

1. (14 points) Diagonalize the 2×2 matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -8 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In other words, write \mathbf{A} as \mathbf{PDP}^{-1} where \mathbf{D} is a diagonal matrix.

2. (14 points) In order to receive any credit, you must provide a brief justification for each answer.

(a) Suppose that a 6×9 matrix \mathbf{A} has four pivot columns. What are the dimensions of $\text{Nul } \mathbf{A}$, $\text{Col } \mathbf{A}$, and $\text{Row } \mathbf{A}$?

(b) What is the smallest possible dimension of the null space of a 6×9 matrix?

(c) Suppose that a 9×6 matrix \mathbf{A} has four pivot columns. What are the dimensions of $\text{Nul } \mathbf{A}$, $\text{Col } \mathbf{A}$, and $\text{Row } \mathbf{A}$?

(d) What is the smallest possible dimension of the null space of a 9×6 matrix?

3. (16 points) Suppose

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find the point closest to \mathbf{y} in the subspace W spanned by \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 .

(b) Calculate the distance of \mathbf{y} to W .

4. (16 points) Calculate an orthogonal basis for the row space of the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & -5 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

5. (10 points) What can be said about a matrix \mathbf{A} that is similar to the diagonal matrix

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} ?$$

Provide a brief explanation of each of your assertions.

6. (30 points) Are the following statements true or false? **You will not receive any credit unless you justify your answers.** (Note that there are four more parts to this question on the next two pages.)

(a) If there exists a linearly-dependent set $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ in a vector space V , then $\dim V \leq p - 1$.

(b) Each eigenspace of a square matrix \mathbf{A} is the null space of some matrix.

Question 6 (continued):

(c) Let $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2\}$. If \mathbf{v} is orthogonal to both \mathbf{w}_1 and \mathbf{w}_2 , then \mathbf{v} is in W^\perp .

(d) For a square matrix \mathbf{A} , an eigenvector \mathbf{v} of \mathbf{A} is also an eigenvector of \mathbf{A}^2 .

Question 6 (continued):

- (e) For a square matrix \mathbf{A} , the vectors in $\text{Col } \mathbf{A}$ and the vectors in $\text{Nul } \mathbf{A}$ are orthogonal.

- (f) For a square matrix \mathbf{A} , if \mathbf{A}^2 is diagonalizable, then \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable.