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PAPER COMP50011

COMPUTATIONAL TECHNIQUES

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Duration: 90 minutes

Answer ALL TWO questions

CORRECTION:

$$Q1a ii) \|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i^2}$$

Paper contains 2 questions  
Calculators required

- 1 a i) Show that an orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  preserves the  $\ell_2$  norm of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and the angle between any two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- ii) Use the singular value decomposition of  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  to prove carefully that its Frobenius norm is given by  $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i$ , where  $\sigma_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r$  are the singular values of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $r$  is the rank of  $\mathbf{A}$ . State clearly any result you use in your proof.

- b i) Find the singular value decomposition of the matrix:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- ii) Suppose the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  in part i) represents the linear map  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  in the standard coordinates system. Determine the image under  $f$  of the unit circle. Justify your answer.

- c i) Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Perform QR decomposition on matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  using the Gram-Schmidt process to find orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{Q}$  and upper triangular matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  with  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{QR}$ .

- ii) Suppose the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  in part i) represents the linear map  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  in the standard coordinate system. Explain carefully how the matrix representation of  $f$  is changed under the QR decomposition.
- iii) Find the eigenvalues, with their algebraic and geometric multiplicities, of the projection transformation  $P_{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a unit vector. Is there an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with respect to which  $P_{\mathbf{u}}$  is diagonal? If so, find such an orthonormal basis. Otherwise, explain why such an orthonormal basis does not exist.

*The three parts carry, respectively, 35%, 30%, and 35% of the marks.*



- 2a i) Using both  $l_\infty$  and  $l_1$  - norms, calculate the condition number of a given matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  with its inverse  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ :

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -11 & 2 & 2 \\ -4 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ii) Apply Power Method to estimate the dominant eigenvalue and the corresponding eigenvector of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  introduced in part 2a i). Take  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = [1, 1, 1]^T$  as the initial vector and perform 3 iterations. Compute Raleigh quotient on the last iteration.
- b i) By applying the Second Derivative Test, find the relative maximum (or minimum) value of:

$$f(x, y) = 2xy + 2x - x^2 - 2y^2$$

- ii) Compute 3 iterations of Steepest Ascent (or Descent) method to maximise (or minimise)  $f(x, y)$  with an initial guess:  $x = -1$  and  $y = 1$ .
- c Solve the following Linear Programming problem using Simplex method.

Maximise:

$$Z = 5x_1 + 10x_2 + 8x_3$$

Subject to constraints:

$$3x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 60$$

$$4x_1 + 4x_2 + 4x_3 \leq 72$$

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3 \leq 100$$

$$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0$$

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