

Linear Algebra II

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You are **NOT** allowed to use any type of calculators.

1 (8 + 7 = 15 pts)

Gram-Schmidt process

Consider the vector space \mathbb{R}^4 with the inner product

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T y.$$

Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ be the subspace given by

$$S = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

- (a) Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to obtain an orthonormal basis for S .
- (b) Find the closest element in the subspace S to the vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

where a and b are real numbers.

2 (15 pts)

Cayley-Hamilton theorem

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where a is an arbitrary positive real constant. By using the Cayley-Hamilton theorem, show that for all $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ we have

$$A^{2n} = (-1)^n a^{2n} I$$

and

$$A^{2n+1} = (-1)^n a^{2n} A.$$

3 (3 + 8 + 4 = 15 pts)

Singular value decomposition

Consider the matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find the singular values of M .
- (b) Find a singular value decomposition for M .
- (c) Find the best rank 1 approximation of M .

4 (5 + 5 + 5 = 15 pts)

Unitary matrices and diagonalization

A square complex matrix is called normal if $A^H A = A A^H$.

- (a) Let A be a square complex matrix. Assume that there exists a unitary matrix U such that $U^H A U$ is a diagonal matrix. Prove that A is normal.
- (b) Let T be an upper triangular matrix such that $A = U T U^H$. Prove that if A is normal, then also T is normal.
- (c) Prove that if A is normal, then there exists a unitary matrix U such that $U^H A U$ is a diagonal matrix.

5 (3 + 2 + 3 + 3 + 4 = 15 pts)

Symmetric matrices and eigenvalues

- (a) Let A be a symmetric $n \times n$ matrix. Let λ be an eigenvalue of A . Show that the algebraic multiplicity of λ is equal to its geometric multiplicity.

Now consider the $n \times n$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$ with all entries a_{ij} equal to 1.

- (b) Determine the rank of A .
- (c) Determine the dimension of $\ker(A)$.
- (d) Show that 0 is an eigenvalue of A and determine its algebraic multiplicity.
- (e) Determine all eigenvalues of A .

6 (3 + 6 + 6 = 15 pts)

Jordan canonical form

Consider the matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where a and b are arbitrary real constants.

- (a) Find all eigenvalues of M together with their algebraic multiplicities.
- (b) For each eigenvalue, determine for each choice of a and b its geometric multiplicity.
- (c) Determine for each choice of a and b the Jordan canonical form of M .

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