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I. Matrix algebra

1. Basic definitions:

matrix (order of matrix)

square matrix

transpose of a matrix

symmetric matrix

diagonal matrix

identity matrix

null or zero matrix

row or column vector

determinant of a square matrix

inverse of a square matrix

idempotent matrix

orthogonal matrix

trace of a square matrix

rank of a matrix

2. Matrix operations

a. Definitions

(1) scalar multiplication

(2) addition of matrices

(3) multiplication of matrices

(4) inverses of nonsingular matrices

b. Some properties of matrix operations. Let c denote a real number and A, B, C denote matrices. The following properties are conditional on the operations being defined for the case in point.

(1) Scalar multiplication:

$$c(A + B) = cA + cB = (A + B)c$$

(2) Addition:

$$A + B = B + A$$

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$$

$$A + 0 = 0 + A = A$$

(3) Multiplication:

$$*AB \neq BA$$

$$*AB = AC \Rightarrow (\text{for all cases}) B = C$$

$$A(BC) = (AB)C$$

$$A(B + C) = AB + AC$$

$$(B + C)A = BA + CA$$

$$A0 = 0A = 0$$

$$AI = IA = A$$

(4) Transposes and inverses:

$$(A')' = A$$

$$(ABC)' = C'B'A'$$

$$(A + B)' = A' + B'$$

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

$$(ABC)^{-1} = C^{-1}B^{-1}A^{-1}, \text{ if } A, B, \text{ and } C \text{ have inverses}$$

$$*(A + B)^{-1} \neq A^{-1} + B^{-1}$$

$$(A^{-1})' = (A')^{-1}$$

(5) Trace:

$$\text{Trace}(ABC) = \text{Trace}(CAB) = \text{Trace}(BCA)$$

$$\text{Trace}(A + B) = \text{Trace}(A) + \text{Trace}(B)$$

3. Partitioned Matrices (Greene, 4th ed., pp. 33-34)

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ be an $m \times n$ matrix

where A_{11} is $m_1 \times n_1$

A_{22} is $m_2 \times n_2$

A_{12} is $m_1 \times n_2$

A_{21} is $m_2 \times n_1$

$$n_1 + n_2 = n$$

$$m_1 + m_2 = m$$

Also let B and C denote $m \times n$ and $n \times q$ matrices which are conformably partitioned as

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

so that the operations to be discussed are defined.

Addition of partitioned matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} A + B &= \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} + B_{11} & A_{12} + B_{12} \\ A_{21} + B_{21} & A_{22} + B_{22} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

* A_{ij} and B_{ij} must be of the same dimension.

Multiplication of partitioned matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} AC &= \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} A_{11}C_{11} + A_{12}C_{21} & A_{11}C_{12} + A_{12}C_{22} \\ A_{21}C_{11} + A_{22}C_{21} & A_{21}C_{12} + A_{22}C_{22} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

*The number of columns in A_{ij} must be the same as the number of rows in B_{jk}

Inverses of partitioned matrices:

Let A be a partitioned square matrix of order $m \times m$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

where A_{11} and A_{22} are nonsingular square matrices of order m_1 and m_2 , respectively ($m_1 + m_2 = m$).

The determinant of A can be expressed by either of the following relations:

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= |A_{11}| |A_{22} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}| \\ &= |A_{22}| |A_{11} - A_{12}A_{22}^{-1}A_{21}| \end{aligned}$$

If A is also nonsingular and

$$A^{-1} = B = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then}$$

the partitioned inverse of A, B can be expressed as

$$B_{11} = (A_{11} - A_{12}A_{22}^{-1}A_{21})^{-1}$$

$$B_{12} = -B_{11}A_{12}A_{22}^{-1}$$

$$B_{21} = -A_{22}^{-1}A_{21}B_{11}$$

$$B_{22} = A_{22}^{-1} + A_{22}^{-1} A_{21} B_{11}^{-1} A_{12} A_{22}$$

and an alternative form for the B_{ij} (inverse of A) is given by

$$B_{11} = A_{11}^{-1} + A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} B_{22}^{-1} A_{21} A_{11}$$

$$B_{12} = -A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} B_{22}$$

$$B_{21} = -B_{22} A_{21} A_{11}^{-1}$$

$$B_{22} = (A_{22} - A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1}$$

Note that if the matrix A is

$$\text{Block diagonal } A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{or Block triangular } A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & 0 \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

then the expressions for the determinants and inverses just considered are simplified considerably.

4. Quadratic forms and their classification.

Let A denote an n x n symmetric matrix with real entries and let X denote an n x 1 column vector.

$Q = X'AX$ is said to be a quadratic form. Note that

$$Q = X'AX = (x_1 \dots x_n) \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (x_1 \dots x_n) \begin{pmatrix} \sum a_{1i} x_i \\ \vdots \\ \sum a_{ni} x_i \end{pmatrix} \\
&= a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{12}x_1x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_1x_n \\
&\quad + a_{21}x_2x_1 + a_{22}x_2^2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_2x_n \\
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&\quad + a_{n1}x_nx_1 + a_{n2}x_nx_2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n^2
\end{aligned}$$

Classification of the quadratic form $Q = X'AX$:

negative definite: $Q < 0$ if $x \neq 0$

negative semidefinite: $Q \leq 0$ for all x and $Q = 0$ for some $x \neq 0$

positive definite: $Q > 0$ if $x \neq 0$

positive semidefinite: $Q \geq 0$ for all x and $Q = 0$ for some $x \neq 0$

indefinite: $Q > 0$ for some x and $Q < 0$ for some other x

A necessary and sufficient condition for positive or negative definiteness (A is symmetric):

Positive Definite

$$a_{11} > 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} > 0$$

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$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} > 0$$

(all positive determinants)

Negative Definite

$$a_{11} < 0$$

$$> 0$$

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(has sign of $(-1)^n$)

(first negative, then alternate in sign)

Note:

In the discussion on regression theory it will be useful to note that if X is $N \times K$ ($N > K$) and if $(X'X)^{-1}$ exists, then $(X'X)$ is positive definite.

5. Kronecker Products

Let $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$

$B = (b_{ij})_{p \times q}$,

then the Kronecker product of A and B is denoted by $A \otimes B$ and is defined by

$$A \otimes B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B & \dots & a_{1n}B \\ a_{21}B & a_{22}B & \dots & a_{2n}B \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{m1}B & a_{m2}B & \dots & a_{mn}B \end{pmatrix}$$

$mp \times nq$

Properties: (matrices are assumed to be conformable)

1. $(A \otimes C)(B \otimes D) = (AB) \otimes (CD)$
2. $(P \otimes Q)^{-1} = P^{-1} \otimes Q^{-1}$, P and Q square and nonsingular
3. $(M \otimes N)' = M' \otimes N'$
4. $|A \otimes B| = |A|^p |B|^m$ A and B are square of order m x m and p x p.
5. $\text{trace}(A \otimes B) = \text{trace}(A) \text{trace}(B)$

Example:

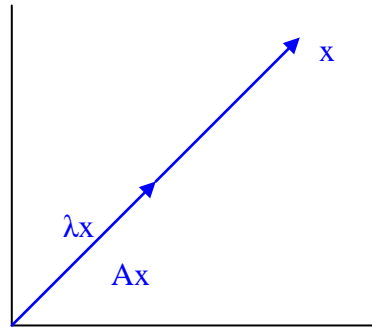
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} & 2 \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ 3 \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} & 4 \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 & 10 & 12 \\ 7 & 8 & 14 & 16 \\ 15 & 18 & 20 & 24 \\ 21 & 24 & 28 & 32 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. Characteristic Roots and Vectors

Let A denote an $n \times n$ matrix. Consider the matrix equation:

$$AX = \lambda X$$



Given the $n \times n$ matrix A , it is frequently useful to determine $(n \times 1)$ vectors X and corresponding scalars such that $AX = \lambda X$, i.e.

$$AX - \lambda X = (A - \lambda I)X = 0$$

The only way in which we can obtain a nontrivial solution ($X \neq 0$) to this system of equations is for $|A - \lambda I| = 0$.

The characteristic equation associated with the matrix A is defined by

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0.$$

The characteristic equation is an n^{th} degree polynomial in λ and will, by the fundamental theorem of algebra, have n solutions $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ which are referred to as the characteristic (latent or eigen) roots of the matrix A . The λ_i are also referred to as eigen values and may be real or possibly imaginary. The characteristic roots will be real if A is a real symmetric matrix.

The characteristic (latent or eigen) vectors associated with A are determined by solving

$$AV_i = \lambda_i V_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

where λ_i denotes the associated characteristic root and V_i is the i^{th} characteristic vector. Note: $A(cV_i) = \lambda_i(cV_i)$ and the characteristic vectors are only unique up to a scalar multiple.

Some Important Properties. Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be an $n \times n$ matrix with characteristic roots λ_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$)

$$(1) \quad \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n = \text{trace}(A) = a_{11} + \dots + a_{nn}$$

$$(2) \quad \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n = |A|$$

Some additional properties are useful for symmetric matrices.

- (1) $A(X'AX)$ is positive definite $\Leftrightarrow \lambda_i > 0$ for all i
- (2) $A(X'AX)$ is negative definite $\Leftrightarrow \lambda_i < 0$ for all i
- (3) If $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ and A is symmetric, then $V_i' \bullet V_j = 0$
- (4) If A is symmetric and if the characteristic vectors are chosen to have length one, then the matrix $V = (V_1, \dots, V_n)$ is orthogonal and

$$AV = V\Lambda \text{ where } \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

It follows that

$$V'AV = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Note:

- (1) This may be true even if not all of the characteristic roots are unique.
- (2) This allows for the diagonalization of quadratic forms

$$Q = X'AX = (X'VV'AVV'X)$$

$$= Z'\Lambda Z = \sum \lambda_i z_i^2$$

where $Z = X'V$. This is a very important result.
- (3) Rank (A) = the number of nonzero characteristic roots

- (4) Characteristic roots of A^k are λ^k .
- (5) If A is an idempotent matrix, then its characteristic roots are zero or one and

$$\text{Rank}(A) = \text{trace}(A)$$
- (6) The condition number of the matrix A is defined to be

$$\left(\frac{\text{max root}}{\text{min root}} \right)^{1/2}$$

Large values of the condition number can indicate near singularity of the matrix A and is sometimes used in econometrics where A is the correlation matrix associated with the explanatory variables.

7. Vector and matrix differentiation with applications to constrained and unconstrained optimization problems.

a. Basic definitions

Let $f(X) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = y$ be a real valued function of the vector X .

The derivative of $f(X)$ with respect to the vector X will be defined by

$$\frac{df}{dX} = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right)'$$

and the second derivative of $f(x)$ with respect to X is defined by

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dX^2} = \frac{d}{dX} \left(\frac{df}{dX} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

which is known as the Hessian matrix. This suggests an obvious definition of the derivative of a real valued function with respect to a matrix, i.e., the derivative of a real valued function of a matrix is defined to be the matrix of derivatives of corresponding elements.

b. Unconstrained optimization

Consider the optimization problem:

maximize $f(X)$.

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The necessary (first order) conditions for a maximum or minimum are given by

$$\frac{df}{dX} = 0$$

The sufficient or second order condition for a maximum (minimum) is that

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dX^2}$$

is negative (positive) definite.

These results are readily obtained from a Taylor Series expansion of $f(x)$,

$$f(x) \approx f(x_0) + \left(\frac{d'f}{dX} \right) (X - X_0) + \frac{1}{2} (X - X_0)' \frac{d^2f}{dX^2} (X - X_0).$$

Hint : X_0 is selected to satisfy the necessary condition.

c. Constrained optimization

Consider the constrained optimization problem defined by

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } f(X) \\ &X \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{subject to } g(X) = 0.$$

where $g(X) = 0$ denotes a $m \times 1$ vector of constraints, $m < n$. The solution can be obtained from the Lagrangian function

$$L(X; \lambda) = f(X) + \lambda' g(X)$$

where $\lambda' = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m)$.

The necessary (first order) conditions for a solution to this problem are that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial X} &= f_X + (g_X)' \lambda = 0 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} &= g(X) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Sufficient conditions for a maximum or minimum can be stated in terms of the Hessian of the Lagrangian function (or bordered Hessian)

$$\begin{aligned} H = \frac{d^2 L}{d^2(\lambda, X)} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \lambda^2} & \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \lambda \partial X} \\ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial X \partial \lambda} & \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial X^2} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & g_X' \\ g_X & L_{XX} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

A sufficient condition for a minimum is that the determinants of border preserving principal minors of H have sign $(-1)^m$ or zero. If $|H|$ is of sign $(-1)^n$ and the determinants of border preserving principal minors are zero or alternate in sign, then a sufficient condition for a maximum is satisfied.

Some Useful Results (Matrix Cookbook, <http://matrixcookbook.com>)

Let $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)'$,

$A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ and $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n)'$.

$$1. \quad \frac{d(a'X)}{dX} = a$$

$$2. \quad \frac{d(X'AX)}{dX} = 2AX \text{ (A is symmetric); } = (A + A')X \text{ otherwise}$$

$$3. \quad \frac{d^2(X'AX)}{dX^2} = 2A \text{ (A is symmetric); } (A + A') \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$4. \quad \frac{\partial \text{trace}(A)}{\partial A} = I$$

$$5. \quad \frac{\partial |A|}{\partial A} = \begin{cases} |A|(A')^{-1} & \text{if } |A| \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } |A| = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$6. \quad \frac{\partial \log |A|}{\partial A} = (A')^{-1}$$

Hint: $|A| = \sum a_{ij} |C_{ij}|$

$$7. \quad \frac{dA^{-1}(x)}{dx} = -A^{-1} \frac{dA(x)}{dx} A^{-1}$$

$$8. \quad \frac{\partial(X'AX)}{\partial A} = XX'$$

Example

Consider $f(X) = (X - \mu)'B(X - \mu)$ where B is positive definite and symmetric. Determine the value of X which minimizes $f(X)$. Check the sufficient conditions.

$$f(X) = (X - \mu)'B(X - \mu) = X'BX - 2X'B\mu + \mu'B\mu$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = 2Bx - 2B\mu = 2B(X - \mu) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2f}{dx^2} = 2B$$

Since $B \neq 0$, the solution is $X = \mu$. Sufficient conditions for a minimum are satisfied if B is positive definite.

8. Problems sets

1. Expand $(A + B)(A - B)$ and $(A - B)(A + B)$. Are these expansions the same? If not, why not?

2. Given $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$, $C = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Calculate $(AB)'$, $B'A'$, $C'A'$ and $(AC)'$.

3. Prove that diagonal matrices of the same order are commutative in multiplication with each other.

4. Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11} a_{22} \cdots a_{nn}$$

5. Show that the matrix

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} & 2/\sqrt{5} & 1/\sqrt{30} \\ -2/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{5} & -2/\sqrt{30} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} & 0 & -5/\sqrt{30} \end{bmatrix}$$

is orthogonal, i.e., $Q' = Q^{-1}$.

6. Determine whether the following quadratic forms are positive definite:

(a) $6x_1^2 + 49x_2^2 + 51x_3^2 - 82x_2x_3 + 20x_1x_3 - 4x_1x_2$

(b) $4x_1^2 + 9x_2^2 + 2x_3^2 + 8x_2x_3 + 6x_3x_1 + 6x_1x_2$

7. Prove that

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1 \\ 1/4 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

is a nonsymmetric, idempotent matrix.

8. Let X denote an $N \times K$ ($N > K$) matrix. Demonstrate that $B = I_N - X(X'X)^{-1}X'$ is symmetric and idempotent. You will see this matrix again.

9. Obtain the characteristic roots of the matrix

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 5/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 5/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Can you determine the sign of $(x_1, x_2) C (x_1, x_2)'$ for arbitrary $X = (x_1, x_2) \neq 0$? Defend your answer.

10. Using the technique of inverses of partitioned matrices, determine the inverse of

$$D = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 2 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

11. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Evaluate:

$$A \otimes B$$

$$(A \otimes B)^{-1}$$

$$(A \otimes B)'$$

$$\text{trace}(A \otimes B)$$

$$|A \otimes B|$$

Some additional fun exercises:

12. Let A and B be square matrices. Prove that

$$\text{trace}(AB) = \text{trace}(BA)$$

Hint: The ij^{th} element in the matrix product AB is given by $\sum_k a_{ik} b_{kj}$.

13. Prove:

a. $(P \otimes Q)^{-1} = P^{-1} \otimes Q^{-1}$

b. $|A \otimes B| = |A|^p |B|^m$ where A and B are respectively $m \times m$ and $p \times p$ matrices

c. $\text{Trace}(A \otimes B) = \text{trace}(A) \text{trace}(B)$

14. Prove that the characteristic vectors corresponding to unique (unequal) characteristic roots of a symmetric matrix A are orthogonal.

15. Prove that the characteristic roots of a real symmetric matrix are real.

16. Prove $\frac{\partial \text{trace}(A)}{\partial A} = I$.

17. a. Prove $\sum \lambda_i = \text{trace}(A)$ and $\prod \lambda_i = |A|$.

- b. Prove that the characteristic roots of A^k are λ^k .
- c. Prove that the characteristic roots of an idempotent matrix are either zero or one.

18.. Determine an upper triangular matrix T , such that

$$T'T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$$

Any symmetric positive definite matrix (A) can be written as a product of a lower triangular matrix and its transpose (upper triangular matrix). This is referred to as the Cholesky factorization of A .

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