

Math 205 Section B (Winter 2011)

Final Exam (60 points)

Name: Solutions

- Check that you have 8 questions on six pages.
- Show all your work to receive full credit for a problem.

1. (7 points) Let $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} p - q + r \\ r - 3q \\ -2p - 4q \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } p, q, r \text{ are real numbers} \right\}$.

(a) Show that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 by finding a spanning set for W .

$$\begin{bmatrix} p - q + r \\ r - 3q \\ -2p - 4q \end{bmatrix} = p \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + q \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

So $W = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ since every vector in W

can be written as a linear combination of these three vectors.

(b) Find two non-zero vectors in W^\perp .

Let $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$ be a vector in W^\perp . Then for it to be in W^\perp , it must be orthogonal to every vector in the spanning set for W found in part (a). Taking the dot product of $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$ with each of the vectors in the spanning set, we get the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} a - 2c &= 0 \\ a + b &= 0 \\ -a - 3b - 4c &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{General soln:}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 2c \\ b &= -2c, \text{ } c \text{ free.} \end{aligned}$$

Choosing c to be 1 and 2, we get two non-zero vectors in W^\perp : $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

2. (12 points) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Find an orthogonal basis for Col A.

$$\text{Col } A = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad [\vec{a}_1 \quad \vec{a}_2 \quad \vec{a}_3] \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pivots in the first two columns of the RREF indicate that $\{\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2\}$ is a lin. independent set and \vec{a}_3 is a linear combination of \vec{a}_1 and \vec{a}_2 .

Also $\vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{a}_2 = -1 + 0 + 1 = 0$. So $\{\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2\}$ is an orthogonal set. Hence $\{\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2\}$ is an orthogonal basis for Col A.

(b) Compute the distance from \vec{y} to Col A.

Distance from \vec{y} to Col A = $\|\vec{y} - \hat{\vec{y}}\|$, $\hat{\vec{y}} = \text{proj}_{\text{Col } A} \vec{y}$

$$\hat{\vec{y}} = \left(\frac{\vec{y} \cdot \vec{a}_1}{\vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{a}_1} \right) \vec{a}_1 + \left(\frac{\vec{y} \cdot \vec{a}_2}{\vec{a}_2 \cdot \vec{a}_2} \right) \vec{a}_2 = \frac{-1}{2} \vec{a}_1 + 0 \cdot \vec{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{y} - \hat{\vec{y}}\| &= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ -3 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{9}{4} + 9 + \frac{9}{4}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{54}}{2} = \frac{3\sqrt{6}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Suppose \vec{v} is a vector in Col A. Can the distance between \vec{y} and \vec{v} be less than 3? Explain.

Distance from \vec{y} to Col A = $\frac{3\sqrt{6}}{2} \approx 3.67$ (as found in part (b)).

By the best approximation thm,

$$\|\vec{y} - \hat{\vec{y}}\| < \|\vec{y} - \vec{v}\| \text{ for any vector } \vec{v} \text{ in Col A which is not } \hat{\vec{y}}.$$

Thus, $3.67 < \|\vec{y} - \vec{v}\|$ if $\vec{v} \neq \hat{\vec{y}}$, $\|\vec{y} - \hat{\vec{y}}\| = 3.67$.

Hence, distance between \vec{y} and \vec{v} cannot be less than 3.

3. (6 points) A 4×4 matrix B has only two eigenvalues, 7 and 0. The dimension of the eigenspace corresponding to 7 is 2 and the dimension of the eigenspace corresponding to 0 is 1.

(a) What is rank of B ? Explain.

Eigenspace corresponding to 0 = $\text{Nul } B$.

So $\dim \text{Nul } B = 1$.

By the rank theorem, $4 = \dim \text{Nul } B + \text{rank } B$.

$$\text{ie } 4 = 1 + \text{rank } B.$$

$$\text{rank } B = 3.$$

(b) Is $B - 7I$ invertible? Explain.

Since 7 is an eigenvalue of B ,

$$\det(B - 7I) = 0.$$

Hence $B - 7I$ is not invertible.

4. (6 points) Let \vec{v} be a unit vector (vector of length one) in \mathbb{R}^8 and let $A = \vec{v}\vec{v}^T$.

(a) Is A orthogonally diagonalizable? Explain.

$$A^T = (\vec{v}\vec{v}^T)^T = (\vec{v}^T)^T \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v}\vec{v}^T = A.$$

So A is a symmetric matrix.

Hence it is orthogonally diagonalizable.

(b) Is \vec{v} an eigenvector of A ? Explain.

$$A\vec{v} = (\vec{v}\vec{v}^T)\vec{v} = \vec{v}(\vec{v}^T\vec{v}) = \vec{v}(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})$$

$$= \vec{v} \quad (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = 1 \text{ since } \vec{v} \text{ is a unit vector.})$$

So $A\vec{v} = 1 \cdot \vec{v}$. Hence \vec{v} is an eigenvector of A .

5. (6 points) Suppose A is a 6×4 matrix such that the equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is not consistent. The solution of the equation $A^T A \vec{x} = A^T \vec{b}$ is given below in parametric vector form.

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find two least-squares solutions of $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

Choosing $x_4 = 0$, $x_4 = 1$, we get the following two least-squares solutions of $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) Are columns of $A^T A$ linearly independent? Explain.

Let $A^T \vec{b} = \vec{d}$. Then the eqn. $A^T A \vec{x} = \vec{d}$ is consistent and has infinitely many solns. Since the soln. set of $A^T A \vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has the same number of vectors as $A^T A \vec{x} = \vec{d}$, the eqn. $A^T A \vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has infinitely many solns. as well. So the columns of $A^T A$ are not linearly independent.

6. (6 points) Let B be a 5×5 orthogonal matrix. Suppose $T: \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^5$ is defined by $T(\vec{x}) = B\vec{x}$.

- (a) Show that $T(\vec{x}) \cdot T(\vec{y}) = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}$ for any two vectors \vec{x} and \vec{y} in \mathbb{R}^5 .

$$\begin{aligned} T(\vec{x}) \cdot T(\vec{y}) &= (B\vec{x}) \cdot (B\vec{y}) = (B\vec{x})^T (B\vec{y}) = (\vec{x}^T B^T) (B\vec{y}) \\ &= \vec{x}^T (B^T B) \vec{y}. \end{aligned}$$

Since B is an orthogonal matrix, $B^{-1} = B^T$. So $B^T B = I_5$.

Hence $T(\vec{x}) \cdot T(\vec{y}) = \vec{x}^T \vec{y} = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}$.

- (b) Is T one-to-one? Explain.

Consider the eqn. $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$ i.e. $B\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

Since B is invertible, $B \sim I_5$. So $[B \ \vec{0}] \sim [I_5 \ \vec{0}]$.

Hence $B\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only one soln. — the trivial soln.

So T is one-to-one.

7. (8 points) Define a linear transformation $T : M_{2 \times 2} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$ by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = a + bt + (c+d)t^2.$$

(a) Find a spanning set for the kernel (or null space) of T .

$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is in the null space of T if

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0. \text{ i.e. } a + bt + (c+d)t^2 = 0.$$

So $a=0$, $b=0$, $c+d=0$ i.e. $c=-d$.

Thus any matrix in the null space of T has the form $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -d & d \end{bmatrix} = d \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

So any matrix in the null space of T is a multiple of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and hence null space $= \text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$.

(b) Is $\vec{p}(t) = t - 11t^2$ in the range of T ? If so, find a matrix A such that $T(A) = \vec{p}(t)$. If not, explain why not.

We will try to find $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ such that

$$T(A) = t - 11t^2.$$

$$T(A) = a + bt + (c+d)t^2.$$

$$\text{So } a + bt + (c+d)t^2 = t - 11t^2.$$

This gives $a=0$, $b=1$, $c+d=-11$. Let $c=-5$, $d=-6$.

Thus, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$ is one matrix such that

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix}\right) = t - 11t^2.$$

Hence $\vec{p}(t) = t - 11t^2$ is in the range of T .

8. (9 points) Let $\bar{p}_1(t) = 1 - 3t + 2t^2 - 4t^3$, $\bar{p}_2(t) = 2 - t + 4t^2$, $\bar{p}_3(t) = -4 - 3t^2 + 7t^3$ and $\bar{p}_4(t) = -1 - 4t + 3t^2 + 3t^3$ be polynomials in \mathbb{P}_3 . Let $H = \text{Span}\{\bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \bar{p}_3, \bar{p}_4\}$.

(a) Find a basis B for H .

Using the isomorphism from $\mathbb{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ given by $a + bt + ct^2 + dt^3 \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$, we can write $\bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \bar{p}_3, \bar{p}_4$ as the

$$\text{vectors } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 & -1 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 3 \\ -4 & 0 & 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, $\{\bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \bar{p}_3\}$ is a lin. ind. set and \bar{p}_4 is a linear combination of $\bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \bar{p}_3$ because of the pivots in the first three columns of the RREF.

Hence $\{\bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \bar{p}_3\}$ is a basis for H . i.e. $B = \{\bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \bar{p}_3\}$ is a basis for H .

(b) Is $H = \mathbb{P}_3$? Explain.

As seen in part (a), $\{\bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \bar{p}_3\}$ is a basis for H .

So $\dim H = 3$. But $\dim \mathbb{P}_3 = 4$.

Hence $H \neq \mathbb{P}_3$.

(c) Let $\bar{p}(t) = -5t - 8t^3$. Is \bar{p} in H ? Explain. If so, write the coordinates of \bar{p} with respect to the basis B you found in part (a).

To decide if \bar{p} is in H , we solve the eqn:

$$c_1 \bar{p}_1 + c_2 \bar{p}_2 + c_3 \bar{p}_3 = \bar{p}$$

We use the isomorphism described in part (a) to form the augmented matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 & -5 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 7 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$ which reduces

to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. So $c_1 = 2, c_2 = -1, c_3 = 0$. Since eqn. is consistent, \bar{p} is in H . $[\bar{p}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.