

# SI231 - Matrix Computations, 2021 Fall

## Homework Set #1

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### Acknowledgements:

- 1) Deadline: **2021-10-12 23:59:59**
- 2) **Late Policy details** can be found on piazza.
- 3) Submit your homework in **Homework 1** on **Gradscope**. Entry Code: **2RY68R**. Make sure that you have correctly select pages for each problem. If not, you probably will get 0 point.
- 4) No handwritten homework is accepted. You need to write  $\text{\LaTeX}$ . (If you have difficulties in using  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , you are allowed to use **MS Word or Pages** for the first and the second homework to accommodate yourself.)
- 5) Use the given template and give your solution in English. Solution in Chinese is not allowed.
- 6) Your homework should be uploaded in the PDF format, and the naming format of the file is not specified.

### I. VECTOR SPACE AND SUBSPACE

#### Problem 1. (6 points $\times$ 3)

- 1) Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be two subspaces of a vector space  $\mathcal{V}$ :
  - a) Prove that the intersection  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y}$  is also a subspace of  $\mathcal{V}$ .
  - b) Show that the union of  $\mathcal{X} \cup \mathcal{Y}$  need not to be a subspace of  $\mathcal{V}$ .
- 2) Prove or give a counterexample:
  - a) If  $\mathcal{U}_1$ ,  $\mathcal{U}_2$ , and  $\mathcal{W}$  are subspaces of  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $\mathcal{U}_1 + \mathcal{W} = \mathcal{U}_2 + \mathcal{W}$ , then  $\mathcal{U}_1 = \mathcal{U}_2$ .
  - b) If  $\mathcal{U}_1$ ,  $\mathcal{U}_2$ , and  $\mathcal{W}$  are subspaces of  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{U}_1 \oplus \mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{U}_2 \oplus \mathcal{W}$ , then  $\mathcal{U}_1 = \mathcal{U}_2$ .<sup>1</sup>
- 3) Let  $\mathbf{U} = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r\}$  and  $\mathbf{V} = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{v}\}$  be two sets of vectors from the same vector space, prove that  $\text{span}(\mathbf{U}) = \text{span}(\mathbf{V})$  if and only if  $\mathbf{v} \in \text{span}(\mathbf{U})$ .

#### Solution:

<sup>1</sup>Let  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2$  be two subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , if  $\mathcal{S}_1 \cap \mathcal{S}_2 = \{\mathbf{0}\}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_1 + \mathcal{S}_2 = \mathbb{R}^n$ , we define the **direct sum**  $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathcal{S}_1 \oplus \mathcal{S}_2$ .

## II. BASIS, DIMENSION AND RANK

**Problem 1.** (5 points  $\times$  2) For matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , we have  $\mathcal{V} = \{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} | \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{A}\}$ ,

- 1) Prove that  $\mathcal{V}$  is a linear subspace of the linear space  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ;
- 2) If  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , please give a basis and the dimension of  $\mathcal{V}$ .

**Solution:**

**Problem 2. (5 points)** The linear space  $\mathcal{S}$  contains the following polynomials:  $f_1(t) = 1 + 4t - 2t^2 + t^3$ ,  $f_2(t) = -1 + 9t - 3t^2 + 2t^3$ ,  $f_3(t) = -5 + 6t + t^3$ ,  $f_4(t) = 5 + 7t - 5t^2 + 2t^3$ . Please give the rank of the quadruple  $(f_1(t), f_2(t), f_3(t), f_4(t))$  and its maximal linearly independent set.

**Solution:**

**Problem 3.** (5 points  $\times$  2) For any matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_1 = \{\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} | \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A}\}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2 = \{\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} | \mathbf{A}^T = -\mathbf{A}\}$  are two subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,

- 1) Prove that  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n} = \mathcal{S}_1 \oplus \mathcal{S}_2$ .
- 2) If  $n = 3$ , please give a basis of  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and the dimension of  $\mathcal{S}_2$ .

**Solution:**

## III. FOUR FUNDAMENTAL SUBSPACES

**Problem 1.** (2 points + 5 points) For an  $n \times m$  real matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ .

- 1) Determine the relationship of  $\dim(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}))$ ,  $\dim(\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}))$ , and  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$ .
- 2) Prove that  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) \oplus \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}^T) = \mathbb{R}^m$ .

**Solution:**

**Problem 2.** (3 points + 5 points  $\times$  3) Given matrices  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and  $\text{rank}([\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}]) = n$ .

- 1) Determine the relationship between  $\dim(\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}^T))$  and  $\dim(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{B}))$ .
- 2) If  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} = 0$ , determine the relationship between  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}^T)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{B})$ .
- 3) Please determine the rank of  $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}$ .
- 4) Please determine the **Supremacy** and **Infimum** of the rank of  $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}$  using  $m$  or  $n$ .  
(All Matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ 's, and  $\mathbf{B}$ 's that satisfy the mentioned condition)

**Solution:**

## IV. VECTOR NORM AND MATRIX NORM

**Problem 1.** (5 points  $\times$  3) The Frobenius norm of a  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  defined as the square root of the sum of the absolute squares of its elements,

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_F \equiv \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|^2},$$

it also equal to the square root of the matrix trace of  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ , where  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is the transpose of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \sqrt{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})}.$$

- 1) Show that Frobenius norm is a matrix norm.

**Hint:** You may use the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\|\mathbf{AB}\|_F \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F \|\mathbf{B}\|_F$$

- 2) The spectral norm of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is the largest singular value of  $\mathbf{A}$  (the square root of the largest eigenvalue of the matrix  $\mathbf{AA}^T$ ),

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 = \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{AA}^T)}.$$

Show that  $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F \leq \sqrt{n} \|\mathbf{A}\|_2$

- 3) Suppose  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{xy}^T$ , where  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , show that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_F^2 = \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2$$

**Solution:**

## V. PROJECTOR AND PROJECTION

**Problem 1.** (2 points+5 points  $\times$  3) A rotation matrix  $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is an orthogonal matrix ( $\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}^T = \mathbf{I}_n$ ).<sup>2</sup>

- 1) According to the above definition, find all rotation matrices in  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ .
- 2) Let  $\mathbf{R}_1$  and  $\mathbf{R}_2$  be the rotation matrices in  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ , if  $\mathbf{R}_1$  is rotation through  $\alpha_1$  and  $\mathbf{R}_2$  is rotation through  $\alpha_2$ . Consider: is  $\mathbf{R}_1\mathbf{R}_2$  the rotation matrix. If the answer is "yes", what is the angle of rotation, or else explain why the answer is "no".
- 3) For arbitrarily rotation matrix  $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , if  $\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{I}_n)(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{I}_n)^{-1}$ , show that  $\mathbf{S}$  is a skew symmetric matrix ( $\mathbf{S}^T = -\mathbf{S}$ ).
- 4) If  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a skew symmetric matrix, show that  $\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{S})^{-1}(\mathbf{I}_n + \mathbf{S})$  is a rotation matrix.

**Solution:**

<sup>2</sup> $\mathbf{I}_n$  is the identity matrix of size  $n \times n$