

**MATH 220  
HOMEWORK 4**

**Due December 6, 2019, Friday, submit at the beginning of the class.**

**Note:** Each solution should start at the top of a page (you can use both sides of the paper) and each sheet should have your name on it. Note that this homework has 5 questions in 2 pages.

1. Let  $P_2$  denote the vector space of polynomials with degree  $\leq 2$ . Let  $S = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5\}$  be a set of vectors in  $P_2$ , where  $f_1(x) = x^2 + 3x + 4$ ,  $f_2(x) = x + 1$ ,  $f_3(x) = x^2 + x + 2$ ,  $f_4(x) = x^2 - x - 2$ ,  $f_5(x) = 3x - 5$ .
  - a) Show that  $S$  spans  $P_2$ .
  - b) Find a subset of  $S$  which is a basis for  $P_2$ .
  - c) Find the coordinate vector  $[f(x)]_S$  of the vector  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 1$  with respect to the basis  $S$  that you found in part (b).
2. Consider the following matrix

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

- a) Find a basis for the row space of  $A$ . What is the row rank of  $A$ ?
  - b) Find a basis for the column space of  $A$ . What is the column rank of  $A$ ?
  - c) Find a basis for the null space of  $A$ . What is the nullity of  $A$ ?
3. Let  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$  and  $T = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$  be ordered basis for  $R^3$ , where

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Suppose that the transition matrix from  $T$  to  $S$  is

$$P_{S \leftarrow T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine  $T$  (i.e. find the vectors  $\mathbf{w}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_2$  and  $\mathbf{w}_3$ ).

4. Let  $\mathbb{R}_3$  have the Euclidean inner product. Use the Gram-Schmidt process to transform the basis  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$  into an orthonormal basis, where

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, -1, 1), \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = (0, 1, -1), \quad \mathbf{u}_3 = (1, -2, 1).$$

Check your answer using Matlab (write down which commands and algorithms that you used).

5. Decide whether the following sentences are true or sometimes false. If it is true, then give a logical argument to justify it. If it is false, then give an example that illustrates why it is false.

a) Let  $V$  be a vector space and  $S_1, S_2$  be two sets of vectors in  $V$  such that  $S_1 \subseteq S_2$ . If  $S_1$  spans  $V$ , then  $S_2$  spans  $V$ .

b) Let  $A$  be a  $n \times n$  matrix whose determinant is nonzero. If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $\{A\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, A\mathbf{v}_n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

c) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$ -matrix. If there is an  $n \times n$  matrix  $B \neq 0$  such that  $AB = 0$ , then the rank of  $A$  is strictly smaller than  $m$ .