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**M511: Linear Algebra** (Spring 2018)

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Good Problems 11: Sections 5.6 and 5.7

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**Instructions** *Complete all problems, showing enough work. A selection of problems will be graded based on the organization and clarity of the work shown in addition to the final solution (provided one exists).*

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1. Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthonormal basis for the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by  $\mathbf{x}_1 = (4, 2, 2, 1)^T$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_2 = (2, 0, 0, 2)^T$ , and  $\mathbf{x}_3 = (1, 1, -1, 1)^T$ .

2. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 6 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- a) Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthonormal basis for  $\text{Col}(A)$ .
- b) Factor  $A$  into a product  $QR$  where  $Q$  has orthonormal columns and  $R$  is upper triangular.
- c) Use the factorization in part  $b$  to solve the least squares problem  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .

3. Find an orthonormal basis  $\{P_0, \dots, P_4\}$  for  $\mathbb{P}_5$  with respect to the inner product

$$\langle p, q \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 p(x)q(x)dx.$$

4. Show that if we choose  $P_n(1) = 1$  and define the recursion relation

$$(n+1)P_{n+1}(x) = (2n+1)xP_n(x) - nP_{n-1}(x)$$

then the polynomials  $P_n$  are orthonormal with respect to the inner product

$$\langle p, q \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 p(x)q(x)dx.$$

These polynomials are known as the *Legendre polynomials*.