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Math 313 (Linear Algebra)

Exam 3 Practice

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Instructions:

- For questions which require a written answer, show all your work. Full credit will be given only if the necessary work is shown justifying your answer.
- Simplify your answers.
- Scientific calculators are allowed.
- Should you have need for more space than is allocated to answer a question, use the back of the page the problem is on and indicate this fact.
- Please do not talk about the test with other students until after the last day to take the exam.

Part II: Fill in the blank with the **best** possible answer. (4 points each.)

4. (10 points)

- (a) A matrix A is called *symmetric* if $A^T = A$. Let M denote the vector space of all symmetric 2×2 matrices. Then $\dim M =$ _____.
- (b) Fill in the matrix so that it has rank 1.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -4 \\ & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (c) Let $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$ be an orthogonal basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n . For each \mathbf{y} in W , the weights of the linear combination $\mathbf{y} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{u}_p$ are given by

$$c_j = \text{_____} \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, p.$$

- (d) Let $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, and $W = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. The distance from \mathbf{y} to W is _____.

- (e) If A is an $n \times n$ matrix, \mathbf{x} is a nonzero vector, and $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$ for some scalar λ , then _____.
- (f) Assume A is an $n \times n$ matrix that has distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r$ with corresponding eigenvectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r$. What can be said of the set of vectors $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$? _____.

Part III: Justify your answer and show all work for full credit.

5. For a real 2×2 matrix A prove or disprove by giving a counterexample that with every complex eigenvector $\mathbf{u} + i\mathbf{v}$ also its conjugate, $\mathbf{u} - i\mathbf{v}$, is an eigenvector of A .
6. Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation that is one-to-one. Prove that $\dim V \leq \dim W$.
Hint: take a basis $\{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\}$ of V , and consider the set $\{T(\mathbf{b}_1), \dots, T(\mathbf{b}_n)\}$ in W .

7. Can

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

be diagonalized? If it can, find the diagonalizing matrix. Otherwise, show why it cannot.

8. Prove that for any $m \times n$ matrix A , we have $\dim(\text{Nul } A)^\perp = \dim(\text{Nul } A^T)^\perp$.

9. Let $W = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Find a basis for W^\perp .

10. Let A be a 15×20 matrix. For a particular vector \mathbf{b} , the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has 6 free variables. Can we guarantee that $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ always has a solution for any vector \mathbf{b} ? Justify your conclusion.

11. Prove that if A and B are similar matrices, then A and B have the same eigenvalues.

12. Let $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$. Use an orthogonal basis for W and the projection formula to find

the closest point in W to $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Does your answer makes sense? Explain.

13. For the matrix A given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Find its eigenvalues and eigenvectors
- (b) Check that the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A found in part (a) are correct by verifying that $A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$ for every eigenvalue λ and its corresponding eigenvector \mathbf{v} .

END OF EXAM