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You are required to show your work on each problem on this exam. The following rules apply:

- **Show your work**, in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.
- **Follow the instructions closely**. For example, if you are asked to justify your answers, then do so in a brief and coherent way.
- **Points will be taken off for incorrect statements, even if correct ones are present**. Be careful about what you include in your answers. If they contain both the correct answers and incorrect or nonsense statements, points will be taken off.
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1. (20 points) **Linear transformations:** show your work. Consider the space of  $2 \times 2$  matrices

$$\text{Mat}_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} : a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

(Your book calls this  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ .)

- (a) (5 points) Let  $T: \text{Mat}_2 \rightarrow \text{Mat}_2$  be a map. Write the properties which  $T$  must satisfy to be *linear*.

**Answer:**  $T$  must satisfy that for any matrices  $A, B \in \text{Mat}_2$ , that  $T(A+B) = T(A)+T(B)$ , and that for any scalar  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  that  $T(kA) = kT(A)$ .

- (b) (5 points) Define the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $\text{Mat}_2$  by

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad (1)$$

Write the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

in the  $\mathcal{B}$  basis, i.e. find  $(A)_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

**Answer:** Note that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus,

$$(A)_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) (10 points) Now assume that  $T$  is defined by

$$T(M) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} M,$$

and let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the same basis as in the previous part, i.e. the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  in equation (1). Write the transformation  $T$  in the basis  $\mathcal{B}$ ; that is, find a matrix  $A$  so that

$$A(M)_{\mathcal{B}} = (T(M))_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

**Answer:** Recall that

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \left. \begin{array}{c} | \\ (T(f_1))_{\mathcal{B}} \\ | \end{array} \right. & \left. \begin{array}{c} | \\ (T(f_2))_{\mathcal{B}} \\ | \end{array} \right. & \left. \begin{array}{c} | \\ (T(f_3))_{\mathcal{B}} \\ | \end{array} \right. & \left. \begin{array}{c} | \\ (T(f_4))_{\mathcal{B}} \\ | \end{array} \right. \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $f_1, \dots, f_4$  are the four basis elements in  $\mathcal{B}$  in the order they appear above. We check that

$$(T(f_1))_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} f_1 \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(T(f_2))_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} f_2 \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(T(f_3))_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} f_3 \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(T(f_4))_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} f_4 \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus  $A$  is given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. (20 points) **Gram-Schmidt and QR factorization**

(a) (10 points) Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to the vectors

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix},$$

to obtain orthonormal vectors  $\vec{u}_1$  and  $\vec{u}_2$ .**Answer:**

$$\|\vec{v}_1\|^2 = 2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2 = 49 = 7^2,$$

so

$$\vec{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}_1\|} \vec{v}_1 = \frac{1}{7} \vec{v}_1 = (1/7) \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/7 \\ 3/7 \\ 0 \\ 6/7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then  $\vec{v}_2^\perp = \vec{v}_2 - (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{u}_1) \vec{u}_1$ , but

$$\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{u}_1 = (1/7) \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{7}(8 + 12 + 78) = 14,$$

so

$$\vec{v}_2^\perp = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} - 14 \begin{pmatrix} 2/7 \\ 3/7 \\ 0 \\ 6/7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally, since  $\|\vec{v}_2^\perp\| = \sqrt{(4 + 4 + 1)} = 3$ , we have

$$\vec{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

This gives  $\vec{u}_1$  and  $\vec{u}_2$ .

Consider the matrix factorization

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 9 \\ 1 & -5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & -1/10 \\ 1/2 & 7/10 \\ 1/2 & -7/10 \\ 1/2 & 1/10 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

Assuming this is the  $QR$  factorization (it is!) do the following

(b) (3 points) Without doing computations, find an orthonormal basis of

$$V = \text{span} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 9 \\ -5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

**Answer:** The columns of  $Q$  (the left matrix on the right hand side) form an orthonormal basis for  $V$ , thus

$$\vec{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and } \vec{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1/10 \\ 7/10 \\ -7/10 \\ 1/10 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) (7 points) Find the orthogonal projection of  $100\vec{e}_1$  onto the subspace  $V$  defined in part b). (Write out *all* of the components; do not merely express as a linear combination of other vectors.)

**Answer:** There are several ways to proceed. We do so by recalling that the orthogonal projection onto  $V$  of a vector  $\vec{v}$  is given by

$$\text{Proj}_V(\vec{v}) = (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}_1)\vec{u}_1 + (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}_2)\vec{u}_2,$$

where  $\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2$  are the orthonormal basis from the previous part. Computing gives

$$\text{Proj}_V \left( 100 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 25 \\ 25 \\ 25 \\ 25 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ -7 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 26 \\ 18 \\ 32 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix}.$$

3. (20 points) **Orthogonality, Least squares**

(a) (3 points) Complete the definition: an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is orthogonal if...

**Answer 1:** The columns form an orthonormal set.

**Answer 2:**  $A^T A = I_m$ .

**Answer 3:**  $\|A\vec{v}\| = \|\vec{v}\|$  for all  $\vec{v}$ . (Any of these answers is fine.)

(b) (3 points) Show that the rotation matrix,  $M = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ , is orthogonal.

**Answer:**

$$M^T M = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix} = I_2$$

(c) (4 points) Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are two  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrices. Is the product  $AB$  also orthogonal? Justify your answer.

**Answer:** Yes.

$$(AB)^T(AB) = B^T A^T AB = B^T (A^T A) B = B^T I_n B = B^T B = I_n.$$

(d) (10 points) Find the least squares solution  $\vec{x}^*$  of the system

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \text{ where } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Answer:** Recall that

$$\vec{x}^* = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \vec{b}.$$

Here

$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus

$$(A^T A)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix},$$

and so

$$\vec{x}^* = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

4. (20 points) **Inner products, determinants:**

- (a) (6 points) Consider the inner product on the space  $C(-1, 1)$  of continuous functions on the interval  $[-1, 1]$ ,

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t)dt.$$

Consider the subspace  $Poly_1 = \text{span}\{1, t\}$  of first order (linear) polynomials, i.e. functions for the form  $a + bt$  for real scalars  $a, b$ . Find an orthonormal basis for  $Poly_1$ .

**Answer:** We perform Gram-Schmidt to the basis  $f_1 = 1, f_2(t) = t$ . Note that

$$\|f_1\|^2 = \langle f_1, f_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f_1^2 dt = 2,$$

so we set

$$g_1 = \frac{1}{\|f_1\|} f_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

Then note that  $\langle f_2, f_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 t dt = 0$ , so  $f_2$  and  $f_1$  are already orthogonal. Thus, we must only normalize  $f_2$ , i.e. define  $g_2 = \frac{1}{\|f_2\|} f_2$ . Computing

$$\|f_2\|^2 = \int_{-1}^1 t^2 dt = 2/3,$$

so

$$g_2 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}t,$$

and

$g_1, g_2$  form an orthonormal basis of  $Poly_1$ .

(b) (6 points) Let  $Poly_2$  denote the space of second order polynomials

$$Poly_2 = \{ax^2 + bx + c : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Consider the linear map  $T: Poly_2 \rightarrow Poly_2$  defined for a polynomial  $f(x)$  by

$$T(f) = f'' + 2f$$

where  $f''$  denotes the second derivative. Calculate  $\det(T)$ . Based on this, what can you say about  $\ker(T)$ .

**Answer:** Pick the standard basis  $\{f_1 = 1, f_2 = x, f_3 = x^2\}$ . Then the transformation has  $T(f_1) = 2 = 2f_2$ ,  $T(f_2) = 2x = 2f_2$ , and  $T(f_3) = 2 + 2x^2 = 2f_1 + 2f_3$ . Thus the matrix expressing  $T$  in this basis is

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $\det(T) = \det(A) = 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$ . Thus the map  $T$  is invertible and thus its kernel is trivial, i.e.

$$\ker(T) = \{0\}.$$

- (c) (4 points) Find the determinant of the following matrix and say whether or not it is invertible.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Answer:** Expanding along the bottom row gives that the determinant is

$$3 \times \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \times 4 \times 5 = 60.$$

Thus the matrix is indeed invertible.

- (d) (4 points) Suppose that  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$ , and that  $\text{Trace}(A) = 0$ , while  $\det(A) = -4$ . Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ . (The trace  $\text{Trace}(A)$  is the sum of the diagonal entries of  $A$ , but you may use any facts you know about it and the determinant.)

**Answer:** If the eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  then  $\text{Trace}(A) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$ . Since this is zero,  $\lambda_1 = -\lambda_2$ . On the other hand  $\det(A) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$ , so since this is  $-4$  we have

$$-\lambda_1^2 = 4,$$

which means  $\lambda_1 = 2$ , so  $\lambda_2 = -2$ .

5. (20 points) **Eigenvalues and eigenvectors:**

(a) (6 points) Complete the three equivalent definitions of diagonalizability. An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable if

- there is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  consisting of... **ans:** eigenvectors of  $A$ .
- $A$  is similar to a diagonal matrix, meaning... **ans:** there exists an invertible matrix  $S$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = SDS^{-1}$ .
- All of the eigenvalues of  $A$  are real and for each one the algebraic multiplicity is ... **ans:** equal to the geometric multiplicity

(b) (2 points) Show that  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is NOT diagonalizable. (You may just draw a picture)

**Answer:** The eigenvalues are solutions to

$$\det\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \lambda I_2\right) = \lambda^2 + 1 = 0,$$

and are therefore not real numbers.'

(c) (12 points) Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For each eigenvalue, what are the algebraic and geometric multiplicities. Is the matrix diagonalizable?

**Answer:** First we compute the eigenvalues

$$0 = \det(M - \lambda I_3) = \det \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 - \lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = -\lambda(\lambda - 2)^2.$$

So the eigenvalues are  $\lambda = \{0, 2\}$ , with

$$\text{alg mult}(0) = 1, \text{alg mult}(2) = 2.$$

To find the eigenspaces, we start with  $\lambda = 0$  and compute

$$\ker(M - 0I_3) = \ker(M) = \ker(\text{Rref}(M)) = \ker \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus the 0-th eigenspace is

$$\ker(M - 0I_3) = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Next we do  $\lambda = 2$ .

$$\ker(M - 2I_3) = \ker \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \ker \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where in the last step we row reduced. Thus the  $\lambda = 2$  eigenspace is

$$\ker(M - 2I_3) = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The  $\lambda = 2$  eigenspace is 2-dimensional, so

$$\text{geom mult}(0) = 1 = \text{alg mult}(0), \text{ while geom mult}(2) = 1 < \text{alg mult}(2).$$

Thus  $M$  is NOT diagonalizable.