

Week 2: Matrices

Homework

Solutions must be submitted on ISIS until Tuesday, June 4th at 10am.

Exercise 1 (6 Points)

1. The rank of $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ is

☐ 1

☐ 3

☐ 4

2. For any symmetric, invertible matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and vectors $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ it holds that:

☐ $\langle A\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v}, A\mathbf{w} \rangle$

☐ $\langle A\mathbf{v}, A\mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle$

☐ $\langle A\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v}, A^{-1}\mathbf{w} \rangle$

3. Which of the following statements is true? For any square $n \times n$ matrix A it holds that:

☐ $\det A = 0 \Rightarrow \text{rank } A = 0$

☐ $\det A = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{rank } A < n$

☐ $\text{rank } A = n \Rightarrow \det A = n$

4. Which of the following matrices is orthogonal?

☐ $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

☐ $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

☐ $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

5. Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ be the standard scalar product on \mathbb{R}^n and let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be an arbitrary square matrix with full rank. Which of the following mappings from $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ to \mathbb{R} defines a scalar product on \mathbb{R}^n ?

☐ $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \langle A\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle$ for $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

☐ $g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \langle A\mathbf{x}, A\mathbf{y} \rangle$ for $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

☐ $h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \langle A\mathbf{x}, A^\top \mathbf{y} \rangle$ for $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

6. Which of the following sets of $n \times n$ together with matrix addition and scalar multiplication do not form a real vector space?

☐ The set of symmetric matrices $\{A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \mid A^\top = A\}$

☐ The set of orthogonal matrices $\{A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \mid AA^\top = A^\top A = I_n\}$

☐ The set of upper triangle matrices $\{A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \mid A_{ij} = 0 \text{ for } i > j\}$

Exercise 2 (6 Points)

1. What transformation is described by the following matrix? What is the determinant?

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. *Show:* Orthogonal matrices have determinant 1 or -1 .

Hint: Show that

$$\det R = (\det R)^{-1}$$

for any orthogonal matrix $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$.

Exercise 3 (8 Points)

Let \mathcal{U} be an r -dimensional vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^n with basis $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. Let $U := (\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$ be the matrix whose columns are the \mathbf{u}_i . The matrix of the orthogonal projection of \mathbb{R}^n onto \mathcal{U} is given by $P := U(U^\top U)^{-1}U^\top$.

1. *Compute* the product $P \cdot P$. What does the result mean intuitively?
2. *Show*: If it holds that $r = n$, then P is the identity matrix, i.e., $P = I$.
3. What is the 3×3 matrix that describes the orthogonal projection onto the vector subspace spanned by the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$?