

Math 218D-1: Homework #7

due Wednesday, October 15, at 11:59pm

Once you are comfortable with finding least-squares solutions by hand, please perform those computations in SymPy! The same thing goes for the Gram–Schmidt process and QR decompositions.

1. (Internalizing a Definition) For each set of vectors, decide if they are orthogonal, orthonormal, or neither; then compute Q^TQ by hand, where Q is the matrix with the vectors as columns.

a) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ b) $\left\{ \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

c) $\left\{ \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ d) $\left\{ \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

2. (Practicing a Procedure) The following subspaces V are given as the span of an *orthogonal* set of vectors. For each subspace V and vector b , compute the orthogonal projection b_V using the *projection formula*, and compute the projection matrix P_V using the *outer product formula*.

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{a)} & V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & b = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{b)} & V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{c)} & V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & b = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{d)} & V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & b = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{e)} & V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} & b = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

3. Suppose that $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis of \mathbf{R}^n . Use the outer product formula to explain why

$$I_n = u_1 u_1^T + u_2 u_2^T + \dots + u_n u_n^T.$$

4. (Examples Problem) In each case, find an example or explain why none exists.

- A matrix Q such that $Q^T Q$ is an identity matrix but $Q Q^T$ is not.
- A set of vectors $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ that is *orthogonal* and *linearly dependent*.
- An orthonormal basis for the plane $x + y + z = 0$.

5. (Practicing a Procedure) Use the Gram–Schmidt process to find orthogonal bases of the following subspaces.

a) $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

b) $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

c) $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

d) $\text{Nul} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 & -3 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$

Check your answers with SymPy, as in:

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GramSchmidt([Matrix([1, 1, 0]),
             Matrix([1, 0, 2]))
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6. (Understanding Gram–Schmidt) Consider the plane

$$V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

and the vector

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in V.$$

Find all vectors **contained in** V that are orthogonal to v .

[Hint: apply Gram–Schmidt to a set containing v .]

7. (Understanding Gram–Schmidt) Consider the 3-dimensional subspace $V = \text{Col}(A)$, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -3 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find an orthonormal basis $\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\}$ of \mathbf{R}^4 such that $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ is a basis for V . Your answer should be exact, in terms of square roots.

8. (Practicing a Procedure) For each of the following matrices A and vectors b , find the QR decomposition of A , and find the least-squares solution of $Ax = b$ by substitution in $R\hat{x} = Q^T b$. Your answers should be exact, in terms of square roots.

$$\mathbf{a)} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b)} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -3 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Check your answers with SymPy, as in:

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A = Matrix([[1, 1],
           [1, 0],
           [0, 2]])
Q, R = A.QRdecomposition()
pprint(Q)
pprint(R)
b = Matrix([1, 1, 1])
pprint(R.upper_triangular_solve(Q.T*b))
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9. (Practicing a Procedure) In this problem, we use a QR decomposition to quickly compute the best-fit parabola with specified y -values at $x = -2, -1, 1, 2$, as in HW6#15.

a) Find the matrix A such that the least squares solution of

$$A \begin{pmatrix} C \\ D \\ E \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

gives the coefficients of the parabola $y = Cx^2 + Dx + E$ that best fits the data points

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ b_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ b_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(Presumably you did this in HW6#15.)

b) Compute the QR decomposition of A .
 c) Find the best-fit parabola through the points $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ by substitution in $R\hat{x} = Q^T b$. You should get the same answer as in HW6#15.

Note that we can now repeat part c) with new y -values in $O(n^2)$ time.

10. (Internalizing a Definition) Recall that an *orthogonal* matrix is a *square* matrix Q with orthonormal columns, and that orthonormal columns means $Q^T Q = I_n$.

a) If Q is an orthogonal matrix, show that Q^{-1} is orthogonal.
 b) If Q_1 and Q_2 are orthogonal matrices of the same size, show that $Q_1 Q_2$ is orthogonal.

11. (True-False) Decide if each statement is true or false. If it is true, explain why; if it is false, provide a counterexample.

- a) A matrix with orthogonal columns has full row rank.
- b) If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a linearly independent set of vectors, then it is orthogonal.
- c) If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ is a basis for a plane V , then for any vector \mathbf{b} ,

$$\mathbf{b}_V = \frac{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \mathbf{v}_1 + \frac{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2} \mathbf{v}_2.$$

- d) If Q has orthonormal columns, then the distance from x to y equals the distance from Qx to Qy .
- e) If $A = QR$ is a QR decomposition of a matrix A , then the rows of Q form an orthonormal basis for $\text{Row}(A)$.

12. (Practicing a Procedure) Compute the determinants of the following matrices *using Gaussian elimination*.

a) $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ b) $\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ -9 & 18 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$

c) $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & -3 & -3 & -2 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ -12 & -3 & -9 & 3 \\ 0 & 8 & 19 & 33 \end{pmatrix}$ d) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ -4 & -5 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$

Check your answers with SymPy, as in:

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A = Matrix([[-2, 1],
           [1, 3]])
pprint(A.det())
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13. (Internalizing a Definition)

- a) Find $\det(E)$ when E is an elementary matrix. (This will depend on which kind of row operation the matrix corresponds to.)
- b) Verify that $\det(E) = \det(E^T)$ when E is an elementary matrix.
[Hint: for row swaps, use HW2#22(b).]
- c) If A is a matrix and E is an elementary matrix, use a) to show that $\det(EA) = \det(E)\det(A)$ directly from the definition of determinants (not using multiplicativity).
[Hint: how is EA related to A ?]

14. (Internalizing a Definition) Let A be the $n \times n$ matrix with entries $1, 2, 3, \dots, n^2$, ordered by rows first. For instance, here is the matrix A for $n = 2$ and $n = 3$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find $\det(A)$ for any value of $n \geq 2$.

15. (Internalizing a Concept) A matrix A has the $PA = LU$ factorization

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} A = L \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

What is $\det(A)$?

16. (Internalizing a Concept) Suppose that

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} = 10.$$

Find the determinants of the following matrices.

a) $\begin{pmatrix} d & e & f \\ a & b & c \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$ b) $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g+2d & h+2e & i+2f \end{pmatrix}$ c) $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ \frac{1}{2}d & \frac{1}{2}e & \frac{1}{2}f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$
 d) $\begin{pmatrix} g & h & i \\ a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix}$ e) $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 2g+d & 2h+e & 2i+f \end{pmatrix}$ f) $\begin{pmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{pmatrix}$
 g) $2 \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$ h) $\begin{pmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$ i) $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$
 j) $-\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$ k) $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}^3$ l) $\begin{pmatrix} a & b+2c & c \\ d & e+2f & f \\ g & h+2i & i \end{pmatrix}$

17. (Synthesizing New and Old Concepts) Recall that an *orthogonal matrix* is a square matrix with orthonormal columns, or equivalently, a square matrix Q such that $Q^T Q = I_n$. Prove that every orthogonal matrix has determinant ± 1 .

18. (Synthesizing New and Old Concepts) Let V be a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n and let P_V be the projection matrix onto V .

a) Find $\det(P_V)$ when $V \neq \mathbf{R}^n$.

b) Find $\det(P_V)$ when $V = \mathbf{R}^n$.

19. (Exploration Problem) Let A be any invertible matrix.

a) Explain why A can be expressed as a product of elementary matrices:

$$A = E_1 E_2 \dots E_r.$$

b) Use Problem 13(c) to prove that $\det(A) = \det(E_1) \det(E_2) \dots \det(E_r)$ directly from the definition of the determinant (without using multiplicativity).

c) Take transposes and use Problem 13(b) and b) (as applied to A^T) to prove that $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$.

[Hint: the transpose of an elementary matrix is an elementary matrix.]

(The proof that $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$ follows a similar strategy.)

20. (Exploration Problem) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix with columns v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n .

a) Show that if $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is orthogonal then $|\det(A)| = \|v_1\| \|v_2\| \dots \|v_n\|$.

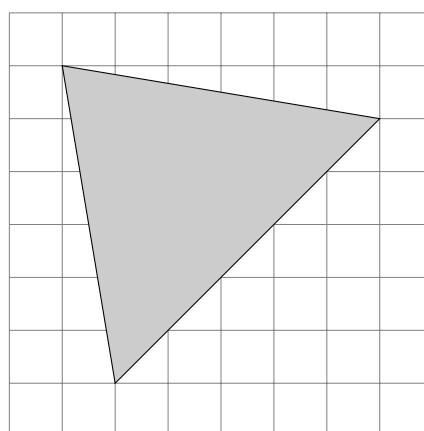
[Hint: Compute $A^T A$ and its determinant.]

b) Suppose that A is invertible. Show that $|\det(A)| \leq \|v_1\| \|v_2\| \dots \|v_n\|$, with equality if and only if the set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is orthogonal.

[Hint: Use HW5#21(c) and the QR decomposition of A . In $A = QR$, you know what $|\det(Q)|$ and $\det(R)$ are...]

In other words, among matrices with the same column lengths, the determinant is *maximized* when the columns are *orthogonal*.

21. (Picture Problem) Compute the area of the triangle pictured below using a 2×2 determinant. (The grid marks are one unit apart.)



22. (True-False) Decide if each statement is true or false. If it is true, explain why; if it is false, provide a counterexample. You can assume that all matrix operations that appear below are defined.

- a) $\det(A + B) = \det(A) + \det(B)$.
- b) $\det(ABC^{-1}) = \frac{\det(A)\det(B)}{\det(C)}$.
- c) $\det(AB) = \det(BA)$.
- d) $\det(3A) = 3\det(A)$.
- e) If A^5 is invertible then A is invertible.
- f) The determinant of A is the product of its diagonal entries.
- g) If the columns of A are linearly dependent, then $\det(A) = 0$.
- h) If A is a 3×3 matrix with determinant zero, then two of the columns of A are scalar multiples of each other.