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Problem 1) (20 points) True or False? No justifications are needed.

T  F

Similar matrices have the same determinant.

T  F

The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 100 & 1 & 1 \\ 100 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 100 \\ 1 & 1 & 100 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is invertible.

T  F

If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix for which every entry is 1, then  $\det(A) = 1$ .

T  F

If  $\vec{v}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  and of  $B$  and  $A$  is invertible, then  $\vec{v}$  is an eigenvector of  $3A^{-1} + 2B$ .

T  F

$\det(-A) = \det(A)$  for every  $5 \times 5$  matrix  $A$ .

T  F

If  $\vec{v}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  and an eigenvector of  $B$  and  $A$  is invertible, then  $\vec{v}$  is an eigenvector of  $A^{-3}B^2$ .

T  F

If a  $11 \times 11$  matrix has the eigenvalues 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, then  $A$  is diagonalizable.

T  F

For any  $n \times n$  matrix, the matrix  $A$  has the same eigenvectors as  $A^T$ .

T  F

If  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  is a vector of length 1, then  $\vec{v}\vec{v}^T$  is a diagonalizable  $3 \times 3$  matrix.

T  F

The span of  $m$  orthonormal vectors is  $m$ -dimensional.

T  F

A square matrix  $A$  can always be expressed as the sum of a symmetric matrix and a skew-symmetric matrix as follows  $A = \frac{1}{2}(A + A^T) + \frac{1}{2}(A - A^T)$ .

T  F

There exists an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  which satisfies  $A^T A = A^2$ , but  $A$  is not symmetric.

T  F

If two  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$  commute, then  $(A^T)^2$  commutes with  $(B^3)^T$ .

T  F

$-AA^T$  is skew-symmetric for every  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ .

T  F

$A$  maps a least squares solution  $\vec{x}^*$  of  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  to the projection of  $\vec{b}$  onto  $\text{im}(A)$ .

T  F

A matrix which is obtained from the identity matrix by an arbitrary number of switching of rows or columns is an orthogonal matrix.

T  F

The trace of a real skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix is always equal to 0.

T  F

There exists a real  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  which satisfies  $A^4 = -I_3$ .

T  F

If  $A$  has four different integer eigenvalues, then there exists a vector  $\vec{v}$  such that  $\|A^n \vec{v}\| \rightarrow \infty$  for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

T  F

Given 5 data points  $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_5, y_5)$ , then a best fit with a polynomial  $a + bt + ct^2 + dt^3 + et^4 + ft^5$  is possible in a unique way.

Total

Problem 3) (10 points)

Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- Find all eigenvalues of  $A$  with their multiplicities.
- Write down all eigenvectors of  $A$ . What are the geometric multiplicities of the eigenvalues?
- What is  $\det(A)$ .

**Hint.** You might want to look at  $A + I_5$  first.

Problem 4) (10 points)

- Let  $A$  be a  $n \times n$  matrix such that  $A^2 = 2A - I$ . What are the possible eigenvalues of  $A$ ?
- Let  $A$  be a real  $n \times n$  matrix such that  $A^4 = -I_n$ . Show that  $n$  must be even.

Problem 5) (10 points)

Let  $A_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 + 1/n \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer.

- Find all eigenvalues for  $A_n$ .
- Find an eigenbasis  $A_n$  for each  $n$ .
- We hope to get an eigenbasis for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  by taking the limit in b), when  $n$  goes to infinity and possibly rescaling the eigenvectors so that they converge. Does this work? What happens?

Problem 6) (10 points)

Given  $n + 1$  numbers  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n$ , define the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \\ a_0 & a_1 & \dots & a_{n-1} & a_n \\ a_0^2 & a_1^2 & \dots & a_{n-1}^2 & a_n^2 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_0^n & a_1^n & \dots & a_{n-1}^n & a_n^n \end{bmatrix}$ . It is called

a **van der Monde matrix**.

- If we call  $a_n = x$ , then the determinant of  $A$  becomes a function of  $x$ . Show that is a polynomial of degree  $n$  in  $x$ .
- Verify that  $f(a_0) = f(a_1) = \dots = f(a_{n-1}) = 0$ .
- Conclude that  $f(x) = k(x - a_1) \dots (x - a_{n-1})$  for some constant  $k$ .

d) Verify that the constant  $k$  is a determinant of a  $n \times n$  van der Monde matrix.

e) Use this to conclude that  $\det(A) = \prod_{i>j}(a_i - a_j)$ .

Problem 7) (10 points)

A discrete dynamical system is given by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x - 2y \\ -x + 3y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find a closed formula for  $T^{100}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ .

Problem 8) (10 points)

a) Show that for an arbitrary matrix  $A$  for which  $A^T A$  is invertible, the least squares solution of  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  simplifies to

$$\vec{x} = R^{-1}Q^T\vec{b},$$

if  $A = QR$  is the  $QR$  decomposition of  $A$ .

b) Find the least square solution in the case  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  using this formula.

Problem 9) (10 points)

Find the least square solution for the system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  given by the equations

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 4 \\ y &= 2 \\ x &= -1. \end{aligned}$$