

Problems on Chapter 4

1. Transform the basis vectors $\left\{ \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.999 \\ 0.001 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ to an orthonormal basis.

Write the vector $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in terms of the above given basis.

2. If $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{QB}$ where \mathbf{Q} is an orthogonal matrix then show that

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}$$

3. There are a number of different ways we can chose the norm of a matrix because M_{mn} is a vector space so a matrix norm is no different from a vector norm.

One way is Frobenius norm, $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F$, of a matrix \mathbf{A} of size m by n which is defined by

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m (a_{ij})^2}$$

Determine $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F$ for (a) $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$

4. Show that $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$ is an orthogonal matrix. Find \mathbf{A}^{-1} .

5. Show that $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$ is orthogonal matrix and determine \mathbf{A}^{-1} .

Determine \mathbf{Ax} where $\mathbf{x} = (1 \ 1 \ 1)^T$ and sketch \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{Ax} for

- (a) $\theta = 90^\circ$ (b) $\theta = 180^\circ$ (c) $\theta = 270^\circ$

Describe what the matrix \mathbf{A} does to the vector \mathbf{x} for each of these θ values.

6. For the matrix \mathbf{A} given in question 5 determine \mathbf{Ax} for the standard basis (axes) vectors $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ for $\theta = 45^\circ$. Describe what the matrix \mathbf{A} does to these basis vectors. (Try making a sketch by using software.)

7. Let P_1 be the vector space of linear polynomials. The standard basis for P_1 is $\{1, x\}$.

By using the inner product $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g(x) dx$ convert this standard basis to

an orthonormal basis for P_1 .

8. Show that $\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is an orthogonal matrix and find \mathbf{A}^{-1} .

9. Let \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} be vectors in a vector space. Find the first *error*, if any, in the following derivation:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v})\| &= \langle 2\mathbf{v}, 2\mathbf{v} \rangle \\ &= 4\|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

10. Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ be a non-zero vector in \mathbb{R}^2 .

(i) Find an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^2 such that normalized \mathbf{u} is one of these basis vectors.

(ii) Give an example of a non-standard orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .

11. Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 . Form an orthonormal basis

for \mathbb{R}^3 from these vectors $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\}$.

Factorise the matrix $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{u} \ \mathbf{v} \ \mathbf{w})$ into \mathbf{QR} where \mathbf{Q} is an orthogonal matrix and \mathbf{R} is an upper triangular matrix.

12. (i) Transform the following vectors which span a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 to an orthonormal basis for this subspace:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii) Find the \mathbf{QR} factorization of the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$.

13. Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 . Form an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 from these vectors $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\}$.

14. In *Special Relativity* we use 4 coordinates, \mathbb{R}^4 ; 3 space coordinates x, y, z and one time coordinate t . An important function in this geometry is defined as

$$\left\langle (x_1 \ y_1 \ z_1 \ t_1)^T, (x_2 \ y_2 \ z_2 \ t_2)^T \right\rangle = -x_1x_2 - y_1y_2 - z_1z_2 + t_1t_2 \quad (*)$$

This is *not* quite an inner product because it fails the following axiom:

$$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle \geq 0 \text{ and } \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$$

Show that the given function fails this axiom.

In this space the length or norm $\|\mathbf{u}\|$ of a vector \mathbf{u} is given by

$$\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = |\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle|$$

The distance function is given by

$$d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \left\| (u_1 - v_1 \ u_2 - v_2 \ u_3 - v_3 \ u_4 - v_4)^T \right\|$$

where \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is defined as in (*). Find $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$ for

$$\mathbf{u} = (1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4)^T, \mathbf{v} = (5 \ 6 \ 7 \ 8)^T$$

15. Let $P_2(x)$ be the vector space of polynomials of degree 2 or less. The following is an inner product on $P_2(x)$:

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x)dx$$

Starting with the standard basis $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$ find an orthonormal basis for $P_2(x)$.

16. Consider the vector space P_3 . Determine the next Legendre polynomial – a cubic polynomial in P_3 which is orthogonal to $1, x,$ and $x^2 - \frac{1}{3}$ with respect to the inner product given by

$$\langle p, q \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 p(x)q(x)$$

17. Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -3 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$.

- (i) Show that $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\}$ is an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .
 (ii) Write \mathbf{x} as a linear combination of the vectors \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .
 (iii) Scalars c_1 , c_2 and c_3 are given by the formula:

$$c_1 = \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|^2}, \quad c_2 = \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \quad \text{and} \quad c_3 = \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}$$

Determine c_1 , c_2 and c_3 . What do you notice about your result?

18. Let \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} be orthogonal non-zero vectors in a vector space and k be any scalar. Find the first error, if any, in the following derivation:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{u} - k\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} - k\mathbf{v} \rangle &= \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - 2k \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle + k \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + k \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \\ &\geq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad k \geq -\frac{\|\mathbf{u}\|^2}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \end{aligned}$$

19. Let $\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ be an orthogonal matrix. Show that

$$(a+b)^2 + (c+d)^2 = 2$$

20. Let \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} be vectors in a vector space V . Find the first error, if any, in the following derivation:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{v} \rangle &= \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{u}, 2\mathbf{v} \rangle + \langle 2\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle + \langle 2\mathbf{v}, 2\mathbf{v} \rangle \\ &= \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2 \langle \mathbf{u}, 2\mathbf{v} \rangle + 2 \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

21. Prove that if matrix \mathbf{A} is orthogonal then matrix \mathbf{A}^T is also orthogonal.

22. Let \mathbf{A} be an anti-symmetric matrix which means $\mathbf{A}^T = -\mathbf{A}$. Prove that the matrix \mathbf{Q} given by:

$$\mathbf{Q} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A})^{-1}$$

is an orthogonal matrix.

23. Let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & c \end{pmatrix}$ where $a > 0$ and $c > 0$.

- (i) Show that $\langle \mathbf{Ax}, \mathbf{x} \rangle \geq 0$ where $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$.
 (ii) Show that $\langle \mathbf{Ax}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

24. Find vectors to complete the following family to form an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^4 :

$$\mathbf{u} = (1/2 \ 1/2 \ 1/2 \ 1/2)^T, \quad \mathbf{v} = (1/2 \ 1/2 \ -1/2 \ -1/2)^T$$

25. Let S be the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by the vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = (1 \ 0 \ -1 \ 2)^T, \quad \mathbf{v} = (-1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0)^T$$

Find a basis for the subspace S^\perp which contains vectors that are orthogonal to the vectors in S . Also find an orthonormal basis for S^\perp .

26. Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} be orthogonal matrices. Prove that

(a) \mathbf{AB} is an orthogonal matrix.

(b) \mathbf{A}^{-1} is an orthogonal matrix.

27. The first two Laguerre polynomials are given by $p_0(x) = 1$, $p_1(x) = 1 - x$. By using the inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^\infty f(x)g(x)e^{-x}dx$$

show that $\{p_0, p_1\}$ is an orthonormal set of vectors.

28. Let \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} be non – zero vectors in a vector space V .

In signal processing and radar signal analysis the expression $\left| \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|}, \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \right\rangle \right|$ measures

the degree to which two signals \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are similar. A value close to zero means the two signals \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are very different in shape whilst a value close to one means they are very similar.

Show that $0 \leq \left| \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|}, \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \right\rangle \right| \leq 1$.

Brief Solution

1. $\left\{ \mathbf{p}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -998 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1000 \begin{pmatrix} 0.999 \\ 0.001 \end{pmatrix}$

3. (a) $\sqrt{30}$ (b) 19.62 (2 dp)

4. $\begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$

5. (a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

6. $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

7. $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}x \right\}$

8. $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^T$

9. Error is in the first line.

10. (i) $\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \end{pmatrix}$ (ii) $\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

11. $\mathbf{Q} = (\mathbf{p}_1 \ \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2 \ \hat{\mathbf{p}}_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

12. (i) $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3930}} \begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ 26 \\ -51 \\ 22 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{17292}} \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ -109 \\ -23 \\ 69 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

(ii) $\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{30} & 13/\sqrt{3930} & 11/\sqrt{17292} \\ 2/\sqrt{30} & 26/\sqrt{3930} & -109/\sqrt{17292} \\ 3/\sqrt{30} & -51/\sqrt{3930} & -23/\sqrt{17292} \\ 4/\sqrt{30} & 22/\sqrt{3930} & 69/\sqrt{17292} \end{pmatrix}$

$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 30/\sqrt{30} & 17/\sqrt{30} & 55/\sqrt{30} \\ 0 & 131/\sqrt{3930} & 25/\sqrt{3930} \\ 0 & 0 & 132/\sqrt{17292} \end{pmatrix}$

$$13. \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$14. \sqrt{32}$$

$$15. \left\{ 1, \sqrt{12} \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right), \sqrt{180} \left(x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6} \right) \right\}$$

$$16. p(x) = x^3 - \frac{3}{5}x$$

$$17. \text{(ii) and (iii) } \mathbf{x} = 2\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} + 3\mathbf{w} = (9 \ -3 \ 9)^T$$

18. Error is in the first line.

20. No error.

$$24. \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \hat{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$25. B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, B_{\text{Orthonormal}} = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$