

## MATHEMATICS 201-NYC-05

Vectors and Matrices

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# Assignment #1 SOLUTIONS

This assignment is due **Friday September 7** at the beginning of the class.

For questions involving Maple (questions 5 and 6), a print-out of your work is expected, where your name is written in the Worksheet, and each question is clearly labeled.

### Question 1 (9 points)

Let  $P$  be an  $n \times 1$  matrix such that  $P^T P = 1$ . We define the **Householder matrix**  $H$  as  $H = I - 2PP^T$ .

a) Let  $P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$ . Verify that  $P^T P = 1$  and find  $H$ .

$$P^T P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} = \left[ \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{4}{9} \right] = [1] = I$$

$$H = I - 2PP^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{9} & \frac{2}{9} & -\frac{4}{9} \\ \frac{2}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & -\frac{2}{9} \\ -\frac{4}{9} & -\frac{2}{9} & \frac{4}{9} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{9} & -\frac{4}{9} & \frac{8}{9} \\ -\frac{4}{9} & \frac{7}{9} & \frac{4}{9} \\ \frac{8}{9} & \frac{4}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \end{bmatrix}$$

b) Prove that if  $H$  is any Householder matrix, then  $H$  is symmetric.

To prove:  $H^T = H$

$$LS = H^T$$

$$= (I - 2PP^T)^T$$

$$= I^T - 2(P^T)^T P^T$$

$$= I - 2PP^T$$

$$= H = RS$$

c) Prove that if  $H$  is any Householder matrix, then  $H^{-1} = H^T$ .

To prove:  $H^T H = I$

$LS = H^T H$

$= HH$  since  $H$  is symmetric

$= (I - 2PP^T)(I - 2PP^T)$

$= II - 2PP^T I - 2IPP^T + 4PP^T PP^T$

$= I - 2PP^T - 2PP^T + 4P(P^T P)P^T$

$= I - 4PP^T + 4PP^T$  since  $P^T P = I$

$= I = RS$

## Question 2 (10 points)

Solve for  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ .

$$xy - 2\sqrt{y} + 3zy = 8$$

$$2xy - 3\sqrt{y} + 2zy = 7$$

$$-xy + \sqrt{y} + 2zy = 5$$

Let  $u = xy$ ,  $v = \sqrt{y}$  and  $w = zy$ . Then the above system becomes

$$u - 2v + 3w = 8$$

$$2u - 3v + 2w = 7$$

$$-u + v + 2w = 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 8 \\ 2 & -3 & 2 & 7 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 5 \end{array} \right] & \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_1 \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & -9 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 13 \end{array} \right] \\ & \begin{array}{l} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2 \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $w = 4$ ,  $v = 7$  and  $u = 10$ .

Thus  $y = 49$ ,  $x = \frac{10}{49}$  and  $z = \frac{4}{49}$ , and the solution is  $(\frac{10}{49}, 49, \frac{4}{49})$ .

**Question 3** (10 points)

For which values of  $a$  will the following system of linear equations have

$$a^2x - 6ay + 12z = 8$$

$$2x - 3y + 5z = 2$$

$$x - 3y + 3z = 2$$

- i) a unique solution  
 ii) no solution  
 iii) an infinite number of solutions

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} a^2 & -6a & 12 & 8 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & 3 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 & 2 \\ a^2 & -6a & 12 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - a^2R_1 \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -6a + 3a^2 & 12 - 3a^2 & 8 - 2a^2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + (2a - a^2)R_2 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2a^2 - 2a + 12 & 8 - 4a \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{-2a^2 - 2a + 12}R_3 \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-1}{3} & \frac{-2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{8-4a}{-2a^2-2a+12} \end{array} \right]$$



Assuming  $-2a^2 - 2a + 12 \neq 0$

$$-2(a^2 + a - 6) \neq 0$$

$$a \neq -3, 2$$

Hence, if  $a \neq -3$  and  $a \neq 2$  then the system has a unique solution.

If  $a = -3$ , then we have

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 20 \end{array} \right]$$

so our system has no solutions.

If  $a = 2$ , then we have

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} z = t \\ y = -2 + t \\ x = -8 + 3t \end{array}$$

so our system has an infinite number of solutions

**Question 4** (10 points)

Find  $A$  such that  $(I + 2A^T)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^2$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $I + 2A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$ . Finding the inverse,

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 3R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Ergo, } I + 2A^T = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2A^T = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-3}{2} & \frac{-3}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-3}{2} & \frac{-3}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{-3}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

