

189-247A: Final Examination (1994)

1. Which of the following sequences of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_3$  in the given vector space  $V$  over the given field  $K$  are linearly independent? In they are linearly dependent, give a dependence relation.

- (i)  $V = \mathbb{R}^4$ ,  $K = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $v_1 = (1, -1, 3, 1)$ ,  $v_2 = (-2, 1, -2, -3)$ ,  $v_3 = (1, 0, -1, 2)$ ;
- (ii)  $V = \mathbb{C}^3$ ,  $K = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $v_1 = (1 + i, 2 - i, i)$ ,  $v_2 = (2 - i, i, 1 + i)$ ,  $v_3 = (2 + 3i, 2 + i, 1 - i)$ ;
- (iii)  $V = C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $K = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $v_1 = \sin(x)$ ,  $v_2 = x \cos(x)$ ,  $\sin(2x)$ .

2. (a) Which of the following subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^\infty$  are subspaces?

- (i)  $S = \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \mid x_{n+2} = x_{n+1} + nx_n (n \geq 1)\}$ ;
- (ii)  $S = \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \mid x_{n+1} = (n - 1)x_n^2 (n \geq 1)\}$ ;
- (iii)  $S = \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \mid x_{n+1} = nx_n^2\}$ .

- (b) Find a  $4 \times 4$  matrix whose nullspace is spanned by the vectors

$$(1, 2, 2, 3)^T, (1, -1, 1, -1)^T.$$

3. (a) Explain carefully what is meant by the kernel and image of a linear mapping. Show that the kernel and image of a linear mapping  $T : V \rightarrow W$  are respectively subspaces of  $V$  and  $W$ .  
 (b) Show that the mapping  $S : \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  defined by  $S(X) = X + X^T$  is linear and find bases for its kernel and image.

4. Let  $W$  be the solution space of the homogeneous system

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 4x_4 + x_5 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 + 3x_5 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Show that the vectors

$$(-3, 1, -1, 1, 1), (-4, 1, -3, 2, 3), (-1, 1, -1, -1, 1)$$

are a basis of  $W$ .

- (b) Show that the mapping  $T : W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

is an isomorphism of vector spaces.

5. (a) Find an orthonormal basis for the subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by

$$u_1 = [1, 0, 1, 1]^T, u_2 = [0, 1, 0, 1]^T, u_3 = [1, 1, 0, 1]^T.$$

- (b) Find the orthogonal projection  $w$  of  $v = [1, 1, 1, 1]^T$  on  $W$ . If  $w' \in W$ , what can you say about  $\|v - w'\|_2$ ?
- (c) Find a  $4 \times 3$  matrix  $Q$  such that, for any  $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , the vector  $QQ^T v$  is the orthogonal projection of  $v$  on  $W$ .

6. Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  and let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be the linear mapping defined by

$$T(X) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} X - X \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Show that  $T$  is self-adjoint for the inner product on  $V$  defined by  $\langle X, Y \rangle = \text{tr}(X^T Y)$ , where  $\text{tr}(A)$  is the trace of  $A$ .
- (b) Find the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the usual basis of  $V$ . Why is this matrix necessarily symmetric?
- (c) Find the rank and nullity of  $T$ .

7. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) Find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is a diagonal matrix.
- (b) Find symmetric  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $P_1, P_2$  such that  $P_1^2 = P_1$ ,  $P_2^2 = P_2$ ,  $P_1 P_2 = P_2 P_1 = 0$  and  $A = -P_1 + 5P_2$ .
- (c) Using (b), compute  $A^{-1}$  and  $e^{tA}$  for any real number  $t$ .