

1. (12pts) Give a basis for the row space of A and state the dimension of $\text{Null } A$.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & -4 \\ 7 & 19 & 9 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{(-2) \\ (-7)}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & -4 \\ 2 & 5 & -3 & 0 \\ 7 & 19 & 9 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & -4 \\ 0 & -1 & -13 & 8 \\ 0 & -2 & -26 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(-2)}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 13 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{these rows are lin. indep.} \\ \text{so are a basis for Row } A \end{array}$$

$$\dim \text{Null } A = \text{nullity } A = 4 - \text{rank } A = 4 - 2 = 2$$

2. (8pts) One of the vectors is an eigenvector for the matrix A below. Determine which one, and the eigenvalue it corresponds to.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -6 & 6 \\ 1 & 9 & -6 \\ -2 & 16 & -13 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{vectors: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad A\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -4 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} = -4\vec{v}_2$$

\vec{v}_2 is an eigenvector with eigenvalue -4

3. (14pts) Let W be the subspace of \mathbf{R}^4 spanned by the set given below. Find a basis for W^\perp .

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \xrightarrow{(-1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(-1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x_1 = x_4 \\ x_2 = -x_4 \\ x_3 = x_4 \\ x_4 \text{ free} \end{array}$$

$$\vec{x} = x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is basis for } W^\perp$$

4. (16pts) The matrix A is given below.

a) Find the eigenvalues for the matrix.

b) For each eigenvalue, find the basis of the corresponding eigenspace.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -8 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-t^2(t+2) = 0$$

$$t = 0, -2$$

$$\det(A-tI) = \begin{vmatrix} -6-t & -8 & 0 \\ 3 & 4-t & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -t \end{vmatrix} = -t((-6-t)(4-t) + 24)$$

↑ expand by 3rd column

$$= -t((t+6)(t-4) + 24) = -t(t^2 + 2t - 24 + 24)$$

$$= -t^2(t+2)$$

$$A - 0I = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -8 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -6 & -8 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \div 3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_1 = 0$
 $x_2 = 0$
 x_3 free

$$\vec{x} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

basis: \vec{e}_3

$$A + 2I = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -8 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \div (-4)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 - 2R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_1 = 4x_3$
 $x_2 = 2x_3$

$$\vec{x} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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basis for
eigenspace $\lambda = -2$

5. (12pts) a) Verify that the vectors at left are an orthonormal set.

b) The vector at right is in the subspace spanned by the vectors. Write it as a linear combination of the vectors from the orthonormal set. (Avoid solving a system: use the fact the set is orthonormal.)

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

\vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2 \vec{v}_3

$$\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 0 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + 0 = 0$$

$$\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3 = 0 + 0 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 0$$

$$\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_1 = \frac{1}{3} + 0 - \frac{1}{3} + 0 = 0$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Because vectors are orthonormal,

coefficients are

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{v}_1 = \frac{7}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{15}{\sqrt{3}} = 5\sqrt{3}$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 7 \cdot \frac{0}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{v}_3 = \frac{7}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$|\vec{v}_1| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + 0} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

$$|\vec{v}_2| = \sqrt{0 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

$$|\vec{v}_3| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + 0 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

$$\vec{x} = 5\sqrt{3}\vec{v}_1 + \sqrt{3}\vec{v}_2 + 2\sqrt{3}\vec{v}_3$$

6. (10pts) A 3×3 matrix A has eigenvalues 1, and -3, and the dimension of the eigenspace corresponding to eigenvalue 1 is 2.

a) Determine the characteristic polynomial of A and justify.

b) Use the characteristic polynomial to evaluate $\det(A - 5I)$.

a) char. poly is $(t-1)^a(t+3)^b(\dots)$

$$a \geq 2 \quad b \geq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad a+b \leq 3$$

The only possibility is $a=2$ and $b=1$, and no other factors, since degree is 3

$$\det(A-tI) = -(t-1)^2(t+3)$$

b) $\det(A-5I) = -(5-1)^2(5+3) = -16 \cdot 8 = -128$

7. (10pts) Show: the vectors $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ and $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$ are orthogonal if and only if $|\mathbf{u}| = |\mathbf{v}|$. (Do not use coordinates. I beseech you.)

$$(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

$$|\mathbf{u}|^2 - |\mathbf{v}|^2 = 0$$

$$|\mathbf{u}|^2 = |\mathbf{v}|^2$$

$$|\mathbf{u}| = |\mathbf{v}|$$

All steps are reversible

$$\text{so } (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow |\mathbf{u}| = |\mathbf{v}|$$

8. (18pts) Are the following statements true or false? Justify your answer by giving a logical argument or a counterexample.

a) If 0 is an eigenvalue of A , then A is not invertible.

b) If the characteristic polynomial of a 2×2 matrix A is $(t-3)^2$, then $A = 3I$.

c) If A is 2×2 matrix, then $(Ax) \cdot (Ay) = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}$ for every \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} in \mathbb{R}^2 .

a) True, If 0 is an eigenvalue, then $A\vec{x} = 0\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ for some nonzero \vec{x} .
But then A is not invertible.

b) False. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ $\det(A-tI) = \begin{vmatrix} 3-t & 1 \\ 0 & 3-t \end{vmatrix} = (3-t)^2 = (t-3)^2$
but $A \neq 3I$

c) False. Let $A = 2I$. $(2I\vec{x}) \cdot (2I\vec{y}) = (2\vec{x}) \cdot (2\vec{y}) = 4\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} \neq \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}$

Bonus. (10pts) An $n \times n$ matrix A is called orthogonal if $A^T A = I_n$. Prove the following statements.

a) A 2×2 rotation matrix is orthogonal.

b) The columns of A are an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

c) Multiplying by A preserves the norm of a vector, that is, $|A\mathbf{x}| = |\mathbf{x}|$.

(Hint: show $|A\mathbf{x}|^2 = |\mathbf{x}|^2$.)

a) $\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

b) The ij -th element of $A^T A$ is $(i\text{-th column of } A) \cdot (j\text{-th column of } A) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$
This means that columns are orthogonal and have norm 1
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since $A^T A = I$

c) $|A\vec{x}|^2 = (A\vec{x}) \cdot (A\vec{x}) = \vec{x} \cdot \underbrace{A^T A}_{=I} \vec{x} = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{x} = |\vec{x}|^2$
 $I\vec{x} = \vec{x}$