

## Problem Set 9: Due Wednesday, February 28

**Problem 1:** Define  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by letting  $T(\vec{v})$  be the result of first projecting  $\vec{v}$  onto the line  $y = 3x$ , and then projecting the result onto the line  $y = 4x$ . Explain why  $T$  is a linear transformation, and then calculate  $[T]$ .

**Problem 2:** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{5} \\ \frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

- a. Show that  $A \cdot A = A$  by simply computing it.
- b. Find an example of  $\vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $A = [P_{\vec{w}}]$ .
- c. By interpreting the action of  $A$  geometrically, explain why you should expect that  $A \cdot A = A$ .

**Problem 3:** Define  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by letting  $T(\vec{v})$  be the point on the line  $y = x + 1$  that is closest to  $\vec{v}$ . Is  $T$  a linear transformation? Explain.

**Problem 4:** Let  $\vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  be nonzero, and let  $W = \text{Span}(\vec{w})$ . Define  $F_{\vec{w}}: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by letting  $F_{\vec{w}}(\vec{v})$  be the result of reflecting  $\vec{v}$  across the line  $W$ . Show that  $F_{\vec{w}}$  is a linear transformation and determine the standard matrix  $[F_{\vec{w}}]$ .

*Hint:* Make use of projections. How can you determine  $F_{\vec{w}}(\vec{v})$  using  $\vec{v}$  and  $P_{\vec{w}}(\vec{v})$ ?

**Problem 5:** Define  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by letting  $T(\vec{v})$  be the result of first reflecting  $\vec{v}$  across the  $x$ -axis, and then reflecting the result across the  $y$ -axis.

- a. Compute  $[T]$ .
- b. The action of  $T$  is the same as a certain rotation. Explain which rotation it is.

**Problem 6:** Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation, and let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . We know from Proposition 2.4.8 that  $r \cdot T$  is a linear transformation. Show that if

$$[T] = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix},$$

then

$$[r \cdot T] = \begin{pmatrix} ra & rb \\ rc & rd \end{pmatrix}.$$

In other words, if we define the multiplication of a matrix by a scalar as in Definition 3.1.14, then the standard matrix of  $r \cdot T$  is obtained by multiplying every element of  $[T]$  by  $r$ .