

# Math 2270 - Assignment 8

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**Section 4.1** - 6, 7, 9, 21, 24

**Section 4.2** - 1, 11, 12, 13, 17

## 4.1 - Orthogonality of the Four Subspaces

4.1.6 The system of equations  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has *no solution* (they lead to  $0 = 1$ ):

$$x + 2y + 2z = 5$$

$$2x + 2y + 3z = 5$$

$$3x + 4y + 5z = 9$$

Find numbers  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  to multiply the equations so they add to  $0 = 1$ . You have found a vector  $\mathbf{y}$  in which subspace? Its dot product  $\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{b}$  is 1, so no solution  $\mathbf{x}$ .

**4.1.7** Every system with no solution is like the one in Problem 4.1.6. There are numbers  $y_1, \dots, y_m$  that multiply the  $m$  equations so they add up to  $0 = 1$ . This is called **Frenholm's Alternative**:

**Exactly one of these problems has a solution**

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \quad \text{OR} \quad A^T\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{y}^T\mathbf{b} = 1.$$

If  $\mathbf{b}$  is not in the column space of  $A$ , it is not orthogonal to the nullspace of  $A^T$ . Multiply the equations  $x_1 - x_2 = 1$  and  $x_2 - x_3 = 1$  and  $x_1 - x_3 = 1$  by numbers  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  chosen so that the equations add up to  $0 = 1$ .

**4.1.9** If  $A^T Ax = \mathbf{0}$  then  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$ . Reason:  $Ax$  is in the nullspace of  $A^T$  and also in the \_\_\_\_\_ of  $A$  and those spaces are \_\_\_\_\_.  
*Conclusion:  $A^T A$  has the same nullspace as  $A$ . This key fact is repeated in the next section.*

**4.1.21** Suppose  $\mathbf{S}$  is spanned by the vectors  $(1, 2, 2, 3)$  and  $(1, 3, 3, 2)$ . Find two vectors that span  $\mathbf{S}^\perp$ . This is the same as solving  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  for which  $A$ ?

**4.1.24** Suppose an  $n$  by  $n$  matrix is invertible:  $AA^{-1} = I$ . Then the first column of  $A^{-1}$  is orthogonal to the space spanned by which rows of  $A$ ?

## 4.2 - Projections

4.2.1 Project the vector  $\mathbf{b}$  onto the line through  $\mathbf{a}$ . Check that  $\mathbf{e}$  is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{a}$ :

$$\text{(a) } \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{(b) } \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**4.2.11** Project  $\mathbf{b}$  onto the column space of  $A$  by solving  $A^T A \hat{\mathbf{x}} = A^T \mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{p} = A \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ :

$$\text{(a)} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find  $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{p}$ . It should be perpendicular to the columns of  $A$ .



**4.2.12** Compute the projection matrices  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  onto the column spaces in Problem 4.2.11. Verify that  $P_1\mathbf{b}$  gives the first projection  $\mathbf{p}_1$ . Also verify  $P_2^2 = P_2$ .

**4.2.13** (Quick and Recommended) Suppose  $A$  is the 4 by 4 identity matrix with its last column removed.  $A$  is 4 by 3. Project  $\mathbf{b} = (1, 2, 3, 4)$  onto the column space of  $A$ . What shape is the projection matrix  $P$  and what is  $P$ ?

**4.2.17** (*Important*) If  $P^2 = P$  show that  $(I - P)^2 = I - P$ . When  $P$  projects onto the column space of  $A$ ,  $I - P$  projects onto the \_\_\_\_\_.