

APM120, Homework #0

Applied Linear Algebra and Big Data

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Assigned Jan 24, 2023, due Jan 31, 1:00 pm, via [gradescope](#), **in pdf $\leq 20\text{Mb}$, ≤ 30 pages.**

This homework reviews the basic linear algebra needed for this course, please see the corresponding review examples in appendix A of the course notes. **This HW assignment is long... the following ones will be shorter.**

Show all steps in all calculations explicitly. Attach code used, well documented, and relevant plots and [Matlab/python](#) output, attaching code and figures *immediately following* the relevant question solution. A code printout is not a substitute for complete solutions, your solution should stand alone without the Matlab/python code or output. See needed python preliminaries at end of this HW¹. **You may use Matlab/python only for questions indicated in orange** (in future HW the default would be that Matlab/python are allowed unless it is indicated explicitly that you need to use hand-calculations).

1. **Scalars, vectors and matrix operations:** In this and the following questions, denote

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & 4 \\ -0.6 & -4.8 & -7.8 \\ 1.5 & 0.4 & -10.8 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & -9 & 4 \\ 10 & -8 & 4 \\ -14 & 12 & -4 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{N} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix},$$
$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 3i \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{matrix} z_1 = 2 + 5i, \\ z_2 = 5 - 2i. \end{matrix}$$

Calculate and write (i) the matrix product $\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}$, (ii) product of a row vector and a matrix $\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{B}$, (iii) scalar products of two vectors $\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{c}$ and $\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a}$, (iv) the vector norm $|\mathbf{c}|$. Here, $(\cdot)^T$ and $(\cdot)^\dagger$ represent the transpose and conjugate transpose, correspondingly.

2. **Linear equations, Gaussian elimination & back substitution:** solve $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ using Gaussian elimination to bring the equation to an upper triangular form and then using back substitution to find all elements of \mathbf{x} .
3. **Determinants, linear independence of vectors:** (i) Calculate $\det(\mathbf{A})$ by reducing to row-echelon form and multiplying the diagonal terms. **(ii) Show that $\det(\mathbf{B}) = 0$ using Matlab: `det(B)`, or python: `np.linalg.det(B)`.** (iii) Conclude that the columns of \mathbf{B} are linearly dependent; write the 1st column as a linear combination of the other two. (iv) *****Optional extra credit:** Calculate $\det(\mathbf{A})$ using the cofactors of \mathbf{A} .
4. **Matrix inversion, invertible vs singular matrices:** (i) calculate \mathbf{A}^{-1} by performing row operations in parallel on \mathbf{A} and on the identity matrix. **(ii) Using Matlab/python, show explicitly that $\mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$.** Does \mathbf{B}^{-1} exist? Why?
5. **Complex numbers:** calculate the following quantities,

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(a)} \ z_1^\dagger z_2, & \text{(b)} \ |z_1/z_2|, \\ \text{(c)} \ 3(e^{2z_1})^\dagger, & \text{(d)} \ \text{Write } z_1 = re^{i\theta} \text{ and find } r, \theta. \end{array}$$

6. **Homogeneous linear equations:** (i) What conditions does a general matrix G need to satisfy for there to be a nonzero vector \mathbf{x} for which $G\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$? (ii) *****Optional extra credit:** Find the general solution \mathbf{x} to $B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ for the matrix defined above.
7. **Eigenvalues and eigenvectors:** (i) Write the characteristic equation of P , $\det(P - \lambda I) = 0$, and solve it for the eigenvalues λ_i . Calculate the eigenvectors \mathbf{e}_i (by hand) by solving $P\mathbf{e}_i = \lambda_i\mathbf{e}_i$ and requiring that their norm is equal to one, $|\mathbf{e}_i|^2 = 1$. (ii) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of B in Matlab using `[V,D]=eig(B)` or in python using `D,V=np.linalg.eig(B)`. (iii) Verify that the eigenvector \mathbf{e} corresponding to the largest absolute value eigenvalue λ indeed satisfies $B\mathbf{e} = \lambda\mathbf{e}$. If the i th eigenvalue returned by Matlab ($1 \leq i \leq 3$) or python ($0 \leq i \leq 2$), is the largest in absolute value, then the corresponding eigenvector is the i th column of V , $V(:,i)$ in Matlab, $V[:,i]$ in python, and the eigenvalue is i th element of `diag(D)` in Matlab, or of `D` in python. (iv) Solve for the eigenvector of B corresponding to the eigenvalue of largest absolute value.
8. **Matrix diagonalization:** Let U be a matrix whose columns are the above-calculated eigenvectors of P and consider $H = U^{-1}PU$. (i) Calculate H_{11} and H_{12} . (ii) Use Matlab/python to calculate all elements of H and show it is diagonal and that the values along the diagonal are the eigenvalues of P which you also calculated above.
9. **Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization:** starting from the three columns of A taken as vectors $(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3)$, apply the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process to find three orthonormal vectors $(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{y}_3)$ satisfying $\mathbf{y}_i^T \mathbf{y}_j = \delta_{ij}$ where δ_{ij} is the Kronecker delta.
10. **Null space of a matrix:** calculate the null space of the matrix N .
11. **Gradient:** Given a column vector $\mathbf{x} = (x, y)^T$, (i) write the explicit expression for $J(x, y) = \mathbf{x}^T(P^T P)\mathbf{x}$ in terms of (x, y) , evaluating numerically the coefficients that depend on P . (ii) Write the gradient of this function, $\nabla J(x, y)$ as a function of (x, y) . Evaluate the gradient at the point $\mathbf{x}_0 = (x, y) = (-2, 1)$. (iii) What do the direction and magnitude of the gradient represent in terms of the geometric properties of $J(x, y)$ as a function of two variables? (iv) Calculate the two numbers $J(\mathbf{x}) \pm \delta\mathbf{x} \cdot \nabla J$, where $\delta\mathbf{x}$ is a small vector in the direction of ∇J , $\delta\mathbf{x} \equiv 0.001\nabla J$, evaluated at $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0$; explain the results. (v) *****Optional extra credit:** Use Matlab/python to plot contours of J and a vector pointing in the direction of $\nabla J(x, y)$, originating at \mathbf{x}_0 .
12. **Running a Matlab/python program:** Modify the sample problem code `HW_00.m/HW_00.py` from the HW-00 homework folder to (i) plot $2e^{-x/2}\sin(2x)$ vs x for $(2\pi \leq x \leq 3\pi)$, (ii) solve the linear equations $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ with the above matrix A by calculating its inverse using Matlab (`inv(A)`) or python (`np.linalg.inv(A)`) and compare to the solution you found above using Gaussian elimination.

* [What's the point of *****optional extra credit** challenge problems: apart from the fun of doing them, they may bring the total score of this HW assignment up to 110%, making up for problems you may have missed in this or other HW assignments...]

Python preliminaries & notes

¹ python commands within the HW assume you have first used the followings: `import numpy as np;`
`from numpy import linalg; import scipy as scipy; from scipy import linalg;`
`import matplotlib.pyplot as plt; import matplotlib;`
Input a matrix **A**, column vector **b** and row vector **c** into python in the form
`A=np.array([[a11,a12,a13],[a21,a22,a23],[a31,a32,a33]]); b=np.array([[b1],[b2],[b3]]);`
`c=np.array([[c1,c2,c3]]);` or convert Matlab arrays given in HW directly to python arrays using,
e.g., `A=np.array(np.matrixlib.defmatrix.matrix('1 2 3; 4 5 6'));`