

Department of Mathematics & Statistics

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Math	252/4	All
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<b>Special Instructions:</b> ▷ Only approved calculators are allowed.		

Answer ten questions. All questions have equal value.

- Calculate the orthogonal projection of the vector  $(1, 1, 2)$  on the subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by the vectors  $(2, 0, 1)$  and  $(1, 2, 0)$ , and find the distance from the point  $(1, 1, 2)$  to the plane  $W$ .
- Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ , the inner product space with the standard inner product. By means of the Gram-Schmidt process, find an orthogonal basis of  $V$  by using the basis  $\{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$  as the starting basis.

3. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Let  $T = L_A$ ; that is

$T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  is the linear operator given by  $T(X) = AX$ .

- a) Find a basis  $\beta$  of the  $T$ -cyclic subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  generated by the vector

$v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and find  $[T_W]_\beta$ , where  $T_W : W \rightarrow W$  is the restriction of  $T$  to  $W$ .

- b) Find the characteristic polynomial of  $T_W$  and determine if  $T_W$  is diagonalizable.

4. Find the general solution to the following system of linear differential equations.

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= x - z \\ y' &= 2x + 4y \\ z' &= 3z \end{aligned}$$

5. Use the least squares approximation to find the best fit with a linear function to the following data:  $\{(0, 2), (1, 1), (2, 3), (3, 4)\}$ . Compute the error of the best fit.

6. Let  $S = \{(1, 0, i), (1, 2, 1)\}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^3$ . Compute  $S^\perp$ .

7. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $-(t - 2)^2(t + 4)$ .

Find an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ = D$  (that is  $Q^tAQ = D$ ). Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

8. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Show that  $A$  is a normal matrix. Find a unitary matrix  $U$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $U^{-1}AU = D$  (that is  $U^*AU = D$ ). Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

9. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -3 & -1 & -2 \\ 7 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ . The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $-(t - 2)^2(t - 1)$ .

Find an invertible matrix  $Q$  and a Jordan matrix  $J$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ = J$ . Find bases  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  for the generalized eigenspaces  $K_{\lambda_1}$  and  $K_{\lambda_2}$  of  $A$ , respectively, such that  $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2$  is a Jordan basis for  $A$ .

10. If  $V = M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $T : V \rightarrow V$  is defined by  $T(A) = 2A + A^t$ , for all  $A \in V$ . Find a Jordan canonical form  $J$  of  $T$ .

11. Let  $V$  be an inner product vector space, and let  $y, z \in V$ . Define  $T : V \rightarrow V$  by  $T(x) = \langle x, y \rangle z$ , for all  $x \in V$ . First prove that  $T$  is linear, then show that  $T^*$  exists and find an explicit expression for it.

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- ▷ No calculators are allowed.
- ▷ Answer 10 questions. All questions have equal value.
- ▷ Justify all your answers.

MARKS

1. Let  $V = P_2(\mathbb{R})$ , the vector space of real polynomials of degree less than or equal to 2. Define on  $V$  an inner product by  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g(x)dx$ . Find an orthogonal basis of  $V$  using  $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$  as the starting basis.
2. Consider the inner product space  $\mathbb{R}^4$  with standard inner product. Find a basis for the solution space  $S$  of the system:
$$x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 - 4x_4 = 0$$
$$x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 + 3x_4 = 0,$$
and find a basis for  $S^\perp$ .
3. Let  $T$  be a linear operator on an inner product space  $V$  such that  $\langle Tu, v \rangle = -\langle u, Tv \rangle$  for all  $u, v \in V$ . Show if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$ , then  $\lambda + \lambda = 0$ .
4. Let  $u$  be a unit vector in an  $n$ -dimensional inner product vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Extend  $u$  to an orthonormal basis  $\beta = \{u, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ . Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be defined by  $Tx = x - 2\langle x, u \rangle u$ , for all  $x \in V$ . Find  $T\beta$ , the image of the basis  $\beta$  of  $V$ . Show that  $T$  is an orthogonal operator and show that for any matrix  $A$  representing  $T$ ,  $\det A = -1$ .

5. (a) Let  $T$  be a normal linear operator on a finite-dimensional inner product space  $V$ .

Let  $x \in N(T)$ . Compare  $\|Tx\|$  and  $\|T^*x\|$ . Show that  $N(T) = N(T^*)$ .

- (b) Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix such that  $A^2 = I$  and  $A \neq I$  and  $A \neq -I$ ; is  $A$  diagonalizable? Show that rank of one of  $A + I$  and  $A - I$  is 1 and the rank of the other is 2.

6. Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a complex inner product space  $V$ .

- (a) Prove if  $\langle Tu, v \rangle = 0$  for all  $u, v \in V$ , then  $T = T_0$ , the zero linear transformation

- (b) Let  $\langle Tx, x \rangle = 0$  for all  $x \in V$ . Expand the inner products  $\langle T(x+y), x+y \rangle$  and  $\langle T(x+iy), x+iy \rangle$ . Show that  $T = T_0$ .

7. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (2x - y, 2y - 2z, 2z).$$

Find the basis of each generalized eigenspace of  $T$  and find the Jordan Canonical form  $J$  of  $T$ .

8. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 3 & -2 \\ -7 & 6 & -3 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , its characteristic polynomial is  $-(t-1)(t-2)^2$ .

Find  $J$  the Jordan Canonical form of  $A$  and an invertible matrix  $Q$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ = J$ .

9. Find all possible Jordan Canonical forms for the matrix whose characteristic polynomial is  $c(t) = (t-2)^4(t-3)^3$  and whose minimal polynomial is  $m(t) = (t-2)^2(t-3)$ . Justify for your answer.

10. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Find an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ = D$ .

11. Let  $T(x, y, z, u) = (2x + 2z, 2y + 6u, 2z, 2u)$ . Find the Jordan canonical form  $J$  of  $T$  and a Jordan canonical basis  $\beta$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

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Answer ten questions. All questions have equal value.

1. Calculate the orthogonal projection of the vector  $(1, -1, 1)$  on the subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by the vectors  $(2, 2, 1)$  and  $(1, 0, 1)$ , and find the distance from the point  $(1, -1, 1)$  to the plane  $W$ .
2. By using the Gram-Schmidt process, find an orthogonal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  containing the vector  $(2, 2, 1)$ .
3. Use the least squares approximation to find the best fit with a linear function to the following data:  $\{(-1, 1), (0, 3), (1, 4), (2, 6)\}$ . Compute the error of the best fit.
4. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $t^2(t - 3)$ . Find an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ = D$  (that is  $Q^tAQ = D$ ). Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .
5. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find an invertible matrix  $Q$  and a Jordan matrix  $J$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ = J$ . Find bases  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  for the generalized eigenspaces  $K_{\lambda_1}$  and  $K_{\lambda_2}$  of  $A$ , respectively, such that  $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2$  is a Jordan basis for  $A$ .
6. Find the general solution to the following system of linear differential equations.

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= 2x \\y' &= 2x - 2y \\z' &= y + 3z.\end{aligned}$$

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7. Denote by  $P_4(\mathbb{R})$  the vector space of all polynomials of degree  $\leq 4$  with real coefficients. Let  $T : P_4(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_4(\mathbb{R})$  be the linear operator defined by  $T(f(x)) = f''(x)$  for each  $f(x)$  in  $P_4(\mathbb{R})$ .
- Find a basis  $\beta$  of the  $T$ -cyclic subspace  $W$  of  $P_4(\mathbb{R})$  generated by the vector  $x^4$ , and find  $[T_W]_\beta$ , where  $T_W : W \rightarrow W$  is the restriction of  $T$  to  $W$ .
  - Find the characteristic polynomial of  $T_W$  and determine if  $T_W$  is diagonalizable.
8. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1 \\ 1 & i \end{bmatrix}$ . Show that  $A$  is a normal matrix. Find a unitary matrix  $U$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $U^{-1}AU = D$  (that is  $U^*AU = D$ ). Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .
9. a) Let  $A$  be a square matrix and let  $f(t)$  be its characteristic polynomial. Prove that  $A$  is invertible if and only if  $f(0) \neq 0$ . (Note:  $f(0)$  is the constant term of  $f(t)$ .)
- b) Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix and  $I$  the  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix. Show that the dimension of  $\text{span}(\{I, A, A^2, A^3, \dots\})$  is  $\leq 3$ . (Hint: Apply the Cayley-Hamilton Theorem to the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  and show that we can write  $A^3, A^4, \dots$  in terms of  $I, A$  and  $A^2$ .)
10. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional inner product vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$ , and let  $T$  be a linear operator on  $V$ .
- Give the definitions of a self-adjoint operator on  $V$  and of a unitary operator on  $V$ .
  - Show that if  $T$  is self-adjoint, then the eigenvalues of  $T$  are real.
  - Show that if  $T$  is unitary, then the eigenvalues of  $T$  have absolute value 1.
11. Let  $V$  be a vector space,  $T$  a linear operator on  $V$  and  $\lambda$  an eigenvalue of  $T$ .
- Define the generalized eigenspace  $K_\lambda$  of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ .
  - Prove that  $K_\lambda$  is a subspace of  $V$ .
  - Prove that  $K_\lambda$  is a  $T$ -invariant subspace of  $V$ .

All questions have equal value.

1. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with entries in  $F$ . Suppose that  $A$  has two distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  and that the dimension of the eigenspace  $E_{\lambda_1}$  is  $n - 1$ . Prove that  $A$  is diagonalizable.
2. a) Let  $A$  be a  $4 \times 4$  matrix with characteristic polynomial  $f(t) = t^4 + 2t^2 - 3t + 5$ . Find an expression of  $A^{-1}$  as a polynomial in  $A$ .  
b) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space  $V$ . Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $T$ . Prove that the eigenspace  $E_\lambda$  is a  $T$ -invariant subspace of  $V$ .
3. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space,  $T$  a linear operator on  $V$ , and  $W$  a  $T$ -invariant subspace of  $V$ . Let  $\alpha = \{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$  be a basis of  $W$ . Complete  $\alpha$  to a basis  $\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_r, v_{r+1}, \dots, v_n\}$  of  $V$ . Denote by  $T_W$  the restriction of  $T$  to  $W$ . Let  $B = [T_W]_\alpha$  and  $A = [T]_\beta$ .  
a) Show that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ O & D \end{bmatrix}$ . For some  $r \times (n - r)$  matrix  $C$  and some  $(n - r) \times (n - r)$  matrix  $D$ . (Here  $O$  denotes the  $(n - r) \times r$  zero matrix.)  
b) Use part (a) to show that the characteristic polynomial of  $T_W$  divides the characteristic polynomial of  $T$ . (You can use any properties of determinants.)
4. a) Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by the vectors  $(1, 1, 1, 1)$  and  $(1, 2, 3, 4)$ . Find the orthogonal projection of the vector  $(0, 3, 5, 6)$  on  $W$ .  
b) For the following set of data use the least squares approximation to find the best fit with a linear function, and compute the error:  $\{(1, 0), (2, 3), (3, 5), (4, 6)\}$ .
5. Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  containing the vector  $(2/3, 1/3, 2/3)$ .
6. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $-t^2(t - 6)$ . Find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $P^{-1}AP = D$ . Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .
7. Let  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .  
a) Find the singular values of  $B$ .  
b) Find the singular value decomposition of  $B$ . That is, find the matrices  $U$  (orthogonal),  $V$  (orthogonal) and  $\Sigma$  in the decomposition  $B = U\Sigma V^t$ . (You can use the results from question 6.)

8. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -4 \\ 3 & -1 & -3 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $-(t+1)^2(t-2)$ . Find an invertible matrix  $Q$  and a Jordan matrix  $J$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ = J$ . Find bases  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  for the generalized eigenspaces  $K_{\lambda_1}$  and  $K_{\lambda_2}$  of  $A$ , respectively, such that  $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2$  is a Jordan basis for  $A$ .

Solve ONLY two of the following three questions.

9. Find the general solution to the following system of linear differential equations.

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x - y \\y' &= 2y + z \\z' &= 3z.\end{aligned}$$

10. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & i \\ -i & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a unitary matrix  $U$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $U^{-1}AU = D$ . Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .
11. a) If  $V$  is an inner product space and  $T$  is a linear operator on  $V$ , define the adjoint operator  $T^*$ .
- b) Show that if  $T$  is self-adjoint, then the eigenvalues of  $T$  are real.