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## MATH 2R03 – PRACTICE MIDTERM 2

*SAMPLE SOLUTIONS*

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DURATION OF MIDTERM: 1 Hour

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Question	1	2	3	4	5	<b>Total</b>
Points	10	6	5	4	5	30
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1. (10 points in total – 2 points for each)

For each of the following statements, state if it is true or false, and provide a VERY BRIEF justification (explanation or counterexample).

(a) If  $A$  is an invertible matrix, then  $A$  has a  $QR$  decomposition.

T If  $A$  is invertible, then  $A$  has linearly independent column vectors, so  $A$  has a  $QR$  decomposition.

(b) The transformation  $T: M_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_2(\mathbb{R})$  given by  $T(A) = A - A^T$  is linear.

T  $T(A+B) = (A+B) - (A+B)^T = (A - A^T) + (B - B^T) = T(A) + T(B)$   
 $T(kA) = kA - (kA)^T = kA - kA^T = k(A - A^T) = kT(A)$ .  
 So  $T$  is linear.

(c) The space  $P_5$  of real polynomials of degree at most 5 is isomorphic to  $M_{3 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ .

T Both  $P_5$  and  $M_{3 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  have dimension 6.

(d) If  $T: U \rightarrow V$  is a linear transformation with  $\text{nullity}(T) = 2$ ,  $\dim(U) = 3$  and  $\dim(V) = 4$ , then  $\text{rank}(T) = 2$ .

F  $\dim(U) = \text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T)$  (by the Rank Nullity Theorem)  
 $3 = 2 + \text{rank}(T)$   
 So  $\text{rank}(T) = 1 \neq 2$ .

(e) In an inner product space  $V$  with  $\dim(V) = n$ , any orthogonal set of  $n$  vectors is a basis for  $V$ .

~~T~~ F Any orthogonal set of non-zero vectors is linearly independent, and any linearly independent set of  $n$  vectors in an  $n$ -dimensional space  $V$  spans  $V$ , so the set is a basis.

The question was supposed to say "any orthogonal set of  $n$  non-zero vectors is a basis." This is true, for the reason given.

However, as the question actually stands, the statement is false, as  $0$  could be one of those vectors & hence the set would not be linearly independent, hence not a basis.

2. (6 points in total – 2 points for each)

For each part, circle ALL the number(s) corresponding to possible correct way(s) to complete each sentence.

(a) In a QR decomposition of a matrix  $A$ ,

- (1)  $R$  is invertible;
- (2)  $Q$  is square;
- (3)  $R$  is lower triangular;
- (4)  $R$  satisfies  $R^T R = 0$ ;
- (5)  $Q$  has orthogonal column vectors.

Note: You are NOT asked to write anything here in order to justify your answers. These notes are just to help explain the more mysterious answers.  
 (orthonormal = orthogonal to each other + unit vectors)

(b) For a subspace  $W$  of a vector space  $V$  and a vector  $u$  in  $V$ ,

- (1)  $\langle \text{proj}_W u, u \rangle = 0$ ;
- (2)  $\|\text{proj}_W u\| = 1$ ;
- (3)  $\langle \text{proj}_{W^\perp} u, u \rangle = 0$ ;
- (4)  $\|u - w\| \geq \|u - \text{proj}_W u\|$  for any vector  $w$  in  $W$ ;
- (5)  $\langle \text{proj}_W u, \text{proj}_{W^\perp} u \rangle = 0$ .

$u$  does not necessarily lie in either  $W$  or  $W^\perp$  so is not necessarily orthogonal to either  $\text{proj}_W u$  or  $\text{proj}_{W^\perp} u$ .  
 $\|u - w\| > \|u - \text{proj}_W u\|$  for any vector  $w$  in  $W$  other than  $\text{proj}_W u$  (and obviously setting  $w = \text{proj}_W u$  gives  $\|u - w\| = \|u - \text{proj}_W u\|$ )

$\uparrow$  lies in  $W$      $\uparrow$  lies in  $W^\perp$

(c) If a linear transformation  $T: U \rightarrow V$  is an isomorphism, then

- (1)  $\ker(T) = \{0\}$ ;
- (2)  $U = V$ ;
- (3)  $T(x) = T(y)$  implies  $x = y$ , for vectors  $x$  and  $y$  in  $U$ ;
- (4)  $\dim(U) = \dim(V)$ ;
- (5)  $R(T) = V$ .

$\leftarrow$  this is another way of saying  $T$  is 1-1  
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 $\leftarrow$  another way of saying  $T$  is onto

3. (5 points) In the space  $P_3$  of real polynomials of degree at most 3 with the inner product given by  $\langle a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3, b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + b_3x^3 \rangle = a_0b_0 + a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3$ , use the Gram-Schmidt Process to find an orthonormal basis for the subspace spanned by  $\underbrace{\{x^2 - 1, x + 2, x^3 - \sqrt{3}x\}}_{u_1, u_2, u_3}$ .

$$v_1 = \frac{u_1}{\|u_1\|} = \frac{x^2 - 1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find } u_2 - \langle u_2, v_1 \rangle v_1 &= x + 2 - \langle x + 2, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &= x + 2 + \sqrt{2} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = x + 2 + x^2 - 1 \\ &= x^2 + x + 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } v_2 = \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{\|x^2 + x + 1\|} = \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find } u_3 - \langle u_3, v_1 \rangle v_1 - \langle u_3, v_2 \rangle v_2 &= \\ x^3 - \sqrt{3}x - \langle x^3 - \sqrt{3}x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) & \\ - \langle x^3 - \sqrt{3}x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \rangle \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) & \\ = x^3 - \sqrt{3}x + \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) &= x^3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 + \underbrace{\left( -\sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)}_{\frac{-3+1}{\sqrt{3}}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ = x^3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}. & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_3 &= \frac{x^3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{\|x^3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\|} = \frac{x^3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{\sqrt{1^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2}} = \frac{x^3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{3}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x^3 + \frac{1}{3}x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

4. (4 points) In the space  $M_{2 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$  with the standard inner product  $\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(B^T A)$ , write

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

as  $C = D + E$ , where  $D$  lies in  $W = \text{span}\left\{\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{u_1}, \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & -5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{u_2}\right\}$  and  $E$  lies in  $W^\perp$ .

First we need an orthogonal basis for  $W$ .

Take  $v_1 = u_1$  and

$$v_2 = u_2 - \frac{\langle u_2, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1$$

(Note: do not need to normalize as only need an orthogonal, not an orthonormal, basis.)

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & -5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{\langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & -5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rangle}{\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rangle} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & -5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{-12}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & -5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We write  $C = \overbrace{\text{proj}_W C}^D + \overbrace{\text{proj}_{W^\perp} C}^E$ .

$$\text{Then } D = \text{proj}_W C = \frac{\langle C, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 + \frac{\langle C, v_2 \rangle}{\|v_2\|^2} v_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\langle \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rangle}{6} v_1 + \frac{\langle \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rangle}{30} v_2 \\ &= \frac{(-5) \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 + (-3) \cdot (-1)}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{(-5) \cdot 2 + (-4) \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot (-1) + 1 \cdot 4 + (-3) \cdot 0}{30} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & 0 & 2/3 \\ 0 & -1/3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4/3 & 2 & 2/3 \\ 8/3 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 4/3 \\ -8/3 & -1/3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{And } E = \text{proj}_{W^\perp} C = C - \text{proj}_W C = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 4/3 \\ -8/3 & -1/3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -2 & 2/3 \\ 1/3 & -8/3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. (5 points) If  $U$ ,  $V$  and  $W$  are vector spaces such that  $U$  is isomorphic to  $V$ , and  $V$  is isomorphic to  $W$ , show (just using definitions) that  $U$  is isomorphic to  $W$ .

If  $U$  is isomorphic to  $V$ , then there is an isomorphism  $T_1: U \rightarrow V$  and if  $V$  is isomorphic to  $W$ , then there is an isomorphism  $T_2: V \rightarrow W$ .

We want to show  $T_2 \circ T_1: U \rightarrow W$  is an isomorphism i.e. is 1-1 and onto.

1-1 If  $x$  and  $y$  are vectors in  $U$  with  $(T_2 \circ T_1)(x) = (T_2 \circ T_1)(y)$  i.e.  $T_2(T_1(x)) = T_2(T_1(y))$ , then  $T_2$  1-1  $\Rightarrow T_1(x) = T_1(y)$  and then  $T_1$  1-1  $\Rightarrow x = y$ .

So  $T_2 \circ T_1$  is 1-1.

Onto If  $w$  is a vector in  $W$ , then, since  $T_2$  is onto, there is a vector  $v$  in  $V$  with  $T_2(v) = w$ .

Since  $T_1$  is onto, there is a vector  $u$  in  $U$  with  $T_1(u) = v$ .

Then  $(T_2 \circ T_1)(u) = T_2(T_1(u)) = T_2(v) = w$ . So  $T_2 \circ T_1$  is onto.

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(Note: In particular, you are not told  $U$  and  $V$  and  $W$  are finite dimensional so you cannot argue with finite bases.)

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