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1. (32 points: 8 each) If the statement is **always true** mark “TRUE” and provide a *brief* justification; if it is possible for the statement to be false then mark “FALSE” and provide a **counterexample**.

- (a) Suppose that A is a square matrix with real entries, real eigenvalues, and an orthogonal eigenbasis. True or False: A is symmetric.

Solution:

True. Let $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ be the orthogonal eigenbasis of A with corresponding eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$. Let $Q = [\mathbf{u}_1 \cdots \mathbf{u}_n]$ and Λ be the diagonal matrix with $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ as the diagonal entries. Then, $Q\Lambda Q^T$ is the spectral decomposition of $A = Q\Lambda Q^T$, and A must be symmetric.

- (b) Suppose that Q is a real $n \times n$ orthogonal matrix and $A = QB$ where A and B are both real $n \times p$ matrices. True or false: A and B have the same singular values.

Solution:

True.

$$\begin{aligned} A^T A &= (QB)^T QB \\ &= B^T Q^T QB \\ &= B^T B. \end{aligned}$$

Since $A^T A = B^T B$, then $A^T A$ and $B^T B$ have the same eigenvalues, then A and B must have the same singular values.

- (c) Consider $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. The least squares solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is unique.

Solution:

False. As a counterexample, consider the linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If we write $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, then $A^T A \mathbf{x} = A^T \mathbf{b}$ has solutions

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(d) Consider the quadratic equation given by

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{x}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 3.$$

True or false: It has an absolute minimum value of 2.

Solution:

True. We can show that $K = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ is positive definite by noting that it is symmetric, and then showing that it is regular and has positive pivots. So, $K\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}$ will have a unique solution of $\mathbf{x}^* = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. This is the unique minimizer of $p(\mathbf{x})$. So, the absolute minimum value of $p(\mathbf{x})$ is

$$p(\mathbf{x}^*) = 3 - (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^* = 2.$$

2. (24 points) Consider the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Is $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ consistent?
- Does \mathbf{b} lie in the image of A ?
- Find the least squares solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.
- What is the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{b} onto the image of A ?
- What is the closest point to \mathbf{b} in the image of A ?
- Including multiplicities, what are the singular values of A ?

Solution:

- (a) We will consider the augmented matrix $[A|\mathbf{b}]$ and reduce it until we can see if the system is consistent or not.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 6 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R'_2=R_2-R_1 \\ R'_4=R_4+R_1}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 8 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R'_3=R_3+R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

Note that the third row implies $0 = 9$ which is clearly a contradiction. So, this linear system is not consistent.

- (b) No. \mathbf{b} cannot lie in the image of A because there is not \mathbf{x} such that $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.
 (c) We must solve $A^T A \mathbf{x} = A^T \mathbf{b}$.

We see that

$$A^T A = 3I_3 \quad \text{and} \quad A^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 14 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solving $A^T A \mathbf{x} = A^T \mathbf{b}$, we find $\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 14 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (d) Note that the columns of A are linearly independent. Using the value \mathbf{x} that we have just obtained, the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{b} onto the image of A is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{w} &= A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} \\ &= A\mathbf{x} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

- (e) The closest point is also the orthogonal projection, so it must be $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (f) Since $A^T A = 3I_3$, we see the eigenvalues of $A^T A$ (including multiplicities) are 3, 3, and 3. So, the singular values of A are $\sqrt{3}$, $\sqrt{3}$, and $\sqrt{3}$.

3. (22 points) Consider

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

- (a) Is A complete?

- (b) Use a factorization of A to help determine A^{112} . (Your final answer should be written as a 3×3 matrix, but the entries of the matrix do not need to be simplified. Reminder: you may not use a calculator or computational software on this exam.)
- (c) Find e^{tA}

Solution:

- (a) We find $\det(A - \lambda I) = (-2 - \lambda)^2(1 - \lambda)$, so the eigenvalues of A are -2 and 1 . The algebraic multiplicities are 2 and 1 , respectively. So, for A to be complete, we need only determine if $\lambda = -2$ is complete. We find that $E(A, -2) = \ker(A + 2I)$ has basis $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Since this eigenspace is dimension 2 , then $\lambda = -2$ has geometric multiplicity of 2 and is complete. Thus, A is complete because both of its eigenvalues are complete.
- (b) Since A is complete, it is diagonalizable. We can show that $E(A, 1) = \ker(A - I)$ is spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. So, we see that $A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$ where

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

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and}$$

$$S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} A^{112} &= S\Lambda^{112}S^{-1} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (-2)^{112} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (-2)^{112} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1^{112} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2^{112} & 0 & 0 \\ 2^{112} - 1 & 2^{112} & 2^{112} - 1 \\ -2^{112} + 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Again, we use the diagonalization for A :

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{tA} &= Se^{t\Lambda}S^{-1} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2t} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-2t} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2t} & 0 & 0 \\ e^{-2t} - e^t & e^{-2t} & e^{-2t} - e^t \\ e^t - e^{-2t} & 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

4. (22 points) Consider the following data:

t	1	3	4	7
y	2	0	-3	1

- (a) Find the line that best fits the data in the least-squares sense, where we assume that t is the predictor.
- (b) Use your line from (a) to predict the value of y when $t = 5$. (Provide an exact answer.)

Solution:

- (a) We will find a model of the form $y = \alpha + \beta t$. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}$, and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

To determine our best-fit line, we need to find the least-squares solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. That is, we need the solution of $A^T A\mathbf{x} = A^T \mathbf{b}$. Note that we will have a unique least-squares solution because the columns of A are linearly independent. We have

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 15 \\ 15 & 75 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$A^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So, we need to solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 15 \\ 15 & 75 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This yields a solution of

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So, the least-squares fit line is

$$y = \frac{15 - 4t}{25}.$$

(b) Using our solution from (a), we see that when $t = 5$ we have

$$y = \frac{15 - 4(5)}{25} = -\frac{1}{5}.$$