Ans. 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

8. 
$$Q = (x_1 + x_2 + x_3)^2$$

Ans. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

9. 
$$Q = 4x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 + x_3^2$$

Ans. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Verify that the following matrices are orthogonal:

10. 
$$\frac{1}{3}$$
  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

**Hint:** Show that  $AA^T = I$ .

11. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

12. Prove that the product AB of two symmetric matrices A and B is symmetric if AB = BA.

**Hint:**  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T = BA$  since  $A = A^T$ ,  $B = B^T$ , so  $(AB)^T = BA = AB$  then AB is symmetric. Provided AB = BA.

# 14.7 CANONICAL FORM: or SUM OF THE SQUARES FORM

Of a real quadratic form  $Q = X^T A X$  is  $Y^T D Y$  or

$$\lambda_1 y_1^2 + \lambda_2 y_2^2 + \dots + \lambda_n y_n^2 \tag{1}$$

which is obtained by an orthogonal transformation X = PY. Here P is known as **modal** matrix. D is known as **spectral** matrix. D is a diagonal matrix with the eigen values of A as the diagonal elements.

Let r be the rank of A and n be the number of variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  in the quadratic form. Then:

**Index** S of a quadratic form is the number of positive square terms in the canonical form.

**Signature** of a quadratic form is the difference between the number of positive and negative square terms in the canonical form.

**Definiteness** A real nonsingular quadratic form  $Q = X^T A X$  (with  $|A| \neq 0$ ) is said to be

**Positive definite:** If rank and index are equal i.e., r = n, s = n or if all the eigen values of A are positive

**Negative definite:** If index equals to zero i.e., r = n, s = 0 or if all the eigen values of A are negative.

**Positive semi-definite:** If rank and index are equal but less than n

i.e., 
$$s = r < n, (|A| = 0)$$

or all eigen values of A are non-negative ( $\geq 0$ ) and at least one eigen value is zero.

Negative semi definite: If index zero

i.e., 
$$s = 0, r < n, (|A| = 0)$$

or all eigen values of A are non-positive ( $\leq 0$ ) and at least one eigen value is zero.

Indefinite: Quadratic form is said to be indefinite in any other case or some eigen values are positive and some eigen values are negative.

**Note:** If Q is negative definite (semi-definite) then -Q is positive definite (semi-definite).

### WORKED OUT EXAMPLES

**Example 1:** Determine the nature, index and signature of the quadratic form  $2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 4x_1x_3 - 4x_2x_3$ .

Solution: The real symmetric matrix A associated with the Q.F. is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Its characteristic equation is

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 - \lambda & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 - \lambda & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \lambda^3 - 7\lambda^2 + 7\lambda - 1 = 0$$
$$= (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - (3 + \sqrt{8}))(\lambda - (3 - \sqrt{8})) = 0$$

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The eigen values are  $\lambda = 1, 0.1715, 3.1715$  which are all positive. So Q.F. is positive definite.

Index: 3, Signature : 3 - 0 = 3.

**Example 2:** Find the nature, index and signature of Q.F.

$$2x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3$$

Solution:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Characteristic equation is

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
$$\lambda^3 - 3\lambda - 2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad (\lambda + 1)^2 (\lambda - 2) = 0$$

The eigen values are 2, -1, -1, some are positive and some are negative. So the Q.F. is indefinite.

Index: 1, Signature: 1 - 2 = -1.

Example 3: Identify the nature, index and signature of the Q.F.

$$x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + x_3^2 - 4x_1x_2 + 2x_3x_1 - 4x_2x_3$$

Solution:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Characteristic equation is

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 - \lambda & -2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 (\lambda - 6) = 0$$

Eigen values are  $\lambda = 0, 0, 6$ . So Q.F. is positive semi definite.

Index: 3, Signature: 3.

**Example 4:** Classify the Q.F. and find the index and signature of

$$-3x_1^2 - 3x_2^2 - 3x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3$$

Solution: 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Characteristic equation is

$$\begin{vmatrix} -3 - \lambda & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -3 - \lambda & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda^3 + 9\lambda^2 + 24\lambda + 16 = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda + 4)^2 = 0$$

All the eigen values -1, -4, -4, are negative O.F. is negative definite.

Index: 0, Signature: 0-3=-3.

Note:

$$Q = 3x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 - 2x_2x_3$$

is positive definite.

#### EXERCISE

Determine the nature, index and signature of the quadratic form:

1. 
$$x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 2x_2x_3 - 2x_3x_1 + 2x_1x_2$$

Ans. indefinite (eigen value: 1, 1, -2), index: signature: 1

2. 
$$5x_1^2 + 26x_2^2 + 10x_3^2 + 4x_2x_3 + 14x_3x_1 + 6x$$

Ans. positive semi definite (eigen value: 5,0,5 index: 3, signature: 3

3. 
$$x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_2x_3 + 6x_3x_1$$

Ans. indefinite (eigen value: -2, 3, 6), index: signature: 1

4. 
$$3x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3 + 2x_3x_1 - 2x_1x_2$$

Ans. positive definite (eigen value: 2, 3, 6), index: signature: 3

5. 
$$8x_1^2 + 7x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 12x_1x_2 - 8x_2x_3 + 4x_3x_4$$

Ans. positive semi definite (eigen value: 3,0,1) index: 3, signature: 3

index: 3, signature: 3

6. 
$$6x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 4x_1x_2 - 2x_2x_3 + 4x_1x_3$$
index: 3, signature: 8, 2, 2), index

Ans. positive definite (eigen value: 8, 2, 2), inde

3, signature: 3
7. 
$$-4x_1^2 - 2x_2^2 - 13x_3^2 - 4x_1x_2 - 8x_2x_3 - 3$$

7. 
$$-4x_1^2 - 2x_2^2 - 13x_3^2 - 4x_1x_2 = 6x_2^2$$
  
Ans. negative definite, index: 0, signature: 3.  
8.  $-3x_1^2 - 3x_2^2 - 7x_3^2 - 6x_1x_2 - 6x_2x_3 = 6x_1x_2 + 6x_2x_3 = 3x_1^2$   
Ans. negative definite, index: 0, signature = 3.

8. 
$$-3x_1^2 - 3x_2^2 - 7x_3^2 - 6x_1x_2 - 6x_2x_3$$

Ans. negative definite, index: 0, signature -3.

# 14.8 TRANSFORMATION (REDUCTION) OF QUADRATIC FORM TO CANONICAL FORM

Let Q be the quadratic form given by

$$Q = X^{T} A X = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij} x_{i} x_{j}$$
 (1)

The coefficient matrix A is real symmetric therefore has n linearly independent orthonormal set of eigen vectors corresponding n eigen values (which need not necessarily be distinct). Let  $\hat{P}$  be normalized modal matrix of A. Then  $\hat{P}$  is an orthogonal matrix.

Thus the transformation

$$X = \hat{P}Y \tag{2}$$

is an orthogonal transformation. This transfers the quadratic form Q to canonical form, as follows:

We know that P diagonalizes A. Thus

$$\hat{P}^{-1}A\hat{P} = D$$

$$A = \hat{P}D\hat{P}^{-1} = \hat{P}D\hat{P}^{T}$$
(3)

since  $\hat{P}^{-1} = \hat{P}^{T}$  by virtue of orthogonality Substituting (3) in (1)

$$O = X^{T} A X = X^{T} \hat{P} D \hat{P}^{T} X = (X^{T} \hat{P})(D)(\hat{P}^{T} X)$$
(4)

Pre-multiplying (2) by  $\hat{P}^{-1}$ , we get

$$\hat{P}^{-1}X = \hat{P}^{-1}\hat{P}Y = Y$$

$$Y = \hat{P}^{-1}X = \hat{P}^{T}X$$
(5)

since  $\hat{P}^{-1} = \hat{P}^T$ 

Taking transpose of this equation

$$Y^T = (\hat{P}^T X)^T = X^T \hat{P} \tag{6}$$

Using (5) and (6) in (4), we have

$$Q = X^T A X = Y^T D Y$$

$$= [y_1, y_2 \dots y_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & \cdots & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = \lambda_1 y_1^2 + \lambda_2 y_2^2 + \dots + \lambda_n y_n^2$$
 (7)

(7) is known as the canonical form or "sum of the squares form" or "principal axes form".

# Procedure to Reduce Quadratic Form to Canonical Form

- 1. Identify the real symmetric matrix associated with the quadratic form Q.
- 2. Determine the eigen values of A.
- 3. The required canonical form is given by (7)
- **4.** Form the modal matrix containing the *n* eigen vectors of *A* as *n* column vectors. Normalize. Then

$$X = \hat{P}Y$$

is the required orthogonal transformation which reduces Q.F. to C.F.

#### WORKED OUT EXAMPLES

**Example 1:** Find the orthogonal transformation which transforms the quadratic form

$$x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3$$

to canonical form (or "sum of squares form" or "principal axes form). Determine the index, signature and nature of the quadratic form.

Solution: Let  $X = [x_1x_2x_3]^T$ ,  $Y = [y_1y_2y_3]^T$ . Let P be the non-singular orthogonal matrix, containing the (three) eigen vectors of the coefficient matrix A of the given quadratic form. Then  $X = \hat{P}Y$  is the required non-singular linear transformation that transforms (reduces) the given quadratics form to canonical form. Here  $\hat{P}$  is the normalized modal matrix P. The coefficient matrix A of the given quadratic form is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic equation of A is

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 - \lambda & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^3 - 7\lambda^2 + 14\lambda - 8 \\ = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 4) = 0$$

So there are three distinct real eigen values  $\lambda = 1, 2, 4$  of A.

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For  $\lambda = 1$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 2 & -1 \\
0 & -1 & 2
\end{array} \sim \begin{array}{c}
2x_2 = x_3 \\
x_2 = 2x_3
\end{array}$$

 $\therefore$   $x_2 = x_3 = 0, x_1 = \text{arbitrary},$ 

The eigen vector  $X_1$  associated with  $\lambda = 1$  is

$$X_1 = [1 \ 0 \ 0]^T$$

For  $\lambda = 2$ ,

$$-x_1 + 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

$$-x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 = 0$$

$$x_2 = x_3$$

$$X_2 = [0 \ 1 \ 1]^T$$

For  $\lambda = 3$ ,

$$X_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Thus the modal matrix P is

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The norm of the eigen vector  $X_1$  is

$$||X_1|| = \sqrt{1^2 + 0 + 0} = 1,$$
  
$$||X_2|| = \sqrt{0 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2},$$
  
$$||X_3|| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}.$$

Then the normalized modal matrix  $\hat{P}$  is

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

To find inverse of P:

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

$$\sim R_{3(-\frac{1}{2})} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus

$$P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

and the normalized  $P^{-1}$  is

$$\hat{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonalization:

$$\hat{P}^{-1} A \hat{P} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\hat{P}^{-1} A \hat{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = D = \text{diagonal matrix}$$

with the eigen values of A as the diagonal elements.

Transformation (reduction) to canonical form:

Quadratic form (Q.F.)

$$Q = x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = X^{T_A X}$$

Put  $X = \hat{P}Y$  and  $X^T = (\hat{P}Y)^T = Y^T \hat{P}^T$ . So  $Q = X^T A X = Y^T \hat{P}^T A \hat{P}Y = Y^T (\hat{P}^T A \hat{P})Y$ But we know that  $\hat{P}$  is an orthogonal because

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

Thus

$$\hat{P}^T = \hat{P}^{-1}$$
Q.F. =  $X^T A X = Y^T (\hat{P}^{-1} A \hat{P}) Y$ 

But through diagonalization

$$\hat{P}^{-1} A \hat{P} = D$$

Therefore

$$Q = X^{T} A X = Y^{T} D Y$$

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} y_{1} & 2 \cdot y_{2} & 4y_{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_{1} \\ y_{2} \\ y_{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= y_{1}^{2} + 2y_{2}^{2} + 4y_{3}^{2}$$

This is the required canonical form (or sum of squares form).

Orthogonal transformation:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{P}Y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

so  $x_1 = y_1$ ;  $x_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(y_2 + y_3)$ ,  $x_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(y_2 - y_3)$  is the orthogonal transformation which reduces the Q.F. to canonical form.

Index is 3 for the Q.F. since the number of positive terms in the canonical form is 3. i.e., S = 3, rank r is 3. The number of variables is n = 3.

Signature of Q.F. is 2s - r = 6 - 3 = 3 (difference between number of positive and negative terms in C.F.)

The given Q.F. is positive definite because r = 3 = n and s = 3 = n.

Example 2: By Lagrange's reduction transform the quadratic form  $X^T A X$  to sum of the squares form for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 & 18 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

Q.F. = 
$$X^T A X = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 & 18 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
Q.F. =  $[x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 \ 2x_1 + 6x_2 - 2x_3 \ 4x_1 - 2x_2 + 18x_3] \times \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$   
=  $x_1^2 + 6x_2^2 + 18x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 8x_1x_3 - 4x_2x_3$   
=  $[x_1^2 + 4x_1(x_2 + 2x_3)] + 6x_2^2 + 18x_3^2 - 4x_2x_3$   
=  $[x_1^2 + 4x_1(x_2 + 2x_3) + 2^2(x_2 + 2x_3)^2] -2^2(x_2 + 2x_3)^2 + 6x_2^2 + 18x_3^2 - 4x_2x_3$   
=  $[x_1 + 2(x_2 + 2x_3)]^2 + 2x_2^2 + 2x_3^2 - 20x_2x_3$   
=  $[x_1 + 2(x_2 + 2x_3)]^2 + 2[x_2^2 - 10x_2x_3] + 2x_3^2$   
=  $[x_1 + 2(x_2 + 2x_3)]^2 + 2[x_2^2 - 10x_2x_3] + 2x_3^2$   
=  $[x_1 + 2(x_2 + 2x_3)]^2 + 2[x_2 - 5x_3]^2 - 48x_3^2$   
Q.F. =  $[x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 48x_3^2]$ 

where

$$y_1 = x_1 + 2(x_2 + 2x_3),$$
  
 $y_2 = x_2 - 5x_3,$   
 $y_3 = x_3.$ 

Index: S = 2, (n = 3, r = 3), Signature:  $2s - r = 2 \cdot 2 - 3 = 1$  (or 2 - 1 = 1).

#### EXERCISE

Transform (reduce) the quadratic form to canonical form (or "sum of squares form" or "principal axes form") by orthogonal transformation.

State matrix for transformation (i.e., modal matrix).

1. 
$$17x_1^2 - 30x_1x_2 + 17x_2^2$$
  
Ans.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 17 & -15 \\ -15 & +17 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\lambda = 2, 32$ ,  
 $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ , C.F.:  $2y_1^2 + 32y_2^2$ 

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2. 
$$3x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3 + 2x_1x_3 - 2x_1x_2$$

Ans. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\lambda = 2, 3, 6$ ,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}, \text{C.F.: } 2y_1^2 + 3y_2^2 + 6y_3^2$$

3. 
$$5x_1^2 + 26x_2^2 + 10x_3^2 + 4x_2x_3 + 6x_1x_2 + 14x_1x_3$$

Ans. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 & 7 \\ 3 & 26 & 2 \\ 7 & 2 & 10 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda = 5, \frac{121}{3}, 0,$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{3}{5} & -\frac{16}{11} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{11} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{C.F.: } 5y_1^2 + \frac{121}{3}y_2^2$$

4. 
$$2(x_1x_2 + x_2x_3 + x_3x_1)$$
; nature of Q.F.

Ans. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & +1 \\ 1 & +1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda = 2, -1, -1,$$

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

C.F.: 
$$2y_1^2 - y_2^2 - y_3^2$$

Nature: Indefinite

5. 
$$2(x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2)$$

Ans. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\lambda = 1, 3$ ,

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
, C.F.:  $y_1^2 + 3y_2^2$ 

6. 
$$2x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 3x_3^2 - 8x_2x_3 - 4x_3x_1 + 12x_1x_2$$
, find index

Ans. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & -2 \\ 6 & 1 & -4 \\ -2 & -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\lambda = 1, -1, -1$ ,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} a & -3b & \frac{11c}{17} \\ 0 & b & \frac{2b}{17} \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

where 
$$a = 1/\sqrt{2}$$
,  $b = 1/\sqrt{17}$ ,  $c = \sqrt{(17/81)}$ .

C.F.: 
$$y_1^2 - y_2^2 - y_3^2$$
, Index=1

7. 
$$3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2 - x_3^2 - 4x_1x_2 + 12x_2x_3 + \delta_{x_{12}}$$

Ans. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 4 \\ -2 & -2 & 6 \\ 4 & 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda = 3, 6, -9$$

$$P = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ C.F.: } 3y_1^2 + 6y_2^2 - y_1^2$$

8.  $8x_1^2 + 7x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 12x_1x_2 + 4x_1x_3 - 8x_1$ find the rank, index, signature and nature

$$P = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ C.F.: } 3y_1^2 + 15y_1^2$$

rank of Q.F.: 2, index: 2, signature 2, positive definite.

## Lagrange's reduction

9. 
$$x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 7x_3^2 - 4x_1x_2 + 8x_1x_3$$

Ans. 
$$(x_1 - 2x_2 + 4x_3)^2 - 2(x_2 - 4x_3)^2 + 9x_3^2$$

10. 
$$2x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 + 19x_3^2 - 24x_4^2 + 8x_1x_2 + 12x_1x_3 + 8x_1x_4 + 18x_2x_3 - 8x_2x_4 - \frac{10004}{2}$$

Ans. 
$$2(x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4)^2 - 3(x_2 + x_3 + 4x_4)^2 + 4(x_3 - 2x_4)^2$$

11. 
$$2x_1^2 + 7x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 - 8x_1x_2 - 10x_2x_3 + 4x_1x_3$$

Ans. 
$$2(x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3)^2 - (x_2 + x_3)^2 + 4x_3^2$$

12. Coefficient matrix 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 6 & 4 \\ -1 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 0 & 6 & 11 & 8 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hint: QF: 
$$x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + 11x_3^2 + 8x_4^2 - 2x_1x_5^2$$
  
 $4x_1x_4 + 12x_2x_3 + 8x_2x_4 + 16x_3x_4$ 

$$4x_1x_4 + 12x_2x_3 + 8x_2x_4 + 16x_3x_4$$
Ans.  $(x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3)^2 + 3(x_2 + 2x_3 + 2x_4)^2 + (x_3 + 4x_4)^2 + 8x_4^2$ .