



1 (Problem 4, 2000)

a) Find the QR -factorization of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

b) Which point in $\text{span}\{(1, 1, 1), (1, 2, 3)\} \subset \mathbb{C}^3$ is closest to $(i, 0, 1)$?

2 (Problem 6, 2001)

a) Let $T \in B(H)$ be a bounded linear transformation $H \rightarrow H$. Show that

$$\ker(T) = \ker(T^*T).$$

b) Let $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$. Show that

$$\ker(A) = \ker(A^*A).$$

3 (Problem 3, 2002)

a) Let $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$. Prove that

$$\langle x, y \rangle_A = y^t A x$$

defines an inner product on \mathbb{R}^n if and only if A is symmetric and positive definite.

b) Let $v_1(t) = e^t$, $v_2(t) = e^{-t}$, and let V be the function space $\{av_1 + bv_2 : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ with inner product

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \int_0^1 x(t)y(t) dt.$$

Furthermore, let $T: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear transformation

$$T(av_1 + bv_2) = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find $A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ such that T is unitary on $(\mathbb{R}^2, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_A)$.

4 (Problem 4, 2003) Let $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$. Show that if A can be diagonalized by a unitary matrix, then $|Ax| = |A^*x|$ for all $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$.

- 5 (Problem 3, 2011) Let $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^4)$, and suppose that there are $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that T is realized by the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & a \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of T in terms of a and b .
- For which values of a and b does \mathbb{R}^4 have a basis of eigenvectors of T ?
- Are there choices for a and b so that \mathbb{R}^4 has an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors of T ?

- 6 (Problem 1, 2002) Let

$$A = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 & -12 \\ 0 & 100 & 0 \\ -12 & 0 & 16 \end{bmatrix},$$

so that $A^t A = B$.

- Give an orthogonal diagonalization QDQ^t of B .
- Find $\exp(tB)$ and solve the initial-value problem

$$\dot{x} = Bx, \quad x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 25 \\ 50 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Find the singular value decomposition and the pseudoinverse of A .