

Exam 3 Solutions

1. Let S be the following orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$S = \left\{ \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

If $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, find $[\mathbf{v}]_S$. (10 pts)

We want to find x, y, z with

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = x \left(\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) + y \left(\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) + z \left(\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right). \text{ As } S \text{ is orthonormal,}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3}(2 + 2 + 8) = 4, \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3}(-4 + 2 + -4) = -2,$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3}(4 + 1 - 8) = -1. \text{ Then } [\mathbf{v}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. Let V be a 2-dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^n with basis $T = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$.

Suppose that $\|\mathbf{v}_1\| = \sqrt{3}$, $\|\mathbf{v}_2\| = \sqrt{5}$, and $\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = 2$.

Let $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}_1 - 2\mathbf{v}_2$. Find $\|\mathbf{u}\|$. (12 pts)

The length of \mathbf{u} is $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}}$. This formula also tells us that $\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1 = 3$ and $\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = 5$. Using the properties of dot product, we get that

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{v}_1 - 2\mathbf{v}_2) \cdot (\mathbf{v}_1 - 2\mathbf{v}_2) = (\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1) - 2(\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) - 2(\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1) + 4(\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) = 3 - 2(2) - 2(2) + 5(4) = 15. \text{ Therefore } \|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{15}.$$

3. Let $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function $L \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$.

Is L a linear transformation? Why or why not? (10 pts)

This is not a linear transformation. It fails both of the linear transformation properties. You only need to show that one fails, but here we will show both.

Property 1: $L(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = L(\mathbf{u}) + L(\mathbf{v})$

If $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix}$, then $L(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \sqrt{(x + x')^2 + (y + y')^2}$ and

$L(\mathbf{u}) + L(\mathbf{v}) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + \sqrt{(x')^2 + (y')^2}$. These are not equal. For example

if $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ then $L(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \sqrt{2}$ and $L(\mathbf{u}) + L(\mathbf{v}) = 2$.

Property 2: $L(r\mathbf{v}) = rL(\mathbf{v})$

If $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, then $L(r\mathbf{v}) = \sqrt{(rx)^2 + (ry)^2} = |r|\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and

$rL(\mathbf{v}) = r\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. These are not equal when $r < 0$. For example, if $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $r = -1$ then $L(r\mathbf{v}) = 1$ and $rL(\mathbf{v}) = -1$.

Note that L is the length function, so you can also think about these properties visually by representing a vector in \mathbb{R}^2 with a directed line segment on the xy -plane. The two properties are the same as checking if $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$ and $\|r\mathbf{v}\| = r\|\mathbf{v}\|$. The first one only holds when the vectors point in the same direction and the second only holds when the scalar is non-negative (or the vector is $\mathbf{0}$).

4. Let V be a 3-dimensional space. Let $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ and $T = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$ be bases for V with transition matrix from S to T equal to $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$.
Let $\mathbf{u} = 2\mathbf{v}_1 + 3\mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3$. Find real numbers a, b, c such that $\mathbf{u} = a\mathbf{w}_1 + b\mathbf{w}_2 + c\mathbf{w}_3$. (10 pts)

Use the equation that $[\mathbf{u}]_T = Q[\mathbf{u}]_S$. The S coordinate is $[\mathbf{u}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ so

$$[\mathbf{u}]_T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ This means that } \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w}_1 + 7\mathbf{w}_2 + 3\mathbf{w}_3 \text{ so } a = 1, b = 7, c = 3.$$

5. Let V be the 3-dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 with basis $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.
Find an orthonormal basis for V . (14 pts)

Let $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$. Use the Gram-Schmidt formulas to find an orthogonal basis $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$.

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{u}_2 - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{2}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{u}_3 - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_3}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_3}{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2} \right) \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{2}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{-4}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This gives the orthogonal basis $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. To get an orthonormal

basis, divide each vector by its length to get $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

6. Let $L : P_3 \rightarrow M_{22}$ be the linear transformation with $\dim \text{range } L = 4$.

(a) Prove that L is invertible. (6 pts)

The range is a 4-dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 , so it must be all of \mathbb{R}^4 so L is onto.

Using the formula $\dim \ker L + \dim \text{range } L = \dim P_3$ and plugging in 4 for $\dim \text{range } L$ and $\dim P_3$, we get that $\dim \ker L = 0$. Thus the kernel of L is $\{0\}$ and L is one-to-one. L is both one-to-one and onto so it is invertible.

(b) Suppose that $L(t^3) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $L(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Find $L^{-1} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$. (8 pts)

$$L^{-1} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = L^{-1} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) + 2L^{-1} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = t^3 + 2t.$$

7. Let $L : M_{22} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a linear transformation $L \left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ c-d \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Find a basis for the kernel of L . (8 pts)

The kernel of L is all matrices $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ with $a + b = 0$ and $c - d = 0$. Thus it is all matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & -a \\ c & c \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ so $\ker L = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. This set is linearly independent, so $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for $\ker L$.

- (b) Find a basis for the range of L . (6 pts)

The range of L is all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a + b \\ c - d \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ so $\text{range } L = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \mathbb{R}^2$. This has basis $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

- (c) Is L one-to-one? Is L onto? (4 pts)

L is not one-to-one as the kernel is nontrivial. It is onto as the range is all of \mathbb{R}^2 .

- (d) Find the representation of L with respect to S and T where $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and $T = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. (12 pts)

Plug each of the vectors from S into L , then take coordinates with respect to T .

$$L \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so the coordinate is } \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$L \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so the coordinate is } \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$L \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so the coordinate is } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$L \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so the coordinate is } \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

These are the columns of the representation, so it is $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.