that the range of  $L$  is  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  and the null space (or kernel) of  $L$  is  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .



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