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- 1. (15%) Let A be a real-valued $n \times n$ matrix. If "A is nonsingular," which of the following statements are true? (Proof is not needed. Simply choose the statements.)
 - (a) A^T is invertible.
 - (b) The dimension of the nullspace of A is 1.
 - (c) The rank of A is n.
 - (d) A is diagonalizable.
 - (e) The column vectors of A form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n , where \mathbb{R} is the set of real numbers.
 - (f) The homogeneous system of n linear equations in n unknowns represented by A has nontrivial solutions.
 - (g) The determinant of $A^{100} > 0$.
 - (h) The dimension of the row space of $A^2 + 9A$ is n.
 - (i) The column vectors of A are linearly independent.
 - (j) The determinant of $A^2 + 4A = 0$.
 - (k) $\lim_{n\to\infty} A^n = 0$.
 - (l) The eigenvectors of A span \mathbb{R}^n .
 - (m) There exists a matrix B that is similar to A.
 - (n) A can be a transition matrix with respect to some ordered basis to the standard basis.
 - (o) 0 is an eigenvalue of A.
- 2. (15%) Decide whether the following matrices are positive definite, negative definite, or indefinite?

(a)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)
$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & -2 \\ 4 & 5 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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- 3. (20%) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix with distinct real eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_n$. Let λ be a scalar that is not an eigenvalue of A and let $B = (A \lambda I)^{-1}$, where I is the identity matrix.
 - (a) (10%) Find the eigenvalues of B.
 - (b) (10%) Find the eigenspace of B corresponding to each eigenvalue found in (a).
- 4. (20%) View a random variable as a vector. Define the inner product for two vectors (random variables) X and Y as follows:

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = E[XY].$$

- (a) (4%) Verify that (X, Y) is indeed an inner product. (Hint: there are three conditions that you need to verify.)
- (b) (4%) Consider a discrete random variable Y with possible values in the set $\{0, 1, 2, ..., K\}$ and P(Y = i) > 0 for all i = 0, 1, ..., K. For i = 0, 1, ..., K, let

$$Y_i = \begin{cases} 1, & Y = i \\ 0, & Y \neq i. \end{cases}$$

Verify that $\{Y_i, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., K\}$ is an orthogonal set of vectors.

- (c) (4%) Let W(Y) be the vector space spanned by $\{Y_i, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., K\}$. Show that W(Y) is the family of random variables that can be represented as a function of Y. (Hint: show that g(Y) is a linear combination of $\{Y_i, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., K\}$ for any function g.)
- (d) (4%) Since $\{Y_i, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., K\}$ is an orthogonal basis of W(Y), the vector projection of a vector X onto W(Y), denoted by $\langle X|W(Y)\rangle$, can be computed by the sum of the vector projection on Y_i , i = 0, 1, ..., K, i.e.,

$$\langle X|W(Y)\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{K} \frac{\langle X, Y_i\rangle}{\langle Y_i, Y_i\rangle} Y_i.$$

Suppose that X is also a discrete random variable with possible values in the set $\{0, 1, 2, ..., L\}$ and P(X = j) > 0 for all j = 0, 1, ..., L. Then

$$X = \sum_{j=0}^{L} j X_j$$

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where

$$X_j = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1, & X = j \\ 0, & X \neq j. \end{array} \right.$$

Show that the vector projection of X on W(Y) is simply the conditional expectation, i.e.,

$$\langle X|W(Y)\rangle = E[X|Y].$$

(e) (4%) It is known that the vector projection $\langle X|W(Y)\rangle$ is the vector in W(Y) that achieves the least square approximation. Use this to show that

$$E[X - E[X|Y]]^2 \le E[(X - g(Y))^2]$$

for any function g.

5. (15%) Guests arrive at a hotel in accordance with a Poisson process at a rate of six per hour. (Note that the probability mass function of a Poisson random variable X is given by

$$P(X=i) = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^{i}}{i!}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, ...$$

where λ is the parameter of the Poisson random variable.)

- (a) (5%) What is the probability that no guest arrives during a period of 10 minutes?
- (b) (5%) What is the probability that it takes no more than 4 minutes from the arrival of the tenth to the arrival of the eleventh guest?
- (c) (5%) Suppose that for the last 10 minutes no guest has arrived. What is the probability that the next guest will arrive in less than 4 minutes?
- 6. (15%) Let X be a standard normal random variable, i.e., its probability density function is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp(-x^2/2), \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

- (a) (5%) Find the mean and variance of X^2
- (b) (5%) Find the probability density function of X^2 .
- (c) (5%) Let $\{X_1, X_2, \ldots\}$ be a sequence of independent standard normal random variables. Let $S_n = X_1^2 + X_2^2 + \cdots + X_n^2$. Find

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} P(S_n \le n + 2\sqrt{2n}).$$