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Algebra 4 exam

Exercise 1: (6 pts)

I/ Show that :

1/ $\forall A, B \in S_n(\mathbb{R}), A.B \in S_n(\mathbb{R}) \iff A.B = B.A$. (2 pts)

2/ $\forall A \in S_n(\mathbb{R}) \cap GL_n(\mathbb{R}), A^{-1} \in S_n(\mathbb{R})$ (2 pt)

II/ Let E be a vector space on $\mathbb{R}$, F be a vector subspace of E and $\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ a basis of F , and let $b : E \times E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bilinear form

Show that if $w \in E$ is orthogonal to any element of β then w is orthogonal to any x de F (2 pts)

Exercise 2: (6pts)

Let $b : \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a symmetric bilinear form such as:

$$\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 : b(x, y) = 2x_1y_1 + x_2y_2 + 5x_3y_3 - x_1y_2 - x_2y_1 - x_1y_3 - x_3y_1 - x_2y_3 - x_3y_2$$

1. Determine the quadratic form associated to b .
2. Give a square reduction of Gauss for the quadratic form q and determine $\text{sign}(q)$ and $\text{rg}(q)$.
3. Is q defined positive? Justify your answer.
4. Determine the set of isotropic vectors $I(q)$.

Exercise 3: (8 pts)

Let M be the following matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

1. Determine the bilinear form b associated to the matrix M in the canonical basis of $\mathbb{R}^3$.
2. Let $\beta' = \{v_1(1, 2, 1), v_2(-1, 2, 0), v_3(1, 0, 1)\}$.
 - (a) Show that β' is a basis of $\mathbb{R}^3$.
 - (b) Find the matrix M' associated to the bilinear form b in the basis β' using the matrix $P_{\beta_c \rightarrow \beta'}$.
 - (c) Is β' an orthonormal basis? Justify your answer.

Correction

Exercise 1:

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1/ $\forall A, B \in S_n(\mathbb{R}) :$

$$\text{a/ } A.B \in S_n(\mathbb{R}) \implies A.B = B.A? \text{ (1pt)}$$

$$A.B \in S_n(\mathbb{R}) \implies (A.B)^t = A.B \text{ (mais on sait que } (A.B)^t = B^t.A^t)$$

$$\iff B^t.A^t = A.B \text{ (but } A, B \in S_n(\mathbb{R}) \text{ it means that } B^t = B \text{ and } A^t = A)$$

$$\iff B.A = A.B$$

$$\text{b/ } A.B = B.A \implies A.B \in S_n(\mathbb{R})? \text{ (1pt)}$$

$$A.B = B.A \iff (A.B)^t = (B.A)^t$$

$$\implies (A.B)^t = A^t.B^t \text{ (but } A, B \in S_n(\mathbb{R}) \text{ it means that } B^t = B \text{ and } A^t = A)$$

$$\implies (A.B)^t = A.B \implies A.B \in S_n(\mathbb{R})$$

2/ Let $A \in S_n(\mathbb{R}) \cap GL_n(\mathbb{R}) ; (A^{-1})^t = (A^t)^{-1}$ but A is symmetric then $(A^{-1})^t = (A^t)^{-1} = A^{-1}$ which gives that $A^{-1} \in S_n(\mathbb{R})$. (1pt)

II/ We have $\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ is a basis of F ; Let $x \in F$ then $\exists \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p \in \mathbb{R} : x = \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i v_i$. (0.5)

So $b(w, x) = b\left(w, \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i v_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i b(w, v_i)$ because b is a bilinear form (0.75). But w is orthogonal to any element of F hence $\forall i = \overline{1; p} : b(w, v_i) = 0$ which gives $b(w, x) = 0$ then w is orthogonal to any element x of F . (0.75)

Exercise 2:

We have:

$$\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 : b(x, y) = 2x_1y_1 + x_2y_2 + 5x_3y_3 - x_1y_2 - x_2y_1 - x_1y_3 - x_3y_1 - x_2y_3 - x_3y_2$$

1. The quadratic form associated to b . (1pt)

$$q(x) = b(x, x) = 2x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 - 2x_2x_3$$

2. The square reduction of Gauss for the quadratic form q (2pts)

$$\begin{aligned}
 q(x) &= 2x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 + -2x_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 - 2x_2x_3 \\
 &= 2x_1^2 + 2(-x_2 - x_3)x_1 + x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3 \\
 &= 2\left[x_1^2 + 2\left(\frac{-x_2 - x_3}{2}\right)x_1\right] + x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3 \\
 &= 2\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}(x_2 + x_3)\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{x_2 + x_3}{2}\right)^2 + x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3 \\
 &= 2\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}(x_2 + x_3)\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}x_2^2 + \frac{9}{2}x_3^2 - 3x_2x_3 \\
 &= 2\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}(x_2 + x_3)\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}x_2^2 + 2\left(-\frac{3}{2}x_3\right)x_2 + \frac{9}{2}x_3^2 \\
 &= 2\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}(x_2 + x_3)\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(x_2^2 + 2(-3x_3)x_2) + \frac{9}{2}x_3^2 \\
 &= 2\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}(x_2 + x_3)\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(x_2 - 3x_3)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(-3x_3)^2 + \frac{9}{2}x_3^2 \\
 &= 2\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}(x_2 + x_3)\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(x_2 - 3x_3)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{sign}(q) = (p, n) = (2, 0) \dots (0.5) \text{ and } \text{rg}(q) = p + n = 2 \dots (0.5).$$

3. q is defined if and only if $q(x) = 0 \iff x = 0$ and is positive if and only if $q(x) \geq 0$

By the square reduction of Gauss $q(x)$ is a sum of two squares therefore $q(x) \geq 0$ (0.5)

Now for $x = (2, 3, 1)$ we find $q(x) = 0$ then q is not defined. (0.5)

4. The set of isotropic vectors $I(q)$. (1pt)

We have $I(q) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3, q(x) = 0\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 q(x) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 - \frac{1}{2}(x_2 + x_3) = 0 \\ x_2 - 3x_3 = 0 \end{cases} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 2x_3 \\ x_2 = 3x_3 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$I(q) = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 / x_1 = 2x_3 \text{ and } x_2 = 3x_3\}$$

Exercise 3: (8 pts)

1. the bilinear form b associated to the matrix M in the canonical basis of $\mathbb{R}^3$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 b(x, y) &= X^t M Y \dots \dots (0.5) \\
 &= x_1y_1 - x_1y_2 + 2x_1y_3 + x_2y_1 + 2x_3y_1 + x_3y_2 + x_3y_3 \dots (1.5)
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Let $\beta' = \{v_1(1, 2, 1), v_2(-1, 2, 0), v_3(1, 0, 1)\}$.

(a) Let us show that β' is a basis of $\mathbb{R}^3$.

Put $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\det P = 2 \neq 0$ then $v_1(1, 2, 1)$, $v_2(-1, 2, 0)$ and $v_3(1, 0, 1)$ are linearly independent (1pt), and since $\dim \beta' = \dim \mathbb{R}^3 = 3$ then β' is a basis of $\mathbb{R}^3$ (1pt)

(b) Find the matrix M' associated with the bilinear form b in the basis β' using the matrix $P_{\beta_c \rightarrow \beta'}$.

We have : $M' = P^t M P \dots$ (1pt)

$$M' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M' = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & -5 & 10 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 6 & -3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \dots (1pt)$$

(c) β' is an orthonormal basis $\iff \forall i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}, b(v_i, v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases} \dots$ (1pt)

we have $b(v_1, v_2) = -5 \neq 0$ so β' is not an orthonormal basis.....(1pt)