

1. Let  $A$  be the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 9 & 11 & 13 & 15 \\ 17 & 19 & 21 & 23 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find a basis for the row space, for the column space, and for the null space of  $A$ .

2. (a) Suppose that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for the linear transformation  $T$  and  $\vec{v}$  is a corresponding eigenvector. Let  $f(x) = a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0$ . Show that  $\vec{v}$  is also an eigenvector of  $f(T)$ ; give the corresponding eigenvalue.
- (b) Show that the difference between two solutions of the system  $A\vec{v} = \vec{b}$  is a solution to the corresponding homogeneous system.

3. Let  $V$  be the vector space of polynomials of degree  $\leq 2$  and let  $T$  be differentiation:

$$T(a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0) = 2a_2x + a_1.$$

- (a) Show that

$$\{1, 1 + x, 1 + x + x^2\}$$

is a basis for  $V$ .

- (b) Verify that  $T$  is a linear transformation. Show also that it is nilpotent.
- (c) Find the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the given basis.
- (d) Show that the set of polynomials of degree  $\leq 1$  is a  $T$ -invariant subspace.

4. (a) Find a basis of eigenvectors for the matrix  $A$  below and find a diagonal matrix similar to  $A$ . Display the change of base matrix.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 - i & -i \\ -1 + i & 1 + i \end{pmatrix},$$

- (b) Find a matrix  $B$  such that  $B^2 = A$ . (Hint: First do it for the diagonal matrix; you may leave your final answer as a product of matrices.)
- (c) Find  $A^{20}$ . (N.B.  $2^{20} = 1048576$ , but you may leave your answer as a product of matrices.)

5. Consider the quadratic form  $q(x, y, z) = 3x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 - 2xy - 2yz$ .

(a) Find a symmetric matrix  $A$  so that

$$q(x, y, z) = (x, y, z)A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  so that  $P^tAP$  is in diagonal form; identify the general shape of  $q(x, y, z) = 1$ .

(b) Polarize  $q$  to find the associated inner product on  $\mathcal{R}^3$ .

6. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Find polynomials  $a(t)$  and  $b(t)$  so that  $a(t)(t-1)^2 + b(t)(t+1) = 1$ .

(b) Find the projection matrices  $a(A)(A-I)^2$  and  $b(A)(A+I)$ .

(c) Find a matrix  $P$  so that  $P^{-1}AP$  is in Jordan form.

7. (a) Use Cramer's rule to solve the system

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + (2+i)y &= 7-i \\ (2-i)x + 2y &= -1. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Show that, if  $A$  is a square matrix with two equal rows,  $\det A = 0$ .