

# MATRIX ANALYSIS HOMEWORK

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## 1. DUE 9/25

We let  $S_n$  denote the group of all permutations of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ .

1. Compute the determinants of the elementary matrices:  $U(k, l)$ ,  $D(k, \lambda)$ , and  $S(k, l; \lambda)$

2. Let  $J_n \in M_n$  be the matrix of all 1's.

(i) Use Laplace's formula and induction to prove that  $\det(J_n) = 0$  for all  $n$ .

(ii) Use (i) to prove that there is an equal number of even and odd permutations in  $S_n$ .

3. Given a permutation  $\sigma \in S_n$ , let  $P_\sigma, Q_\sigma \in M_n$  be the matrices defined by  $Q_\sigma = \sum_{i=1}^n E_{i, \sigma(i)}$  and  $P_\sigma = \sum_{j=1}^n E_{\sigma(j), j}$ .

(i) Prove that  $P_\sigma Q_\sigma = Q_\sigma P_\sigma = I_n$

(ii) Prove that  $\det(P_\sigma) = \det(Q_\sigma) = \text{sgn}(\sigma)$ . (So this can be used to define  $\text{sgn}(\sigma)$ .)

(iii) Given  $A \in M_n$  describe  $P_\sigma A$ ,  $Q_\sigma A$ ,  $AP_\sigma$ , and  $AQ_\sigma$ .

(iv) Prove that  $\sum_{\sigma \in S_n} P_\sigma = (n-1)! \cdot J_n$ .

(v) If  $\pi : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, n\}$  is another permutation, prove that  $P_\sigma P_\pi = P_{\sigma \circ \pi}$  and  $Q_\sigma Q_\pi = Q_{\pi \circ \sigma}$  where  $(f \circ g)(i) = f(g(i))$  is the composition of two functions.

(vi) Find the mistake in the Wiki page on permutation matrices!

4. A matrix  $P \in M_n$  is called a **permutation matrix** provided that each row and column of  $P$  has exactly one 1 and the remaining entries are 0's. Prove that  $P$  is a permutation matrix if and only if there is a permutation  $\sigma$  such that  $P = P_\sigma$  (hence the name).

5. A matrix  $T = (t_{i,j})$  is **upper** (resp., **lower**) **triangular** provided that  $t_{i,j} = 0$  for  $i > j$  (resp.,  $i < j$ ).

Use induction to prove that if  $T \in M_n$  is upper or lower triangular then  $\det(T) = \prod_{i=1}^n t_{i,i}$ .

6. Let  $B_n = (\min\{i, j\}) \in M_n$ .

Prove that  $\det(B_n) = 1$ .

7. Let  $C_n = (\max\{i, j\}) \in M_n$ . Find and prove a formula for  $\det(C_n)$ .

8. Prove that  $\text{perm}(B_n) \leq (n!)^2 \leq \text{perm}(C_n)$ .

## 2. DUE 10/2

1. Let  $A \in M_{n_1+n_2}$  have block form  $A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & A_{1,2} \\ 0 & A_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $A_{i,j} \in M_{n_i, n_j}$  and  $A_{2,1} = 0$ . It is "easy" to see, but messy to write down a proof that  $\det(A) = \det(A_{1,1})\det(A_{2,2})$ . From this it follows that  $A$  is invertible  $\iff \det(A) \neq 0 \iff \det(A_{1,1}) \neq 0$  and  $\det(A_{2,2}) \neq 0 \iff A_{1,1}$  and  $A_{2,2}$  are invertible. The purpose of this exercise is to prove this fact *without* using determinants.

(i) Prove that  $A$  is invertible if and only if  $A_{1,1}$  and  $A_{2,2}$  are invertible by expressing  $A^{-1}$  in block form.

(ii) Prove, more generally, that  $\sigma(A) = \sigma(A_{1,1}) \cup \sigma(A_{2,2})$ .

2. Let  $A \in M_n$ .

(i) Let  $q$  be a polynomial such that  $q(\lambda) \neq 0$  for all  $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$ . Prove that  $q(A)$  is invertible.

(ii) Prove that for  $q$  as in (i) and any other polynomial  $p$ , we have that  $p(A)q(A)^{-1} = q^{-1}(A)p(A)$ .

(iii) Let  $p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2$  be polynomials such that  $q_i(\lambda) \neq 0$ , for all  $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  and such that  $p_1q_2 = p_2q_1$ . Prove that  $p_1(A)q_1(A)^{-1} = p_2(A)q_2(A)^{-1}$ .

(iv) For  $q$  as in (i) and  $p$  any polynomial, the rational function  $r(x) = p(x)/q(x)$  is defined on  $\sigma(A)$  and we set  $r(A) = p(A)q(A)^{-1}$ . Prove that  $\sigma(r(A)) = \{r(\lambda) : \lambda \in \sigma(A)\}$ .

3. Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \in M_2$  and let  $B = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \in$

$M_3$ .

(i) Prove that  $\sigma(A) = \sigma(B) = \{\lambda\}$ .

(ii) Prove formulas for the entries of  $A^n$  and  $B^n$ .

(ii) Let  $p, q$  be polynomials, with  $q(\lambda) \neq 0$  and let  $r(x) = p(x)/q(x)$ . Give and prove explicit formulas for the entries of  $r(A)$  and  $r(B)$ .

4. Let  $1 \leq d < n$ , and let  $A = (a_{i,j}) \in M_n$  with  $A = A^*$ ,  $a_{i,i} = a_{j,j}$ ,  $\forall i, j$  and  $p_A(t) = t^{n-d}(t-1)^d$ . (Such matrices do exist.)

(i) Find the values of the symmetric functions,  $S_k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$  for this matrix.

(ii) Find the common value of the diagonal entries.

(iii) Find the sum of the squares of all the strictly upper triangular entries of  $A$ , i.e.,  $\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} |a_{i,j}|^2$ .

## 3. DUE 10/9

1. Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{F}^n \sim M_{n,1}$ ,  $B \in M_n^{-1}$ . Prove that  $\det(B - xy^*) = \det(B)(1 - \langle B^{-1}x, y \rangle)$ . HInt: Consider  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y^* \\ x & B \end{pmatrix}$ .

2. Suppose that  $A \in M_n$ ,  $n \geq 2$  is singular and that  $\sigma(A) \setminus \{0\}$  is non-empty. Let  $r = \min\{|\lambda| : \lambda \in \sigma(A), \lambda \neq 0\}$ .

(i) Prove that for  $0 < |z| < r$   $A + zI_n \in M_n^{-1}$ .

(ii) Prove that for any  $A = (a_{i,j}) \in M_n$  and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is  $B = (b_{i,j}) \in M_n^{-1}$  with  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n |a_{i,j} - b_{i,j}|^2 < \epsilon^2$ . This is often referred to as the "density of the invertibles".

3. Give an example of a matrix  $A \in M_n$  such that  $\lambda$  is an e-value of  $A$  of geometric multiplicity 1, and such that for any  $|S| \geq 1$ , we have that  $\lambda$  is an e-value of  $A[S, S]$ . (This shows that  $b \implies a$  is false in the persistence of e-values theorem.)

4. Let  $A \in M_{m,n}$ . Prove that  $A$  is rank 1 iff there exist non-zero  $x \in M_{m,1}$ ,  $y \in M_{n,1}$  such that  $A = xy^*$ .

5. Let  $A = xy^*$  as in 4, with  $n = m \geq 2$ .

(i) Show that if  $x, y$  are linearly independent, then  $\sigma(xy^*) = \{0\}$ .

(ii) Show that if  $y = \alpha x$ ,  $\alpha \neq 0$  then  $\sigma(xy^*) = \{0, \alpha \|x\|_2^2\}$ .

## 4. DUE 10/16

1. Let  $V : \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^m$  be an isometry. Prove that  $p_{VV^*}(t) = t^{m-n}(t - 1)^n$ .
2. Prove that the  $n$  vectors  $v_j = (\cos(2\pi j/n), \sin(2\pi j/n))$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n - 1$  are a uniform Parseval frame for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and that in the case  $n = 3$  they are an equiangular uniform Parseval frame.
3. Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq \mathbb{F}^n$  be an equiangular uniform Parseval frame for  $\mathbb{F}^n$  ( $m \geq n$ ). Compute the value of the constant  $|\langle v_i, v_j \rangle|$ ,  $i \neq j$ .
4. Let  $A \in M_n$  and let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  be eigenvectors of  $A$  corresponding to distinct, i.e.,  $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j, i \neq j$  eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k\}$ . Prove that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  are linearly independent.

## 5. DUE 10/30

Given subspaces  $V, W \subseteq \mathbb{F}^n$  we set  $V+W = \{v+w : v \in V, w \in W\}$ .

1. Show that if  $V, W \subseteq \mathbb{F}^n$  are subspaces such that  $V+W = \mathbb{F}^n$  and  $V \cap W = (0)$ , then there is a well-defined linear map  $L : \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^n$  such that  $L(v+w) = v$ . We call  $L$  the **projection onto  $V$  along  $W$** . Show that  $L^2 = L$ , and conclude that if  $A$  is the matrix of this linear map, then  $A^2 = A$ .

A linear map  $L : \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^n$  is called a **projection** iff there is a pair of subspaces  $V, W$  such that  $L$  is the projection onto  $V$  along  $W$ .

2. A matrix  $A \in M_n$  is called **idempotent** if  $A^2 = A$ . Let  $A$  be idempotent.

(i) Prove that  $\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(A) = (0)$  and that  $\mathcal{N}(A) + \mathcal{R}(A) = \mathbb{F}^n$ .

(ii) Prove that  $L_A$  is the projection onto  $\mathcal{R}(A)$  along  $\mathcal{N}(A)$ .

(iii) Prove that  $\dim(\mathcal{R}(A)) = \text{Tr}(A)$ .

3. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , which is idempotent. Describe the set of vector such that  $L_A x = (1, 0)$ .

4. We call  $L$  as in 1, an **orthogonal projection** iff  $V \perp W$ . Prove that  $L$  is an orthogonal projection iff the matrix of  $L$ ,  $A$  satisfies  $A = A^2 = A^*$ .

5. Prove that every projection is similar to an orthogonal projection.

## 6. DUE 11/6

The purpose of these exercises is to use our theorems to derive some results in *spectral graph theory*.

By a graph on  $n$  vertices, we mean a pair  $G = (V, E)$  where for now  $V = \{1, \dots, n\}$  denotes the vertex set and  $E \subseteq V \times V$  satisfies,  $(i, j) \in E \implies (j, i) \in E$  and  $(i, i) \notin E, \forall i$ . We say that  $i$  and  $j$  are adjacent and write  $i \sim j \iff (i, j) \in E$ . A clique in  $G$  is a subset  $S \subset V$  such that for all  $i, j \in S, i \neq j \implies (i, j) \in E$ .

For graph theorists, note that the cardinality of  $E, |E|$  is equal to twice the number of edges.

The adjacency matrix of a graph is the matrix  $A_G \in M_n$ , is the self-adjoint matrix given by  $A_G = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} E_{i,j}$ .

We set  $\lambda_i = \lambda_i(A_G)$ .

1. Prove that  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2 = |E|$ .
2. Prove that  $\sum_{k=1}^i \lambda_k \leq 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .
3. Prove that  $\lambda_n \geq \frac{|E|}{n}$ .
4. Prove that if  $G$  has a clique  $S$  with  $|S| = k$ , then  $\lambda_i \leq -1$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq k - 1$  and  $\lambda_n \geq k - 1$ .

## 7. DUE 11/16

1. Let  $V : \mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  be an isometry, which we identify with its matrix  $V \in M_{n,d}$ . Prove that  $VV^* \in M_n$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{R}(V)$ .
2. Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^d$ . Prove that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is a Parseval frame for  $\mathbb{C}^d$  iff the Grammian  $G = (\langle v_j, v_i \rangle)$  satisfies  $G = G^2$  and  $\text{Tr}(G) = d$ .
3. Let  $A, B \in M_n$  and let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove that if  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B \geq 0$  and  $A^k = B^k$  then  $A = B$ . (This shows the uniqueness of the  $k$ -th root of a positive semidefinite matrix.)

## 8. DUE 11/23

1. Let  $A \in M_n$ .  $A = USV$  be a singular valued decomposition. For a real number set  $t^\dagger = \begin{cases} t^{-1} & t \neq 0 \\ 0 & t = 0 \end{cases}$ . If  $S = \text{diag}(s_1, \dots, s_n)$  then set

$S^\dagger = \text{diag}(s_1^\dagger, \dots, s_n^\dagger)$ . Define  $A^\dagger = V^*S^\dagger U^*$ . Prove:

(1) if  $A = U_1 S V_1$  with possibly different unitaries then  $V_1^* S^\dagger U_1^* = V^* S^\dagger U^*$ .

(2) when  $A$  is invertible,  $A^\dagger = A^{-1}$ .

(3)  $AA^\dagger A = A$  and  $A^\dagger AA^\dagger = A^\dagger$

2. Let  $A \in M_n$ . A least squares solution to the equation  $Ax = b$  is a vector  $x$  such that: 1)  $\|Ax - b\|_2 \leq \|Ay - b\|_2, \forall y$  i.e., the error is minimized, 2) among all  $x$  satisfying 1),  $\|x\|_2$  is minimized. Let  $P$  denote the orthogonal projection onto the range of  $A$  and let  $Q$  denote the orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{N}(A)^\perp$ . Prove that  $x$  is the least squares solution to  $Ax = b$  iff  $Ax = P(b)$  and  $Q(x) = x$ . Deduce that the least squares solution is unique.

3. Prove that  $A^\dagger b$  is the least squares solution to  $Ax = b$ .

4. Prove that if  $A, B \in M_n$  are positive definite, then  $A \circ B$  is positive definite.



## 9. DUE 12/8

1. Let  $A \in M_n, 0 \preceq A$ . let  $\gamma = \sup\{a_{1,\sigma(1)} \cdots a_{n,\sigma(n)}\}$  where the sup is taken over all permutations  $\sigma$  of  $1, \dots, n$ . Prove that  $\gamma^{1/n} \leq \rho(A)$ .

2. Let  $A \in M_n, 0 \prec A$  and let  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be the Perron vector for  $A$ . If  $\min_i \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} = \rho(A)$  then prove that  $x_1 = \dots = x_n$ . Prove that if  $\max_i \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} = \rho(A)$  then  $x_1 = \dots = x_n$ .

3. Let  $A \in M_n, 0 \preceq A$  and let  $H = \operatorname{Re}(A)$ . Prove that  $\rho(A) \leq \lambda_n(H)$ .

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