

Quadratic forms

The rank of a quadratic form

Let $X'AX$ be a quadratic form over a field F . The rank of a matrix A is called the rank of the quadratic form $X'AX$.

If $X'AX$ is a quadratic form of rank r then \exists a non singular matrix P which will reduce the form $X'AX$ to a sum of r sq. terms.

Working rule for numerical problems

We should transform the given symmetric matrix A to a diagonal form by applying congruent operations then the application of column operations to the ~~unique~~ ^{unit} matrix I_n will give us a non singular matrix P such that

$$P'AP = \text{a diagonal matrix}$$

Congruence of matrices

A sq. matrix B of order n over a field F is said to be congruence to another sq. matrix A of order n over F if \exists a non-singular matrix P over F \Rightarrow

$$B = P'AP$$

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Define quadratic form.

An expression of the form

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$$

where a_{ij} 's are elements of a field F is called a quadratic form n variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n over a field F .

Matrix of a quadratic form

If $\phi = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$ is a quadratic form in n variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n then \exists a unique symmetric matrix B of order n $\Rightarrow \phi = X'BX$ where $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]'$.

The symmetric matrix B is called the matrix of the quadratic form

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$$

Q write down the matrix of each of the following quadratic forms & verify they can be written as a matrix product $X'AX$.

Solⁿ: ① $x_1^2 - 18x_1x_2 + 5x_2^2$

Solⁿ: The given quadratic form can be written as

$$x_1x_1 - 9x_1 - 9x_1 + 5x_2x_2$$

Let, A be the matrix of the quadratic form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -9 \\ -9 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let, $X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$, $X' = (x_1, x_2)$

$$X'A = (x_1, x_2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -9 \\ -9 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (x_1 - 9x_2, -9x_1 + 5x_2)$$

$$\therefore X'AX = (x_1 - 9x_2, -9x_1 + 5x_2) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \cancel{x_1^2 - 9x_1x_2} - 9x_1x_2 + 5x_1x_2$$

$$= \cancel{x_1^2} - 9x_1^2x_2 + (-9x_1x_2) + 5x_1^2x_2$$

$$= x_1^2 - 18x_1x_2 + 5x_2^2$$

$$(ii) x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 5x_3^2 + 4x_2x_3 - 3x_3x_1 - x_1x_2$$

Solⁿ: The given quadratic form can be written as

$$x_1x_1 + 2x_2x_2 - 5x_3x_3 + 2x_2x_3 + 2x_2x_3 - \frac{3}{2}x_3x_1 - \frac{3}{2}x_3x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_1x_2 - \frac{1}{2}x_1x_2$$

Let A be the matrix of the quadratic form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} x_1x_1 & x_1x_2 & x_1x_3 \\ x_2x_1 & x_2x_2 & x_2x_3 \\ x_3x_1 & x_3x_2 & x_3x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 2 \\ -\frac{3}{2} & 2 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let, } x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x' = (x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3)$$

$$x'A = (x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 2 \\ -\frac{3}{2} & 2 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_3, -\frac{1}{2}x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3, -\frac{3}{2}x_1 + 2x_2 - 5x_3)$$

$$x'Ax = (x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_3, -\frac{1}{2}x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3, -\frac{3}{2}x_1 + 2x_2 - 5x_3) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}x_1x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_1x_3, -\frac{1}{2}x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 3x_1x_3, -\frac{3}{2}x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 5x_1x_3$$

$$f(x) = \left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_3, -\frac{1}{2}x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3, -\frac{3}{2}x_1 + 2x_2 - 5x_3 \right) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}x_1x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_1x_3, -\frac{1}{2}x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 3x_1x_3, -\frac{3}{2}x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 5x_1x_3 \\ x_1x_2 - \frac{1}{2}x_2^2 - \frac{3}{2}x_2x_3, -\frac{1}{2}x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 + 3x_2x_3, -\frac{3}{2}x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 - 5x_2x_3 \\ x_1x_3 - \frac{1}{2}x_2x_3 - \frac{3}{2}x_3^2, -\frac{1}{2}x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 + 3x_3^2, -\frac{3}{2}x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 - 5x_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}x_1x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_1x_3 - \frac{1}{2}x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 + 2x_2x_3 - \frac{3}{2}x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 - 5x_3^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 5x_3^3 - x_1x_2 - 3x_1x_3 + 4x_2x_3$$

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Corollary

corresponding to every quadratic form $X'AX$ over a field F , \exists a non-linear singular linear transformation

$X = PY$, over F , \exists the form $X'AX$ transform to a sum of r , sq. terms

2/10/19 $\lambda_1 Y_1^2 + \lambda_2 Y_2^2 + \dots + \lambda_r Y_r^2$ where $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r$ belong to the field F & r is the rank of the matrix A .

Q Define rank of a quadratic form.

Ans \Rightarrow Let $X'AX$ be a quadratic form over a field F . The rank of the matrix A is called the rank of the quadratic form $X'AX$.

Working rule for numerical problems :

We should transform a given symmetric matrix A to a diagonal form by applying congruent operations. Then the application of corresponding column operations to the unit matrix I_n will be a non-singular matrix $P \ni$

$$P'AP = \text{a diagonal matrix}$$

Practical

Q Determine a non-singular matrix $P \ni$
 $P'AP$ is a diagonal matrix, where

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

Interpret the result in terms of quadratic form.

Solⁿ : we write

$$A = IAI$$

$$\text{i.e., } \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

we shall reduce A to a diagonal form by applying congruent operations.

Performing the congruent operations we get

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 5 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - \frac{1}{2}C_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 5 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{5}{2}R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{25}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{5}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - \frac{5}{2}C_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{5}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 2 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{25}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -3 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + C_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -3 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -3 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore We obtain a non singular matrix P ,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -3 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

such that $P'AP = \text{diag}(2, -\frac{1}{2}, -12)$

The quadratic form corresponding to the matrix A is ~~$X'AX$~~

$$X'AX = 0 \cdot x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 4x_1x_3 + 6x_2x_3$$

$$= 2x_1x_2 + 4x_1x_3 + 6x_2x_3 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

The non singular transformation corresponding to the matrix P is given by $X = PY$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -3 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

which is equivalent to

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_1 &= y_1 - \frac{y_2}{2} - 3y_3 \\ x_2 &= y_1 + \frac{y_2}{2} - 2y_3 \\ x_3 &= y_3 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{---} (*)$$

The transformation $(*)$ will reduce the quadratic form (1) to the diagonal form

$$2y_1^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)y_2^2 + (-12)y_3^2 = 2y_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}y_2^2 - 12y_3^2$$

* A Quadratic form is a symmetric matrix.

Q Determine a non singular matrix P \exists

$$PAP = \text{a diagonal matrix} = \text{diag} [\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n]$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ & 3 & -1 \\ & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Interpret the results in terms of quadratic form.

Sol^{no}

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ & 3 & -1 \\ & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

we can re-write the matrix as

$$A = IAI$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now we shall reduce A to a diagonal form by using congruent operation.

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + \frac{1}{3}R_1; C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + \frac{1}{2}C_1, R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{1}{3}R_1; \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{1}{3}R_1; C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - \frac{1}{3}C_1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{7}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{2}{7} & \frac{1}{7} & 0 \end{pmatrix} A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + \frac{1}{7}R_2; C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + \frac{1}{7}C_2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{7}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{16}{7} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{2}{7} & \frac{1}{7} & 1 \end{pmatrix} A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{diag}(6, \frac{7}{3}, \frac{16}{7}) = P^T A P$$

where,
$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X'AX = 6X_1^2 + 3X_2^2 + 3X_3^2 - 4X_1X_2 - 2X_2X_3 + 4X_3X_1 = \text{quadratic form}$$

Hence, we can see that the rank of the matrix $\rho(A) = 3 = \rho(X'AX)$

Let, $X = PY$ be the non singular linear transformation X to Y .

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ Y_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

we have,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X_1 &= Y_1 + \frac{1}{3}Y_2 - \frac{2}{7}Y_3 \\ X_2 &= Y_2 + \frac{1}{7}Y_3 \\ X_3 &= Y_3 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{--- (1)}$$

This are equivalent relation of X in terms of Y .
The transformation of equⁿ (1) will reduce the quadratic form $X'AX$ corresponding to the given matrix A to a diagonal form as below.
so we have

$$\begin{aligned} X'AX &= (PY)'A(PY) \\ &= Y'P'APY \\ &= Y' \text{diag} \left[6, \frac{7}{3}, \frac{16}{7} \right] Y \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow [y_1, y_2, y_3] \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{7}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{16}{7} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 6y_1^2 + \frac{7}{3}y_2^2 + \frac{16}{7}y_3^2$$

Since rank is 3, the quadratic form $X'AX$, so it has been reduced to a form which is sum of three squares namely

$$6y_1^2 + \frac{7}{3}y_2^2 + \frac{16}{7}y_3^2$$

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Signature & Index of a Quadratic form

Defⁿ: Let, $y_1^2 + y_2^2 + \dots + y_p^2 - y_{p+1}^2 - \dots - y_r^2$,
be a normal form of a real quadratic form
 $x'AX$ of rank r . The no. p of positive terms
in a normal form $x'AX$ is called the index
of the quadratic form.

The excess of the no. of positive terms
over the no. of -ve terms in a normal
form $x'AX$ i.e, $p - (r - p) = 2p - r$ is called
the signature Q.F. & is usually denoted
by s .

$$\text{Thus, } s = 2p - r$$

Practical

Q Reduce the following Q.F. to canonical
form & find its rank & signature.

Solⁿ $x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 - 2xy - 2yz + zx$

The matrix of the given Q.F.

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

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we write as

$$A = IAI$$

$$\text{ie, } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1$$

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

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_1$$

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

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{1}{2}R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - \frac{1}{2}C_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

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

$$C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + \frac{1}{2} C_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} R_3$$

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

$$C_3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} C_3$$

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

\therefore The linear transformation $X = PY$ $\frac{C_3}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} & & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ & & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ & & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

\therefore transforms the given Q.F to a normal form

$$y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2$$

$$\rho(A) = 3$$

$$\therefore \text{Signature of the Q.f} = 3 - 0 = 3$$

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* Value class of a real quadratic form

Positive definite : Let, $\phi = X'AX$ be a real Q.F. in n variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n & $\phi = 0$ only if $X = 0$ i.e., $\phi = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$.

Negative definite : Let $\phi = X'AX$ be a real

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Positive definite : Let, $\phi = X'AX$ be a real Q.F.

in n variables. The form x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n .

The form ϕ is said to be +ve definite if $\phi \geq 0 \forall$ real values of the variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n & $\phi = 0$ only if $X = 0$ i.e.,

$\phi = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$. For eg: $x_1^2 + x_2^2$ is a +ve definite form in three variables.

Negative definite : Let, $\phi = X'AX$ be a real Q.F. in n variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . The form ϕ is said to be -ve definite if $\phi \leq 0 \forall$ real values of the variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n & $\phi = 0$ only if $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$.

For eg: $-x_1^2 - x_2^2 - x_3^2$ is a -ve definite form in three variables.

Positive semi definite : Let, $\phi = X'AX$ be a real Q.F. in n variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . The form ϕ is said to be a +ve semi definite if $\phi \geq 0$ \forall real values of the variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n & $\phi = 0$ for some non zero real vector x i.e, $\phi = 0$ for some real values of the variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n not all zero.

For eg : ① The Q.F. $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_3^2 - 2x_1x_3 - 2x_2x_3$ is a +ve semi definite because it can be written in the form $(x_1 - x_3)^2 + (x_2 - x_3)^2 \geq 0$ \forall real values of x_1, x_2 & x_3 but is zero for non zero values also.

② The Q.F. $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 0 \cdot x_3^2$ in three variables x_1, x_2, x_3 is a +ve semi definite.

Negative semi definite : Let, $\phi = X'AX$ be a real Q.F. in n variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . The form ϕ is said to be -ve semi definite if $\phi \leq 0$ \forall real values of the variable x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n & $\phi = 0$ for some non zero vector x i.e, $\phi = 0$ for some real values of the variables

x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n not all zero.

For eg: The Q.F. $-x_1^2 - x_2^2 - 0 \cdot x_3^2$ in three variables x_1, x_2, x_3 is -ve semi definite

Indefinite: Let, $\phi = X'AX$ be a real Q.F. in n variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . The form ϕ is said to be indefinite if ϕ takes +ve as well as -ve values of the variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n .

For eg: The Q.F. $x_1^2 - x_2^2 + x_3^2$ in three variables is indefinite.

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Q Prove that the Q.F. ~~since $6x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2$~~
 $6x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 4x_1x_2 - 2x_2x_3 + 4x_3x_1$

Solⁿ: The given matrix of the given Q.F.

$$A = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

The leading principal of minors of A

$$A_1 = 6$$

$$A_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 18 - 4 = 14$$

$$A_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 6(9-1) - (-2)(-6+2) + 2(2-6)$$

$$= 48 - 8 - 8 = 32$$

Since the leading principal minors of A are all +ve the given Q.F. is +ve definite.

Q Prove that the Q.F.

$$6x^2 + 49y^2 + 51z^2 - 82yz + 20zx - 4xy$$

in three variables is +ve definite.

Q Prove that the Q.F.

$$2x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 3x_3^2 - 8x_2x_3 - 4x_3x_1 + 12x_1x_2$$

in three variables is ~~not~~ indefinite.

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