

Minitest 4, Linear Algebra

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I pledge that I have neither given nor received any unauthorized assistance on this exam.

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DIRECTIONS

1. Show all of your work. A correct answer with insufficient work will lose points.
2. Read each question carefully, and make sure you answer the the question that is asked. If the question asks for an explanation, make sure you give one.
3. Clearly indicate your answer by putting a box around it.
4. Calculators/computers are allowed on the first question of the exam, and no calculator/computer on the other questions. You can come back to the first question on the test if you want to, but once the No Calculator portion is turned in you cannot go back to it.
5. Make sure you sign the pledge.
6. Number of questions = 5. Total Points = 30. Every question is required.

You will need some kind of computing device for this question, either one of the online calculators linked from our blackboard page, or a graphing calculator, or some other such thing (Maple, Matlab, etc). You do not need to write out every matrix/vector you find along the way (though that may be useful), but you should explain what you are doing to get your answers. You can round answers to the nearest 0.0001.

1. (8 points) (a) Find a least-squares solution $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ for the A and \mathbf{b} given below.
(b) Compute the associated least-squares error $\|A\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}\|$ for your result from part (a).

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -3 & 6 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 \\ 6 & -3 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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2. (2 points) For each question, state if it is True or False. If True, briefly justify why it is true. If False, give an explanation or a counterexample to show why it is false.

(a) If the vectors in an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors are normalized, then some of the new vectors may not be orthogonal.

(b) If \mathbf{y} is in a subspace W , then the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{y} onto W is \mathbf{y} itself.

(c) If $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ is a least-squares solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, then $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b}$.

3. (5 points) Consider the set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.
- (a) Is it an orthogonal set? Explain/show your work.

(b) Does the set form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 ? Justify your answer.

4. (5 points) Prove the following modification of the Orthogonal Decomposition theorem. According to the Orthogonal Decomposition theorem, if W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n with orthogonal basis $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$, then each \mathbf{y} in \mathbb{R}^n can be written as $\mathbf{y} = \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \mathbf{z}$, where \mathbf{z} and $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ are orthogonal and

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \mathbf{u}_1 + \frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_2}{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2} \mathbf{u}_2$$

Prove that \mathbf{z} is orthogonal to \mathbf{u}_1 (That is, show that $(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}) \cdot \mathbf{u}_1 = 0$. You will need to use the fact that \mathbf{u}_1 and \mathbf{u}_2 are orthogonal.)

5. (5 points) Let \mathbf{u} be a vector and W the set of all vectors \mathbf{w} that are orthogonal to \mathbf{u} . Prove that W is a subspace.

Extra Credit(up to 2 points) State if you want “2 points” or “1 point” of extra credit. If you say “1 point” then you will definitely get 1 point. If you say “2 points”, then you either get 2 points or none. If more than 3 people say “2 points”, then everyone who asks for 2 points will get zero. But if 3 or fewer say “2 points”, then they all get 2 points.