

Linear Algebra

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Let  $V$  be a vector space over the field of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$ .

1. Let  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  be subspaces of  $V$ . Show that
  - (i)  $V_1 \cap V_2$  is a subspace of  $V$ . (4%)
  - (ii)  $V_1 + V_2$  is a subspace of  $V$ . (4%)
  - (iii)  $\dim V_1 + \dim V_2 = \dim(V_1 + V_2)$ , provided that  $V$  is finite dimensional and  $V_1 \cap V_2 = \{0\}$ . (8%)
2. Suppose that  $\{u, v\} \subset V$ . Show that  $\{u, v\}$  is linearly independent if and only if  $\{2u + v, u - 2v\}$  is linearly independent. (8%)
3. Let  $V$  be finite dimensional and  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be linear. Show that  $T$  is *one-to-one* if and only if  $T$  is *onto*. You may apply the Dimension Theorem. (8%)
4. Let  $A$  be a real, symmetric matrix and  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$  be two distinct eigenvalues of  $A$ . Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be the eigenvectors corresponding to  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ , respectively. Show that  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are orthogonal. (8%)
5. Let

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

Find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = P^T D P$  where  $P^T$  denote the transpose of  $P$ . (10%)

Probability

1. Let the pair of random variables  $(X, Y)$  has joint density function

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = 60x^2y \text{ on the triangle bounded by } x = 0, y = 0 \text{ and } y = 1 - x.$$

$$\text{Consider } Z = \begin{cases} \frac{X^2}{2Y} & \text{for } X \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2Y & \text{for } X > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}. \text{ Determine}$$

(a)  $E[Y|X = x]$     (b)  $E[Z|X = x]$     (c)  $E[Z]$ . (18%)

2. Suppose that  $(X_1, \dots, X_r) \sim M(n; p_1, \dots, p_r)$  is multinomial distributed.

Determine

(a)  $\text{var}X_r$     (b)  $\text{cov}(X_1, X_2)$ . (10%)

3. Let  $\{X_i : i \geq 1\}$  be iid, with  $E[X_i] = 0$ ,  $\text{var}[X_i] = \sigma^2 > 0$ . Let  $Y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ .

Prove that, for any  $c > 0$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\{|Y_n| \geq c\} = 0$ . (10%)

4. (a) Let  $\{A_n\}$  be a sequence of events such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty$ .

Let  $A = \{\omega : \omega \in A_n \text{ for infinitely many } n\}$ . Prove that  $P(A) = 0$ . (6%)

- (b) In coin-tossing, let  $X_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{as the } i\text{th toss is head} \\ -1 & \text{as the } i\text{th toss is tail} \end{cases}$  be iid with

$P\{X_1 = 1\} \neq \frac{1}{2}$ . Let  $Y_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$ ;  $A_n = \{Y_n = 0\}$ .

$A = \{\omega : \omega \in A_n \text{ for infinitely many } n\}$ . Show that  $P(A) = 0$ . (6%)