

## Problem Sheet 0

These problems are meant as an introduction to EIGEN in the first tutorial classes of the new semester.

### Problem 1 Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization with EIGEN


[1, Code 1.5.4] presents a MATLAB code that effects the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization of the columns of an argument matrix.

(1a)  Based on the C++ linear algebra library EIGEN implement a function

```
template <class Matrix>  
Matrix gramschmidt(const Matrix &A);
```

that performs the same computations as [1, Code 1.5.4].

**Solution:** See `gramschmidt.cpp`.

(1b)  Test your implementation by applying it to a small random matrix and checking the orthonormality of the columns of the output matrix.

**Solution:** See `gramschmidt.cpp`.

### Problem 2 Fast matrix multiplication


[1, Rem. 1.4.9] presents Strassen's algorithm that can achieve the multiplication of two dense square matrices of size  $n = 2^k$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , with an asymptotic complexity better than  $O(n^3)$ .

(2a)  Using EIGEN implement a function


```
MatrixXd strassenMatMult(const MatrixXd & A, const
                          MatrixXd & B)
```

that uses Strassen's algorithm to multiply the two matrices **A** and **B** and return the result as output.

**Solution:** See Listing 1.

**(2b)**  Validate the correctness of your code by comparing the result with EIGEN's built-in matrix multiplication.

**Solution:** See Listing 1.

**(2c)**  Measure the runtime of your function `strassenMatMult` for random matrices of sizes  $2^k$ ,  $k = 4, \dots, 10$ , and compare with the matrix multiplication offered by the `*`-operator of EIGEN.

**Solution:** See Listing 1.

Listing 1: EIGEN Implementation of the Strassen's algorithm and runtime comparisons.

```
1 #include <Eigen/Dense>
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include <vector>
4
5 #include "timer.h"
6
7 using namespace Eigen;
8 using namespace std;
9
10 ///! \brief Compute the Matrix product A×B using
    Strassen's algorithm.
11 ///! \param[in] A Matrix 2k × 2k
12 ///! \param[in] B Matrix 2k × 2k
13 ///! \param[out] Matrix product of A and B of dim 2k × 2k
14 MatrixXd strassenMatMult(const MatrixXd & A, const
                          MatrixXd & B)
15 {
16     int n=A.rows();
17     MatrixXd C(n,n);
18
```

```

19  if (n==2)
20  {
21      C<< A(0,0)*B(0,0) + A(0,1)*B(1,0) ,
22          A(0,0)*B(0,1) + A(0,1)*B(1,1) ,
23          A(1,0)*B(0,0) + A(1,1)*B(1,0) ,
24          A(1,0)*B(0,1) + A(1,1)*B(1,1) ;
25      return C;
26  }
27
28  else
29  {   MatrixXd
30      Q0(n/2,n/2) ,Q1(n/2,n/2) ,Q2(n/2,n/2) ,Q3(n/2,n/2) ,
31      Q4(n/2,n/2) ,Q5(n/2,n/2) ,Q6(n/2,n/2) ;
32
33      MatrixXd A11=A.topLeftCorner(n/2,n/2) ;
34      MatrixXd A12=A.topRightCorner(n/2,n/2) ;
35      MatrixXd A21=A.bottomLeftCorner(n/2,n/2) ;
36      MatrixXd A22=A.bottomRightCorner(n/2,n/2) ;
37
38      MatrixXd B11=B.topLeftCorner(n/2,n/2) ;
39      MatrixXd B12=B.topRightCorner(n/2,n/2) ;
40      MatrixXd B21=B.bottomLeftCorner(n/2,n/2) ;
41      MatrixXd B22=B.bottomRightCorner(n/2,n/2) ;
42
43      Q0=strassenMatMult(A11+A22,B11+B22) ;
44      Q1=strassenMatMult(A21+A22,B11) ;
45      Q2=strassenMatMult(A11,B12-B22) ;
46      Q3=strassenMatMult(A22,B21-B11) ;
47      Q4=strassenMatMult(A11+A12,B22) ;
48      Q5=strassenMatMult(A21-A11,B11+B12) ;
49      Q6=strassenMatMult(A12-A22,B21+B22) ;
50
51      C<< Q0+Q3-Q4+Q6 ,
52          Q2+Q4,
53          Q1+Q3,
54          Q0+Q2-Q1+Q5;
55      return C;
56  }

```

```

56 }
57
58 int main(void)
59 {
60     srand((unsigned int) time(0));
61
62     //check if strassenMatMult works
63     int k=2;
64     int n=pow(2,k);
65     MatrixXd A=MatrixXd::Random(n,n);
66     MatrixXd B=MatrixXd::Random(n,n);
67     MatrixXd AB(n,n), AxB(n,n);
68     AB=strassenMatMult(A,B);
69     AxB=A*B;
70     cout<<"Using Strassen's method, A*B="<<AB<<endl;
71     cout<<"Using standard method, A*B="<<AxB<<endl;
72     cout<<"The norm of the error is
73         "<<(AB-AxB).norm()<<endl;
74
75     //compare runtimes of strassenMatMult and of direct
76     multiplication
77
78     unsigned int repeats = 10;
79     timer<> tm_x, tm_strassen;
80     std::vector<int> times_x, times_strassen;
81
82     for(unsigned int k = 4; k <= 10; k++) {
83         tm_x.reset();
84         tm_strassen.reset();
85         for(unsigned int r = 0; r < repeats; ++r) {
86             unsigned int n = pow(2,k);
87             A = MatrixXd::Random(n,n);
88             B = MatrixXd::Random(n,n);
89             MatrixXd AB(n,n);
90
91             tm_x.start();
92             AB=A*B;
93             tm_x.stop();

```


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92         tm_strassen.start();
93         AB=strassenMatMult(A,B);
94         tm_strassen.stop();
95     }
96     std::cout << "The standard matrix multiplication
97         took:          " << tm_x.min().count() /
100         1000000. << " ms" << std::endl;
98     std::cout << "The Strassen's algorithm took:
100         " << tm_strassen.min().count() /
101         1000000. << " ms" << std::endl;
99
100     times_x.push_back( tm_x.min().count() );
101     times_strassen.push_back(
102         tm_strassen.min().count() );
103
104     for(auto it = times_x.begin(); it != times_x.end();
105         ++it) {
106         std::cout << *it << " ";
107     }
108     std::cout << std::endl;
109     for(auto it = times_strassen.begin(); it !=
110         times_strassen.end(); ++it) {
111         std::cout << *it << " ";
112     }
113     std::cout << std::endl;

```

### Problem 3 Householder reflections

This problem is a supplement to [1, Section 1.5.1] and related to Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization, see [1, Code 1.5.4]. Before you tackle this problem, please make sure that you remember and understand the notion of a QR-decomposition of a matrix, see [1, Thm. 1.5.8]. This problem will put to the test your advanced linear algebra skills.

(3a)  Listing 2 implements a particular MATLAB function.

Listing 2: MATLAB implementation for Problem 3 in file houserefl.m

```

1  function Z = houserefl(v)
2  % Porting of houserefl.cpp to Matlab code
3  % v is a column vector
4      % Size of v
5      n = size(v,1);
6
7      w = v/norm(v);
8      u = w + [1;zeros(n-1,1)];
9      q = u/norm(u);
10     X = eye(n) - 2*q*q';
11
12     % Remove first column X(:,1) \in span(v)
13     Z = X(:,2:end);
14 end

```

Write a C++ function with declaration:

```
void houserefl(const VectorXd &v, MatrixXd &Z);
```

that is equivalent to the MATLAB function `houserefl()`. Use data types from EIGEN.

**Solution:**

Listing 3: C++implementation for Problem 3 in file houserefl.cpp

```

1  void houserefl(const Eigen::VectorXd & v,
2      Eigen::MatrixXd & Z)
3  {
4      unsigned int n = v.size();
5      Eigen::VectorXd w = v.normalized();
6      Eigen::VectorXd u=w;
7      u(0) += 1;
8      Eigen::VectorXd q=u.normalized();
9      Eigen::MatrixXd X = Eigen::MatrixXd::Identity(n, n)
10         - 2*q*q.transpose();
11     Z = X.rightCols(n-1);
12 }

```

(3b) ☐ Show that the matrix  $\mathbf{X}$ , defined at line 10 in Listing 2, satisfies:

$$\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{I}_n$$

HINT:  $\|\mathbf{q}\|^2 = 1$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X} &= (\mathbf{I}_n - 2\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^\top)(\mathbf{I}_n - 2\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^\top) \\ &= \mathbf{I}_n - 4\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^\top + 4\mathbf{q} \underbrace{\mathbf{q}^\top \mathbf{q}}_{=\|\mathbf{q}\|=1} \mathbf{q}^\top \\ &= \mathbf{I}_n - 4\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^\top + 4\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^\top \\ &= \mathbf{I}_n \end{aligned}$$

(3c) ☐ Show that the first column of  $\mathbf{X}$ , after line 9 of the function `houerefl`, is a multiple of the vector  $\mathbf{v}$ .

HINT: Use the previous hint, and the facts that  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\|\mathbf{w}\| = 1$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n]$  be the matrix of line 9 in Listing 2. In view of the identity  $\mathbf{X}_1 = \mathbf{e}^{(1)} - 2q_1\mathbf{q}$  we have


$$\mathbf{X}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2q_1^2 \\ -2q_1q_2 \\ \vdots \\ -2q_1q_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2\frac{u_1^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2} \\ -2\frac{u_1u_2}{\sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2} \\ \vdots \\ -2\frac{u_1u_n}{\sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2} \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{\text{HINT}}{=} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(w_1+1)^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_n^2 - 2(w_1+1)^2}{(w_1+1)^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_n^2} \\ -\frac{2(w_1+1)w_2}{(w_1+1)^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_n^2} \\ \dots \\ -\frac{2(w_1+1)w_n}{(w_1+1)^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_n^2} \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{\|\mathbf{w}\|=1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2w_1(w_1+1)}{2(w_1+1)} \\ \frac{2(w_1+1)w_2}{2(w_1+1)} \\ \dots \\ \frac{2(w_1+1)w_n}{2(w_1+1)} \end{bmatrix} = -\mathbf{w},$$

which is a multiple of  $\mathbf{v}$ , since  $\mathbf{w} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}$ .


(3d) ☐ What property does the set of columns of the matrix  $\mathbf{Z}$  have? What is the purpose of the function `houerefl`?

HINT: Use (3b) and (3c).

**Solution:** The columns of  $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n]$  are an orthonormal basis (ONB) of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (cf. (3b)). Thus, the columns of  $\mathbf{Z} = [\mathbf{X}_2, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n]$  are an ONB of the complement of  $\text{Span}(\mathbf{X}_1) \stackrel{(3c)}{=} \text{Span}(\mathbf{v})$ . The function `houerefl` computes an ONB of the complement of  $\mathbf{v}$ .

(3e)  What is the asymptotic complexity of the function `houerefl` as the length  $n$  of the input vector  $v$  goes to  $\infty$ ?

**Solution:**  $O(n^2)$ : this is the asymptotic complexity of the construction of the tensor product at line 9 of Listing 3.

(3f)  Rewrite the function as MATLAB function and use a *standard function* of MATLAB to achieve the same result of lines 5-9 with a single call to this function.

HINT: It is worth reading [1, Rem. 1.5.11] before mulling over this problem.

**Solution:** Check the code in Listing 2 for the porting to MATLAB code. Using the QR-decomposition `qr` one can rewrite (cf. Listing 4) the C++ code in MATLAB with a few lines.

Listing 4: MATLAB implementation for Problem 3 in file `qr_houerefl.m` using QR decomposition.

```
1 function Z = qr_houerefl(v)
2 % Use qr decomposition to find ONB of complement of
   span(v)
3     [X,R] = qr(v);
4
5     % Remove first column X(:,1) \in span(v)
6     Z = X(:,2:end);
7 end
```

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