

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

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1. Consider the two vectors

$$\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -15 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Compute the lengths of \vec{u} and \vec{v} .
- Compute the cosine of the angle between \vec{u} and \vec{v} .
- Construct an orthogonal 2×2 matrix A such that $A\vec{u} = \vec{v}$.
- Is it possible to choose the matrix A in part c in such a way that $\det(A) = 1$? If it is possible, compute such an orthogonal matrix A and explain its geometrical meaning. If it is not possible, argue why not.

2. Find an orthonormal basis for

$$V = \text{span} \left[\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -4 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

4. Find the determinant of the 3×3 matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 & 8 \\ 3 & 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Describe the parallelepiped whose volume is given by this determinant.

5. Find the determinants of the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & 9 & -7 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 9 & -8 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

6. Let A be an 8×8 matrix with $\det(A) = -2$.
- Compute $\det(-\sqrt{2}A)$.
 - Compute $\det(A^T A^3)$.
 - Compute $\det(SA^2S^{-1})$, where S is an 8×8 matrix satisfying $\det(S) = 7$.
 - Compute the determinant of the matrix obtained from A by first interchanging the first two columns, then interchanging the last two columns, and then dividing the second row by 2.