

Required Documents and Files:

- (I.) Matlab .m file with clearly labeled sections and commented code.
- (II.) Report pdf which answers questions posed in this project with a combination of complete sentences and claims which are supported by the Matlab file.

Philosophy of Project: use built-in Matlab commands. No need to reinvent the wheel. I am fairly sure there exist Matlab commands to complete most of the tasks I ask below. I am not here to tell you which commands to use, but I am happy to explain any unclear notation in the problem set-up. I do expect you use Matlab to calculate the bulk of what is asked. To be clear, I will not give much partial credit if you were to foolishly attempt these via direct pen and paper calculation (except where I explicitly say use “pen and paper”)

Problem 1: For $n = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$:

- (a.) Create an $n \times n$ matrix M using a random matrix generating command in Matlab.
- (b.) Calculate $A = M^T M$.
- (c.) Find the eigenvalues of A .
- (d.) Find an orthonormal eigenbasis for A .
- (e.) Explain what sort of set is defined by the quadratic equation $x^T A x = 1$ where $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$.
- (f.) Calculate e^{tA}
- (g.) Solve $\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$ given that $x(0) = (1, 2, 3, \dots, n)$.

Problem 2: Create invertible $n \times n$ matrices with determinant one $n = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$.