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**Quick Answer Questions.** No partial credit available; No justification necessary.

1. Fill in the blanks below.

(a) (2 points) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 \\ 9 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Then  $P^3 = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

*Note:*  $P$  is a projection matrix  
 Hence  $P^2 = P$   
 Therefore,  $P^3 = P(P^2) = PP = P^2 = P$

(b) (2 points) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix.

(i) If the row space of  $A$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then the column space of  $A$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$

(ii) If the left nullspace of  $A$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then the column space of  $A$  is  $\{\vec{0}\}$

*Note:*  
 $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$   
 $C(A) = \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow \text{rank } r = n$   
 $\Rightarrow C(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $N(A)$  and  $C(A)$  are orthogonal subspaces

(c) (1 point) The determinant of  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 2 & c \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  is  $10(3-c) = 30 - 10c$

For what value(s) of  $c$  is the above matrix singular?  $c = 3$

*Note:*  
 $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 2 & c \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 2 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 3-c \end{pmatrix}$  (upper triangular)  
 Singular  $\Rightarrow \det(A) = 0$   
 hence  $10(3-c) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow c = 3$

(d) (2 points) Suppose  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  here  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 5}$

pivot cols  
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The row space of  $A$  has dimension = 2

The column space of  $A$  has dimension = 2

The null space of  $A^T$  has dimension = 1

$N(A^T)^\perp = \{\vec{y} \mid \vec{y} \perp N(A^T)\} = C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

*Note:*  
 $\dim C(A) = \text{rank} = \# \text{ of pivot cols}$   
 $\dim C(A^T) = \dim C(A)$   
 $\dim N(A^T) = m - r = 3 - 2 = 1$   
 $N(A^T)$  and  $C(A)$  are orthogonal subspaces

(e) (1 point) True or False: Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two matrices so that the product  $AB$  is defined.

Then  $\text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank}(AB)$ .

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(f) (2 points) Construct a matrix  $A$  with the following property or say why it is impossible:

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ has a solution and } A^T \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad \text{IMPOSSIBLE}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \in C(A) \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in N(A^T)$$

every vector in  $N(A^T)$  should be perpendicular to every vector in  $C(A)$ .

$$\text{However } (1, 2, 3) \cdot (-2, 1, 1) = 3 \neq 0$$

Additional Work Space:

Complete Explanation Questions. Provide complete justifications for your responses.

2. Suppose

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 6 \\ 7 & -1 & 5 & 14 & 36 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) (8 points) Use elimination to find the reduced row echelon form of  $A$ .

$$[A: \vec{b}] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 6 & 4 \\ 7 & -1 & 5 & 14 & 36 & 22 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1} \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 7R_1 \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right] \quad (\text{upper triangular form})$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \\ R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\quad} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3/2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] = R \quad (\text{reduced row echelon form})$$

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pivot cols

(b) (6 points) Find a basis for the column space of  $A$ .

$$\text{Basis for } C(A) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 14 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{note: cols. 1, 2 and 4} \\ \text{are the pivot cols.} \end{array} \right\}$$

(c) (8 points) Find a basis for the nullspace of  $A$ .

Free columns are col 3 and col 5.

Solving  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  (or, equivalently  $R\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ ) gives

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_3 + 3x_5 = 0 \\ x_2 + 2x_3 - x_5 = 0 \\ x_4 + x_5 = 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Special solutions} \\ \text{(setting } x_3=1, x_5=0) \end{array} \quad \vec{s}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{where } x_3 \text{ and } x_5 \text{ are the} \\ \text{free variables} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{(setting } x_3=0, x_5=1) \\ \vec{s}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Basis for } N(A) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

(d) (8 points) Give the complete solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ .

$$\text{Complete solution is } \vec{x} = \underbrace{\vec{x}_p}_{\text{particular sol}^n} + \underbrace{\vec{x}_n}_{\text{nullspace sol}^n} \quad \vec{x}_n = x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_5 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where } x_3, x_5 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Particular solution

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_3 + 3x_5 = 1 \\ x_2 + 2x_3 - x_5 = -1 \\ x_4 + x_5 = 1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{(setting } x_3=x_5=0) \\ \vec{x}_p = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

pivot vars:  $x_1, x_2, x_4$

free vars:  $x_3, x_5$

$$\text{Complete sol}^n \quad \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_5 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Additional Work Space:**

3. Given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 9 \\ 4 & -8 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

(a) (6 points) Find the projection of  $\vec{b}$  onto  $N(A^T)$ .

(Hint: The left nullspace of  $A$  contains vectors of the form  $\vec{y} = (\_, \_, 0, 0)$ . Can you quickly find the missing entries by inspection?)

We note that  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 3}$

$$\dim N(A^T) = 4 - r \quad \text{where } r = \text{rank}(A) = \# \text{ pivot/independent columns.}$$

From inspection, the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent.

$$\text{Hence } \dim N(A^T) = 4 - 3 = 1.$$

Using the provided hint (or by inspecting  $A$ ),  $N(A^T) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

Therefore, consider  $B = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{Let } \vec{p} = P_{N(A^T)} \vec{b} = B (B^T B)^{-1} B^T \vec{b}$$

$$\text{We have } B^T B = \frac{16}{9} + 1 = \frac{25}{9}; \quad (B^T B)^{-1} = \frac{9}{25}$$

$$B^T \vec{b} = \frac{4}{3} + 7 = \frac{25}{3}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \vec{p} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \left( \frac{9}{25} \right) \left( \frac{25}{3} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) (15 points) If the Gram-Schmidt process is applied to determine an orthonormal basis for  $C(A)$  and a QR factorization of  $A$ , then, after the first two orthonormal vectors  $\vec{q}_1$  and  $\vec{q}_2$  are computed, we have

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{4}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -10 & 15 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Recall,	$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 9 \\ 4 & -8 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
	$\vec{a}_1 \quad \vec{a}_2 \quad \vec{a}_3$

Finish the process. Determine  $\vec{q}_3$  and fill in the third columns of  $Q$  and  $R$ .

We have

$$r_{13} = \vec{a}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_1 = \frac{27}{5} + \frac{48}{5} = \frac{75}{5} = 15$$

$$r_{23} = \vec{a}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_2 = 1$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{v}_3 = \vec{a}_3 - (\vec{a}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_1) \vec{q}_1 - (\vec{a}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_2) \vec{q}_2$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 12 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - 15 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} \\ \frac{4}{5} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$r_{33} = \|\vec{v}_3\| = 1$$

$$\vec{q}_3 = \frac{\vec{v}_3}{\|\vec{v}_3\|} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



(c) (10 points) Use the QR factorization to find the least squares solution of  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ .

$$\text{(Recall)} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 9 \\ 4 & -8 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & 0 & \frac{0}{5} \\ \frac{4}{5} & 0 & \frac{0}{5} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{0}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} \end{pmatrix}, \quad R = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -10 & \frac{15}{5} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: Least Squares  $\Leftrightarrow A^T A \vec{x} = A^T \vec{b}$

using  $A = QR$ ,

$$(QR)^T (QR) \vec{x} = (QR)^T \vec{b}$$

$$\underbrace{R^T (Q^T Q)}_I R \vec{x} = R^T Q^T \vec{b}$$

$$R \vec{x} = Q^T \vec{b}$$

we have  $Q^T \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} + \frac{28}{5} \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$R \vec{x} = Q^T \vec{b} \quad \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -10 & 15 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

backsubstitution  
yields

$$x_3 = 3$$

$$x_2 = 2 - 3 = -1$$

$$x_1 = \frac{5 + 10(-1) - 15(3)}{5} = -10$$

Hence least squares solution is  $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -10 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

4. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) (12 points) Calculate the determinant of  $A$  by reducing it to upper triangular form.

Performing elimination,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{swapping rows 1 and 2})$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1} \\ R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_1 \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{upper triangular form})$$

Therefore,

$$|P_1 A| = (1)(1)(-3)(-1) = 3$$

-1  
(one row swap)

$$\Rightarrow |A| = -3$$

(b) (6 points) Calculate  $|-A^T| = \det(-A^T)$ .

$$(Recall) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad |A| = -3$$

Using  $|A^T| = |A|$  and linearity of row operations,

$$\begin{aligned} |-A^T| &= (-1)^4 |A^T| \\ &= |A| \\ &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

(c) (11 points) Evaluate

$$\underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}_B + \underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{vmatrix}}_C$$

We have

$$\begin{matrix} P \\ 2 \leftrightarrow 3 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} P \\ 2 \leftrightarrow 4 \end{matrix} A = B \quad \begin{matrix} \text{(first swap } (R_2 \leftrightarrow R_4); \\ \text{then swap } (R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3)) \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore } |P_{2 \leftrightarrow 3}| |P_{2 \leftrightarrow 4}| |A| &= |B| \\ (-1)(-1)(-3) &= |B| \\ \Rightarrow |B| &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_C A = C$$

$$\det(C) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = |C| = -3$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{(for matrix } A, \\ (R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2) \\ (R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2) \end{matrix}$$

(by linearity of row operations)

$$\text{Therefore } |B| + |C| = -3 + (-3) = -6$$

**Additional Work Space:**

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