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## 1. Question:

Determine which of the following statements are **true** or **false**. Put a cross on the corresponding check box. Note that each correct answer is 1 point, each wrong answer is -1 point, and each unanswered one is 0 point. The total minimum number of points for this question is zero. 17 points

true    false

- ☐ ☒ Function  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as  $f(x) = \|x\|$  is a linear function.
- ☒ ☐ If the angle between two  $n$ -vectors  $a$  and  $b$  is  $\pi/6$ , then they are linearly independent.
- ☐ ☒ If we apply Gram-Schmidt algorithm to  $k$  vectors and it terminates sooner than  $k$  iterations, then those vectors are linearly independent.
- ☒ ☐ The transpose of an upper triangular matrix is a lower triangular matrix.
- ☒ ☐ If  $A = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ , then  $\|A\| = \|(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)\|$ .
- ☐ ☒ Equation  $Ax = b$  does not have any solution for  $x$  if columns of  $A$  are linearly dependent.
- ☒ ☐ Consider square matrices  $A, B$ .  $AB = BA$  if  $A$  and  $B$  are diagonal.
- ☐ ☒ If  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is linear and  $g : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is affine, then  $f(g(\cdot)) : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is linear.
- ☒ ☐ If matrix  $A$  is orthogonal, then  $\|Ax\| = \|x\|$  for any  $x$ .
- ☒ ☐ If  $A$  is a tall matrix, then it is not right-invertible.
- ☐ ☒ Consider  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ . If  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ , then map  $f(x) = Ax$  is one-to-one.
- ☐ ☒ If matrix  $A$  is orthogonal, then  $\det(A) = 1$ .
- ☒ ☐ Consider  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ . If  $A$  is right-invertible, then map  $f(x) = Ax$  is onto.
- ☒ ☐ If  $\det(A) = 0$ , then at least one of the eigenvalues of  $A$  is zero.
- ☒ ☐ The characteristic polynomial of a matrix  $A$  is  $(\lambda + 3)(\lambda + 2)(\lambda + 1)$ . Then  $A$  is diagonalizable.
- ☐ ☐ Square matrices  $A$  and  $Q^T A Q$  have the same eigenvalues, where  $Q$  is a nonsingular matrix.
- ☐ ☒ Given any  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $A^T A$  is always real symmetric.

**Problem 2** *worth 10 points*

i) Find the QR factorization of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

ii) Given

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -4 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

compute  $R^{-1}$ . (*Hint: one knows that  $A^{-1} = R^{-1}Q^T$* ).*Solution:* First we apply Gram-Schmidt to  $A$ :

$$\tilde{q}_1 = a_1$$

$$\tilde{q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$q_1 = \frac{\tilde{q}_1}{\|\tilde{q}_1\|}$$

$$\|\tilde{q}_1\| = \sqrt{0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 0}$$

$$\|\tilde{q}_1\| = 1$$

$$q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{q}_2 = a_2 - (q_1^T a_2)q_1$$

$$\tilde{q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - (0)$$

$$q_2 = \frac{\tilde{q}_2}{\|\tilde{q}_2\|}$$

$$\|\tilde{q}_2\| = \sqrt{-3 \cdot -3 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0}$$

$$\|\tilde{q}_2\| = 3$$

$$q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\tilde{q}_3 = a_3 - (q_1^T a_3)q_1 - (q_2^T a_3)q_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{q}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \left( \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
\tilde{q}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - (4) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - (-2) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
\tilde{q}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
\tilde{q}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
q_3 &= \frac{\tilde{q}_3}{\|\tilde{q}_3\|} \\
\|\tilde{q}_3\| &= \sqrt{0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1} \\
\|\tilde{q}_3\| &= 1 \\
q_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
\\
Q &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

So now we have  $Q$  since the columns of  $Q$  are the orthogonalized columns of  $A$ . Since we know  $Q$  and  $R$  are invertible we can solve for  $R^{-1}$  from  $A = QR$

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= QR \\
AQ^{-1} &= R \\
A^{-1}Q &= R^{-1} \\
\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -4 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= R^{-1} \\
\begin{bmatrix} 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 + -4 \cdot 0 & 0 \cdot -1 + 1 \cdot 0 + -4 \cdot 0 & 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 0 + -4 \cdot 1 \\ -\frac{1}{3} \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 1 + \frac{2}{3} \cdot 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \cdot -1 + 0 \cdot 0 + \frac{2}{3} \cdot 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + \frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 \\ 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0 & 0 \cdot -1 + 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 0 & 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 \end{bmatrix} &= R^{-1} \\
\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= R^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 3** *worth 5 points*

A real symmetric matrix  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  (i.e.  $B^T = B$ ) is said to be positive definite if all of its eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are positive. (Recall that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $B$  if and only if there exists a nonzero vector  $t$  such that  $Bt = \lambda t$ ). Show that  $B^{-1}$  is also positive definite. That is, you need to show that all the eigenvalues of  $B^{-1}$  are also positive. (Hint: consider equation  $Bt_i = \lambda_i t_i$  for all  $i \in 1, \dots, n$ . What happens when we multiply  $B^{-1}$  from left to both sides of this equality?)

*Solution:* If  $B$  is positive definite and invertible then we know that all of the eigenvalues of  $B$  are greater than 0. Since it is invertible we also know  $B^{-1}B = I$  which leads to

$$I = B(B^{-1})^T$$

$$I = BB^{-1}$$

Since this is the case then it follows that all the eigenvalues of  $B^{-1}$  are of the form  $\frac{1}{\lambda_i}$  where  $\lambda_i$  is an eigenvalue of  $B$ . Since all of  $B$ 's eigenvalues are positive, inverting them will retain their positive value, meaning all the eigenvalues of  $B^{-1}$  are positive, which means  $B^{-1}$  is positive definite.

**Problem 4** *worth 5 points*

Show that  $A = AA^\dagger A$  and  $A^\dagger = A^\dagger AA^\dagger$  where  $A^\dagger = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$

*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= AA^\dagger A \\
 A &= A((A^T A)^{-1} A^T)A \\
 A &= A(A^T A)^{-1} (A^T A)^1 \\
 A &= A(A^T A)^{-1+1} \\
 A &= A(A^T A)^0 \\
 A &= A(1) \\
 A &= A
 \end{aligned}$$

So we can now see that  $A^\dagger A = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^\dagger &= A^\dagger AA^\dagger \\
 A^\dagger &= (1)A^\dagger \\
 A^\dagger &= A^\dagger
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 5** *worth 5 points*

Show that matrix

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

is orthogonal and then find

$$RR^T R \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

*Solution:* To prove a matrix is orthogonal we multiply the matrix by its transpose, if we get the identity matrix, we have an orthogonal matrix

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} & R^T &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \\ RR^T &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta & \cos \theta \sin \theta - \cos \theta \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \theta - \cos \theta \sin \theta & \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

From Calculus we know  $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$ . So

$$RR^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

which proves  $R$  is orthogonal. Next we will solve for the equation:

$$\begin{aligned} RR^T R \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} &= IR \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cos \theta & -4 \sin \theta \\ 3 \sin \theta & 4 \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 6** *worth 10 points*

Suppose  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent columns and  $QR$  factorization  $A = QR$ , and  $b$  is an  $m$ -vector. The vector  $A\hat{x}$  is the linear combination of the columns of  $A$  that is closest to the vector  $b$ , i.e., it is the projection of  $b$  onto the set of linear combinations of the columns of  $A$ . Show that  $\|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 = \|b\|^2 - \|Q^T b\|^2$  (This is the square of the distance between  $b$  and the closest linear combination of the columns of  $A$ ) (Hint: vector  $\hat{x}$  is the least squares approximate solution of  $Ax = b$ .)

*Solution:* We know that  $A\hat{x} = QQ^T b$  (proven in [Homework 10](#)), so we can start with expanding the left hand side. We also know that  $\|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 = \|A\hat{x}\|^2 + \|b\|^2 - 2A\hat{x}^T b$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 &= \|A\hat{x}\|^2 + \|b\|^2 - 2A\hat{x}^T b \\ \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 &= \|A\hat{x}\|^2 + \|b\|^2 - 2\|A\hat{x}\|\|b\|\cos\theta \\ \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 &= \|A\hat{x}\|^2 + \|b\|^2 - 2\|A\hat{x}\|\|b\|(0)\end{aligned}$$

We know that the angle between the  $m$ -vector  $A\hat{x}$  and the  $m$ -vector  $b$  is perpendicular to any linear combination of the vectors in the space of  $A$  (given by the Orthogonality Principle, textbook [Equation 12.9](#)) so the dot product will be zero. Next, we see we're left with  $\|A\hat{x}\|^2 + \|b\|^2$  but we know the right hand side of the equation is going to be equal to 0 because the solution to the least squares problem is to minimize that equation.

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= \|A\hat{x}\|^2 + \|b\|^2 \\ 0 &= \|QQ^T b\|^2 + \|b\|^2\end{aligned}$$

The only way this solution will work is if  $Q$  is the **-1** diagonal matrix. If this were the case then  $QQ^T = I$  and  $Q^T b = -b$ , but since we're taking the square of the norm it won't matter. We can pull out the first  $Q$  as a negative sign so we're left with

$$\begin{aligned}\|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 &= \|QQ^T b\|^2 + \|b\|^2 \\ \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 &= \mathbf{-1}\|Q^T b\|^2 + \|b\|^2 \\ \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 &= \|b\|^2 - \|Q^T b\|^2 \\ \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 &= \|b\|^2 - \|b\|^2 \\ 0 &= 0\end{aligned}$$