

**Assignment 10** Chapters 7 & 8.

**Due date: July 2**

Section 7.1. 1, 3

Section 7.2. 1, 2

Section 7.4. 2, 3, 6

Section 8.1. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10

**Problems to be turned in for grading.**

1. (a) Find the coordinates of the vector  $v = (1, 4)$  in the orthonormal basis  $\mathcal{V}$

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(1, 2) \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(2, -1).$$

(b) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find  $[A]_{\mathcal{V}}$ .

2. Use Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization to find an orthonormal basis for the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by the vectors

$$w_1 = (1, 1, 1) \quad \text{and} \quad w_2 = (0, 1, 1).$$

Extend this basis to an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

3. (Computer exercise) Use Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization to find an orthonormal basis for the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$  spanned by the vectors

$$w_1 = (2, 1, 3, 5, 7) \quad w_2 = (2, -1, 5, 2, 3) \quad \text{and} \quad w_3 = (10, 1, -23, 2, 3).$$

Extend this basis to an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

4. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}$$

be the general real  $2 \times 2$  symmetric matrix.

- (a) Prove directly using the discriminant of the characteristic polynomial that  $A$  has real eigenvalues.
- (b) Show that  $A$  has equal eigenvalues only if  $A$  is a scalar multiple of  $I_2$ .

In Exercises 5 and 6, determine whether the given matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable. If it is, find a matrix  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is diagonal.

5.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -4 & 13 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

6.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$

7. According to Theorem 7.4.1 an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix has only real eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors can be chosen so as to form an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 2 \\ -4 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find the eigenvalues of  $A$  and find an orthonormal set of eigenvectors (which forms a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ).

8. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with a real eigenvalue  $\lambda$  and associated eigenvector  $v$ . Assume that all other eigenvalues of  $A$  are different from  $\lambda$ . Let  $B$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix that commutes with  $A$ ; that is,  $AB = BA$ . Show that  $v$  is also an eigenvector for  $B$ .
9. Assuming that  $b \neq 0$ , find a matrix that orthogonally diagonalizes

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}.$$