

Linear Algebra-A

Assignments - Week 8

Supplementary Problem Set

1. Let $E = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$ and $F = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2\}$, where

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For each of the following linear transformations $L: \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$, find the matrix representing L with respect to the ordered bases E and F :

- (a) $L(\mathbf{x}) = (x_3, x_1)^T$;
- (b) $L(\mathbf{x}) = (x_1 + x_2, x_1 - x_3)^T$;
- (c) $L(\mathbf{x}) = (2x_2, -x_1)^T$.

2. Let $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ be the vector space of all 2×2 real matrices, and define

$$T: \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

by $T(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T$, where $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) Show that T is a linear transformation.

- (b) Find its matrix with respect to the basis $\{\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\}$.

3. Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m$ be linearly independent vectors in \mathbf{R}^n ($n > m$), and

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^T \\ \mathbf{v}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_m^T \end{bmatrix}.$$

It follows that \mathbf{A} is an $m \times n$ matrix with rank m .

Let $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{n-m}$ be a set of linearly independent vectors in \mathbf{R}^n satisfying

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{w}_j = \mathbf{0}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n - m.$$

Show that the vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m, \mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{n-m}$ are linearly independent.

(Note: This is to say, *the basis for the row space $C(\mathbf{A}^T)$ and the basis for the nullspace $N(\mathbf{A})$ together form a basis for \mathbf{R}^n .*)

4. Let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Explain why $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ is inconsistent.
- Find the least squares solution to $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$.
- Split \mathbf{b} into a column space component \mathbf{b}_c and a left nullspace component \mathbf{b}_l , i.e., $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}_c + \mathbf{b}_l$.

5. Let \mathbf{A} be an $m \times n$ real matrix and \mathbf{A}^T be its transpose. Show that the column spaces of $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A}$ and \mathbf{A}^T are the same, i.e., $C(\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A}) = C(\mathbf{A}^T)$.

(Note: This is a way to prove that for the least square method, the normal equation $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{b}$ is always solvable. Another proof is by the properties of “*Rank*”.)