

Linear Algebra

- (a) Suppose that \mathbf{Q}_1 and \mathbf{Q}_2 are two $n \times n$ orthogonal matrices. Show that the product $\mathbf{Q}_1\mathbf{Q}_2$ is also an orthogonal matrix.
(b) Consider the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 6 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine the nullspace of \mathbf{A} .

- Consider the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 &= 1, \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - x_4 &= 0, \\ 2x_1 - x_2 - x_3 + 2x_4 &= 1, \\ 11x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - x_4 &= 2, \\ 3x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 + 5x_4 &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

Write the above in the form $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$. Using the Gaussian elimination technique to the Augmented matrix $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$, determine the rank of the matrix \mathbf{A} . Is there a solution to \mathbf{x} ? If the answer is yes, obtain the solution. If the answer is no, explain.

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1. (a) Consider an $n \times n$ elementary unit lower-triangular matrix \mathbf{L}_i . (Note: A unit lower triangular matrix is a lower triangular matrix with each of the diagonal elements equal to unity. An elementary lower triangular matrix \mathbf{L}_i is a lower triangular matrix with possible non-zero elements below the diagonal element in the i^{th} column.)

Let \mathbf{E}_{ij} denote the permutation matrix obtained by interchanging the rows i and j of the identity matrix \mathbf{I} of size n .

Show that the product $\mathbf{E}_{35}\mathbf{L}_1\mathbf{E}_{35}^T$ interchanges only the third and fifth elements in the first column of \mathbf{L}_1 .

- (b) Show that permutation matrices are orthogonal.
2. (a) A real symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} is said to be positive definite if $\mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} > 0$ for all $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$ (\mathbf{x} is an n -dimensional vector). Consider the following matrix obtained during the discretization of a differential equation:

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

Show that \mathbf{A} is positive definite.

- (b) Show that the diagonal elements of a positive definite matrix are positive.

Complex variables

1. Let $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$ be real-valued functions of the real variables x and y .

Also let $z = x + iy$ and let $w = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$.

a) Sketch a straight line going from $-1 - i$ to $2 + i$ on an Argand diagram. This straight line is represented by the variable z .

b) Sketch the corresponding line for the complex variable

$w = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ on an Argand diagram for the transformation $w = 3iz + 1$

c) As for b), sketch on an Argand diagram the corresponding line for the

transformation $w = \frac{1}{z}$

2. With w and z defined in question 1,

a) State the Cauchy Riemann condition for $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$ to be conjugate functions so that w is an analytic function of z .

a) A real-valued function of two real variables is said to be harmonic if it satisfies the two-dimensional version of Laplace's equation. Is

$v(x, y) = e^x \sin(y)$ harmonic? If so, find the conjugate harmonic function

$u(x, y)$ and express w directly as a function of z

b) Is $u = x^2 - 2y$ harmonic? If so, find the conjugate harmonic function $v(x, y)$

and express w directly as a function of z

Complex variables

In general let $w = u + iv$ and $z = x + iy$ where $i = \sqrt{-1}$.

1. Given that the above complex numbers can be represented on an Argand diagram, sketch the three straight line paths traced out in the z plane starting at the origin, A, proceeding to point B at 1, then to point C located at i before closing at point A. Show these three path segments and use arrows to indicate path directions.

State the equations for determining points in x and y for each of these three path segments.

Determine and sketch the corresponding path in the w plane where

$$w = z^2$$

2. If $w = \sinh(z)$ show that u and v satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann condition for differentiability as well as the Laplace equation.

Derive a general expression for $\ln(z)$ and hence determine solutions of

a) $\ln(-4)$.

b) $\ln(3-4i)$.