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# Math 1553 Practice Final, SOLUTIONS, Fall 2024

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- Write your initials at the top of each page. The maximum score on this exam is 100 points, and you have 170 minutes to complete it. Each problem is worth 10 points.
- There are no calculators or aids of any kind (notes, text, etc.) allowed. Unless stated otherwise, the entries of all matrices on the exam are real numbers.
- As always, RREF means "reduced row echelon form." The "zero vector" in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is the vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  whose entries are all zero.
- On free response problems, show your work, unless instructed otherwise. A correct answer without appropriate work may receive little or no credit!
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| (a) | Suppose $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_6, v_6, v_6, v_6, v_6, v_6, v_6$ | $\{v_4, v_5\}$ is a basis for $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Then $n = 5$ .   |
|     | • True   | ○ False   |
| (b) | Suppose $T: \mathbf{R}^{20} - T(x) = Ax$ . Then                                  | $\rightarrow \mathbf{R}^7$ is a linear transformation with standard matrix $A$ , so $\dim(\operatorname{Nul}\ A) \geq 13$ .       |
|     | • True   | ○ False   |
| (c) |  | matrix, and let $T$ be the corresponding matrix transformation $n$ , then $T$ cannot be onto.                                     |
|     | • True   | ○ False   |
| (d) | The set $W$ of all vertical $W$  | ectors $(x, y, z)$ in $\mathbb{R}^3$ with $x - y + z = 3$ is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^3$ .                                       |
|     | O True   | • False   |
| (e) | There is a $3 \times 3$ m are eigenvalues of $x$                                 | natrix A, whose entries are real numbers, so that $2-i$ and $3i$ A.   |
|     | O True   | • False   |
| (f) | Every nonzero vect   | tor in $\mathbb{R}^3$ is an eigenvector of the $3 \times 3$ identity matrix.  |
|     | • True   | ○ False   |
| (g) |  | ad $v$ are vectors in the 4-eigenspace of some $n \times n$ matrix $A$ . It also be in the 4-eigenspace of $A$ .                  |
|     | • True   | ○ False   |
| (h) | Let $A$ be a $3 \times 3$ m $\det(A - \lambda I) = (1 - \lambda I)$              | natrix satisfying $Ae_1 = 3e_1$ , $Ae_2 = 3e_2$ , and $Ae_3 = \lambda(3-\lambda)^2$ . Then A must be diagonalizable.              |
|     | • True   | ○ False   |
| (i) |  | $a \times n$ matrix and $b$ is a vector in the column space of $A$ . Then $Ax = b$ is also a least squares solution to $Ax = b$ . |
|     | • True   | ○ False   |
| (j) |  | s a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^n$ and that $u$ is a vector in $W$ . Then the ion of $u$ onto $W$ is the zero vector.                 |
|     |  |   |

- (a) True:  $\mathbb{R}^n$  has a basis with 5 vectors, so  $\dim(\mathbb{R}^n) = 5$ , therefore n = 5.
- (b) True: A is  $7 \times 20$ , Col(A) lives in  $\mathbb{R}^7$ , and

$$\dim(\text{Col } A) + \dim(\text{Nul } A) = 20$$
 (by the Rank Theorem),

so dim(Nul A)  $\geq 13$ .

- (c) True: A would have more rows than columns, so A could not have a pivot in every row.
- (d) False: W does not even contain the zero vector, since  $0 0 + 0 \neq 3$ .
- (e) False: if 2-i and 3i are eigenvalues, then so are their complex conjugates 2+i and -3i, therefore A would have 4 different eigenvalues which is impossible for a  $3 \times 3$  matrix.
- (f) True: Ix = x for every x in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , so every nonzero vector in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is an eigenvector of I corresponding to  $\lambda = 1$ .
- (g) True: eigenspaces are subspaces, so if u and v are in the 4-eigenspace of A then so is 4u 3v.
- (h) True: A is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with eigenvalues 1 and 3. We are given that  $\lambda = 3$  has geometric multiplicity 2, and Since  $\lambda = 1$  automatically has geometric multiplicity 1 (since it has algebraic multiplicity 1), we conclude that the real geometric multiplicities sum to 3, therefore A is diagonalizable.
- (i) True: the fact that b is in Col(A) means that  $b = b_{Col(A)}$ , so every solution to Ax = b is also a solution to  $Ax = b_{Col(A)}$  and vice versa. This problem was copied from the Studypalooza problems list and the 6.5 Webwork.
- (j) False: if u is in W, then the orthogonal projection of u onto W is u.

- 2. Solutions are on the next page.
  - (a) (3 points) Let  $V = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbf{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 \le 5 \right\}$ . Answer the following questions.
    - (i) Does V contain the zero vector?
    - (ii) Is V closed under addition? In other words, if u and v are in V, must it be true that u + v is in V?  $\bigcirc$  Yes  $\bigcirc$  No

 $\bigcirc$  No

- (iii) Is V closed under scalar multiplication? In other words, if c is a real number and u is in V, must it be true that cu is in V? Yes  $\bigcirc$  No
- (b) (3 points) Suppose that A is a  $2024 \times 100$  matrix. Which of the following are **possible**? Clearly fill in the bubble for all that apply.
  - $\bigcirc$  The dimension of Row(A) is 105.
  - $\bigcirc$  The dimension of Nul(A) is 105.
  - The transformation T(x) = Ax is one-to-one.
- (c) (2 points) Let A be a  $35 \times 50$  matrix that has 20 pivots. Which one of the following describes the null space of A? Clearly fill in the bubble for your answer.
  - $\bigcirc$  Nul(A) is a 30-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{35}$ .
  - $\bigcirc$  Nul(A) is a 20-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{50}$ .
  - $\bigcirc$  Nul(A) is a 15-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{35}$ .
  - $\bullet$  Nul(A) is a 30-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{50}$ .
- (d) (2 pts) Let  $W = \operatorname{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ , and let  $v = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Which of the following statements are true? Clearly fill in the bubble for all that apply.

- $\bigcirc$  The set  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for W.
- $\bullet$  v is in  $W^{\perp}$ .

(a) Just drawing the picture, we see V is the circle of radius  $\sqrt{5}$  centered at the origin, so it contains the zero vector but is not closed under addition or scalar multiplication.

(i) Yes:  $0^2 + 0^2 \le 5$ .

(ii) No: for example, if  $u = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $v = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  then u and v are in V. However,  $u + v = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  which is not in V since  $2^2 + 2^2 = 8 > 5$ .

(iii) No: for example, if  $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  then u is in V, but 10v is not in V since  $10^2 + 0^2 > 5$ .

- (b) By the Rank Theorem,  $\dim(\text{Col }A) + \dim(\text{Nul }A) = 100$ , so the largest that  $\dim(\text{Col }A)$  or  $\dim(\text{Col }A)$  can be is 100.
  - (i) Not possible, since  $\dim(\text{Row } A) = \dim(\text{Col } A)$  and  $\dim(\text{Col } A) \leq 100$ .

(ii) Not possible, since  $\dim(\text{Nul }A) \leq 100$ .

(iii) Possible: A is  $2024 \times 100$  so it is possible for A to have 100 pivots, in which case A has a pivot in every column and its corresponding transformation T(x) = Ax is one-to-one.

(c) Since the  $35 \times 50$  matrix A has 20 pivots, we know that dim(Col A) = 20 and that Nul A is a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^{50}$ . By the Rank Theorem,

 $\dim(\operatorname{Col} A) + \dim(\operatorname{Nul} A) = 50, \qquad 20 + \dim(\operatorname{Nul} A) = 50, \qquad \dim(\operatorname{Nul} A) = 30.$ 

(d) (i) False: for example, Span  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  does not contain  $\begin{pmatrix} 1\\-1\\3\\4 \end{pmatrix}$  which is in W.

(ii) True:  $v \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 2 - 1 + 3 - 4 = 0 \text{ and } v \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = 1 + 2 - 3 = 0.$  By proper-

ties of the dot product, this means v is orthogonal to Span  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

3. Solutions are on the next page.

(a) (4 points) Suppose  $T: \mathbf{R}^a \to \mathbf{R}^b$  is a linear transformation. Which of the following conditions guarantee that T is onto? Clearly fill in the bubble for **all** that apply.

lacktriangle For each y in  $\mathbf{R}^b$ , there is at least one x in  $\mathbf{R}^a$  so that T(x) = y.

 $\bigcirc$  For each x in  $\mathbf{R}^a$ , there is at most one y in  $\mathbf{R}^b$  so that T(x) = y.

 $\bigcirc$  For each x in  $\mathbf{R}^a$ , there is exactly one y in  $\mathbf{R}^b$  so that T(x) = y.

lacktriangle For each y in  $\mathbf{R}^b$ , there is exactly one x in  $\mathbf{R}^a$  so that T(x) = y.

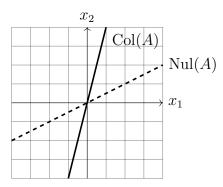
(b) (3 points) Which of the following matrices A are invertible? Clearly fill in the bubble for **all** that apply.

$$\bigcirc A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• Any  $3 \times 3$  matrix A that has eigenvalues  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $\lambda = -1$ , and  $\lambda = 3$ .

• The  $2 \times 2$  matrix A that rotates vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by 60 degrees counterclockwise.

(c) (3 points) Write a matrix A so that Col(A) is the **solid** line below and Nul(A) is the **dashed** line below.



Many answers possible, for example  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 4 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) Statement (ii) is almost the definition of "transformation" but not quite, whereas part (iii) is nearly word-for-word the definition of transformation. Neither guarantees that T is onto, since the linear transformation T(x,y) = (x,y,0) satisfies statements (ii) and (iii) but is not onto.

Statement (i) is nearly word-for-word the definition of onto, while (iv) means that T is invertible which means that T is both one-to-one and onto.

(b) In (i), the matrix A is not invertible because one step of row-reduction gives a row of zeros. Alternatively, we could compute that det(A) = 0.

For (ii): if A is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix eigenvalues 1, -1, and 3, then these are the only eigenvalues of A since an  $n \times n$  matrix cannot have more than n different eigenvalues. Consequently we know 0 is not an eigenvalue, so A must be invertible.

- (iii) is invertible. Either we could write the matrix A and calculate that its determinant is not zero, or we could observe that A is invertible by the Invertible Matrix Theorem because the only vector that satisfies Ax = 0 is the zero vector.
- (c) We need  $\operatorname{Col}(A) = \operatorname{Span}\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ , so both columns of A must be multiples of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ . We also need

$$\operatorname{Nul}(A) = \operatorname{Span}\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2\\1 \end{pmatrix} \right\},\,$$

which means that the parametric vector form for the solution set of Ax = 0 is  $x_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , or in other words  $x_1 = 2x_2$ , so  $x_1 - 2x_2 = 0$ .

The RREF of  $(A \mid 0)$  is therefore  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \mid 0 \\ 0 & 0 \mid 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Many answers are possible for A, for example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 4 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$
  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 8 & -16 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -4 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ , etc.

- 4. Solutions are on the next page.
  - (a) (2 points) Suppose  $\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} = 1$ . Find  $\det \begin{pmatrix} d & e & f \\ 4d 3a & 4e 3b & 4f 3c \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$ . Clearly fill in the bubble for your answer below.
    - $\bigcirc 1$   $\bigcirc -1$   $\bullet 3$   $\bigcirc -3$   $\bigcirc 4$
    - $\bigcirc$  -4  $\bigcirc$  12  $\bigcirc$  -12  $\bigcirc$  none of these
  - (b) (2 points) Find the area of the triangle with vertices (-4, 4), (2, -2), and (6, -1).
    - $\bigcirc 3/2 \qquad \bigcirc 3 \qquad \bigcirc 15/2 \qquad \bullet 15 \qquad \bigcirc 30$
    - $\bigcirc$  45/2  $\bigcirc$  45  $\bigcirc$  50  $\bigcirc$  90  $\bigcirc$  none of these
  - (c) (2 points) Suppose A and B are  $3 \times 3$  matrices satisfying  $\det(A) = 4$  and  $\det(B) = 2$ . Find  $\det(-3A^{-1}B)$ .
    - $\bigcirc -3/2 \qquad \bigcirc 9/2 \qquad \bullet -27/2 \qquad \bigcirc -24 \qquad \bigcirc 27/2$   $\bigcirc -72 \qquad \bigcirc -9/2 \qquad \bigcirc 72 \qquad \bigcirc \text{ none of these}$
  - (d) (4 points) Suppose A is a  $4 \times 4$  matrix with characteristic polynomial

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (2 - \lambda)^2 (3 - \lambda)(-1 - \lambda).$$

Which of the following statements are true? Clearly fill in the bubble for all that apply.

- lacksquare A is invertible.
- lacktriangle If the 2-eigenspace of A is a plane, then A must be diagonalizable.
- $\bigcirc$  It is possible that the 3-eigenspace of A is a plane.
- lacktriangle The zero vector is **not** an eigenvector of A.

(a) The original matrix has determinant 1. To get from there to the final matrix, we do one row swap, one row scale by a factor of -3, and one row replacement. The final answer is therefore (1)(-1)(-3) = 3.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} d & e & f \\ a & b & c \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$$
 (new det is -1)
$$\xrightarrow{R_2 = -3R_2} \begin{pmatrix} d & e & f \\ -3a & -3b & -3c \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$$
 (new det is 3)
$$\xrightarrow{R_2 = R_2 + 4R_1} \begin{pmatrix} d & e & f \\ 4d - 3a & 4e - 3b & 4f - 3c \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (det is still 3)

(b) The vector from (-4,4) to (2,-2) is  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$ . The vector from (-4,4) to (6,-1) is  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$ . We take half the area of the parallelogram determinated by  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ :

$$\frac{1}{2} \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 10 \\ -6 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \right| = \frac{1}{2} |-30 + 60| = 15.$$

(c) We use properties of determinants:

$$\det(-3A^{-1}B) = (-3)^3 \det(A^{-1}B) = -27 \det(A^{-1}) \det(B)$$
$$= -27 \frac{1}{\det(A)} \det(B) = -27 \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2 = -\frac{27}{2}.$$

- (d) (i) True, the eigenvalues of A are 2, 3, and -1, so 0 is not an eigenvalue of A.
  - (ii) True, because if the 2-eigenspace is a plane, then from the other two different eigenvalues we get a sum of geometric multiplicities of 4, therefore

 ${\cal A}$  is diagonalizable.

- (iii) False: the 3-eigenspace of A cannot be a plane, because  $\lambda=3$  has algebraic multiplicity 1 and therefore geometric multiplicity 1 (geometric multiplicity can never be larger than algebraic multiplicity).
- (iv) True: the zero vector can never be an eigenvector of any square matrix A.

## 5. Solutions are on the next page.

- (a) (3 points) Let A be a  $2 \times 2$  matrix whose entries are real numbers. Which of the following statements must be true? Clearly fill in the bubble for all that apply.
  - If A has  $\lambda = -5$  as an eigenvalue with algebraic multiplicity 2, then -5 is the only eigenvalue of A.
  - If  $\lambda = 1 4i$  is an eigenvalue of A, then A does not have any real eigenvalues.
  - $\bigcirc$  If A is a stochastic matrix, then the only eigenvalue of A is  $\lambda = 1$ .
- (b) (3 points) Let A be the  $2 \times 2$  matrix that reflects vectors  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  across the line y = 3x. Which of the following are true? Fill in the bubble for all that apply.
  - $\bigcirc$  The eigenvalues of A are  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 1$ .
  - lacktrianglet A is diagonalizable.
  - $\bullet \ A \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$
- (c) (2 points) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 & 0.1 \\ 0.7 & 0.9 \end{pmatrix}$ . It has the property that  $A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ . What vector does  $A^n \begin{pmatrix} 400 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  approach as n gets large? Clearly fill in the bubble for your answer.
  - $\bigcirc \begin{pmatrix} 64 \\ 336 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \begin{pmatrix} 1/8 \\ 7/8 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bullet \begin{pmatrix} 50 \\ 350 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \begin{pmatrix} 280 \\ 120 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $\bigcirc \begin{pmatrix} 120 \\ 280 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \begin{pmatrix} 280 \\ 120 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \begin{pmatrix} 50 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \begin{pmatrix} 400 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
- (d) (2 points) Suppose W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and B is the matrix for orthogonal projection onto W. Which of the following must be true? Clearly fill in the bubble for all that apply.
  - $\bigcirc$  The eigenvalues of B are  $\lambda = -1$  and  $\lambda = 1$ .
  - $B^3 = B.$

- (a) (i) True: the sum total of algebraic multiplicities of the eigenvalues is 2 since A is  $2 \times 2$ , so if  $\lambda = -5$  has algebraic multiplicity 2 then there cannot be any additional eiegenvalues.
  - (ii) True: if  $\lambda = 1 4i$  is an eigenvalue, then so is  $\lambda = 1 + 4i$ , and a  $2 \times 2$  matrix cannot have more than two eigenvalues, so no eigenvalues of A are real.
  - (iii) False, for example  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.5 \\ 0 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$  is stochastic but has eigenvalues  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\lambda = 0.5$ .
- (b) (i) Not true: the eigenvalues are -1 and 1.
  - (ii) True: A is  $2 \times 2$  with the two distinct real eigenvalues -1 and 1, therefore A is diagonalizable.
  - (iii) True: the (-1)-eigenspace of A is the line through the origin that is perpendicular to y = 3x. This is the line  $y = -\frac{1}{3}x$ , which contains  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Therefore,

$$A \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(c) We are given a positive stochastic matrix and imlicitly told that its 1-eigenspace is spanned by  $\binom{1}{7}$ , so its steady-state vector is

$$w = \frac{1}{1+7} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/8 \\ 7/8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

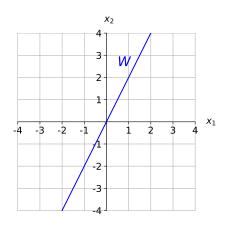
Therefore, 
$$A^n (400) \to 400 \begin{pmatrix} 1/8 \\ 7/8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 50 \\ 350 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

- (d) (i) False: orthogonal projection matrices never have  $\lambda=-1$  as an eigenvalue.
  - (ii) True:  $B^2 = B$  by a property of orthogonal projections, so  $B^3 = B^2B = BB = B$ .

- 6. Solutions are on the next page.
  - (a) (2 points) Find the value of c so that  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ c \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ c \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$  are orthogonal. c = -3
  - (b) (5 points) Suppose W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and x is a vector so that

$$x_W = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and  $x_{W^{\perp}} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- (i) What is the distance from x to W? Fill in the bubble for your answer.
- $\bigcirc$  11  $\bigcirc$  3  $\bigcirc$  30  $\bigcirc$  41  $\bigcirc$  51
- (ii) What is the closest vector to x in W? Fill in the bubble for your answer.
- $\begin{pmatrix}
  1 \\
  -3 \\
  -1
  \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \begin{pmatrix}
  -6 \\
  1 \\
  2
  \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bullet \begin{pmatrix}
  5 \\
  2 \\
  -1
  \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \begin{pmatrix}
  4 \\
  5 \\
  0
  \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \begin{pmatrix}
  -1 \\
  3 \\
  1
  \end{pmatrix}$
- (iii) Which **one** of the following **could** be  $W^{\perp}$ ? Fill in the bubble for your answer.
- $\bigcirc \text{ Nul} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \text{ Row} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc \text{ Nul} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bullet \text{ Col} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- (c) (3 points) Let W be the line graphed below, and let  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . On the graph below, very carefully **draw** and **label** x,  $x_W$ , and  $x_{W^{\perp}}$ .



(a) We set the dot product of the two vectors equal to 0:

$$0 = 1(6) - 2(c) + c(0) - 12 = -2c - 6,$$

so 
$$c = -3$$
.

(b) (i) The distance from x to W is  $||x_{W^{\perp}}||$ :

$$||x_{W^{\perp}}|| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 3^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{11}.$$

- (ii) The closest vector to x in W is  $x_W$ , which is  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- (iii) Nul  $\begin{pmatrix} 5\\2\\-1 \end{pmatrix}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^1$  (not  $\mathbf{R}^3$ ), so it is wrong.

Also, Nul  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and Row  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  cannot be  $W^{\perp}$  because they do not contain the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  which we have been told is in  $W^{\perp}$ .

We have eliminated every possible answer except  $\operatorname{Col}\begin{pmatrix} -1\\3\\1 \end{pmatrix}$ . It could be

 $W^{\perp}$ , since it contains the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} -1\\3\\1 \end{pmatrix}$  which we know is in  $W^{\perp}$ .

One possibility is that  $W = \operatorname{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 3\\1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$  and  $W^{\perp} = \operatorname{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} -1\\3\\1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ .

In this setup, we see that for  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , we get:  $x_W = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $x_{W^{\perp}} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

$$x - x_W = \begin{pmatrix} -1\\3\\1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(c) One way to do this problem with no algebra is just to draw x and then complete a right triangle since x is the sum of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  in W and  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $W^{\perp}$ .

Alternatively, with  $W = \text{Span}\{u\}$  for  $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , we could compute

$$x_W = \frac{1}{u \cdot u} u u^T x = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad x_{W^{\perp}} = x - x_W = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Many students drew lines instead of vectors, which is badly incorrect. The entire point of the problem was to draw the three vectors, not their spans. Many students also did not label (or incorrectly labeled) the vectors involved.

7. Free response. Show your work unless otherwise indicated! A correct answer without sufficient work may receive little or no credit.

For this problem, let 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 3 & -15 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

(a) (2 pts) Write the eigenvalues of A. You do not need to show your work on this part.

Fill in the blank: the eigenvalues are  $\lambda = 4$  and  $\lambda = 13$ .

(b) (6 points) For each eigenvalue of A, find a basis for the corresponding eigenspace.

## Solution:

$$\lambda = 4: (A - 4I \mid 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \\ 3 & -15 & 9 \mid 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -15 & 9 \mid 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 & 3 \mid 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so  $x_1 = 5x_2 - 3x_3$  where  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  are free.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5x_2 - 3x_3 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad \text{4-eigenspace basis: } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$\lambda = 13: \ \left( A - 13I \mid 0 \right) = \begin{pmatrix} -9 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \\ 0 & -9 & 0 \mid 0 \\ 3 & -15 & 0 \mid 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \mid 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \mid 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

so  $x_1 = 0$ ,  $x_2 = 0$ , and  $x_3$  is free. The 13-eigenspace has basis  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

(c) (2 points) The matrix A is diagonalizable. Write a  $3 \times 3$  matrix C and a  $3 \times 3$  diagonal matrix D so that  $A = CDC^{-1}$ . Enter your answer below.

We form C using linearly independent eigenvectors and form D using the eigenvalues written in the corresponding order. Many answers are possible. For example,

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad D = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad D = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

8. (a) Let  $T: \mathbf{R}^2 \to \mathbf{R}^2$  be the transformation corresponding to reflection over the line y = x. Find the standard matrix A for T, so T(v) = Av. Enter your answer below.

$$A = \left( T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Let  $S: \mathbf{R}^3 \to \mathbf{R}^2$  be the transformation defined by S(x,y,z) = (2x-y,y+4z). Find the standard matrix B for S, so S(v) = Bv. Enter your answer below.

$$B = \left( S \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad S \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad S \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (c) Which of the following expressions are possible to calculate? Clearly fill in the bubble for all that apply. You do not need to show your work on this part.
  - $\bigcirc T \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bullet S \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bullet (T \circ S) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \bigcirc (S \circ T) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- (d) Which one of the following compositions makes sense? Fill in the bubble for the **one** correct answer. You do not need to show your work on this part.

$$lacktriangledown T \circ S$$
  $\bigcirc S \circ T$ 

(e) Find the standard matrix C for the transformation you selected in part (d). Enter your answer below.

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Solution:** Parts (a) and (b) are done above. For part (c), we see  $T\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$  is un-

defined, and  $S \circ T$  is undefined because the domain of S is  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . On the other hand,

$$S\begin{pmatrix} 6\\2\\-1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and  $(T \circ S)\begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix}$  make sense and we could compute them if we wished.

For parts (d) and (e), we see  $T \circ S$  makes sense because the domain of T is the codomain of S, and the matrix C for  $T \circ S$  is equal to AB:

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

9. Free response. Show your work! A correct answer without sufficient work may receive little or no credit. Parts (a) and (b) are unrelated.

(a) Let 
$$W = \operatorname{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$
. Find a basis for  $W^{\perp}$ .

**Solution**:  $W = \operatorname{Col}(A)$  for the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ , so

$$W^{\perp} = (\operatorname{Col} A)^{\perp} = \operatorname{Nul}(A^{T}) = \operatorname{Nul}(-1 \ 6 \ -3).$$

This gives  $-x_1 + 6x_2 - 3x_3 = 0$ , so  $x_1 = 6x_2 - 3x_3$  with  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  free. The parametric vector form is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6x_2 - 3x_3 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

so a basis for  $W^{\perp}$  is  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 6\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

(b) Let  $W = \operatorname{Span}\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  and let  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Find  $x_W$  (the orthogonal projection of x onto W) and  $x_{W^{\perp}}$ . Enter your answers below. Simplify all fractions in your answer as much as possible.

$$x_W = \begin{pmatrix} 5/17 \\ -20/17 \end{pmatrix}$$
  $x_{W^{\perp}} = \begin{pmatrix} 12/17 \\ 3/17 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Solution**: The matrix B for orthogonal projection onto W is

$$B = \frac{1}{u \cdot u} u u^{T} = \frac{1}{1^{2} + (-4)^{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} (1 \quad -4) = \frac{1}{17} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ -4 & 16 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now, 
$$x_W = Bx = \frac{1}{17} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ -4 & 16 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{17} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -20 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5/17 \\ -20/17 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and

$$x_{W^{\perp}} = x - x_W = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5/17 \\ -20/17 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 12/17 \\ 3/17 \end{pmatrix}.$$

10. Free response. Show your work!

Use least squares to find the best-fit line y = Mx + B for the data points

$$(0,5), (2,-5), (4,-3).$$

Enter your answer below:

$$y = \underline{\qquad} x + \underline{\qquad}$$

You **must** show appropriate work using least squares. If you simply guess a line or estimate the equation for the line based on the data points, you will receive little or no credit, even if your answer is correct or nearly correct.

No line goes through all three points. The corresponding (inconsistent) system is

$$5 = M(0) + B$$
  
 $-5 = M(2) + B$   
 $-3 = M(4) + B$ 

and the corresponding matrix equation is Ax = b where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

We solve  $A^T A \widehat{x} = A^T b$ .

$$A^{T}A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 20 & 6 \\ 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad A^{T}b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -22 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$(A^T A \mid A^T b) = \begin{pmatrix} 20 & 6 \mid -22 \\ 6 & 3 \mid -3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{then } R_1 = R_1/3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \mid -1 \\ 20 & 6 \mid -22 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 = R_2 - 10R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \mid -1 \\ 0 & -4 \mid -12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow[R_1=R_1/2]{R_2=-R_2/4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[R_1=R_1-(1/2)R_2]{R_1=R_1-(1/2)R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus  $\widehat{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2\\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . The line is

$$y = -2x + 3.$$

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