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MAT 2342 (Fall 2019)  
 Midterm 2 (Thursday, November 21, 2019)

Time: 80 minutes (no cellphones, notes, books, talking).

**MARKS**

- (5) 1. Find the projection of the vector  $\vec{v} = (1, 1, 1)$  on the column space of the following matrix. (Column space means the space generated by the columns of the matrix)

$$A = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = (1, 2, -1) \cdot (1, -1, -1) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{v_1 \perp v_2} \quad \text{1 mark}$$

$$\text{proj}_A v = \text{proj}_{v_1} v + \text{proj}_{v_2} v = \frac{v \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 + \frac{v \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2$$

$$= \frac{2}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{-1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -1/3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -1/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (4) 2. If  $U$  is the space generated by vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find a basis for  $U^\perp$ .

1 mark

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|cccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_1$   
 $R_2 - R_1$   
 $R_3 + R_1$   
 $R_4$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|cccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

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$$\Rightarrow U^\perp = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

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(5) 3. Find the best linear approximation for the following given set of points

x	-2	-1	0	1	2
y	1	0	1	2	3

$$\alpha x + \beta = y$$

$$-2\alpha + \beta = 1$$

$$-\alpha + \beta = 0$$

$$\beta = 1$$

$$\alpha + \beta = 2$$

$$2\alpha + \beta = 3$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

1 mark

$$A^T A \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = A^T b$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{10} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{6}{10} \\ \frac{7}{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow y = \frac{6}{10}x + \frac{7}{5}$  is the best line approximation.

4. Consider the quadratic form  $Q = 2x_1^2 + 8x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2$ . If  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

- (1) (a) find the symmetric matrix  $A$  s.th  $Q = x^t Ax$ ,  
 (3) (b) diagonalize  $A$ ,  
 (2) (c) and find a suitable change of variables to  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  s.th  $Q = \lambda_1 y_1^2 + \lambda_2 y_2^2$  for  $\lambda_{1,2}$  eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$$a) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 4 \\ 4 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 12 = (\lambda - 6)(\lambda + 2)$$

$$b) \quad (A - 6I) \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 4 \\ 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(A + 2I) \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = P D P^t$$

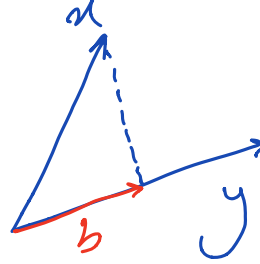
$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = P^t x = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(x_1 + x_2) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(x_1 - x_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

**Bonus**

5. Circle the correct answer. No need to show the work.

(1) (a) Let  $x$  and  $y$  be two vectors and let  $b = Proj_y x \neq 0$ . Then

- i.  $x$  and  $y$  are perpendicular.
- ii.  $x$  and  $b$  are perpendicular.
- iii.  $b$  and  $y$  are perpendicular.
- iv. Non of the above.



(1) (b) Let  $A = [v_1, v_2, v_3]$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix, where the column vectors  $v_1, v_2,$  and  $v_3$  give an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Then

- i.  $A = A^{-1}$
- ii.  $A = A^t$
- iii.  $A^t = A^{-1}$
- iv.  $A = I$

(1) (c) Let  $Q = x^t A x$  be a quadratic form given by a symmetric matrix  $A$ . For which  $A$  the quadratic form is positive definite?

- i.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- ii.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix}$
- iii.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$
- iv.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{5}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

positive definite  $\Leftrightarrow$  all eigenvalues are +.

i:  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = 2, -2$

ii:  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = -\frac{1}{2}, 2$

iii:  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = 1, -3$

iv:  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}, 3$