

Linear Algebra 2: Tutorial 11

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Exercise 1. Consider the bilinear form f on \mathbb{R}^3 given by the formula

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = x_1y_1 + 2x_1y_2 + x_1y_3 - x_2y_1 + x_2y_2 + x_3y_1 - 5x_3y_3$$

for all $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix}^T$ and $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{bmatrix}^T$ in \mathbb{R}^3 . Compute the matrix of the bilinear form f with respect to the standard basis \mathcal{E}_3 of \mathbb{R}^3 . Is the bilinear form f symmetric?

Exercise 2. Determine whether the following matrices (with entries in \mathbb{R} are positive definite. Do this in two ways: using the Gaussian elimination test of positive definiteness, and using Sylvester's criterion of positive definiteness.

(a) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix};$

(b) $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix};$

(c) $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

Exercise 3. Consider the bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ on \mathbb{R}^3 given by

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = 3x_1y_1 + 2x_1y_2 + x_1y_3 + 2x_2y_1 + 2x_2y_2 + x_3y_1 + 2x_3y_3$$

for all $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix}^T$ and $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{bmatrix}^T$ in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(a) Compute the matrix of the bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ with respect to the standard basis \mathcal{E}_3 of \mathbb{R}^3 .

(b) Is the bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ symmetric?

(c) Is the bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ a scalar product in \mathbb{R}^3 ?

Exercise 4. Compute the (symmetric) matrix of the quadratic form q on \mathbb{R}^3 given by

$$q(\mathbf{x}) = x_1x_2 + 4x_1x_3 + x_2^2 - 6x_2x_3 + 2x_3^2$$

for all $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix}^T$ in \mathbb{R}^3 (with respect to the standard basis \mathcal{E}_3 of \mathbb{R}^3).

Exercise 5. Give an example of a quadratic form q on \mathbb{Z}_2^2 for which there does **not** exist a symmetric matrix $A \in \mathbb{Z}_2^{2 \times 2}$ that satisfies the following:

$$q(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}_2^2.$$

Exercise 6. Let \mathbb{F} be an algebraically closed field, and let $A \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times m}$ and $B \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$. Using the Jordan normal form, prove that $A \oplus B = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ is diagonalizable if and only if A and B are both diagonalizable.

Exercise 7. Using Exercise 6, explain why the complex matrix below is **not** diagonalizable.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 5 & 6 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 & 9 & 9 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$