

## Homework 6

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### 7.2.3

Recall Theorem 1.22. As in 7.1.4, we apply the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization to the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(a)  $u_1 = e_1 = (1, 0)^t$ .

$$u_2 = e_2 - \frac{\langle e_2, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 = e_2 - (1/1) u_1 = (-1, 1)^t$$

So  $\{(1, 0)^t, (-1, 1)^t\}$  is an orthogonal basis.

(b)  $u_1 = e_1 = (1, 0, 0)^t$ .

$$u_2 = e_2 - \frac{\langle e_2, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 = e_2 - 0 \cdot u_1 = e_2 = (0, 1, 0)^t$$

$$u_3 = e_3 - \frac{\langle e_3, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 - \frac{\langle e_3, u_2 \rangle}{\langle u_2, u_2 \rangle} u_2 = e_3 - (1/1) u_1 - (1/2) u_2 = (-1, -\frac{1}{2}, 1)^t$$

So,  $\{(1, 0, 0)^t, (0, 1, 0)^t, (-1, -\frac{1}{2}, 1)^t\}$  is an orthogonal basis.

### 7.2.9

The standard basis for  $P$  is  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$ . Let  $e_i = x^{i-1}$ .

(a)  $u_1 = e_1 = 1$ ,  $\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 1 \cdot 1 dx = 2$ .  $w_1 = u_1/\sqrt{2} = 1/\sqrt{2}$ .

$$u_2 = e_2 - \frac{\langle e_2, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 = x - \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x \cdot 1 dx = x$$

$$\langle u_2, u_2 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 x \cdot x dx = 2/3. \quad w_2 = u_2/\sqrt{2/3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x$$

$\{1/\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}x/\sqrt{2}\}$  is an orthonormal basis.

(b)  $u_3 = e_3 - \frac{\langle e_3, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 - \frac{\langle e_3, u_2 \rangle}{\langle u_2, u_2 \rangle} u_2 = x^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x^2 \cdot 1 dx\right) \cdot 1 - \left(\frac{3}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x^2 \cdot x dx\right) x$   
 $= x^2 - 1/3$

$$\langle u_3, u_3 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 (x^2 - 1/3)^2 dx = 2/5 - 4/9 + 2/9 = 8/45$$

$$w_3 = u_3/\sqrt{8/45} = \sqrt{45/8} (x^2 - 1/3)$$

$\{1/\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}x/\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{45/8} (x^2 - 1/3)\}$  is an orthonormal basis.

### 7.2.10

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } \langle a_1 A_1 + a_2 A_2, B \rangle &= \text{tr}((a_1 A_1 + a_2 A_2)^t B) = \text{tr}(a_1 A_1^t + a_2 A_2^t) B = \\ &= \text{tr}(a_1 A_1^t B + a_2 A_2^t B) = a_1 \text{tr}(A_1^t B) + a_2 \text{tr}(A_2^t B) = a_1 \langle A_1, B \rangle + a_2 \langle A_2, B \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle A, b_1 B_1 + b_2 B_2 \rangle = \text{tr}(A^t(b_1 B_1 + b_2 B_2)) = \text{tr}(b_1 A^t B_1 + b_2 A^t B_2) = b_1 \text{tr}(A^t B_1) + b_2 \text{tr}(A^t B_2) = b_1 \langle A, B_1 \rangle + b_2 \langle A, B_2 \rangle.$$

Therefore,  $\langle , \rangle$  is a bilinear form on  $V$ . Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \neq 0$ . Then  $\langle A, A \rangle = \text{tr}(A^t A) = \sum_{k=1}^n (A^t A)_{kk} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \sum_{l=1}^n (A^t)_{kl} A_{lk} \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n (A_{lk})^2 > 0$

Thus,  $\langle , \rangle$  is positive definite.

ii) The standard basis for  $V$  is  $\{e_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq n\}$ , where  $e_{ij}$ 's are matrix units (2.5), p10). This turns out to be orthonormal, since

$$\langle e_{ij}, e_{kl} \rangle = \text{tr}(e_{ij}^t e_{kl}) = \text{tr}(e_{ji} e_{kl}) = \text{tr}(\delta_{ik} e_{jl}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=k \text{ and } j=l \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

1.2.8(a) (p33)

Remark. Denote  $A = (A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) = (a_{ij})$ . We may identify  $V = \text{Mat}(n \times n, \mathbb{R})$  with  $\mathbb{R}^{n^2}$  by  $A \leftrightarrow (A_1^t, A_2^t, \dots, A_n^t) = (a_{11}, a_{21}, \dots, a_{n1}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{n2}, \dots, a_{nn}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$ . Under this identification, the given bilinear form is nothing but the standard dot product on  $\mathbb{R}^{n^2}$ . In view of this fact, the above results are obvious.

**7.2.11**

$A$  is negative definite  $\iff -A$  is positive definite  
 $\iff \det(-A)_i = (-1)^i \det A_i > 0$  for all  $i$   
 $\iff \text{sgn}(\det A_i) = (-1)^i$  for all  $i$ .

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(c)  $u \in W_2^\perp \iff \langle u, w \rangle = 0, \forall w \in W_2 \implies \langle u, w \rangle = 0, \forall w \in W_1 \iff u \in W_1^\perp$ . Thus,  $W_2^\perp \subseteq W_1^\perp$ .

(b)  $u \in W \implies \langle u, w \rangle = 0, \forall w \in W \iff u \in (W^\perp)^\perp$ , so  $W \subseteq W^{\perp\perp}$

(a) ( $\subseteq$ ) Note  $W_i \subseteq W_1 + W_2$ . By (c),  $(W_1 + W_2)^\perp \subseteq W_i^\perp$ . Thus, we have

$$(W_1 + W_2)^\perp \subseteq W_1^\perp \cap W_2^\perp$$

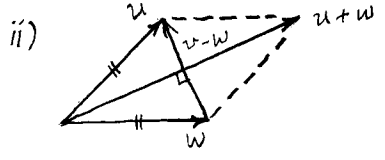
( $\supseteq$ )  $u \in W_1^\perp \cap W_2^\perp \implies \langle u, w_1 \rangle = 0, \forall w_1 \in W_1$  and  $\langle u, w_2 \rangle = 0, \forall w_2 \in W_2$

$$\implies \langle u, w_1 + w_2 \rangle = \langle u, w_1 \rangle + \langle u, w_2 \rangle = 0, \forall w_1 \in W_1, \forall w_2 \in W_2$$

$$\implies u \in (W_1 + W_2)^\perp$$

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i) If  $|u| = |w|$ , then  $\langle u+w, u-w \rangle = \langle u, u \rangle - \langle u, w \rangle + \langle w, u \rangle - \langle w, w \rangle = |u|^2 - |w|^2 = 0$  since  $\langle, \rangle$  is symmetric. So  $(u+w) \perp (u-w)$ .



ii) Two diagonals of a rhombus are orthogonal.

7.3.11

Let  $A = (a_{ij})$ . Suppose, on the contrary, that  $a_{kl}$  ( $k > l$ ) is a maximal matrix entry. Let  $E_{lk}$  and  $E_{kl}$  be elementary matrices of the form (2.6ii) (p11). By the lemma below,  $B = E_{kl}^t E_{lk}^t A E_{lk} E_{kl}$  is positive definite. By Theorem 1.25,  $\det B_2 > 0$ . Observe, however, that  $B_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{kk} & a_{kl} \\ a_{lk} & a_{ll} \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_{lk}^t A E_{lk} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{kk} & a_{kl} \\ a_{lk} & a_{ll} \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{kk} & a_{kl} & & \\ a_{lk} & a_{ll} & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $a_{kl} = a_{lk} \geq a_{kk}, a_{ll}$ , we have  $\det B_2 = a_{kk} a_{ll} - a_{kl}^2 \leq 0$ ; a contradiction!

Lemma Let  $P$  be invertible. Then  $A$  is positive definite if and only if  $P^t A P$  is positive definite.

Pf).  $A$  is positive definite  $\iff x^t A x > 0, \forall x \neq 0 \iff (Px)^t A (Px) = x^t (P^t A P) x > 0, \forall x \neq 0 \iff P^t A P$  is positive definite.

7.4.8

If  $\langle, \rangle$  were a hermitian form, its matrix (with respect to the standard basis for  $\mathbb{C}^2$ ) would be hermitian, too. But, the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ -i & i \end{pmatrix}$  is not hermitian since one of its diagonal entries is not real.

7.4.10

Note i)  $\det X^t = \det X$  (Proposition 3.18, p24) ii)  $\det \bar{X} = \overline{\det X}$  (Prove)

Suppose  $A$  is hermitian, i.e.,  $A^* = A$ . Then we have  $\det A = \det A^* = \det \bar{A}^t = \det \bar{A} = \overline{\det A}$ . Therefore,  $\det A$  must be a real number.