

MATH 54 FALL 2016: DISCUSSION 102/105 QUIZ#11

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Problem 1. Define an inner product on \mathcal{P}_2 (polynomials in t of degree ≤ 2) by

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle := \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$$

- (a) (1 point) Find the orthogonal basis for the subspace $W := \text{span}(1, t)$ of \mathcal{P}_2 .
 (b) (3 points) Find the polynomial $p(t)$ of degree ≤ 1 that minimizes the quantity

$$\int_0^1 (t^2 + t + 1 - p(t))^2 dt$$

Problem 2. True/False: (2 points) Assume that all the following are matrices with real coefficients.

- (a) An orthogonally diagonalizable matrix is symmetric.
 (b) An orthogonal matrix is orthogonally diagonalizable.
 (c) If (v_1, \dots, v_n) is an eigenbasis of a symmetric matrix M , then it is also an orthogonal basis.

#1(a) $w_1 = 1, w_2 = t - \frac{\langle t, 1 \rangle}{\langle 1, 1 \rangle} 1 = t - \frac{1}{2}$. (1, $t - \frac{1}{2}$) (by Gram-Schmidt)

#1(b) Minimize $\langle t^2 + t + 1 - p, t^2 + t + 1 - p \rangle \Leftrightarrow p(t) = \text{Proj}_{\text{span}(1, t)} t^2 + t + 1$
 where $p \in W = \text{span}(1, t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Well, } \text{Proj}_{\text{span}(1, t)}(t^2 + t + 1) &= \frac{\langle t^2 + t + 1, 1 \rangle}{\langle 1, 1 \rangle} 1 + \frac{\langle t^2 + t + 1, t - \frac{1}{2} \rangle}{\langle t - \frac{1}{2}, t - \frac{1}{2} \rangle} (t - \frac{1}{2}) \\ &= (\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} + 1)1 + \frac{(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2})}{(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4})} (t - \frac{1}{2}) \\ &= \frac{11}{6} + \frac{t}{\frac{1}{12}} (t - \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{11}{6} + 2t - 1 = \boxed{2t + \frac{5}{6}} \end{aligned}$$

#2 (a) $PAP^T = D$, so $A = P^TDP$, thus $A^T = P^T D^T P^T = P^T D P = A$ ✓ True.

(b) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is not even diagonalizable... False

(c) $M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then any basis is an eigenbasis $\begin{pmatrix} [1] \\ [0] \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} [0] \\ [1] \end{pmatrix}$. False