

Math 228, Test 3

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Instructions: You have one hour for the exam. There are 10 problems, worth 10 points each for a total of 100 points possible. For multiple-choice problems, please mark your answer clearly. For all other problems, please *show your work completely*. Partial credit will be given for all non-multiple-choice problems.

Calculators, notes, and books are prohibited.

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1. Apply the Gram-Schmidt procedure to the vectors $v_1 = (1, 0, 0)$, $v_2 = (1, 2, -1)$, $v_3 = (0, 1, 1)$ to obtain an orthonormal set of vectors u_1, u_2, u_3 .

2. Find all the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix

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

Is A diagonalizable? Explain clearly why or why not.

3. Suppose that Q is an $n \times n$ orthogonal matrix. Which of the following statements are always true?
- (I) $Q^{-1} = Q^T$
 - (II) The rows of Q are orthogonal
 - (III) Q^{-1} is orthogonal
- (a) None of them (b) I only (c) I and II only (d) I and III only
- (e) I, II, and III
4. Set up but *do not solve* the normal equations for finding the best fit line to the points $(-1, 0)$, $(0, 0)$, $(1, 2)$, $(2, 2)$. (“Best fit” means in the least squares sense.) You do *not* have to compute the product of the matrices involved.

5. Consider the matrix

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

Find an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 consisting of eigenvectors for A .

Hint: The characteristic polynomial of A is $(4 - \lambda)(\lambda - 1)^2$.

6. Suppose that A is the 2×2 matrix given by

$$A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$$

where

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute A^6 .

7. Let Q be an orthogonal $n \times n$ matrix, and let $A = Q^3$. Is A necessarily orthogonal? Explain why or why not.
Hint: Compute $A^T A$.

8. Let A be the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Show that A is orthogonal.
- Compute A^{-1} .

9. Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. For each of the following statements, circle “True” if the statement is necessarily true, and “False” if the statement could be false.
- (I) (True or False) If A is diagonalizable, then A has n distinct eigenvalues.
 - (II) (True or False) If A is invertible then zero is not an eigenvalue of A .
 - (III) (True or False) If zero is not an eigenvalue of A then A is invertible.
 - (IV) (True or False) If A is symmetric then A has n distinct eigenvalues.
 - (V) (True or False) If A is symmetric then A is diagonalizable.

10. a) Suppose that A is a 2×2 symmetric matrix whose characteristic polynomial is $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1$. Show that $A = I$.
- b) Give an example of a 2×2 matrix B whose characteristic polynomial is $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1$ but such that $B \neq I$.