# **Solution**

# Section 3.4 – Orthogonal Matrices

# Exercise

Show that the matrix is orthogonal  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & 0 & -\frac{3}{5} \\ -\frac{9}{25} & \frac{4}{5} & -\frac{12}{25} \\ \frac{12}{25} & \frac{3}{5} & \frac{16}{25} \end{bmatrix}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$AA^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & 0 & -\frac{3}{5} \\ -\frac{9}{25} & \frac{4}{5} & -\frac{12}{25} \\ \frac{12}{25} & \frac{3}{5} & \frac{16}{25} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & -\frac{9}{25} & \frac{12}{25} \\ 0 & \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \\ -\frac{3}{5} & -\frac{12}{25} & \frac{16}{25} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$A^{T} A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & -\frac{9}{25} & \frac{12}{25} \\ 0 & \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \\ -\frac{3}{5} & -\frac{12}{25} & \frac{16}{25} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & 0 & -\frac{3}{5} \\ -\frac{9}{25} & \frac{4}{5} & -\frac{12}{25} \\ \frac{12}{25} & \frac{3}{5} & \frac{16}{25} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$AA^T = A^T A = I$$

 $\therefore$  A is an orthogonal

# Exercise

Show that the matrix is orthogonal  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$AA^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$A^{T} A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$AA^T = A^T A = I$$

 $\therefore$  A is an orthogonal.

# Exercise

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
is orthogonal with inverse 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Solution**

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$
 is orthogonal with inverse 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$
 (It is a standard matrix for a rotation of 45°)

## Exercise

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\cos\theta & \sin\theta \\
-\sin\theta & \cos\theta
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

$$\vdots \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \text{ is orthogonal with inverse } \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\cos\theta & \sin\theta \\
\sin\theta & -\cos\theta
\end{pmatrix}$$

#### **Solution**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{pmatrix}^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

$$\vdots \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \text{ is orthogonal with an inverse } \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

#### Exercise

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Solution

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \neq I$$

*Or* 
$$||r_1|| = \sqrt{0 + 1^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} ≠ 1$$
 ∴ *A* is *not* orthogonal

# **Exercise**

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{array} ] \text{ is orthogonal with inverse } \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc}
\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\
\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}
\end{array}$$
 is orthogonal with inverse 
$$\begin{bmatrix}
\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \\
\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\
\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}
\end{bmatrix}$$

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

## **Exercise**

Determine if the matrix is orthogonal. For those that is orthogonal find the inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**O**r

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & 1 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{2} & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & 1 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{2} & 0
\end{pmatrix}
=
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & 1 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{2} & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{2} & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 \\
0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{2} & 0
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \frac{5}{6} & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\neq I$$

∴ The matrix is *not* an orthogonal

## Exercise

Find a last column so that the resulting matrix is orthogonal

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \cdots \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \cdots \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \cdots \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\vec{q}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

$$\|\vec{q}_{1}\| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\vec{q}_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \vec{q}_{2} \right\| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{4}{6}} \\ & = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{q}_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

$$\vec{q}_{1} \cdot \vec{q}_{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}z = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x + y - z = 0$$

$$\vec{q}_{2} \cdot \vec{q}_{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}y - \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}z = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x + y - 2z = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} x + y - z = 0 \\ x + y - 2z = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \quad \underline{z} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x + y = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{x} = -y \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{q}_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

Determine if the given matrix is orthogonal. If it is, find its inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{9} & \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{7} \\ \frac{4}{9} & \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{8}{9} & -\frac{2}{5} & \frac{3}{7} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Solution**

$$\vec{q}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{9} & \frac{4}{9} & \frac{8}{9} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \qquad \vec{q}_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{2}{5} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \qquad \vec{q}_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{7} & -\frac{2}{7} & \frac{3}{7} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

$$\vec{q}_{1} \cdot \vec{q}_{2} = \frac{4}{45} + \frac{12}{45} - \frac{16}{45}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\vec{q}_{1} \cdot \vec{q}_{3} = \frac{3}{63} - \frac{8}{63} + \frac{24}{63}$$

$$= \frac{19}{63} \neq 0$$

$$\vec{q}_{2} \cdot \vec{q}_{3} = \frac{12}{35} - \frac{6}{35} + \frac{6}{35}$$

$$= \frac{12}{35} \neq 0$$

The given matrix is *not* orthogonal

Prove that if A is orthogonal, then  $A^T$  is orthogonal.

# **Solution**

Since A is orthogonal then  $A^T = A^{-1}$  and  $A = (A^T)^T$ 

Then 
$$(A^T)^T A^T = AA^T = I \implies A^T$$
 is orthogonal

Another word, since A is orthogonal, then both column and row vectors of A form an orthonormal set.  $A^T$  is just A with its row and column vectors are swapped.

The column vectors of  $A^T$  (which are the row vectors of A) and row vectors of  $A^T$  (which are the column vectors of A) form orthonormal sets, therefore  $A^T$  is orthogonal

#### Exercise

Prove that if A is orthogonal, then  $A^{-1}$  is orthogonal

# Solution

Since A is orthogonal then  $A^T = A^{-1}$  and  $A = (A^{-1})^{-1}$ 

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = (A^T)^{-1}$$

$$= (A^{-1})^T$$

$$= (A^{-1})^T$$

 $A^{-1}$  is orthogonal

## Exercise

Prove that if A and B are orthogonal, then AB is orthogonal

# **Solution**

Since A is orthogonal then  $A^T = A^{-1}$ and B is orthogonal then  $B^T = B^{-1}$ 

$$(AB)^{T} = B^{T} A^{T}$$
$$= B^{-1} A^{-1}$$
$$= (AB)^{-1}$$

 $\therefore$  AB is orthogonal

Let Q be an  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix, and let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix.

Show that 
$$\det(QAQ^T) = \det(A)$$

#### **Solution**

$$\det(QAQ^T) = \det(Q)\det(A)\det(Q^T)$$

$$= \det(A)\det(QQ^T) \qquad \text{Since } Q \text{ is an orthogonal matrix } \det(QQ^T) = \det(I)$$

$$= \det(A)\det(I)$$

$$= \det(A) \cdot \checkmark$$

# Exercise

Let 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- a) Is matrix A an orthogonal matrix?
- b) Let B be the matrix obtained by normalizing each row of A, find B.
- c) Is B an orthogonal matrix?
- d) Are the columns of B orthogonal?

a) 
$$AA^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & & & \\ &$$

b) 
$$\|(1, 1, -1)\| = \sqrt{1+1+1}$$
  
 $= \sqrt{3}$   
 $\|(1, 3, 4)\| = \sqrt{1+9+16}$   
 $= \sqrt{26}$ 

$$\|(7, -5, 2)\| = \sqrt{49 + 25 + 4}$$

$$= \sqrt{78}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}} & \frac{3}{\sqrt{26}} & \frac{4}{\sqrt{26}} \\ \frac{7}{\sqrt{78}} & -\frac{5}{\sqrt{78}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{78}} \end{pmatrix}$$

c) Yes, since the rows are orthogonal with unit vectors.

$$BB^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}} & \frac{3}{\sqrt{26}} & \frac{4}{\sqrt{26}} \\ \frac{7}{\sqrt{78}} & -\frac{5}{\sqrt{78}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{78}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}} & \frac{7}{\sqrt{78}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{3}{\sqrt{26}} & -\frac{5}{\sqrt{78}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{4}{\sqrt{26}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{78}} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

*d)* Yes, since the rows of B form an orthonormal set of vectors. Then, the column of B must form an orthonormal set.

$$\left\| \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{78}} \right) \right\| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{26} + \frac{49}{78}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{26 + 3 + 49}{78}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{78}{78}}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\left\| \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{26}}, -\frac{5}{\sqrt{78}} \right) \right\| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{9}{26} + \frac{25}{78}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{26 + 27 + 25}{78}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{78}{78}}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\left\| \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{26}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{78}} \right) \right\| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{16}{26} + \frac{4}{78}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{78}{78}}$$
$$= 1 \mid$$