

ECE 301 (Section 001) Homework 6
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Problem 1 (Properties of LTI Systems) Determine whether the following LTI systems are causal, memoryless, and stable, respectively. Justify your answers.

- a) $h(t) = e^{-2t}u(t) + e^{t/100}u(t - 1)$
- b) $h[n] = (n + 1)2^n u[n]$
- c) $h[n] = 4^n u[2 - n]$
- d) $h(t) = e^{-2t} [u(t) - u(t - 1)]$.

Problem 2 (Vector and Matrix Refresh) Seven data points are arranged as columns of a data matrix \mathbf{X} given as follows:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- a) Draw all data points on a 2D plane by hand. Properly label the two axes. Clearly mark important axis tick values to facilitate a precise graphical description of the data.
- b) Consider each point as a vector. Calculate the angle (in $^\circ$) between $[2 \ 2]^T$ and the five other points (excluding $[0 \ 0]^T$), respectively, using the inner/dot product formula that involves the angle. Note that the angle between two vectors can be negative.
- c) Calculate the matrix outer product for \mathbf{X} , namely, $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T$. Show the intermediate steps of calculating each element of the 2-by-2 matrix \mathbf{R} .
- d) The matrix outer product can also be calculated via $\mathbf{R} = \sum_{i=1}^7 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T$, where \mathbf{x}_i is the i th column of \mathbf{X} . Evaluate the numerical result. Note that each $\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T$ is a 2-by-2 matrix.
- e) Now, consider each column of \mathbf{X} as a *single* block-entry of the matrix. Rewrite \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{X}^T into the form of the vector of blocks-entries, respectively. Use the vector multiplication rule to show that $\mathbf{R} = \sum_{i=1}^7 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T$.

Problem 3 (Linearly independence, Basis, and Vector Space)

- a) Are vectors $[1 \ 2]$, $[4 \ 5]$, and $[7 \ 8]$ linearly independent? What about $[1 \ 2 \ 0]$, $[1 \ -1 \ 1]$, and $[0 \ 0 \ 1]$? Justify your answers.
- b) You are given a vector space $V = \text{span}\{[-1 \ 0 \ 0], [0 \ -1 \ 0]\}$.
 - (i) Express V in a set representation.
 - (ii) Can you find a basis for V ?
 - (iii) Are $[5 \ 8 \ 0]$, $[8 \ 0 \ 5]$, and $[0 \ 5 \ 8]$ in vector space V ? If yes, what are the coefficient for each vector of the basis you found in (ii)?
 - (iv) Draw all points of (iii) in a 3D coordinate. Illustrate vector space V using a plane formed by the vectors of the basis.

c) (Bonus, 5') Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

What is the dimension of the column vector space of \mathbf{A} ? What is the rank of \mathbf{A} ?

Problem 4 (Projection) (This problem is now reassigned as Problem 1 of HW7. If you have already finished this problem, please submit it as Problem 1 of HW7.) You are given a data matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.92 & 1.09 & -1.35 & 2.06 & -0.60 & -0.28 \\ -0.08 & 1.15 & -1.67 & 1.08 & -1.14 & 0.66 \end{bmatrix}.$$

and its principal component $\mathbf{u} = [0.7474 \ 0.6644]^T$.

- Plot the data points using circles and the principal component using a line segment with one end at $[0, 0]^T$ on a 2D plane using Matlab.
- Calculate the projection c_i for each data point \mathbf{x}_i to \mathbf{u} . Calculate the sample variance of $\{c_i\}_{i=1}^n$, namely,

$$\widehat{\text{Var}}(\{c_i\}) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (c_i - \bar{c})^2,$$

where $\bar{c} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n c_i$ is the sample mean.

- Repeat b) using another unit vector $\mathbf{u}_a = [0.8 \ 0.6]^T$. Is the newer sample variance smaller than that in b)?

Problem 5 (Machine Learning Intro Video) Watch this 10-minute video:

<https://youtu.be/YH1gdd8kJXo>

Write 6–8 sentences to concisely summarize machine learning and/or artificial intelligence.

Group Study (1', bonus) Zoom: Take a screenshot of the whole team with everyone's webcam capturing his/her face. One of you will share the screen showing the specific homework assignment sheet that you are working on. In-Person: Take a selfie with all group members' faces in the photo. Capture the homework assignment sheet in the photo.

Include the screenshot/selfie in your own homework submission as the last "problem." Your screenshot/selfie gets you 1 bonus point; your group members need to do it separately to earn their bonus points.