

Instructions:

1. Please do all 4 problems. Be sure to explain your work.
2. Closed book, calculators may be used.

$$1. \text{ Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- a. Find all solutions to  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- b. Find bases for the nullspace of  $\mathbf{A}$  and the column space of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

2. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Prove that the set  $\{I, A, A^2, \dots, A^{n^2}\}$  is linearly dependent, and deduce that there exists a polynomial  $q(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{n^2}x^{n^2}$  of degree  $n^2$  such that  $q(A) = a_0I + a_1A + \dots + a_{n^2}A^{n^2}$  is the zero matrix.

3. Find matrices for the linear transformations

- a.  $R$  = rotation of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  about the  $z$ -axis by 90 degrees, clockwise as viewed from the positive  $z$ -axis.
- b.  $S$  = reflection of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  across the  $y$ - $z$  plane.
- c.  $P$  = orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  onto the  $x$ - $z$  plane.
- d.  $R$  followed by  $S$  followed by  $P$

4. a. (By applying the Gram-Schmidt process to the columns of  $A$ ) find an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  and an upper triangular matrix  $R$  such that  $A = QR$ , where

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

- b. Use your result from part a to find the least squares solution to the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 4 \\ a + b + c &= 0 \\ a - b + c &= 12 \\ a + 2b + 4c &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

Answers.

$$\begin{array}{r} -s - 2t \\ t + 2s \\ 0 \\ 1 \quad 2 \quad 1 \\ 2 \quad , \quad 1 \quad , \quad 0 \\ 1 \quad 1 \quad 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{b. Basis for nullspace} \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} -2 \quad -1 \\ 1 \quad 2 \\ 0 \quad 1 \\ 0 \quad 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{. Basis for column space} \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array}$$

2. Hint: What is the dimension of the space of  $n$  by  $n$  matrices?

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \quad 1 \quad 0 \\ -1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} -1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad 1 \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \quad -1 \quad 0 \\ \text{d. } 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad \frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad -1 \\ 1 \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad -1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \quad 1 \quad \frac{-3}{\sqrt{5}} \quad 1 \\ 1 \quad \frac{-3}{\sqrt{5}} \quad 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 2 \quad 1 \quad 3 \\ 0 \quad \sqrt{5} \quad \sqrt{5} \\ 0 \quad 0 \quad 2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 1 \\ \text{b. } -5 \\ 7 \end{array}$$