

Problem set 10: orthogonal matrices, classification of real and complex orthogonal spaces, adjoint and self-adjoint maps.

- (1) Let $R(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ denote the parallelepiped spanned by the vectors $(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ in $\mathbb{R}^n$. Find matrices with respect to the canonical bases of isometries of the following sets:
- (a) the square $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + R(2\varepsilon_1, 2\varepsilon_2)$ in $\mathbb{R}^2$ with the usual dot product;
 - (b) the square $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + R(2\varepsilon_1, 2\varepsilon_2)$ in $\mathbb{R}^3$ with the usual dot product;
 - (c) the cube $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + R(2\varepsilon_1, 2\varepsilon_2, 2\varepsilon_3)$ in $\mathbb{R}^3$ with the usual dot product.
- (2) Represent as a composition of hyperplane symmetries the endomorphism of $\mathbb{R}^4$ with the usual dot product whose matrix in the canonical basis is equal to $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.
- (3) Check that the set $\text{SO}(\mathbb{R}, 2)$ of real orthogonal matrices of degree 2 whose determinant is equal to 1 is given by $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \cos(x) & -\sin(x) \\ \sin(x) & \cos(x) \end{bmatrix} : x \in [0, 2\pi) \right\}$. Determine the set $\text{O}(\mathbb{R}, 2)$ of real orthogonal matrices of degree 2.
- (4) Consider the space $\mathbb{R}^2$ with the quadratic form $q\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = x^2 - y^2$. Check that $\text{SO}(\mathbb{R}, q) = \left\{ \pm \begin{bmatrix} \cosh(x) & \sinh(x) \\ -\sinh(x) & \cosh(x) \end{bmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \sinh(x) &= \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} \\ \cosh(x) &= \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} \\ \text{th}(x) &= \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)}. \end{aligned}$$

Determine $\text{O}(\mathbb{R}, q)$.

- (5) Pick the third column in the following matrix so that the resulting matrix is orthogonal, if:

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

- (6) Check that the orthogonal space $(\mathbb{R}^3, \xi)$, where $\xi \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} \right) = xx' + xy' + x'y + 3yy' + zz'$ is Euclidean. Find the general equation of a line perpendicular to the plane $\text{Sol}(X_1 = 0)$ and intersecting the lines L_1, L_2 , where $L_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \text{lin} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right), \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \text{lin} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$.
- (7) For what values of the parameter $a \in \mathbb{R}$ the orthogonal space $(\mathbb{R}^6, \xi)$, where

$$q \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \end{bmatrix} \right) = a(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_4^2 + x_5^2 + x_6^2) + 2(x_1x_2 + x_1x_3 + x_1x_4 + x_1x_5 + x_1x_6 + x_2x_3 + x_2x_4 + x_2x_5 + x_2x_6 + x_3x_4 + x_3x_5 + x_3x_6 + x_4x_5 + x_4x_6 + x_5x_6)$$

is Euclidean?

- (8) Which of the following matrices are similar over the field of real numbers, and which ones over the field of complex numbers?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (9) Find the signature of the space $(\mathbb{R}^3, \xi)$ where $q \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = yz + xz + xy$.

- (10) Check if the matrices $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ are similar:

- (a) over the real numbers;
- (b) over the rational numbers;
- (c) over the complex numbers.

- (11) Depending on the parameters a, b, c, d find the signature of $(\mathbb{R}^4, \xi)$, where

$$q \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} \right) = a^2x_1^2 + 2ax_1(x_2 + x_3 + x_4) + (b^2 + 1)x_2^2 + (4b + 2)x_2x_3 + (6b + 2)x_2x_4 + (c^2 + 5)x_3^2 + (6c + 14)x_3x_4 + (d^2 + 19)x_4^2.$$

- (12) Depending on the parameter a find the signature of the orthogonal space $(\mathbb{R}^3, \xi)$ if $q \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) =$

- (a) $5x_1^2 + x_2^2 + ax_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 - 2x_2x_3$;
- (b) $2x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 2ax_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3$;
- (c) $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 + 2ax_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 + 4x_2x_3$;

(d) $x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 2ax_1x_2 + 10x_1x_3 + 6x_2x_3$;

(e) $-x_1^2 + ax_3^2 - x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 8x_2x_3$;

(f) $ax_1^2 - 2x_2^2 - 3x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3$.

- (13) For what values of the parameter $a \in \mathbb{R}$ the orthogonal spaces $(\mathbb{R}^3, \xi)$ and $(\mathbb{R}^3, \eta)$ are isometric, if:

(a) $\xi \left(\begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = px + qy - rz, q_\eta \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = x^2 + 2xy - 2xz + (3 - a)y^2 + (2 - 2a)yz + (4 - 2a)z^2$;

(b) $\xi \left(\begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = px - qy + rz, q_\eta \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = x^2 + 2xy - 2xz + (3 - a)y^2 + (2 - 2a)yz + (6 - 2a)z^2$;

(c) $\xi \left(\begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = px + qy + rz, q_\eta \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = x^2 + 4xy + (6 - a)y^2 + (12 - 6a)yz + (19 - 10a)z^2$;

(d) $\xi \left(\begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = px - qy - rz, q_\eta \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = x^2 + 6xy + (11 - a)y^2 + (8 - 4a)yz + (1 - a)z^2$.

- (14) Check that a hyperplane symmetry is self-adjoint.

- (15) Check that an orthogonal projection is self-adjoint.

- (16) Find an orthogonal matrix C such that the matrix $C^T AC$ is diagonal if $A =$

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$; (b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$; (c) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$; (d) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$;

(e) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & -2 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$; (f) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$; (g) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$; (h) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 + t \cos(\frac{2}{t}) & t \sin(\frac{2}{t}) \\ t \sin(\frac{2}{t}) & 1 - t \cos(\frac{2}{t}) \end{bmatrix}$.