

MATH 54 FALL 2017: DISCUSSION 205/208 QUIZ#9

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Problem 1. If true, prove the statement. If false, give a counterexample.

3pts (a) Suppose $u, v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $u \cdot v_1 = u \cdot v_2$. Then $v_1 = v_2$.

3pts (b) If a $n \times m$ matrix A has orthonormal columns, then $AA^T = I_n$.

4pts Problem 2. Show that if a $n \times m$ matrix consists of nonzero orthogonal columns, then $m \leq n$.
(Hint: are the columns then linearly independent?)

#1. (a) Nope. Witness: $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. ($u \cdot v_1 = u \cdot v_2 = 0$).

(b) Nope. Consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. $AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq I_2$.

#2. Let A have columns $\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Claim: We'll show these form a lin. indep. set of vectors.

Then $\text{null}(A) = \{0\}$ implies that $m \leq n$ (\because if $m > n$, then \exists at least one free col. when A in RREF).

pf of Claim: Suppose $c_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + c_m \vec{a}_m = 0$ for some c_1, \dots, c_m not all zero.

(You may also cite thm 1 of §6.1) Let's say $c_i \neq 0$. Then $\vec{a}_i \cdot (c_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + c_m \vec{a}_m) = \vec{a}_i \cdot 0 = 0$

$c_i \|\vec{a}_i\|^2$ ($\vec{a}_i \cdot \vec{a}_j = 0$ for $i \neq j$ since A has orthogonal col.)

We have $c_i \|\vec{a}_i\|^2 = 0$ but $\vec{a}_i \neq 0 \Rightarrow \|\vec{a}_i\|^2 \neq 0$,

Contradiction \otimes .

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