

**MATH 201: LINEAR ALGEBRA**  
**HOMEWORK DUE FRIDAY WEEK 13**

**Problem 1.** Find the least squares line of best fit to the following points in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :  $(-1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 4)$ ,  $(2, 4)$ ,  $(3, 6)$  via the following methods:

- (a) Using Gram-Schmidt to compute an orthogonal projection.
- (b) Using the adjoint of a matrix.

**Problem 2 (Bonus).** Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional inner product space over the field  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ , and let  $f \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  be a linear operator on  $V$ .

- (a) Show that there exists a unique linear operator  $f^\dagger \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  with the property that

$$\langle f(x), y \rangle = \langle x, f^\dagger(y) \rangle \quad \text{for all } x, y \in V.$$

- (b) Suppose that  $\alpha$  is an orthonormal ordered basis for  $V$ , and let  $A = M_\alpha(f)$  be the matrix representing  $f$  with respect to  $\alpha$ . Show that  $A^\dagger = M_\alpha(f^\dagger)$ , where  $A^\dagger$  denotes the conjugate transpose of  $A$ .
- (c) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix over  $F$ . Show that  $(Ax) \cdot y = x \cdot (A^\dagger y)$  for all  $x \in F^n$  and  $y \in F^m$ .