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**1 (6 pts.)**

Project  $b$  onto the column space of  $A$ :

(a) (3 pts.)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(b) (3 pts.)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**2 (20 pts.)**

The matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} z & z & z \\ z & z + c & z - c \\ z & z - c & z + c \end{pmatrix}$ .

a) (4 pts) Under what conditions on  $z$  and  $c$  would  $A$  be positive semidefinite?

b) (4 pts) Under what conditions on  $z$  and  $c$  would  $A$  be Markov?

c) (4 pts) Under what conditions on  $z$  and  $c$  would the first column of  $A$  be a free column?

d) (4 pts) Under what conditions on  $z$  and  $c$  does  $A$  have rank  $r = 2$ .

e) (4 pts) Assuming  $A$  has rank 2, for which  $b$  in  $R^3$  does the equation  $Ax = b$  have a solution?

**3 (22 pts.)**

a) (5 pts.) What are the two eigenvalues of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

b) (5 pts.) What is  $\kappa$ , the ratio of the maximum and minimum values of  $\|Ax\|$  over the unit circle  $\|x\| = 1$ ?

c) (6 pts.) What are the maximum and minimum value of  $v^T x$ , for  $x$  over the unit circle  $\|x\| = 1$ , when  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ? Same question when  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ? (Hint: the minimum is negative)

d) (6 pts.) When every point on the unit circle is multiplied by  $A$ , the result is an ellipse. Find the dimensions of the tightest rectangle with sides parallel to the coordinate axes that encloses the ellipse. (Hint: the previous maximum and minimum question is meant to be a warm-up. Another hint: singular values are not so useful here.)

4 (23 pts.)

The  $8 \times 8$  matrix

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

is symmetric and satisfies  $A^2 = 8I$ . The diagonal elements add to 0.

a) (3 pts.) What are the eigenvalues of  $A$  and the determinant of  $A$ ?

b) (2 pts.) What is the condition number  $\kappa(A) = \sigma_1(A)/\sigma_8(A)$ ? (Hint  $\kappa \geq 1$  always.)



c) (3 pts.) Can  $A$  have any Jordan blocks of size greater than 1? Explain briefly.

d) (2 pts.) What is the rank of the matrix consisting of the first four columns of  $A$ ?

e) (3 pts.) The subspace of  $R^8$  spanned by the first four columns of  $A$  is the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ of the last four columns of  $A$ . Fill in the blank with the best two words  
and explain briefly.

f) (5 pts.) Let  $P$  project onto the first column of  $A$ .  $P$  is an  $8 \times 8$  matrix all of whose 64 entries are the same number. This number is \_\_\_\_\_.

g) (5 pts.) Projection onto the last seven columns of  $A$  (we are dropping only the first column) gives an  $8 \times 8$  projection matrix whose 8 diagonal entries are the same number. This number is \_\_\_\_\_.

**5 (15 pts.)**

Consider the vector space of symmetric  $2 \times 2$  matrices of the form

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} x & z \\ z & y \end{pmatrix}.$$

a) (6 pts.) Write down a basis for this vector space.

b) (6 pts.) If  $D$  is the diagonal matrix  $D = \begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & e \end{pmatrix}$ , is  $T(S) = DSD$  a linear transformation from this space to itself? If so, write down the matrix of this transformation in your chosen basis.

c) (3 pts.) If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ , we want to know if  $T(S) = ASA$  is necessarily a linear transformation from symmetric  $2 \times 2$  matrices to symmetric  $2 \times 2$  matrices? If yes, explain why. If not, explain why not.

**6 (14 pts.)**

Choose the best choice from “must”, “might”, “can’t” (and explain briefly.)

a) (2 pts.) A  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $M$  with rank  $r = 2$  \_\_\_\_\_ have a non-zero solution to  $Mx = 0$ .

b) (2 pts.) A  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $M$  with rank  $r = 3$  \_\_\_\_\_ have a non-zero solution to  $Mx = 0$  with  $x_1 = 0$ .

c) (2 pts.) A  $3 \times 4$  matrix  $M$  with rank  $r = 3$  \_\_\_\_\_ have a non-zero solution to  $Mx = 0$  with  $x_1 = 1$ .

d) (2 pts.) A permutation matrix \_\_\_\_\_ be singular.

e) (2 pts.) A projection matrix \_\_\_\_\_ be singular.

f) (2 pts.)  $M - \lambda I$  \_\_\_\_\_ be singular, if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $M$ .

g) (2 pts.) We recall the number of columns of an incidence matrix for a graph is the number of nodes and every row has one entry  $+1$ , one entry  $-1$ , and the remaining entries  $0$ . Such an incidence matrix \_\_\_\_\_ have full column rank.

Thank you for taking linear algebra. We hope you enjoyed it. Linear algebra will serve you well in the future. Have a happy holiday!