

Final Examination
7:00pm to 10:00pm, June 18, 2010

Problems for Solution:

1. (15%) True or false. (If it is true, prove it. Otherwise, find a counterexample or explain why it is false.)

(a) (5%) If \mathbf{A} is a symmetric invertible matrix, then \mathbf{A}^{-1} is also symmetric.

(b) (5%) The following two matrices are similar:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c) (5%) The matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

is positive definite.

2. (35%) This problem is about the matrices with entries 1, 2, 3, ..., $n - 1$ just above and just below the main diagonal. All other entries are zero:

$$\mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_6 = \dots$$

(a) (5%) Find the complete solution to $\mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

(b) (5%) Give a basis for the left nullspace of \mathbf{A}_3 .

(c) (5%) Find the projection matrix onto the column space of \mathbf{A}_3 .

(d) (5%) Find the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A}_3 .

- (e) (5%) Two eigenvalues of \mathbf{A}_4 are approximately 3.65 and 0.822. Find the other two eigenvalues using

$$\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_4\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = -\mathbf{A}_4.$$

(Hint: If a matrix \mathbf{A} is similar to $-\mathbf{A}$, what properties should the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} have?)

- (f) (5%) Show that \mathbf{A}_5 is not invertible.
 (g) (5%) Is \mathbf{A}_6 diagonalizable? Why or why not?

3. (15%) Consider the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & c \\ 0.7 & 1 - c \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) (5%) For which value of c is the matrix \mathbf{A} not diagonalizable?
 (b) (5%) Find the range of the values of c so that \mathbf{A}^n approaches a limiting matrix as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
 (c) (5%) Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{A}^n$ (still depending on c) when the limit exists.

4. (15%) This problem consists of three parts:

- (a) (5%) If $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$ form a basis for \mathcal{R}^3 , is the matrix with those three columns invertible? Why or why not?
 (b) (5%) If $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4$ span \mathcal{R}^3 , give all possible ranks for the matrix with those four columns.
 (c) (5%) If $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{q}_3$ form an orthonormal basis for \mathcal{R}^3 , and T is the transformation that projects every vector \mathbf{v} in \mathcal{R}^3 onto the plane spanned by \mathbf{q}_1 and \mathbf{q}_2 , what is the matrix representation of T in this basis?

5. (20%) Suppose the singular value decomposition $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$ has

$$\mathbf{U} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) (5%) Find the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A}$.
 (b) (5%) Find a basis for the nullspace of \mathbf{A} .
 (c) (5%) Find a basis for the column space of \mathbf{A} .
 (d) (5%) Find a singular value decomposition of $-\mathbf{A}^T$.