

MATH 2040C Linear Algebra II

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Midterm 2

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Instruction: Answer ALL questions and show your work with explanation.

Time: 60 minutes

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1. (True or False) Please circle the correct answer. Each question is worth 1 point.

- (a) A list of orthonormal vectors v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n in an inner product space is linearly independent.

TRUE

FALSE

- (b) Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be an isomorphism between finite dimensional real vector spaces V and W . Then for any ordered bases α of V and β of W , $\mathcal{M}(T, \alpha, \beta)$ is a square matrix and is invertible.

TRUE

FALSE

- (c) Let V be a finite dimensional vector space. For any diagonalizable $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$, $S + T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is also diagonalizable.

TRUE

FALSE

- (d) Let T be a linear operator on a vector space V . Then the set of eigenvectors corresponding to an eigenvalue of T is a subspace of V .

TRUE

FALSE

- (e) For any linear operator T on \mathbb{R}^7 , there exists an ordered basis β of \mathbb{R}^7 such that $\mathcal{M}(T, \beta)$ is upper triangular.

True if $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$ (Schur's Theorem) TRUE

FALSE

- (f) For any finite dimensional complex vector spaces V and W , the complex vector spaces $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ and $\mathcal{L}(W, V)$ are isomorphic.

Same dimension \Rightarrow isomorphic

TRUE

FALSE

- (g) Every finite dimensional inner product space has an orthonormal basis.

TRUE

FALSE

- (h) Let V be a real inner product space and $v, w \in V$. Then $\|v + w\| = \|v\| + \|w\|$ if and only if there exists a real number c such that $v = cw$ or $w = cv$.

$c > 0$

TRUE

FALSE

2. (8 pts) Answer the following questions.

(a) Let V be a real inner product space and $v, w \in V$. Show that

$$\langle v, w \rangle = \frac{1}{4}(\|v + w\|^2 - \|v - w\|^2).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{1}{4} (\langle v+w, v+w \rangle - \langle v-w, v-w \rangle) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} \langle v, v \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle + \langle w, v \rangle + \langle w, w \rangle \\ - \langle v, v \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle + \langle w, v \rangle - \langle w, w \rangle \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (2\langle v, w \rangle + 2\overline{\langle v, w \rangle}) \\ &= \langle v, w \rangle, \text{ since } \langle v, w \rangle \in \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let V be a finite dimensional real vector space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$. Suppose $v, w \in V$ are non-zero vectors such that $T(v) = 4w$ and $T(w) = 4v$. Show that T has at least one eigenvalue.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Soln 1: } T(v+w) &= T(v) + T(w) = 4w + 4v = 4(v+w) \\ T(v-w) &= T(v) - T(w) = 4w - 4v = -4(v-w) \\ v, w \neq \vec{0} &\Rightarrow v+w \text{ or } v-w \neq \vec{0} \\ &\Rightarrow 4 \text{ or } -4 \text{ is an eigenvalue of } T \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Soln 2: } T^2(v) &= T(T(v)) = T(4w) = 4T(w) = 4(4v) = 16v \\ &\Rightarrow (T^2 - 16I)(v) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (T - 4I)(T + 4I) \text{ is not injective} \\ &\Rightarrow T - 4I \text{ or } T + 4I \text{ is not injective} \\ &\Rightarrow 4 \text{ or } -4 \text{ is an eigenvalue of } T \end{aligned}$$

3. (9 pts) Let $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ be the vector space of all real polynomials of degree at most 2 and $\beta = \{1, x, x^2\}$ be an ordered basis of $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$. Define a linear operator T on $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ by

$$T(p(x)) = xp'(x) - p(1).$$

- (a) Find the matrix $\mathcal{M}(T, \beta)$;
 (b) Find all the eigenvalues of T ;
 (c) Determine if T is diagonalizable. If so, find an eigenbasis α of T and the corresponding matrix $\mathcal{M}(T, \alpha)$.

a. $T(1) = x(1)' - 1 = -1 = -1 + 0 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$
 $T(x) = x(x)' - 1 = x - 1 = -1 + 1 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$
 $T(x^2) = x(x^2)' - 1 = x(2x) - 1 = -1 + 0 \cdot x + 2x^2$

$$\therefore \mathcal{M}(T, \beta) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. $\mathcal{M}(T, \beta)$ is upper triangular

\Rightarrow diagonal entries are eigenvalues of T

$\Rightarrow T$ has eigenvalue $-1, 1, 2$

c. $\dim \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}) = 3$, T has 3 distinct eigenvalues

$\Rightarrow T$ is diagonalizable

Let $A = \mathcal{M}(T, \beta)$

$$\text{For } \lambda = -1, A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N(A + I) = \text{span} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E(-1, T) = \text{span} \{1\}$$

$$\text{For } \lambda=1, A-\lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N(A-I) = \text{span} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E(1, T) = \text{span} \{1-2x\}$$

$$\text{For } \lambda=2, A-\lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N(A-2I) = \text{span} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E(2, T) = \text{span} \{1-3x^2\}$$

$\therefore \alpha = \{1, 1-2x, 1-3x^2\}$ is an eigenbasis of T

$$M(T, \alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (6 pts) Let V be a vector space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$. Suppose $v_1, v_2 \in V$ is an eigenvector of T corresponding to eigenvalue λ_1, λ_2 respectively and $v_1 \neq v_2$. Prove that $v_1 - v_2$ is an eigenvector of T if and only if $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$.

(\Rightarrow) If $v_1 - v_2$ is an eigenvector of T

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \exists \lambda \text{ st. } \lambda(v_1 - v_2) &= T(v_1 - v_2) \\ &= T(v_1) - T(v_2) \\ &= \lambda_1 v_1 - \lambda_2 v_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - \lambda_1)v_1 + (\lambda_2 - \lambda)v_2 = \vec{0}$$

If $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$, then v_1, v_2 are lin indept

$$\Rightarrow \lambda - \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda = \lambda_2, \text{ contradiction}$$

$$\therefore \lambda_1 = \lambda_2$$

(\Leftarrow) If $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$, then

$$\begin{aligned} T(v_1 - v_2) &= T(v_1) - T(v_2) \\ &= \lambda_1 v_1 - \lambda_2 v_2 \\ &= \lambda_1 v_1 - \lambda_1 v_2 \\ &= \lambda_1 (v_1 - v_2) \end{aligned}$$

$v_1 \neq v_2 \Rightarrow v_1 - v_2 \neq \vec{0} \Rightarrow v_1 - v_2$ is an eigenvector.

5. (9 pts) Let $V = \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ be the vector space of all real polynomials of degree at most 2. Define an inner product on V by

$$\langle p, q \rangle = p(0)q(0) + 2p(1)q(1) + p(2)q(2) \quad \text{for any } p, q \in V. \quad (*)$$

- (a) Apply the Gram-Schmidt Process to $\{1, x\} \subset V$ to obtain an orthonormal list.
 (b) Does the formula (*) define an inner product on $\mathcal{P}_3(\mathbb{R})$, the vector space of all real polynomials of degree at most 3? Justify your answer.

a. let $v_1 = 1, v_2 = x$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } u_1 = v_1, \quad \|u_1\| &= \sqrt{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} \\ &= \sqrt{\langle 1, 1 \rangle} \\ &= \sqrt{(1)(1) + 2(1)(1) + (1)(1)} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{let } e_1 = \frac{u_1}{\|u_1\|} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } u_2 &= v_2 - \langle v_2, e_1 \rangle e_1 \\ &= x - \langle x, \frac{1}{2} \rangle \cdot \frac{1}{2} \\ &= x - \left[(0)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 2(1)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + (2)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right] \frac{1}{2} \\ &= x - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\|u_2\| = \sqrt{\langle x-1, x-1 \rangle} = \sqrt{(-1)(-1) + 2(0)(0) + (1)(1)} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{let } e_2 = \frac{u_2}{\|u_2\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(x-1)$$

$\therefore \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(x-1)$ is an orthonormal basis

b. No.

$$\text{let } p(x) = x(x-1)(x-2) \in P_3(\mathbb{R})$$

Then $p(x) \neq \vec{0}$ but

$$\begin{aligned}\langle p, p \rangle &= p(0)p(0) + 2p(1)p(1) + p(2)p(2) \\ &= (0)(0) + 2(0)(0) + (0)(0) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is not positive definite on $P_3(\mathbb{R})$

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