

**MATH 304-01**  
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**Exam 3**  
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This exam contains 8 pages (including this cover page) and 6 problems. Check to see if any pages are missing. Enter all requested information on the top of this page. Question 1 is a **True/False** question. Clearly **CIRCLE** your correct answer. You are required to show your work on Questions 2 to 6 on this exam.

**Instruction:**

- All solutions must be written on the blue book.
- At the end of the exam, please turn in both this exam and the blue book.
- Turn off and put away your cell phone.
- Notes, the textbooks, and digital devices are not permitted.
- Discussion or collaboration is not allowed.
- Justify your answers, and write clearly.
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Question	Points	Score
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1. (10 points) In each question circle either True or False. No justification is needed.

- (a) **False** Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ .
- (b) **True** If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix and  $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1$  and  $\lambda_3 = 2$  are distinct eigenvalues of  $A$ . Then  $\det(A) = -2$ .
- (c) **True** An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is invertible if and only if 0 is not an eigenvalue of  $A$ .
- (d) **True** Let  $V$  be an inner product space with inner product  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle$  for  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$ . For  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in V$ , we have  $|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|$ .
- (e) **False** If a square  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable, then  $A$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues.
- (f) **False** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times m$  matrix. Then  $\text{Col}(A)^\perp = \text{Nul}(A)$ .
- (g) **True** If  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and if  $\mathbf{x} \in W \cap W^\perp$ , then  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- (h) **False** If  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with its usual dot product, then

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2.$$

- (i) **False** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. If the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent, then 0 is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .
- (j) **True** An  $n \times n$  matrix  $P$  is called an orthogonal matrix if  $P^T P = I$ . If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrices, then  $AB$  is also an orthogonal matrix.
2. Let  $T : \mathbb{P}_2[t] \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_3[t]$  be the linear transformation defined by  $T(p(t)) = (t+1)p(t)$  for all  $p(t) \in \mathbb{P}_2[t]$ .
- (a) (4 points) Find  $T(q(t))$  with  $q(t) = 1 - 2t + t^2$ .
- (b) (6 points) Find the matrix for  $T$  relative to the bases  $\mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$ .

### Solutions.

- (a)  $T(q(t)) = (t+1)q(t) = (t+1)(1 - 2t + t^2) = 1 - t - t^2 + t^3$ .
- (b) We have

$$\begin{aligned} T(1) &= (t+1)1 = t+1 = 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot t + 0 \cdot t^2 + 0 \cdot t^3 \\ T(t) &= (t+1)t = t+t^2 = 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot t + 1 \cdot t^2 + 0 \cdot t^3 \\ T(t^2) &= (t+1)t^2 = t^2+t^3 = 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot t + 1 \cdot t^2 + 1 \cdot t^3. \end{aligned}$$

So the matrix for  $T$  relative to the bases  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  is

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. (20 points) Let  $\mathbb{P}_2[t]$  be an inner product space with the inner product given by

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$$

for  $f(t), g(t) \in \mathbb{P}_2[t]$ .

- (a) Compute  $\langle 6t - 1, 12t^2 \rangle$ .  
 (b) Compute  $\|6t - 1\|$ .  
 (c) Let  $L$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{P}_2[t]$  spanned by  $2t - 1$ . Compute  $\text{proj}_L(12t^2)$ , the projection of  $12t^2$  into  $L$ .  
 (d) Let  $p(t), q(t) \in \mathbb{P}_2[t]$  with  $\|p(t)\| = \|q(t)\| = 1$  and  $\langle p(t), q(t) \rangle = 0$ . Show that

$$\|p(t) - q(t)\| = \sqrt{2}.$$

**Solutions.**

- (a)

$$\langle 6t - 1, 12t^2 \rangle = \int_0^1 (6t - 1)(12t^2)dt = \int_0^1 (72t^3 - 12t^2)dt = (18t^4 - 4t^3)|_0^1 = 14.$$

- (b)  $\|6t - 1\| = \sqrt{\langle 6t - 1, 6t - 1 \rangle} = \sqrt{7}$  since

$$\langle 6t - 1, 6t - 1 \rangle = \int_0^1 (6t - 1)^2 dt = \int_0^1 (36t^2 - 12t + 1)dt = (12t^3 - 6t^2 + t)|_0^1 = 7.$$

- (c) We have

$$\text{proj}_L(12t^2) = \frac{\langle 12t^2, 6t - 1 \rangle}{\langle 6t - 1, 6t - 1 \rangle} (6t - 1) = \frac{14}{7} (6t - 1) = 12t - 2.$$

- (d) Since  $\langle p(t), q(t) \rangle = 0$  and  $\|p(t)\| = \|q(t)\| = 1$ , we deduce that

$$\langle p(t), -q(t) \rangle = -\langle p(t), q(t) \rangle = 0 \text{ and } \|-q(t)\| = \|q(t)\| = 1.$$

By Pythagorean theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|p(t) - q(t)\|^2 &= \|p(t) + (-q(t))\|^2 \\ &= \|p(t)\|^2 + \|-q(t)\|^2 \\ &= \|p(t)\|^2 + \|q(t)\|^2 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\|p(t) - q(t)\| = \sqrt{2}$ .

4. (20 points) Let  $V = \mathbb{P}_3[t]$  be an inner product space with the inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t)dt$$

for  $f, g \in V$ . Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthogonal basis for the subspace  $W$  of  $V$  spanned by  $\{1, t, t^2\}$ . (Do not normalize).

**Solutions.**

Let  $p_1(t) = 1, p_2(t) = t$  and  $p_3(t) = t^2$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} q_1(t) &= p_1(t) = 1 \\ q_2(t) &= p_2(t) - \frac{\langle p_2(t), q_1(t) \rangle}{\langle q_1(t), q_1(t) \rangle} q_1(t) \\ q_3(t) &= p_3(t) - \frac{\langle p_3(t), q_1(t) \rangle}{\langle q_1(t), q_1(t) \rangle} q_1(t) - \frac{\langle p_3(t), q_2(t) \rangle}{\langle q_2(t), q_2(t) \rangle} q_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\langle q_1(t), q_1(t) \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 q_1(t)^2 dt = \int_{-1}^1 dt = t|_{-1}^1 = 2$$

and

$$\langle p_2(t), q_1(t) \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 p_2(t)q_1(t)dt = \int_{-1}^1 t dt = \frac{1}{2}t^2|_{-1}^1 = 0.$$

So  $q_2(t) = p_2(t) = t$ . Now

$$\langle p_3(t), q_1(t) \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 p_3(t)q_1(t)dt = \int_{-1}^1 t^2 dt = \frac{1}{3}t^3|_{-1}^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\langle q_2(t), q_2(t) \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 q_2(t)^2 dt = \int_{-1}^1 t^2 dt = \frac{1}{3}t^3|_{-1}^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\langle p_3(t), q_2(t) \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 p_3(t)q_2(t)dt = \int_{-1}^1 t^3 dt = \frac{1}{4}t^4|_{-1}^1 = 0.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} q_3(t) &= p_3(t) - \frac{\langle p_3(t), q_1(t) \rangle}{\langle q_1(t), q_1(t) \rangle} q_1(t) - \frac{\langle p_3(t), q_2(t) \rangle}{\langle q_2(t), q_2(t) \rangle} q_2(t) \\ &= t^2 - \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{2} \cdot 1 - \frac{0}{\frac{2}{3}} t \\ &= t^2 - \frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\{1, t, t^2 - \frac{1}{3}\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{P}_2[t]$ .

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

- (a) (7 points) Find the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ . (Show your work).  
 (b) (4 points) Verify that  $A$  has three distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -2$  and  $\lambda_3 = 2$ .  
 (c) (9 points) For each  $\lambda_i$ , find a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$ .  
 (d) (5 points) Determine whether  $A$  is diagonalizable or not. If it is, find matrices  $P$  and  $D$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ , where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix. If not, explain why.

**Solutions.**

- (a) Characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 - \lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = -\lambda^3 + \lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 4.$$

- (b) It is easy to check that  $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -2$  and  $\lambda_3 = 2$  are solutions of the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  since

$$-\lambda^3 + \lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 4 = \lambda^2(1 - \lambda) - 4(1 - \lambda) = (1 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 - 4) = (1 - \lambda)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda + 2).$$

- (c) Finding a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 1$ . We need to solve the homogeneous linear system  $(A - \lambda_1 I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} (A - \lambda_1 I | \mathbf{0}) &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

So we have the system

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_3 &= 0 \\ x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= x_3 \\ x_2 &= x_3 \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus  $\{\mathbf{v}_1\}$  is a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 1$  where  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Finding a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = -2$ . We need to solve the homogeneous linear system  $(A - \lambda_2 I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} (A - \lambda_2 I|\mathbf{0}) &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_3 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2/4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

So we have the system

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + \frac{1}{2}x_3 &= 0 \\ x_2 + \frac{1}{2}x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -\frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ x_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}x_3 \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ -\frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2}x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus  $\{\mathbf{v}_2\}$  is a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = -2$  where  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Finding a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 2$ . We need to solve the homogeneous linear system  $(A - \lambda_3 I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
(A - \lambda_3 I | \mathbf{0}) &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
&\xrightarrow{R_2+R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3-R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
&\xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 / -2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
&\xrightarrow{R_1+R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

So we have the system

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 + x_2 &= 0 \\
x_3 &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 &= -x_2 \\
x_3 &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus  $\{\mathbf{v}_3\}$  is a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_3 = 2$  where  $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Hence  $A$  is diagonalizable and

$$P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \mathbf{v}_2 \mathbf{v}_3] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

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

6. (25 points) Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^4$  with the usual dot product  $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}$  for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in V$ . Let

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $S = \{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\}$ .

- Verify that  $S$  is an orthogonal basis for the subspace  $W$  spanned by  $S$ .
- Find the unit vector  $\mathbf{u}$  in the direction of  $\mathbf{x}$ .

- (c) Find the distance between  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$ .  
 (d) Find  $\text{proj}_W(\mathbf{z})$ , the projection of  $\mathbf{z}$  into  $W = \text{span}(S)$ .  
 (e) Write  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{u}_1$ , where  $\mathbf{w} = \text{proj}_W(\mathbf{z}) \in W$  and  $\mathbf{u}_1 \in W^\perp$ .

**Solutions.**

- (a) We have that  $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = 1 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 1 = 0$  so  $S$  is an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors and since  $S$  spans  $W = \text{span}(S)$ ,  $S$  is an orthogonal basis for  $W$ .  
 (b) The unit vector in the direction  $\mathbf{x}$  is

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} = \frac{\mathbf{x}}{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x} = 1^2 + (-1)^2 + 1^2 + (-1)^2 = 4$ , hence  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{4} = 2$ .

- (c) We have  $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  and so

$$\text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| = \sqrt{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})} = \sqrt{0^2 + (-2)^2 + 0^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}.$$

- (d) Since  $S$  is an orthogonal basis for  $W$ , the projection of  $\mathbf{z}$  into the subspace  $W$  can be determined by

$$\mathbf{w} = \text{proj}_W(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \mathbf{x} + \frac{\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{y}} \mathbf{y} = \frac{4}{4} \mathbf{x} + \frac{8}{4} \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Thus } \mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We see that

$$\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x} = 1(-1) + (-1)(-3) + 1 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 3 = 0$$

and

$$\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{y} = 1(-1) + 1(-3) + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 3 = 0.$$

So  $\mathbf{u}_1 \in W^\perp$  as  $S$  spans  $W$ .