



Matrix Properties

Linear Algebra

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- Solve systems of linear ordinary differential equations.

$$\frac{d}{dt}y(t) = Ay(t), \quad y(0) = y_0$$

where A is a constant matrix, is given by

$$y(t) = e^{At}y_0$$



- Is a matrix function on square matrices (A) using Taylor series:

$$e^A = I + A + \frac{1}{2!}A^2 + \frac{1}{3!}A^3 + \frac{1}{4!}A^4 + \dots$$

- Special Case: When A is Diagonal:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{e^A} = \begin{bmatrix} e^\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & e^\beta \end{bmatrix}$$



- ❑ $m \times n$ matrix stored A as $m \times n$ array of numbers (for sparse A , store only $\text{nnz}(A)$ nonzero values)
- ❑ matrix addition, scalar-matrix multiplication cost m flops
- ❑ matrix-vector multiplication costs $m(2n - 1) \approx 2mn$ flops (for sparse A , around $2\text{nnz}(A)$ flops)



- The **transpose** of a matrix results from “flipping” the rows and columns. Given a matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, is the $m \times n$ matrix whose entries are given by

$$(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji}$$

- Properties:

- $(A^T)^T = A$
- $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
- $(cA)^T = c(A^T)$
- $(AB)^T = B^T A^T \rightarrow (A_1 A_2 A_3 \cdots A_n)^T = A_n^T \cdots A_3^T A_2^T A_1^T$



$$A^* = A^H = (\bar{A})^T = \overline{A^T}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2-i & 5 \\ 1+i & i & 4-2i \end{bmatrix} \quad A^H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1-i \\ -2+i & -i \\ 5 & 4+2i \end{bmatrix}$$

- ❑ $(A+B)^H = A^H + B^H$ for any two matrices A and B of the same dimensions.
- ❑ $(zA)^H = \bar{z}A^H$ for any complex number z and any m-by-n matrix A.
- ❑ $(AB)^H = B^H A^H$ for any m-by-n matrix A and any n-by-p matrix B. Note that the order of the factors is reserved.
- ❑ $(A^H)^H = A$ for any m-by-n matrix A

For real matrices, the conjugate transpose is just the transpose, $A^H = A^T$.



- The **trace** of a square matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, denoted $\text{tr}A$, is the sum of diagonal elements in the matrix:

$$\text{tr}A = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ii},$$

$$\text{Tr} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1,n-1} & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2,n-1} & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n-1,1} & a_{n-1,2} & \cdots & a_{n-1,n-1} & a_{n-1,n} \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{n,n-1} & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = a_{11} + a_{22} + \cdots + a_{nn}$$



□ The trace has following properties:

- For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $\text{tr}A = \text{tr}A^T$.
- For $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $\text{tr}(A + B) = \text{tr}A + \text{tr}B$.
- For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\text{tr}(tA) = t \text{tr}A$.
- For A, B such that AB is square, $\text{tr}AB = \text{tr}BA$.
- For A, B, C such that ABC is square, $\text{tr}ABC = \text{tr}BCA = \text{tr}CAB$, and so on for the product of more matrices.

- Trace is a linear function on the matrix space. Why?

Example

Show that there do not exist matrices $A, B \in \mathcal{M}_n$ such that $AB - BA = I$.



- A and B are **square matrices**, the Kronecker sum is: (I_b identity matrix with size $b \times b$)

$$A \oplus B = A \otimes I_b + I_a \otimes B$$

- Properties:

$$\exp(A) \otimes \exp(B) = \exp(A \oplus B)$$

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \oplus \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & b_{12} & a_{12} & 0 \\ b_{21} & a_{11} + b_{22} & 0 & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & 0 & a_{22} + b_{11} & b_{12} \\ 0 & a_{21} & b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$



- An **elementary matrix** is one that is obtained by performing a single elementary row operation on an identity matrix.

Note

If an elementary row operation is performed on an $m \times m$ matrix A , the resulting matrix can be written as EA , where $m \times m$ matrix E is created by performing the same row operation on I_m .

Example

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$



□ An $m \times n$ matrix is

- **Tall** $m > n$
- **Wide** $n > m$
- **Square** $m = n$

□ Main diagonal of matrix

$$A_{n \times n} = \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{red diagonal line} \end{array} \right] a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}$$

□ Anti diagonal of matrix

$$A_{n \times n} = \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{red anti-diagonal line} \end{array} \right] a_{1,n}, a_{2,n-1}, \dots, a_{n,1}$$



Identity matrix

$I \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, is a square matrix with ones on the diagonal and zeros everywhere else. That is, $I_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$.

It has the property that for all $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $AI = A = IA$.

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow I_n = [e_1 \quad e_2 \quad e_3]$$

Diagonal matrix

a matrix where all non-diagonal elements are 0. $D = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$,

$$\text{with } D_{ij} = \begin{cases} d_{ij} & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$A = \text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_m) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & a_i & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & a_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Clearly, $I = \text{diag}(1, 1, \dots, 1)$.

Scalar matrix A special kind of diagonal matrix in which all diagonal elements are the same

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$



□ A square matrix A over R is called:

- **symmetric** if $A^T = A$
- **skew-symmetric** if $A^T = -A$ (Good Property??)
- $A^T A$ must be symmetric (A with any size, it is **not** necessary for A to be a square matrix)

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

□ A is **orthogonal** if $AA^T = A^T A = I$

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

Example

The matrix exponential of a skew-symmetric matrix is an orthogonal matrix?



- **Hermitian matrix (or self-adjoint matrix)** is a complex square matrix that is equal to its own **conjugate transpose**

$$A \text{ Hermitian} \iff A = A^H$$

- **conjugate transpose**

$$A^H = A^* = (\overline{A})^T$$



$$\square \quad U^*U = UU^* = UU^{-1} = I$$

Note

If U is a square, complex matrix, then the following conditions are equivalent:

1. U is unitary.
2. U^* is unitary.
3. U is invertible with $U^{-1} = U^*$.
4. The columns of U form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{C}^n with respect to usual inner product. In other words, $U^*U = 1$.
5. The rows of U form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{C}^n with respect to usual inner product. In other words, $UU^* = 1$.



- A matrix $A \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{C})$ is called **normal** if $A^*A = AA^*$
- A normal and upper triangle matrix is a diagonal matrix.



- ❑ **Submatrix of matrix:** A matrix obtained by deleting some of the rows and/or columns of a matrix is said to be a submatrix of the given matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[1], [2], \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [1 \quad 5], \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, A, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



❑ Zero or null Matrix

If $A \in M_{m \times m}$, and c is a scalar,

then (1) $A + 0_{m \times m} = A$

✧ So, $0_{m \times n}$ is also called the additive identity for the set of all $m \times n$ matrices

(2) $A + (-A) = 0_{m \times m}$

✧ Thus, $-A$ is called the additive inverse of A

(3) $cA = 0_{m \times m} \Rightarrow c = 0$ or $A = 0_{m \times m}$

All above properties are very similar to the counterpart properties for the real number 0



- ❑ **Block Matrix** whose entries are matrices, such as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{submatrix or block of } A$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, C = [-1], D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, E = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ❑ Matrices in each block row must have same height (row dimension)
- ❑ Matrices in each block column must have same width (column dimension)
- ❑ **Note:** A is not a square matrix but it is a block square matrix



❑ Block Matrix

- Transpose of block matrix $\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} A^T & C^T \\ B^T & D^T \end{bmatrix}$
- Multiplication

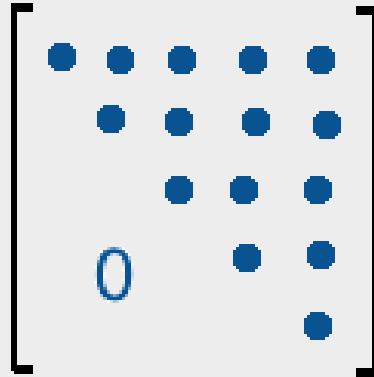
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 & 0 & -4 \\ 1 & 5 & -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -4 & -2 & 7 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ -2 & 1 \\ -3 & 7 \\ -1 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}B_1 + A_{12}B_2 \\ A_{21}B_1 + A_{22}B_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 4 \\ -6 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

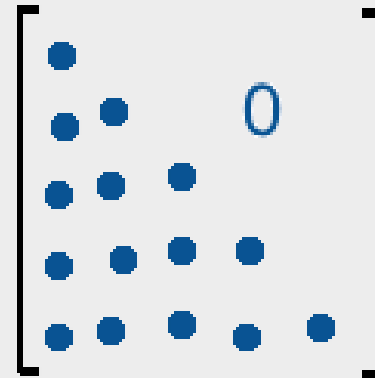


□ Triangular matrix

- Upper triangular $a_{ij} = 0, i > j$
- Lower triangular $a_{ij} = 0, i < j$



Upper Triangular
Matrix



Lower Triangular
Matrix



❑ Sparse matrix

- Density of matrix $A_{m \times n}$
- Density of identity matrix?
- Sparse matrix has low density

$$1 \geq \frac{nnz(A)}{mn}$$



- Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ be an $n \times n$ matrix with $a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j + 1 \\ 0 & \text{other} \end{cases}$. Then $A^n = 0$ and $A^k \neq 0$ for $1 \leq k \leq n - 1$
- Nilpotent:** A for which a positive integer p exists such that $A^p = 0$.
- Order of nilpotency (degree , index):** Least positive integer p for which $A^p = 0$ is called the.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 & 2 \\ 15 & -9 & 6 \\ 10 & -6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



- **Idempotent**: satisfy the condition that $A^2 = A$

Example

2 x 2:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

3 x 3:

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

Note

If a matrix $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ is idempotent, then

- $a = a^2 + bc$,
- $b = ab + bd$, implying $b(1 - a - d) = 0$ so $d = 1 - a$,
- $c = ca + cd$, implying $c(1 - a - d) = 0$ so $d = 1 - a$,
- $d = d^2 + bc$



- ❑ **Toeplitz: diagonal-constant matrix:** values on diagonals are equal
- ❑ A Toeplitz matrix is not necessarily square.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_{-1} & a_{-2} & \cdots & \cdots & a_{-(n-1)} \\ a_1 & a_0 & a_{-1} & \ddots & & \vdots \\ a_2 & a_1 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & a_{-1} & a_{-2} \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & a_1 & a_0 & a_{-1} \\ a_{n-1} & \cdots & \cdots & a_2 & a_1 & a_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_{i,j} = A_{i+1,j+1} = a_{i-j}$$

$$T(b) = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b_2 & b_1 & 0 & 0 \\ b_3 & b_2 & b_1 & 0 \\ 0 & b_3 & b_2 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & b_3 & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$



- ❑ A square $n \times n$ matrix (P) obtained by rearranging the rows of I_n
- ❑ Permutation matrix is orthogonal ($PP^T = I$)

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- How many possible permutation matrix?
- A product of permutation matrices is again a permutation matrix
- Some power of a permutation matrix is identity. Why? (e.g: $p^3 = I$)
- The inverse of a permutation matrix is again a permutation matrix



$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ❑ Interchange the columns of matrix B: $P_{ij} = 1$ column i is moved to column j

$$BP = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & 0 \\ 7 & 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ❑ Interchange the rows of matrix B: $P_{ij} = 1$ row j is moved to row i

$$PB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



- The *vec*-operator applied on a matrix A stacks the columns into a vector

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{vec}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \\ A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Properties:

$$\text{vec}(AXB) = (B^T \otimes A) \text{vec}(X)$$

$$\text{Tr}(A^T B) = \text{vec}(A)^T \text{vec}(B)$$

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

$$\text{vec}(\alpha A) = \alpha \cdot \text{vec}(A)$$

$$a^T X B X^T c = \text{vec}(X)^T (B \otimes c a^T) \text{vec}(X)$$



Real Case	Complex Case
$u \cdot v = u^T v = v^T u$	$u \cdot v = v^* u$
Transpose $()^T$	Conjugate transpose $()^*$
Orthogonal matrix $AA^T = I$	Unitary matrix $UU^* = I$
Symmetric matrix $A = A^T$	Hermitian matrix $H = H^*$