

Problem Set 4

Due: Monday, July 30 at 11:59pm

Warm-up Questions

1. (*Inverse and transpose commute.*) Show that if A is invertible, then

$$(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T.$$

2. (*Projection matrices.*) A matrix P is said to be a *projection* matrix if $P^T = P$ and $P^2 = P$.

- (a) Show that if P is a projection matrix then so is $I - P$.
 - (b) Show that for any $n \times k$ matrix U such that $U^T U = I$, the matrix $U U^T$ is a projection matrix.
 - (c) Show that for any $n \times k$ matrix A such that $A^T A$ is invertible, $A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ is a projection matrix.
3. (*Frobenius norm.*) Given an $n \times n$ matrix A , the *Frobenius norm* $\|A\|_F$ of A is defined by

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

Show that the equality

$$\|A\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}^2$$

holds for any $n \times n$ matrix A .

4. (*Determinant of diagonal matrices.*) Using induction, show that

$$\det(D) = d_{11} \cdots d_{nn} = \prod_{i=1}^n d_{ii},$$

for any $n \times n$ diagonal matrix D .

5. (*Linear transformations as matrices.*) For each of the following linear transformations, write down a corresponding matrix representation in the bases provided.

- (a) Let x_1, x_2 denote a basis for X and let y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4 denote a basis for Y . Consider $T : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$T(x_1) = 3y_1 - y_2 + 9y_4, \text{ and } T(x_2) = 5y_2 - 7y_3 + y_4.$$

- (b) Let v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5 denote a basis for V and consider $T : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$T(v_1) = -14, \quad T(v_2) = 7, \quad T(v_3) = 5, \quad T(v_4) = -3, \text{ and } T(v_5) = 9.$$

- (c) Let e_1, e_2, e_3 denote a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 and consider $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that

$$T(e_1) = 2e_2 + 3e_3, \quad T(e_2) = e_1 - e_2 + 4e_3, \text{ and } T(e_3) = 4e_3.$$

Note: When the input and output spaces correspond, we take the input basis as a basis for the output space as well.

- (d) Let $v = e_1 - 2e_2 - 5e_3$. Using the matrix representation from (c), find the coordinate representation $T(v)$.

6. (*Matrices as linear transformations.*) Suppose v_1, v_2, v_3 is a basis of V and let w_1, w_2 denote a basis of W , and consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since

$$A(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha(Ax) + \beta(Ay),$$

for any real numbers α, β and any length 3 vectors x, y , A corresponds to a linear transformation $T : V \rightarrow W$. Determine the action of T on the basis v_1, v_2, v_3 .

Does A^T correspond to a map $S : W \rightarrow V$? If so, determine the action of that transformation on the basis w_1, w_2 .

We note that the last two problems illustrate the equivalence of matrices and linear transformations.

7. (*Lagrange polynomials.*) Let $x_0 = -1$, $x_1 = 1$, and $x_2 = 2$. Determine formulas for the Lagrange polynomials $L_{2,0}(x)$, $L_{2,1}(x)$, and $L_{2,2}(x)$ associated with the given interpolating points.

8. (*Interpolation via matrices.*) Consider the following data

t	1	2	3	4
y	11	29	65	125

Construct a third-order interpolating polynomial of the form

$$P(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3$$

Use the interpolating points to form a matrix equation $Ax = b$ where x is the unknown vector $[a_0 \ a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3]^T$.

Use the MATLAB command $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} \backslash \mathbf{b}$ to solve for x . Use the interpolating polynomial to approximate the value $y(3.3)$.

Assignment problems

1. (20 points) (*Gauss-Seidel.*) Recall that the Gauss-Seidel method is an iterative method based on the splitting

$$A = M - N,$$

where $M = D + L$ and $N = -U$. Here D denotes the diagonal part of A , L the strict lower triangular part, and U the strict upper triangular part, as in lecture.

Explicitly, D is diagonal with $d_{ii} = a_{ii}$, L is lower triangular with $l_{ii} = 0$ and $l_{ij} = a_{ij}$ for $i > j$, and U is upper triangular with $u_{ii} = 0$ and $u_{ij} = a_{ij}$ for $j > i$.

Given an $n \times n$ matrix A and b , we would like to solve the equation $Ax = b$. The recurrence relation proposed by the Gauss-Seidel method is given by

$$x_i^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{ii}} \left(b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} x_j^{(k+1)} - \sum_{j=i+1}^n a_{ij} x_j^{(k)} \right),$$

for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Implement the Gauss-Seidel method in MATLAB and use it to solve the equation $Ax = b$, with

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 6 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 24 \\ 8 \\ 5 \\ 24 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Start with $x_0 = 0$ and stop your iteration when the largest entry (in absolute value) of $r^{(k)} = b - Ax^{(k)}$ is less than $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$.

Hint: The following MATLAB commands might be helpful: `toeplitz`, `tril`, and `triu`. Remember to test your code against MATLAB's built-in linear equation solver!

2. (20 points) (*Polynomial differentiation.*) Let $V = \mathcal{P}_3$ denote the vector space of all polynomials of degree at most 3. That is, let V denote the set

$$V = \{a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3 \mid a_i \in \mathbb{R}, i = 0, \dots, 3\}$$

along with the regular addition and scalar multiplication of polynomials.

Note that $1, t, t^2, t^3$ forms a basis for V .

Recall that for any two differentiable functions f, g and any two real numbers α, β , we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \left(\frac{d}{dt} f \right) + \beta \left(\frac{d}{dt} g \right).$$

Combined with the fact that the derivative of a polynomial of degree n is a polynomial of degree $n - 1$, the last equation shows that the transformation $\frac{d}{dt} : V \rightarrow V$, which maps a polynomial of degree at most 3 to its derivative, is linear. Therefore, the map has a corresponding matrix representation in the basis $1, t, t^2, t^3$.

- (a) By considering the action of $\frac{d}{dt}$ on each basis element, provide a matrix representation for $\frac{d}{dt}$ in the basis $1, t, t^2, t^3$.
- (b) Use your matrix from part (a) and the coordinate representation of $p(t) = 5t^2 - 12t^3$ to compute

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} p(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{d}{dt} p(t) \right].$$

3. (25 points) (*Matrix multiplication via composition.*) Let u_1, \dots, u_n denote a basis for U , let v_1, \dots, v_m denote a basis for V , and let w_1, \dots, w_p denote a basis for W . Let $S : U \rightarrow V$ and $T : V \rightarrow W$ be such that

$$S(u_j) = a_{1j}v_1 + \dots + a_{mj}v_m, \text{ and } T(v_k) = b_{1k}w_1 + \dots + b_{pk}w_p,$$

for $j = 1, \dots, n$ and $k = 1, \dots, m$.

Show that the matrix corresponding to the linear transformation $T \circ S : U \rightarrow W$ in the given bases is BA . For completeness, we note that $T \circ S$ denotes the composition of S and T :

$$(T \circ S)(u) = T(S(u)),$$

for any $u \in U$.

Hint: Recall that *every* linear transformation is determined by its action on a basis.

4. (25 points) (*Interpolating log.*) Consider the function $f(x) = \ln(x)$. In this problem, you will construct the polynomial which interpolates the points

$$(1, \ln 1), (2, \ln 2), (3, \ln 3)$$

in two ways.

- (a) We want to find the polynomial $p(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2$ such that $p(x_i) = f(x_i)$ for $x_i = i$, $i = 1, 2, 3$. Express the system of equations as a single matrix equation in the variable

$$c = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

and solve it using MATLAB. You may use the built-in solver or code that you have previously written.

- (b) Now construct the Lagrange form of the interpolating polynomial p . Note that the polynomial obtained here is equivalent to the one obtained in (a) above, by uniqueness of the interpolating polynomial.
- (c) Using MATLAB, plot f and the interpolating polynomial on the same set of axes, over the interval $[1/2, 7/2]$.

5. (10 points) (*Rational interpolation.*) Consider a function of the form

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_mx^m}{1 + b_1x + \dots + b_mx^m}.$$

Such a function is called a *rational function of degree m* .

Suppose we are given data points $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_{2m+1}, y_{2m+1})$. We would like to find coefficients a_0, \dots, a_m and b_1, \dots, b_m such that f interpolates the data points; such that $y_i = f(x_i)$, for $i = 1, \dots, 2m + 1$.

Express the system of equations $y_i = f(x_i)$ as a single matrix equation in the variable c , with

$$c = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}.$$