

Midterm #1

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1 (40 points)	
2 (40 points)	
3 (20 points)	
Total (100 points)	

Problem 1 (40 pts). (Note: All questions can be solved independently)

Let E be the vector space of polynomials of a variable x with degree up to 3. One vector (polynomial) in this space is defined as $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$, where all $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$. The sum of two polynomials and multiplication by a scalar are defined in the usual way, i.e., $p(x) + q(x)$ and $\alpha p(x)$.

- a. (10 pts)** Define $p_0(x) = 1$, $p_1(x) = x$, $p_2(x) = x^2$ and $p_3(x) = x^3$. Prove that $\{p_0(x), p_1(x), p_2(x), p_3(x)\}$ forms a basis for E .

b. (15 pts) Are the following sets of vectors S_i subspaces of E ? Justify your answers with a proof or a counter-example.

- $S_1 = \{q(x) \in E \mid q(x) = a_2x^2 + a_3x^3, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- $S_2 = \{q(x) \in E \mid q(x) = 1 + a_1x, a_1 \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- $S_2 = \{q(x) \in E \mid q(x) = a_0q_0(x) + a_1q_1(x), a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{R}\}$, where $q_0(x)$ and $q_1(x)$, two polynomials in E , are given.

- c. (15 pts) Define $q_0(x) = 1$, and then for $i = 1, \dots, 3$, define $q_i(x) = \alpha x q_{i-1}(x) + \beta$. For which values of α and β does $\{q_0(x), q_1(x), q_2(x), q_3(x)\}$ form a bi-orthogonal basis for E . For $\beta = 0$, find the dual basis.

Problem 2 (40 pts). (Note: All questions can be solved independently)

Consider the space of discrete time finite energy sequences $l_2(\mathbb{Z})$. Let $\delta(n)$ denote the impulse function and for a given $\theta \in [0, \pi]$, define the set of vectors:

$S_\theta = \{\phi_{2k,\theta}(n), \phi_{2k+1,\theta}(n), k \in \mathbb{Z},\}$ where

$$\phi_{2k,\theta}(n) = \alpha\delta(n - 2k) + \beta\delta(n - (2k + 1))$$

$$\phi_{2k+1,\theta}(n) = -\beta\delta(n - 2k) + \alpha\delta(n - (2k + 1))$$

with $\alpha = \cos(\theta)$, $\beta = \sin(\theta)$

a. (15 pts) Prove that S_θ is an orthonormal basis for $l_2(\mathbb{Z})$.

- b. (15 pts) Define an overcomplete set $S' = S_{\theta_1} \cup S_{\theta_2}$, $\theta_1 \neq \theta_2$. Prove that S' is a tight frame and provide the corresponding frame bounds.

- c. (10 pts) For S' as defined above choose θ_1, θ_2 so that the resulting dictionary is best in terms minimizing the maximum coherence. Justify your answer.

Problem 3 (20 pts). (Note: All questions can be solved independently)

Let $\phi_0(n)$ be a real-valued function in $l_2(\mathbb{Z})$, such that $\|\phi_0(n)\|^2 = 1$, with time localization given by $\mu_t(\phi_0)$ and $\sigma_t^2(\phi_0)$, as defined in class.

$$\mu_t(\phi_0) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=+\infty} n\phi_0(n)^2.$$

$$\sigma_t^2(\phi_0) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=+\infty} (n - \mu_t)^2\phi_0(n)^2.$$

- a. (10 pts)** Denote $\phi_k(n) = \phi_0(n - k)$, prove that its time localization is the same as that of ϕ_0 , that is $\sigma_t^2(\phi_k) = \sigma_t^2(\phi_0)$.

- b. (10 pts)** Define $\phi'_0(n)$ as follows: $\phi'_0(2n) = \phi_0(n)$ and $\phi'_0(2n+1) = 0$. Compute $\sigma_t^2(\phi'_0)$ as a function of $\sigma_t^2(\phi_0)$. Is $\sigma_f^2(\phi'_0)$ greater or smaller than $\sigma_f^2(\phi_0)$? Or you do not have enough information to say? Justify your answer.