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The supreme task of the physicist is to arrive at those universal elementary laws from which the cosmos can be built up by pure deduction.

There is no logical path to these laws; only intuition, resting on sympathetic understanding of experience, can reach them.

- Albert Einstein

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### Prediction

#### Question

Recall our potential teammates x, y, z.

	Intelligence	Friendliness	Punctuality (On Time)
X	9	5	5
у	6	8	6
Z	7	7	7

Suppose we have worked with y and z already, and the experience is bad with y and good with z. What kind of experience would we expect with x?

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The convention way to compute similarity is inner product. If we define  $\langle x,z\rangle=\sum_{i=1}^3 x_iz_i$ , then

$$\langle x, y \rangle = 124, \quad \langle x, z \rangle = 133.$$

Since  $\langle x,y\rangle < \langle x,z\rangle$ , x is more similar to z, and hence possibly good experience.

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Prove that the mapping  $\|\cdot\|:V\to\mathbb{R}$  with

$$\|v\| := \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$$

is a norm on V if  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is an symmetric inner product on V.

#### Exercise 1a

For notation simplicity we will denote  $f(v)=\sqrt{\langle v,v\rangle}$ . Our goal is to prove f(v) satisfies Definiteness, Linearity, Triangle Inequality, assuming that

 $\langle v, v \rangle$  satisfies Positive Definiteness, Definiteness, Linearity, Symmetry.

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 $\iff v = 0.$  (Definiteness)

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$$= \langle u, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle \qquad \text{(Linearity)}$$

$$= \langle u, u \rangle + 2\langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle \qquad \text{(Symmetry)}$$

$$\leq f(u)^{2} + 2f(u)f(v) + f(v)^{2}. \qquad \text{(Cauchy Schwarz)}$$

$$= (f(u) + f(v))^{2}$$

Since f has Definiteness,  $f(u + v) \le f(u) + f(v)$ .

#### Exercise 1b

Prove that The Frobenius scalar product defined by

$$\langle A,B\rangle_{F}:=\operatorname{tr}\left(AB^{T}\right)$$

is a symmetric inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^{m\times n}\times\mathbb{R}^{m\times n}$  and the associated norm is the Frobenius norm

$$||A||_F = \Big(\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}^2\Big)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

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$$\langle A, B \rangle_F = tr(AB^T) = \sum_{i=1}^m (AB^T)_{ii}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} B_{ji}^T$$

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In the following proofs we will let  $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  be a matrix.

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$$\langle A, A \rangle_F = 0 \iff \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij}^2 = 0$$
  
 $\iff A_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall i, j.$ 

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# Exercise 2

Suppose 
$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$
,  $X = (\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_X)$  and  $Y = (\mathbb{R}^m, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ . Prove that 
$$\|A\|_{X \to Y} := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\|Ax\|_Y}{\|x\|_X}$$

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• Again, plugging this into the definition of  $||A||_{X\to Y}$  the claim follows.

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$$||A||_{\ell^2 \to \ell^2} = \max_{j=1,\dots,n} \sqrt{\lambda_j \left(A^T A\right)}$$

where  $\lambda_j (A^T A)$  is the *j*-th eigenvalue of  $A^T A$ .

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continuous. In summary we have that

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$$\sqrt{\lambda_*} \le \|A\|_{\ell^2 \to \ell^2} \le \sqrt{\lambda_*},$$

we have that  $||A||_{\ell^2 \to \ell^2} = \sqrt{\lambda_*}$ .

## Exercise 3

Given the matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3\times3}$  where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

calculate a diagonal matrix  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$  and an orthogonal matrix  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$  such that  $A = VDV^{\top}$ .

Calculate the eigenvalues:

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda \text{Id}) = \det\begin{pmatrix} 7 - \lambda & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 - \lambda & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 7 - \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$
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The expression  $(4-\lambda)[(5-\lambda)^2-16]$  is 0, if either of the terms  $(4-\lambda)$  or  $[(7-\lambda)^2-4^2]=(\lambda-3)(\lambda-11)$  is zero. Hence,

$$\lambda_1=11, \qquad \lambda_2=4 \qquad \text{and} \qquad \lambda_3=3 \ .$$

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$$A = VDV^T \qquad \text{with} \qquad D = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \;.$$

# Exercise 4

Let  $W \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  be a linear subspace of dimension k with orthonormal basis  $w_1, \ldots, w_k \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and let  $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Prove the following statements:

- **4a)** The minimizer  $\hat{w}$  of  $\min_{w \in W} \|u w\|_2$  exists, is unique and is given by  $\hat{w} = \sum_{j=1}^k \langle u, w_j \rangle w_j$ .
- **4b)** The difference vector  $u \hat{w}$  is orthogonal to w.
- **4c)** It holds  $\|\hat{w}\|_2^2 = \sum_{j=1}^k \langle u, w_j \rangle^2$ .
- **4d)** It holds  $||u \hat{w}||_2^2 = ||u||_2^2 \sum_{j=1}^k \langle u, w_j \rangle^2$ .

For notation convenience, we will denote  $\delta_{jr}$  to be the delta function such that  $\delta_{ij}=0$  if  $i\neq j$ , and  $\delta_{ij}=1$  if i=j.

4a) We are searching for a minimizer of  $\min_{w \in W} \|u - w\|_2$ . To find such a minimizer observe that for any  $w \in W$  we have  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k$ , such that  $w = \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j w_j$  (since  $w_1, \ldots w_k$  is an orthonormal basis for W). Hence,

$$\|u - w\|_2^2 = \|u - \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j w_j\|_2^2$$
.

4a) By the definition of norm and inner product,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u - w\|_2^2 &= \left\| u - \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_k w_K \right\|_2^2 \\ &= \|u\|_2^2 - 2 \left\langle u, \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j w_j \right\rangle + \left\| \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j w_j \right\|_2^2 \qquad \text{(linearity)} \\ &= \|u\|_2^2 - 2 \sum_{j=1}^k \langle u, \alpha_j w_j \rangle + \sum_{i,j=1}^k \alpha_i \alpha_j \underbrace{\langle w_i, w_j \rangle}_{\delta_{ij}} \qquad \text{(orthogonality)} \\ &= \|u\|_2^2 + \sum_{i=1}^k [\alpha_j^2 - 2\alpha_j \langle u, w_j \rangle] \end{aligned}$$

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- We see that  $||u||_2$  is independent of the choice of w.
- Minimizing  $\|u w\|_2^2$  is equivalent to minimizing the function  $f(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k) = \sum_{j=1}^k [\alpha_j^2 2\alpha_j \langle u, w_j \rangle]$  over  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k$ .

### 4a) continous.

- Since we can choose each  $\alpha_i$  for j = 1, ..., k independently, the sum is minimized by minimizing each summand.
- The function  $g(\alpha) = \alpha^2 2\alpha c$  has its unique minimum at  $\alpha = c$ . Thus the sum is minimized by setting  $\alpha_i = \langle u, w_i \rangle$ .
- Plug in back to the equation we get that  $\hat{w} = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \langle u, w_j \rangle w_j$ .

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$$\begin{split} \langle u - \widehat{w}, w \rangle &= \langle u, w \rangle - \langle \widehat{w}, w \rangle \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{k} \alpha_{j} \langle u, w_{j} \rangle - \sum_{i,j}^{k} \alpha_{i} \langle u, w_{j} \rangle \underbrace{\langle w_{j}, w_{i} \rangle}_{\delta_{ji}} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{j} \langle u, w_{j} \rangle - \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{j} \langle u, w_{j} \rangle = 0. \end{split}$$

Therefore  $u - \widehat{w}$  and  $w \in W$  are orthogonal. Also,  $\langle u, w \rangle = \langle \widehat{w}, w \rangle$ 

4c) Let 
$$\widehat{w} = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \langle u, w_j \rangle w_j$$
. Then

$$\|\widehat{w}\|_{2}^{2} = \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{k} \langle u, w_{j} \rangle w_{j} \right\|_{2}^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{k} \sum_{j=1}^{k} \langle u, w_{i} \rangle \langle u, w_{j} \rangle \underbrace{\langle w_{j}, w_{r} \rangle}_{\delta_{ij}}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{k} \langle u, w_{j} \rangle^{2}.$$

4d) Let 
$$\widehat{w} = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \langle u, w_j \rangle w_j$$
. Then 
$$\|u - \widehat{w}\|_2^2 = \|u\|_2^2 - 2\langle u, \widehat{w} \rangle + \|\widehat{w}\|_2^2$$
 
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