

7.2 # 1, 5, 8, 11, 13, 19, 21, 27

1) Compute the quadratic form $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$, when $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$$a) \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5x_1 + \frac{1}{3}x_2 \\ \frac{1}{3}x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= x_1(5x_1 + \frac{1}{3}x_2) + x_2(\frac{1}{3}x_1 + x_2) = 5x_1^2 + (\frac{2}{3})x_1x_2 + x_2^2$$

$$b) \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = 5(6)^2 + (\frac{2}{3})(6)(1) + 1^2 = 185$$

$$c) \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = 5(1)^2 + (\frac{2}{3})(1)(3) + (3)^2 = 16$$

5) Find the matrix of the quadratic form. Assume \vec{x} is in \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$a) \underbrace{8x_1^2 + 7x_2^2 - 3x_3^2}_{\text{on diagonal}} \underbrace{- 6x_1x_2 + 4x_1x_3 - 2x_2x_3}_{\substack{1/2 \text{ in } a_{12} \\ a_{21} \text{ positions}}} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & 2 \\ -3 & 7 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) 4x_1x_2 + 6x_1x_3 - 8x_2x_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 \\ 3 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

8.) Let A be the matrix of the quadratic form $9x_1^2 + 7x_2^2 + 11x_3^2 - 8x_1x_2 + 8x_1x_3$

The eigenvalues of A are 3, 9, 15. Find an orthogonal matrix P s.t. the change of variable $\vec{x} = P\vec{y}$ transforms $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ into a quadratic form with no cross product term. Give P and the new quadratic form.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 & 4 \\ -4 & 7 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda = 3 \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -4 & 4 \\ -4 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3$$

$$\text{Normalize: } \begin{bmatrix} -2/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

8.) continued

$$\lambda=9 \quad A-\lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 & 4 \\ -4 & -2 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3$$

Normalize: $\begin{bmatrix} -1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\lambda=15 \quad A-\lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -4 & 4 \\ -4 & -8 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3$$

Normalize: $\begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$ Then $A = PDP^{-1}$ where $P = \begin{bmatrix} -2/3 & -1/3 & 2/3 \\ -2/3 & 2/3 & -1/3 \\ 1/3 & 2/3 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$

and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$.

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this is orthogonal
because A is symmetric
which implies $P^{-1} = P^T$

The change of variable is $\vec{x} = P\vec{y}$ and so the quadratic form

is $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = (P\vec{y})^T A (P\vec{y}) = \vec{y}^T \underbrace{P^T A P}_{D} \vec{y} = \vec{y}^T D \vec{y} =$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = 3y_1^2 + 9y_2^2 + 15y_3^2$$

7.2 continued

11.) Classify the quadratic form. Then make a change of variable $\vec{x} = P\vec{y}$ that transforms the quadratic form into one with no cross product term. Write the new quadratic form. Construct P using methods from section 7.1.

$2x_1^2 + 10x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2$ the matrix for this quadratic form is $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

The eigenvalues are: $\det(A - \lambda I) = (2 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) - 25 = 0$

$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 21 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 7)(\lambda + 3) = 0 \quad \lambda = -3, 7$$

Since the eigenvalues are both positive and negative, the quadratic form is indefinite.

Next, we orthogonally diagonalize A .

$\lambda = 7 \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 5 \\ 5 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x_1 = x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ free} \end{matrix}$

Basis for eigenspace

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\lambda = -3 \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x_1 = -x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ free} \end{matrix}$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

We normalize these vectors to find an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^2

$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. So $A = PDP^{-1}$ where $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$, $D = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{x} = P\vec{y}$ is the change of variable so

$$\vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = (P\vec{y})^T A (P\vec{y}) = \vec{y}^T \underbrace{P^T P}_I A \underbrace{P^{-1} P}_I \vec{y} = \vec{y}^T D \vec{y} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7y_1 & -3y_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = 7y_1^2 - 3y_2^2$$

13.) Same directions as #11

$$x_1^2 - 6x_1x_2 + 9x_2^2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (1 - \lambda)(9 - \lambda) - 9 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 10\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda(\lambda - 10) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 0, 10$$

Positive definite

$$\lambda = 0 \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = 3x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ free} \end{array}$$

Basis for eigenspace

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Normalize these

$$\lambda = 10 \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -9 & -3 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -1/3 x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ free} \end{array}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^2 is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{10} \\ 1/\sqrt{10} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{10} \\ 3/\sqrt{10} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. So $A = PDP^{-1}$

$$\text{where } P = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{10} & -1/\sqrt{10} \\ 1/\sqrt{10} & 3/\sqrt{10} \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\vec{x} = P\vec{y} \quad \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = (P\vec{y})^T A (P\vec{y}) = \vec{y}^T P^T P D P^{-1} P \vec{y} = \vec{y}^T D \vec{y}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = 10y_2^2$$

19.) What is the largest possible value of the quadratic form $5x_1^2 + 8x_2^2$ if $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2)$ and $\vec{x}^T \vec{x} = 1$, that is, if $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$?

$$\begin{aligned} 5x_1^2 + 8x_2^2 &= 5x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 + 3x_2^2 \\ &= 5(x_1^2 + x_2^2) + 3x_2^2 \\ &= 5 \cdot 1 + 3x_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since $x_1^2 \geq 0$ (squares are positive)

$x_2^2 = 1 - x_1^2$, the largest possible value for x_2^2 is 1.

So the largest possible value of $5x_1^2 + 8x_2^2$ is $5 + 3(1) = \underline{8}$.

21.) True/False. All matrices are $n \times n$ and vectors are in \mathbb{R}^n

- a.) The matrix of a quadratic form is a symmetric matrix.
- b.) A quadratic form has no cross-product terms if and only if the matrix of the quadratic form is a diagonal matrix.
- c.) The principal axes of a quadratic form $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ are eigenvectors of A .
- d.) A positive definite quadratic form Q satisfies $Q(x) > 0$ for all \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^n .
- e.) If the eigenvalues of a symmetric matrix A are all positive, then the quadratic form $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ is positive definite.
- f.) A Cholesky factorization of a symmetric matrix A has the form $A = R^T R$, for an upper triangular matrix R with positive diagonal entries.

a.) True b.) True c.) True d.) False e.) True f.) True

27.) Let A and B be symmetric $n \times n$ matrices whose eigenvalues are all positive. Show that the eigenvalues of $A+B$ are all positive.

Since the eigenvalues are positive, the quadratic forms, $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ and $\vec{x}^T B \vec{x}$ are positive definite. i.e. $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x} > 0$ for all $\vec{x} \neq 0$ and $\vec{x}^T B \vec{x} > 0$ for all $\vec{x} \neq 0$. So for $\vec{x} \neq 0$,

$$\vec{x}^T (A+B) \vec{x} = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} + \vec{x}^T B \vec{x} > 0, \text{ so } A+B \text{ is positive definite.}$$

This implies that the eigenvalues of $A+B$ are positive.

