

1. (30%) Let  $Q = [\mathbf{q}_1 \ \mathbf{q}_2 \ \mathbf{q}_3]$  be a  $3 \times 3$  orthogonal matrix such that  $\mathbf{q}_3 = \mathbf{q}_1 \times \mathbf{q}_2$ , where  $\times$  denotes the cross product. Consider the linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{q}_1 + (\mathbf{q}_2^T \mathbf{x}) \mathbf{q}_1$ .
- (a) (10%) What is the rank of  $T$ ?
- (b) (10%) Find  $k$  so that the linear system  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{q}_1 + 2\mathbf{q}_2 + k\mathbf{q}_3$  is consistent and then find all the solutions in terms of  $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2$  and  $\mathbf{q}_3$ .
- (c) (10%) What is the closest vector in the range of  $T$  to  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{q}_1 + 2\mathbf{q}_2 + 3\mathbf{q}_3$ ?
2. (48%) Let  $S$  be a subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by  $(1,0,1,1)$  and  $(1,1,0,1)$ .
- (a) (10%) Find an orthonormal basis of  $S^\perp$ .
- (b) (10%) If  $\mathbf{v} = (5,5,5,5)$ , find  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $S$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  in  $S^\perp$  so that  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}$ .
- (c) (10%) Find a matrix  $M$  so that  $C(M) = S^\perp$  and  $N(M) = S$ .
- (d) (8%) Let  $P$  be the orthogonal projection matrix onto the subspace  $S$ . Is it true that  $\text{rank}(P) + \text{rank}(I - P) = 4$ ? Explain.
- (e) (10%) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the minimal solution of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , i.e., the solution has the least value of  $\|\mathbf{x}\|$ .
3. (22%) The following matrices are real.
- (a) (6%) True or false: If  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix, then  $\det(-A^2) = -1$ . Give a reason or counterexample.
- (b) (6%) True or false: If  $A$  is an orthogonal projection matrix and  $A$  is nonsingular, then  $\det A = 1$ . Give a reason or counterexample.
- (c) (10%) If  $A, B,$  and  $C$  are  $n \times n$  matrices and  $A$  is nonsingular, show that

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ I_n & C \end{bmatrix} = \det(AC - B).$$