

# MSCS 6040 – EXAM 1

Wednesday, March 6

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**Instructions:** Please write your work neatly and clearly. **You must explain all reasoning. It is not sufficient to just write the correct answer.** You have 75 minutes to complete this exam.

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

(a) Compute the reduced QR decomposition of  $A$ .

(b) Use your computation to solve the least-squares problem  $Ax = b$  where  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(c) What point in the column span of  $A$  is closest (according to the 2-norm) to  $b$ ?

2. Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . Suppose that  $\text{Range}(A) = \text{Null}(B)$ . What can you prove about the product  $BA$ ?  
(*Hint:* Let  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$  be arbitrary. What is  $BAx$ ?)

3. Let  $A = \widehat{U}\widehat{\Sigma}\widehat{V}^*$  be the reduced singular value decomposition of  $A$ . Let  $v_i$  denote the  $i$ th column of  $\widehat{V}$  and let  $\sigma_i$  denote the  $i$ th diagonal entry of  $\widehat{\Sigma}$ . Show that  $v_i$  is an eigenvector of  $A^*A$  and that its corresponding eigenvalue is  $\sigma_i^2$ .

4. Let  $D$  be the diagonal matrix

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & d_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $p$  be a positive integer. What is  $\|D\|_p$ ?

5. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 - 4\sqrt{2} & -3 - 4\sqrt{2} & -6 - 2\sqrt{2} \\ 12 + \sqrt{2} & -6 + \sqrt{2} & -12 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 12 + \sqrt{2} & -6 + \sqrt{2} & -12 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ . The full singular value decomposition is  $A = U\Sigma V^*$  where

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 27 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad V^* = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Use this singular value decomposition to compute the following quantities, *if they exist*.

(a) the rank of  $A$

(b)  $\|A\|_2$

(c)  $A^{-1}$

(d) a basis for  $\text{Range}(A)$

(e) a basis for  $\text{Null}(A)$

(f) a rank-1 approximation for  $A$  (i.e., the rank-1 matrix  $M$  with the property that  $\|M - A\|_2$  is as small as possible)