Cornelis VAN DER MEE, Spring 2008, Math 3330, Sample Exam 3

1. Consider the two vectors

$$\vec{\boldsymbol{u}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \vec{\boldsymbol{v}} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- a. Compute the cosine of the angle between \vec{u} and \vec{v} .
- b. Compute the distance between \vec{u} and \vec{v} .
- c. Does there exist an orthogonal 3×3 matrix A such that $A\vec{u} = \vec{v}$? If it exists, construct one. If it does not exist, explain why not.
- 2. Find an orthonormal basis for

$$V = \operatorname{span}\left[\begin{pmatrix}1\\0\\1\\0\end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix}0\\0\\3\\0\end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix}0\\0\\0\\1\end{pmatrix}\right]$$

and use this information to write down the orthogonal projection of \mathbb{R}^4 onto V.

3. Find a least-squares solution to the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 1 & 1\\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1\\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ 0\\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

3.* (TO BE REPLACED) Find the factors Q and R in the QR factorization of the matrix

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 2 & 4\\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

by using the Gram-Schmidt process.

4. Find the determinant of the 3×3 matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Describe the parallelepiped whose volume is given by this determinant.

5. Find the determinants of the 4×4 matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 & 8 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- 6. Let A be a 7×7 matrix with det(A) = -3.
 - a. Compute det(-2A).
 - b. Compute $\det(AA^T)$.
 - c. Compute $\det(A^T A^{-1})$.
 - d. Compute the determinant of the matrix obtained from A by first interchanging the last two columns and then interchanging the first two rows.