

IOP is due by **2PM, Thursday, 21Apr2022**. Essays must be TYPED, [L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X is recommended, not req.]

Inner-products are conjugate-linear in the first argument, and linear in the second. Use  $A^*$  for the conjugate-transpose (the adjoint) of  $A$ . Let  $M_K$  be the  $\mathbb{C}$ -VS of  $K \times K$   $\mathbb{C}$ -matrices; so  $\text{Dim}(M_K) = K^2$ .

Use  $\text{LinDir}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{D}) := \{\mathbf{u} + t\mathbf{D} \mid t \in \mathcal{F}\}$  for the line through  $\mathbf{u}$  in direction  $\mathbf{D}$ .

Write **DNE** if the object does not exist or the operation cannot be performed. NB:  $\mathbf{DNE} \neq \{\} \neq 0$ .

**X1:** i *Essay:* For vectors, i.e. matrices,  $A, B \in M_K$  define

$$\dagger: \quad \langle A, B \rangle := \text{Trace}(A^* B).$$

Prove that  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -inner-product.

ii *Short answer:* Equip  $M_2$  with  $(\dagger)$ -IP. Define vectors

$$G_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & i \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G_2 := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2i \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad G_3 := \begin{bmatrix} 3i & 9i \\ 6 & 15 \end{bmatrix}.$$

On line  $L := \text{LinDir}(G_2, G_1)$ ,

the closest point to  $G_3$  is  $\left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline \end{array} \right]$ .

iii *Short ans:* Gram-Schmidtify  $(G_1, G_2, G_3)$  to form  $(B_1 := G_1, B_2, B_3)$ , where  $B_1 \perp B_2, B_1 \perp B_3, B_2 \perp B_3$ , with  $\text{Spn}(B_1, B_2) = \text{Spn}(G_1, G_2)$  and  $\text{Spn}(B_1, B_2, B_3) = \text{Spn}(G_1, G_2, G_3)$ .

$$\text{Then } B_2 = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline \end{array} \right], \quad B_3 = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline & \hline \hline \end{array} \right].$$

**X2:** Matrices  $A, B, C, D$  have sizes  $K \times K, K \times L, L \times K, L \times L$ , resp., forming block matrix  $G := \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}$ , with  $A$  invertible. Let  $I$  and  $J$  be the  $K \times K$  and  $L \times L$  identity matrices.

a Prove this block-matrix-formula:

$$\dagger: \quad \begin{bmatrix} I & 0_{\text{Mat}} \\ -CA^{-1} & J \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0_{\text{Mat}} & D - CA^{-1}B \end{bmatrix}.$$

b Using that, in  $(\dagger)$ , the first and third block matrices are block-triangular, prove that

$$\ddagger: \quad \text{Det}(G) = \text{Det}(A) \cdot \text{Det}(D - CA^{-1} \cdot B).$$

c Suppose now that  $A$  and  $D$  have the same size (hence  $A, B, C, D$  are each, say,  $K \times K$ ). If  $A$  and  $C$  commute, prove

$$*: \quad \text{Det}(G) = \text{Det}(AD - CB).$$

d Construct a CEX to  $(*)$  when  $A \not\equiv C$ . (Use  $K := 2$ .)

**X3:** A matrix  $W \in \text{MAT}_{N \times N}(\mathbb{C})$  is *weird* if for each complex  $N$ -colvec  $U$ , the product  $U^* W U$  is real. (*Dis*)prove: If  $W$  is weird, then  $W^* = W$ .

[For a CEX, give a specific  $N$  and specific matrix  $W$  whose entries are specific complex numbers. For a proof, recall the quantifier:  $\forall U: U^* W U \in \mathbb{R}$ .]

**X4:** Let  $V$  be the  $\mathbb{R}$ -VS of  $K \times K$  real matrices; so  $\text{Dim}(V) = K^2$ . Let  $P_K \subset V$  be the span of the  $K!$  many  $[K\text{-factorial}]$  permutation matrices. Let  $h(K) := \text{Dim}(P_K)$ .

α Compute  $h(K)$  for  $K = 1, 2, 3$  to conjecture that  $h(K) = \dots$ .

β Prove your formula, for a posints  $K$ . [Depending on how you proceed, this proof may be challenging. Perhaps you can give a heuristic argument, or verify your formula for more values of  $K$ . Your ideas here are more important than a completely rigorous proof.]

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