

1. Let  $A$  be a matrix  $\in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Prove that any matrix of the type  $A^T A$  is a positive semidefinite matrix.

**Solution:**

2. Prove that the eigen values of a positive semidefinite matrix are non-negative.

**Solution:**

3. Prove that the eigen vectors of a symmetric matrix are orthogonal.

**Solution:**

4. Prove that the eigen values of a symmetric matrix are real.

**Solution:**

5. Consider a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  where  $m \neq n$ . Does this matrix have eigen vectors? Explain your answer.

**Solution:**

6. Can a non-square matrix be positive semidefinite? Explain your answer.

**Solution:**

7. Prove that  $n$  linearly independent vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Solution:**

8. Argue why an orthonormal basis is the most convenient basis one can hope for.

**Solution:**

9. Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  be  $k$  distinct non-zero vectors  $\in \mathbb{R}^k$ . Similarly, let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  be  $k$  distinct non-zero vectors  $\in \mathbb{R}^k$ . Further, let  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_k$  be  $k$  distinct non-zero scalars  $\in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that  $\sum_k (\sigma_k u_k v_k^T)$  is a rank  $k$  matrix if  $u_i$  is orthogonal to  $u_j$  ( $\forall i \neq j$ ) and  $v_i$  is orthogonal to  $v_j$  ( $\forall i \neq j$ ).

**Solution:**

10.  $w_0, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n$  are a series of vectors  $\in \mathbb{R}^n$  related by the following recursive equation:

$$w_t = (I - \eta Q \Lambda Q^T) w_{t-1} + \eta Q \Lambda Q^T w^*$$

where  $I$  is the identity matrix  $\in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is an orthonormal matrix and  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a diagonal matrix. Prove that if we start with  $w_0 = 0$  then,

$$w_t = Q(I - (I - \eta \Lambda)^t) Q^T w^*$$

**Solution:**

11. Prove that the only subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are  $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and any set  $L$  of the form  $L = \{cu : c \in \mathbb{R}, u \neq 0\}$  consisting of all scalar multiples of a nonzero vector  $u$ .

**Solution:**