
Matrices

Exercise 21.

1. Find orthonormal vectors $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{q}_3$ such that $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2$ span the column space of

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Correction :

We have $\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ so $\mathbf{q}_1 = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Then, one has $\mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ thus

$$\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_2 = \mathbf{a}_2 - \mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{a}_2 \mathbf{q}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1-2-8}{3} \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We obtain

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_2}{\|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_2\|} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We choose \mathbf{a}_3 such that the vectors $(\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3)$ are linearly independent, for example

$$\mathbf{a}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we have

$$\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_3 = \mathbf{a}_3 - (\mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{a}_3) \mathbf{q}_1 - (\mathbf{q}_2^T \mathbf{a}_3) \mathbf{q}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{2}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{q}_3 = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_3}{\|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_3\|} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Solve by least squares:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Correction :

We want to solve $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$ that is if we have $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}$ it is equivalent to solve $\mathbf{R}\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{b}$.

Thanks to the previous computations, one has

$$\mathbf{Q} = (\mathbf{q}_1 | \mathbf{q}_2) = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_1\| & \langle \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{a}_2 \rangle \\ 0 & \|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_2\| \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus we obtain

$$\mathbf{R}\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{b} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 3\hat{x}_1 - 3\hat{x}_2 = -3 \\ 3\hat{x}_2 = 6 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Exercise 22. Write the \mathbf{QR} factorization of the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Correction :

First, we have $\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and so $\mathbf{q}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1$.

Then, one has $\mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ so

$$\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_2 = \mathbf{a}_2 - (\mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{a}_2) \mathbf{q}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, we obtain

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_2}{\|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_2\|} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

To finish we have $\mathbf{a}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$. Thus we have

$$\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_3 = \mathbf{a}_3 - (\mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{a}_3) \mathbf{q}_1 - (\mathbf{q}_2^T \mathbf{a}_3) \mathbf{q}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} - 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 6 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{q}_3 = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_3}{\|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_3\|} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thanks to the previous computations, one has

$$\mathbf{Q} = (\mathbf{q}_1 | \mathbf{q}_2 | \mathbf{q}_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_1\| & \langle \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{a}_2 \rangle & \langle \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{a}_3 \rangle \\ 0 & \|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_2\| & \langle \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{a}_3 \rangle \\ 0 & 0 & \|\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_3\| \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Exercise 27. Let $\mathbf{A} = (a_{i,j})_{i,j=1,n} \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{R})$.

1. Prove that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i,j}| \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathbf{A}\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

2. Prove that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 = \sqrt{\rho(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})} \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathbf{A}^T\|_2 = \sqrt{\rho(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T)} = \|\mathbf{A}\|_2.$$

Correction :

1. • By definition one has

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_\infty = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = 1} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_\infty.$$

For any $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, we have

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} x_j \right| \leq \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i,j}| |x_j| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

Thus, if $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = 1$ we obtain

$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} x_j \right| \leq \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

Now, we want to prove that there exists $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, with $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = 1$, such that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

To this end we consider the index i_0 such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i_0,j}| = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|$$

and we choose $\mathbf{x}_0 = (\text{sign}(a_{i_0,j}))_j$.

Thus we have $\|\mathbf{x}_0\|_\infty = 1$ and

$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_0\|_\infty = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} \text{sign}(a_{i_0,j}) \right| \geq \left| \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i_0,j} \text{sign}(a_{i_0,j}) \right| = \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i_0,j}| = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

• By definition we have

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_1 = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = 1} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_1$$

and

$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} x_j \right| \leq \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |a_{i,j}| \right) \leq \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{i,j}| \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j|.$$

Since $\sum_{j=1}^n |x_j| = 1$, we obtain

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_1 \leq \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

Now, we want to prove that there exists $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, with $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = 1$, such that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_1 = \max_{j=1,\dots,n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

To this end it is sufficient to consider the vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ defined by $x_{j_0} = 1$ and $x_j = 0$ if $j \neq j_0$, where j_0 is such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |a_{i,j_0}| = \max_{j=1,\dots,n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

Then, it is easy to check that we have $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_1 = \max_{j=1,\dots,n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{i,j}|$.

2. By definition one has

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|\mathbf{x}\|_2=1} \langle \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \rangle = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|\mathbf{x}\|_2=1} \langle \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle.$$

Since $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is a symmetric positive definite matrix (because $\langle \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \rangle \geq 0$), there exists an orthonormal basis $(\mathbf{f}_i)_{i=1,\dots,n}$ and eigenvectors $(\lambda_i)_{i=1,\dots,n}$, with $0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$ such that $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{f}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{f}_i$ for any $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Let $\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{f}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have

$$\langle \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \alpha_i \mathbf{f}_i, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{f}_i \right\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \alpha_i^2 \leq \lambda_n \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2.$$

Thus we deduce that $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 \leq \rho(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$.

To obtain the equality, we consider the vector $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}_n$. Indeed, one has $\|\mathbf{f}_n\|_2 = 1$, and $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{f}_n\|_2^2 = \langle \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{f}_n, \mathbf{f}_n \rangle = \lambda_n = \rho(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$.

Exercise 28. For $\mathbf{A} = (a_{i,j})_{i,j=1,n} \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{R})$, we set $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

Show that $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F^2 = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$. Deduce $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F \leq \sqrt{n} \|\mathbf{A}\|_2$ and $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$, for any $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Correction :

By noticing that $(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})_{i,i} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{k,i}^2$, we easily obtain

$$\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n a_{k,i}^2 = \|\mathbf{A}\|_F^2.$$

Moreover, $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 = \rho(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) = \lambda_n$ where λ_n is the largest eigenvalue of the matrix $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$. But the trace of a diagonalizable matrix is also the sum of its eigenvalues. Thus we have

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}).$$

We conclude that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F.$$

Furthermore, $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F^2 = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) \leq n \rho(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$ and so $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F \leq \sqrt{n} \|\mathbf{A}\|_2$.

Finally, since $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$, we deduce that $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$.