

Q2 (i) Assume that d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n are $Q_{n \times n}$ -conjugate, where Q is positive definite matrix. Please show d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n are linear independent.

pf:

Suppose $\{d_1, d_2, d_3, \dots, d_n\}$ are linear dependent.

i.e. \exists some $a_i \neq 0$ s.t.

$$a_1 d_1 + a_2 d_2 + \dots + a_n d_n = 0_{n \times 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n a_k d_k = 0$$

$\times Q$
 \Rightarrow

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k Q d_k = 0$$

$\times d_i^T$
 \Rightarrow

$$\sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^n a_k d_i^T Q d_k + a_i d_i^T Q d_i = 0$$

$$\because d_1, \dots, d_n \text{ are } Q\text{-conjugate} \quad \therefore \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^n a_k d_i^T Q d_k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_i d_i^T Q d_i = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad a_i \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d_i^T Q d_i = 0 \quad \text{---} \quad (\because Q \text{ is positive definite})$$

Hence, $\{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n\}$ are linear independent.