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Notation In this examination $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ means \mathbf{x} is a real, *column* vector with n components, and \mathbf{x}^T is the transpose of \mathbf{x} .

1. In this problem, A represents a real, symmetric $n \times n$ matrix which is positive definite.

(a) (5%) State a spectral theorem that specifies the properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A .

(b) (5%) Show that \sqrt{A} , the square root of A , exists and is positive definite.

(c) (20%) Now assume $A = I + 3\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T$, where I is the identity matrix and $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{u} = 1$.

[1] Show that A is positive definite.

[2] Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A .

[3] Compute $\det(A)$ and write out the minimal polynomial of A .

[4] Determine \sqrt{A} and find a polynomial p such that $\sqrt{A} = p(A)$.

(d) (10%) Find the symmetric matrix B so that

$$\mathbf{x}^T B \mathbf{x} = (x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3)^2,$$

where $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3]^T \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Is B positive definite? What is the rank of B ? Determine the maximum value of $\mathbf{x}^T B \mathbf{x}$ under the condition $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$.

2. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix};$$

and let $\mathcal{R}(A)$ denote the column space of A .

(a) (8%) Find an $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $\|A\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}\|_2 \leq \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Is $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ unique? Why?

(b) (6%) Find *orthonormal* (column) vectors \mathbf{q}_1 , \mathbf{q}_2 , and \mathbf{q}_3 such that \mathbf{q}_1 and \mathbf{q}_2 span $\mathcal{R}(A)$.

(c) (10%) Compute the orthogonal projection matrix $P: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(A)$. Is P an orthogonal matrix? What are the eigenvalues of P ? Use P to determine the vector in $\mathcal{R}(A)$ which is closest to \mathbf{b} .

(d) (6%) Let $Q = \mathbf{q}_3\mathbf{q}_3^T$. Compute $P^3 + Q^3$ and P^3Q^3 .

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3. Consider a function space \mathcal{X} on which a real inner product $\langle \bullet, \bullet \rangle : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined.

(a) (5%) State the basic properties that an inner product possesses.

(b) (10%) Given an $f \in \mathcal{X}$ and a set of *linearly independent* functions $\{\phi_k\}_{k=1}^n$ in \mathcal{X} , show how to determine the coefficients $\{c_k\}_{k=1}^n$ in $s_n \equiv \sum_{k=1}^n c_k \phi_k$ so that $\|f - s_n\|$ is a minimum, where $\|\bullet\|$ is the norm derived from $\langle \bullet, \bullet \rangle$. Also prove that $G = [g_{jk}]_{j,k=1}^n$, a real symmetric $n \times n$ matrix with entries $g_{jk} = \langle \phi_j, \phi_k \rangle$, is positive definite.

(c) (10%) Let $\langle g, h \rangle = \int_0^1 g(x)h(x) dx$ for $g, h \in \mathcal{X} \equiv C[0, 1]$, the space of functions continuous on $[0, 1]$, and let $f(x) = x^3$, $\phi_k(x) = x^{k-1}$, $k = 1, 2, 3$, for $x \in [0, 1]$. Compute the coefficients c_1 , c_2 , and c_3 as described in part (b). Explain why the $n \times n$ matrix H , with entries h_{jk} generated by the formula

$$h_{jk} = \frac{1}{j+k-1} = \int_0^1 x^{j-1} x^{k-1} dx, \quad 1 \leq j, k \leq n,$$

is positive definite.

(d) (5%) Find a formula for the coefficients $\{c_k\}_{k=1}^n$ in part (b) if the given set $\{\phi_k\}_{k=1}^n$ is *orthonormal*, and in this case express the orthogonal projection $P : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ in terms of $\langle \bullet, \bullet \rangle$ and $\{\phi_k\}_{k=1}^n$, where \mathcal{S} is the subspace spanned by $\{\phi_k\}_{k=1}^n$.

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I. Let f be a real value function defined in an open set $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$.
Prove or disprove the following statements:

1. (10%) If the partial derivatives $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$ both exist, then

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}.$$

2. (10%) If $\nabla f(x, y) := \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right) = 0$ for all $(x, y) \in \Omega$,
then there exists a constant c such that $f(x, y) = c \forall (x, y) \in \Omega$.

II. Prove or disprove the following statements:

3. (15%) For any $n \times n$ matrix A with real entries define e^A by $e^A = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k}{k!}$.
Then we have $e^{A+B} = e^A e^B$.

4. (15%) For $u \in L^p(0, 1)$ define $\|u\|_p = \left(\int_0^1 |u(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$; suppose that
 $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $f_n \in L^p(0, 1)$, $g_n \in L^q(0, 1) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n - f\|_p = 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|g_n - g\|_q$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f_n(x) g_n(x) dx = \int_0^1 f(x) g(x) dx.$$

III. Suppose μ is a positive finite measure on a σ -algebra \mathcal{M} . If $A \in \mathcal{M}$
and $B \in \mathcal{M}$, define

$$\rho(A, B) = \mu(A \Delta B), \quad A \Delta B := (A - B) \cup (B - A).$$

5. (15%) Prove that (\mathcal{M}, ρ) is a complete metric space.

6. (10%) The set $\{A \in \mathcal{M} : \rho(A, \phi) \in [0, 1]\}$ is closed in (\mathcal{M}, ρ) . Here ϕ
denotes the empty set.

IV. Let $S_n(a)$ denote the n -ball of radius a given by

$$S_n(a) = \left\{ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \leq a^2 \right\},$$

and let

$$V_n(a) = \int_{S_n(a)} \dots \int dx_1 \dots dx_n,$$

the volume of $S_n(a)$.

7. (10%) Prove that $V_n(1) = \frac{2\pi}{n} V_{n-2}(1)$ for $n \geq 3$.

8. (15%) Prove that $V_n(a) = \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2} + 1)} a^n$, where $\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt$
for $x > 0$.