

## Math 4570 Matrix methods for DA and ML

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### Homework 2.

**Question 1.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  and let  $\vec{v} \in V$  be a nonzero vector. Is the subset  $\{0, \vec{v}\}$  a subspace of  $V$ ? Prove your result.

No.  $2\vec{v}$  is not in the subset. So the set  $\{0, \vec{v}\}$  is not closed under scalar product.

**Question 2.** Determine whether or not the following set a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Prove your result.

(1)  $S = \{\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 x_2 = 0\}.$

(2)  $T = \{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1\}$  the unit disc in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(1) No, the set  $S$  is not closed under sum. For example,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are in  $S$ , but their sum is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  which is not in  $S$ .

(2) No, the set  $T$  is not closed under scalar product. For example,  $3 \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  which is not in  $T$ .

**Question 3.** (1) Let  $U_{3 \times 3}$  be the set of all  $3 \times 3$  upper triangular matrices with real entries. Is  $U_{3 \times 3}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ ? Prove your result.

(2) Let  $T_{3 \times 3}$  be the set of all  $3 \times 3$  triangular matrices with real entries. Is  $T_{3 \times 3}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ ?

(3) Let  $W$  be the set of all polynomials in the form  $\{t + at^2\}$  where  $a$  is any real number. Is  $W$  a subspace of  $P$  the vector space of all polynomials.

(1) Yes. Verify three conditions.

(2) No. Sum is not closed.

(3) No. Not include zero.

**Question 4.** (Allow to use Python/Matlab for **rref**) Let  $S$  be the following subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ :

$$S = \text{Span} \left\{ \vec{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Determine if each vector belongs to  $S$ :

(1.)  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix};$  (2.)  $\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

It is the same question as whether or not  $x_1\vec{b}_1 + x_2\vec{b}_2 = \vec{v}$  or  $x_1\vec{b}_1 + x_2\vec{b}_2 = \vec{w}$  has a solution.  
 Set up augmented matrix  $[\vec{b}_1 \ \vec{b}_2 | \vec{v}]$  and  $[\vec{b}_1 \ \vec{b}_2 | \vec{w}]$  and find their **rref**.  
 (1) Yes. (2) No.

**Question 5.** Let  $S$  be the following subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ :

$$S = \text{Span} \left\{ \vec{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Determine if each vector belongs to  $S$ :

$$(1.) \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -6 & 6 \end{bmatrix}; \quad (2.) \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

See above question.

It is the same question as whether or not  $x_1\vec{b}_1 + x_2\vec{b}_2 = \vec{v}$  or  $x_1\vec{b}_1 + x_2\vec{b}_2 = \vec{w}$  has a solution.  
 (1) Yes. (2) No.

**Question 6.** Suppose  $U$  and  $V$  are two subspaces of a vector space  $W$ .

- (1) Is the union of two subspace  $U \cup V$  a subspace?
- (2) Is the intersection  $U \cap V$  is a subspace?

(1) No. Sum is not closed.

(2) Yes. Verify three conditions:

1.  $\vec{0} \in U$  and  $\vec{0} \in V$ , so  $\vec{0} \in U \cap V$
2. If  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in U \cap V$ , then  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in U$  and  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in V$ . So,  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in U \cap V$ .
2. If  $\vec{u} \in U \cap V$ , then  $k\vec{u} \in U$  and  $k\vec{u} \in V$  for any  $k \in F$ . So,  $k\vec{u} \in U \cap V$ .

**Question 7.** Prove or disprove the following statement: if  $U, V, W$  are subspaces of a vector space, then  $(U + V) \cap W = (U \cap W) + (V \cap W)$ .

The statement is false in general.

For example, consider the three subspaces  $U = \text{Span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ ,  $V = \text{Span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$  and  $W = \text{Span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$   
 $U + V = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $U \cap W = V \cap W = 0$ . So,  $(U + V) \cap W = W$  but  $(U \cap W) + (V \cap W) = 0$

**Question 8.** Let  $U_1, U_2, U_3$  be subspaces of a vector space such that  $U_i \cap U_j = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ . Is it true that the subspace  $U_1 + U_2 + U_3$  equals  $U_1 \oplus U_2 \oplus U_3$ ? Justify your answer.

No.

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**Question 9.** If  $\{\vec{u}, \vec{v}\}$ ,  $\{\vec{v}, \vec{w}\}$  and  $\{\vec{w}, \vec{u}\}$  are linearly independent subsets, is the subset  $\{\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}\}$  linearly independent?

Not in general. For example,  $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Question 10.** Show that  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is linearly dependent by writing one of the vectors as a linear combination of the others.

Solve  $x_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2 + x_3 \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$   
 We can get a solution  $x_1 = -7; x_2 = -4; x_3 = 1$ .  
 So,  $\vec{v}_3 = 7\vec{v}_1 + 4\vec{v}_2$

**Question 11.** Let  $\vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}; \vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

(1) Show that  $\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_3$  is linearly independent.

(2) Extend  $\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_3$  to a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

(1) Let  $A = [\vec{u}_1 \ \vec{u}_2 \ \vec{u}_3]$ . Then  $\text{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . So,  $\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_3$  is independent.

(2) You can try to add  $\vec{e}_4$  and  $\vec{e}_5$ , but we need to check that  $\text{rref}([\vec{u}_1 \ \vec{u}_2 \ \vec{u}_3 \ \vec{e}_4 \ \vec{e}_5]) = I_5$ . A more general method is to use decomposition

$$\mathbb{R}^5 = \text{Row}(A^T) \oplus \ker A^T$$

where

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & -5 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 12.** Consider the linear subspaces  $U$  and  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by  $\vec{u}_1 := \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{u}_2 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{u}_3 := \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

and  $\vec{w}_1 := \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{w}_2 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{w}_3 := \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{w}_4 := \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  respectively.

Find the **dimensions** of the sum  $U + W$ , the intersection  $U \cap W$ , and the quotient spaces  $\mathbb{R}^4/U$  and  $\mathbb{R}^4/W$ .

Let  $A = [\vec{u}_1 \ \vec{u}_2 \ \vec{u}_3]$ ,  $B = [\vec{w}_1 \ \vec{w}_2 \ \vec{w}_3 \ \vec{w}_4]$ ,  $C = [\vec{u}_1 \ \vec{u}_2 \ \vec{u}_3 \ \vec{w}_1 \ \vec{w}_2 \ \vec{w}_3 \ \vec{w}_4]$   
 Calculate  $\text{rank}(A) = 3$ ,  $\text{rank}(B) = 3$ ,  $\text{rank}(C) = 4$ . So,  $\dim U = 3$ ,  $\dim W = 3$  and  $\dim(U + W) = 4$ .  
 By  $\dim(U + W) = \dim U + \dim W - \dim(U \cap W)$ ,  $\dim U \cap W = 2$ .  
 $(\mathbb{R}^4/U) \oplus U = \mathbb{R}^4$ . So,  $\dim \mathbb{R}^4/U = 1$ .  
 Similarly,  $\dim \mathbb{R}^4/W = 1$ .

**Question 13.** Let  $M$  be the matrix  $M = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 2 & 8 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ -2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ , and let  $U$  and  $W$  be the subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  generated

by rows 1 and 2 of  $M$ , and by rows 3 and 4 of  $M$  respectively. Find the dimensions of the subspaces  $U + W$  and  $U \cap W$ .

Note that  $U + W$  is just the row space of  $M$ , and so  $\dim(U + W)$  equals the rank of  $M$ . Putting  $M$  in reduced row echelon form, we find that the rank is 3. Thus  $\dim(U + W) = 3$ .  
 Next  $\dim(U) = 2$  since rows 1 and 2 of  $M$  are clearly linearly independent; similarly  $\dim(W) = 2$ .  
 Hence  $\dim(U \cap W) = \dim(U) + \dim(W) - \dim(U + W) = 1$ .

**Question 14.** Define polynomials  $f_1 = 1 - 2x + x^3$ ,  $f_2 = x + x^2 - x^3$  and also  $g_1 = 2 + 2x - 4x^2 + x^3$ ,  $g_2 = 1 - x + x^2$ ,  $g_3 = 2 + 3x - x^2$ . Let  $U = \text{Span}(f_1, f_2)$  and  $V = \text{Span}(g_1, g_2, g_3)$  be subspaces of  $P_4(\mathbb{R})$ , polynomials of degree smaller than 4. Find a basis for  $U + V$  and a basis for  $U \cap V$ .

Use the ordered basis  $1, x, x^2, x^3$ , and write down the matrix whose columns are the coordinate vectors of  $f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2, g_3$ .

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

To find a basis of  $U + W$ , put  $M$  in reduced column echelon form, and delete all zero columns. The remaining columns will be the coordinate vectors of a set of elements in a basis of  $U + V$ . The reduced column echelon form of  $M$  is

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

Hence a basis for  $U + W$  is  $1, x, x^2, x^3$ , which means that  $U + W = P_4(\mathbb{R})$ .

To find a basis for  $U \cap W$ , first find a basis for the null space of  $M$  (kernel of  $M$ ). This turns out to be

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The first two entries lead to a basis of  $U \cap W$ . Thus a basis for  $U \cap W$  is  $(-1)f_1 + (-1)f_2 = -1 + x - x^2$ . (Reason?) It can also be calculated as  $0g_1 + 1(g_2) + 0g_3$ .