

Week 10 Homework Summary

I. From Monday: 1, 4, 5 on p. 55:

1. Show that $\text{Null}(A^T) \perp \text{Col}(A)$.

SOLUTION: Let $B = A^T$. Then we prove that $\text{Null}(B) \perp \text{Row}(B)$ which is equivalent.

If we write B in terms of rows, $B = [r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m]^T$, then the i^{th} component of $B\mathbf{x}$ can be written as $\mathbf{r}_i\mathbf{x} = 0$. Thus, if \mathbf{x} is in the nullspace of B , then it is orthogonal to every row of B .

4. Prove the Pythagorean Theorem by induction: Given a set of n orthogonal vectors $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}$

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \right\|_2^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{x}_i\|_2^2$$

The case where $n = 1$ is trivial, so you might look at $n = 2$ first. Try starting with

$$\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\|^2 = (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})^T(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \dots$$

and then simplify to get $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2$. Now try the induction step on your own.

SOLUTION:

The case with $n = 1$ is trivial. The case with $n = 2$ is straightforward. Assume true for $k = n$,

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \right\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2$$

Show true for $k = n + 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \mathbf{x}_i \right\|^2 &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x}_{n+1} \right)^T \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x}_{n+1} \right) = \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \right)^T \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \right) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \right)^T \mathbf{x}_{n+1} + \mathbf{x}_{n+1}^T \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \right) + \mathbf{x}_{n+1}^T \mathbf{x}_{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

By the induction step, that first term is:

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \right)^T \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2$$

The second and third terms are zero since \mathbf{x}_{n+1} is orthogonal to the first n vectors, and the last term is $\|\mathbf{x}_{n+1}\|^2$. Therefore, the expression simplifies to the desired value,

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \mathbf{x}_i \right\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2$$

5. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix where $m > n$, and let A have rank n . Let $\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, such that $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ is the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{y} onto the column space of A . We want a formula for the matrix $\mathbb{P} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ so that $\mathbb{P}\mathbf{y} = \hat{\mathbf{y}}$.

The following image shows the relevant subspaces (See page 56 for the graph)

- (a) Why is the projector not $\mathbb{P} = AA^T$?

SOLUTION: If the columns of A were orthonormal, it would be. In class, we found the actual projection matrix to be the one below, which is:

$$P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$$

which we are showing now.

- (b) Since $\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{y}$ is orthogonal to the column space of A , show that

$$A^T(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{0} \tag{1}$$

SOLUTION: We know that $\text{Col}(A) \perp \text{Null}(A^T)$. Therefore, if $\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{y}$ is orthogonal to the column space of A , then it must be in the null space of A^T .

- (c) Show that there exists $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ so that Equation (1) can be written as:

$$A^T(A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = 0 \tag{2}$$

SOLUTION: Since $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ is in the column space of A , by definition there exists a $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $A\mathbf{x} = \hat{\mathbf{y}}$.

- (d) Argue that $A^T A$ (which is $n \times n$) is invertible, so that Equation (2) implies that

$$\mathbf{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{y}$$

SOLUTION: The matrix A has rank n , therefore $A^T A$ is an $n \times n$ matrix with rank n as well (the ranks are equal). Therefore, $A^T A$ is invertible, and we get the **pseudoinverse**, $A^\dagger = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$.

- (e) Finally, show that this implies that

$$\mathbb{P} = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$$

SOLUTION: Multiply both sides of the previous equation by A .

II. From Tuesday: 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 on p. 53 (Yes, we were working a little backwards).

1. Let the subspace H be formed by the span of the vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ given below. Given the point $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2$ below, find which one belongs to H , and if it does, give its coordinates. (NOTE: The basis vectors are NOT orthonormal)

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

SOLUTION: Rather than row-reduce twice, we'll do it once on the augmented matrix below.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 7 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 & 4 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

How should this be interpreted? The second vector, \mathbf{x}_2 is in H , as it can be expressed as $2\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2$. Its low dimensional representation is thus $[2, 1]^T$.

The first vector, \mathbf{x}_1 , cannot be expressed as a linear combination of \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 , so it does not belong to H .

3. Let the subspace G be the plane defined below, and consider the vector \mathbf{x} , where:

$$G = \left\{ \alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ such that } \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Skip part (a))

- b. Find the orthogonal projection of the given \mathbf{x} onto the plane G (note that the vectors are orthogonal).

SOLUTION: Let the vectors given (normalize them) be \mathbf{u}_1 and \mathbf{u}_2 . Then we compute:

$$\text{Proj}_G(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1)\mathbf{u}_1 + (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u}_2)\mathbf{u}_2 = \frac{-3}{14} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{3}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 0.686 \\ -0.943 \\ 0.429 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Added) Show that the formula in 5(e) from the previous page works for this problem as well.

SOLUTION: I shouldn't have added this- This was enough computation.

- c. Find the distance from the plane G to the vector \mathbf{x} .

SOLUTION: The distance is the length of the vector going from \mathbf{x} to the projection of \mathbf{x} in G , or

$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 0.686 \\ 0.943 \\ 2 - 0.429 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \approx 1.859$$

4. If the low dimensional representation of a vector \mathbf{x} is $[9, -1]^T$ and the basis vectors are $[1, 0, 1]^T$ and $[3, 1, 1]^T$, then what was the original vector \mathbf{x} ? (HINT: it is easy to compute it directly)

SOLUTION: $[6, -1, 8]^T$.

6. Let $\mathbf{a} = [-1, 3]^T$. Find a square matrix P so that $P\mathbf{x}$ is the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{x} onto the span of \mathbf{a} .

SOLUTION: We're thinking of the outer product divided by the inner product, or

$$P = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. (Reworded from the text) Suppose we have vectors \mathbf{x} , \mathbf{u} , and the projection of \mathbf{x} onto \mathbf{u} (Call it $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$).

- If the projection is *orthogonal*, then which vectors should be perpendicular?

SOLUTION: The vector $\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ should be orthogonal to \mathbf{u} .

- If $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = c\mathbf{u}$, find the constant c from your previous answer.

SOLUTION: The constant comes from the orthogonality

$$(\mathbf{x} - c\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u} = c\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} \quad \Rightarrow \quad c = \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u}}{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}}$$

8. Continuing with the last exercise, show that $UU^T\mathbf{x}$ is the *orthogonal* projection of \mathbf{x} into the space spanned by the columns of U by showing that $(UU^T\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x})$ is orthogonal to \mathbf{u}_i for any $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$.

SOLUTION: Notice that

$$UU^T = \mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1^T + \mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{u}_2^T + \dots + \mathbf{u}_k\mathbf{u}_k^T$$

so that

$$(UU^T\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{u}_i = [(0 + 0 + \dots + 0) + (\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}_i)(\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{x}) + (0 + 0 + \dots + 0)] - \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u}_i = 0$$

III. Homework from Thursday, Nov 6th

1 . Assume that A and B are row equivalent, where:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 7 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 & -1 & -5 \\ -3 & -4 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 3 & 6 & -6 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) State which vector space ($\mathbb{R}^?$) contains each of the four subspaces, and state the dimension of each of the four subspaces:

SOLUTION: Here are the spaces and dimensions:

- A. The row space of A is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^5 and has dimension 3 (this is the number of pivot rows).
 - B. The column space of A is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 and has dimension 3 (this is also known as the rank of A and is the number of pivot columns).
 - C. The null space of A is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^5 and has dimension 2 (the number of free variables).
 - D. The null space of A^T is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 and has dimension 1 (because the dimension of the column space is 3, and they should add to 4).
- (b) Find a basis for $\text{Col}(A)$:

SOLUTION: We see from the RREF that the pivot columns are cols 1, 2, and 4. Be sure to use the columns from the original matrix A ! The basis is the set

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- (c) Find a basis for $\text{Row}(A)$:

SOLUTION: We can use the reduced rows (written as columns) for the basis:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- (d) Find a basis for $\text{Null}(A)$:

SOLUTION: Solve $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$, and the vectors are the basis vectors:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1 & = & -4x_3 + 3x_5 \\ x_2 & = & 3x_3 - 5x_5 \\ x_3 & = & x_3 \\ x_4 & = & 4x_5 \\ x_5 & = & x_5 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

2. From Monday's HW, we said that if we're solving for $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$ and A has linearly independent columns, then we can solve for \mathbf{x} using the **normal equations** (just as we did in the linear regression problem):

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} \quad \Rightarrow \quad A^T A\mathbf{x} = A^T \mathbf{y}$$

And since A has full rank (it has linearly independent columns), then

$$\mathbf{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{y}$$

The matrix $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ is called the *pseudoinverse* of A , and is denoted by A^\dagger . Find the pseudoinverse matrix of A , if

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

SOLUTION: This is just a matter of multiplying it out. See the exam review sheet.

3. Also from Monday's HW, we said that if

$$\mathbf{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{y}$$

then

$$A\mathbf{x} = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{y}$$

Since $A\mathbf{x}$ is in the column space of A , then the vector on the right side of the equation must be the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{y} into the column space of A . Therefore, the matrix that takes \mathbf{y} and produces the projection of \mathbf{y} is:

$$P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$$

Find the matrix P using the matrix A from the previous exercise.

SOLUTION: It's just a matter of multiplying it out. See the exam review sheet.