

LINEAR ALGEBRA

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A.1 PROPERTIES OF MATRICES

Let A, B, C , and D be matrices of appropriate sizes. Invertibility is always assumed, whenever a matrix inversion is performed. The following properties hold true.

- $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$.
- $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} A^{-1}$.
- $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$.
- $\text{trace}\{AB\} = \text{trace}\{BA\}$.
- From the previous, we readily get

$$\text{trace}\{ABC\} = \text{trace}\{CAB\} = \text{trace}\{BCA\}.$$
- $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$, where $\det(\cdot)$ denotes the determinant of a square matrix. As a consequence, the following is also true.
- $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$.
- Let A and B be two $m \times l$ matrices. Then

$$\det(I_m + AB^T) = \det(I_l + A^T B).$$

A by-product is the following

$$\det(I + ab^T) = 1 + a^T b,$$

where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^l$.

Matrix inversion lemmas

- Woodbury's identity:

$$(A + BD^{-1}C)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1}.$$

- $(I + AB)^{-1}A = A(I + BA)^{-1}$.
- $(A^{-1} + B^T C^{-1}B)^{-1}B^T C^{-1} = AB^T (BAB^T + C)^{-1}$.
- The following two inversion lemmas for partitioned matrices are particularly useful:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & D \\ C & B \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{-1} + E\Delta^{-1}F & -E\Delta^{-1} \\ -\Delta^{-1}F & \Delta^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\Delta := B - CA^{-1}D$, $E := A^{-1}D$, $F := CA^{-1}$.

Also

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & D \\ C & B \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta^{-1} & -\Delta^{-1}E \\ -F\Delta^{-1} & B^{-1} + F\Delta^{-1}E \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\Delta := A - DB^{-1}C$, $E := DB^{-1}$, $F := B^{-1}C$. Matrix Δ is also known as the *Schur complement*.

For complex matrices, the transposition becomes the Hermitian one.

Matrix derivatives

- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{a}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{a}.$

- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = (A + A^T)\mathbf{x},$

which becomes $2A\mathbf{x}$ if A is symmetric.

- $\frac{\partial (AB)}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \frac{\partial A}{\partial \mathbf{x}} B + A \frac{\partial B}{\partial \mathbf{x}}.$

- $\frac{\partial A^{-1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = -A^{-1} \frac{\partial A}{\partial \mathbf{x}} A^{-1}.$

- $\frac{\partial \ln |A|}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \text{trace}\{A^{-1} \frac{\partial A}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\},$

where $|\cdot|$ denotes the determinant, and matrices A and B are functions of \mathbf{x} .

- $\frac{\partial \text{trace}\{AB\}}{\partial A} = B^T,$

where $\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial A}\right]_{ij} := \frac{\partial}{\partial A(i,j)}.$

- $\frac{\partial \text{trace}\{A^T B\}}{\partial A} = B.$

- $\frac{\partial \text{trace}\{ABA^T\}}{\partial A} = A(B + B^T).$

- $\frac{\partial \ln |A|}{\partial A} = (A^T)^{-1}.$

- $\frac{\partial A \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = A^T,$

where by definition $\left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right]_{ij} = \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial x_j}.$

More on matrix identities can collectively be found in [2].

A.2 POSITIVE DEFINITE AND SYMMETRIC MATRICES

- An $l \times l$ real symmetric matrix A is called *positive definite* if, for every nonzero vector \mathbf{x} , the following is true:

$$\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}. \quad (\text{A.1})$$

If equality with zero is allowed, A is called *positive semidefinite*. The definition is extended to complex Hermitian symmetric matrices, A , if $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$\mathbf{x}^H A \mathbf{x} > 0.$$

- It is easy to show that all eigenvalues of such a matrix are positive. Indeed, let λ_i be one eigenvalue and \mathbf{u}_i the corresponding unit norm eigenvector ($\mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_i = 1$). Then, by the respective definitions

$$A \mathbf{u}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{u}_i, \quad (\text{A.2})$$

or

$$0 < \mathbf{u}_i^T A \mathbf{u}_i = \lambda_i. \quad (\text{A.3})$$

Since the determinant of a matrix is equal to the product of its eigenvalues, we conclude that the determinant of a positive definite matrix is also positive.

- Let A be an $l \times l$ symmetric matrix, $A^T = A$. Then the eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal. Indeed, let $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ be two such eigenvalues. From the definitions we have

$$A \mathbf{u}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{u}_i, \quad (\text{A.4})$$

$$A \mathbf{u}_j = \lambda_j \mathbf{u}_j. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Multiplying Eq. (A.4) on the left by \mathbf{u}_j^T and the transpose of Eq. (A.5) on the right by \mathbf{u}_i , we obtain

$$\mathbf{u}_j^T A \mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_j^T A^T \mathbf{u}_i = 0 = (\lambda_i - \lambda_j) \mathbf{u}_j^T \mathbf{u}_i. \quad (\text{A.6})$$

Thus, $\mathbf{u}_j^T \mathbf{u}_i = 0$. Furthermore, it can be shown that even if the eigenvalues are not distinct, we can still find a set of orthogonal eigenvectors. The same is true for Hermitian matrices, in case we deal with more general complex-valued matrices.

- Based on this, it is now straightforward to show that a symmetric matrix A can be diagonalized by the similarity transformation

$$U^T A U = \Lambda, \quad (\text{A.7})$$

where matrix U has as its columns the unit norm eigenvectors ($\mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_i = 1$) of A , that is,

$$U = [\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_l], \quad (\text{A.8})$$

and Λ is the diagonal matrix with elements being the corresponding eigenvalues of A . From the orthonormality of the eigenvectors, it is obvious that $U^T U = I$ and $U U^T = I$; that is, U is an orthogonal matrix, $U^T = U^{-1}$. The proof is similar for Hermitian complex matrices as well.

A.3 WIRTINGER CALCULUS

Let a function

$$f : \mathbb{C} \mapsto \mathbb{C}, \quad (\text{A.9})$$

and let

$$f(z) = f_r(x, y) + jf_i(x, y), \quad z = x + jy, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Then, the Wirtinger derivative or W -derivative of f at a point $c \in \mathbb{C}$ is defined as

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(c) := \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f_r}{\partial x}(c) + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial y}(c) \right) + \frac{j}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x}(c) - \frac{\partial f_r}{\partial y}(c) \right), \quad (\text{A.10})$$

and the conjugate Wirtinger derivative or CW -derivative as

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*}(c) := \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f_r}{\partial x}(c) - \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial y}(c) \right) + \frac{j}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x}(c) + \frac{\partial f_r}{\partial y}(c) \right), \quad (\text{A.11})$$

provided that the involved derivatives exist. In this case, we say that f is differentiable in the real sense. This definition has been extended to gradients, for vector-valued functions as well as to Frechét derivatives in complex Hilbert spaces [1]. The following properties are valid:

- If f has a Taylor series expansion with respect to z (i.e., it is holomorphic) around c , then

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- $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(c) \right)^* = \frac{\partial f^*}{\partial z^*}(c).$
- $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*}(c) \right)^* = \frac{\partial f^*}{\partial z}(c).$

- Linearity: If f and g are differentiable in the real sense, then

$$\frac{\partial (af + bg)}{\partial z}(c) = a \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(c) + b \frac{\partial g}{\partial z}(c),$$

and

$$\frac{\partial (af + bg)}{\partial z^*}(c) = a \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*}(c) + b \frac{\partial g}{\partial z^*}(c).$$

- Product rule:

$$\frac{\partial (fg)}{\partial z}(c) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(c)g(c) + f(c) \frac{\partial g}{\partial z}(c),$$

and

$$\frac{\partial (fg)}{\partial z^*}(c) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*}(c)g(c) + f(c) \frac{\partial g}{\partial z^*}(c).$$

- Division rule: If $g(c) \neq 0$,

$$\frac{\partial \left(\frac{f}{g} \right)}{\partial z} \Big|_c = \frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(c)g(c) - f(c)\frac{\partial g}{\partial z}(c)}{g^2(c)},$$

and

$$\frac{\partial \left(\frac{f}{g} \right)}{\partial z^*} \Big|_c = \frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*}(c)g(c) - f(c)\frac{\partial g}{\partial z^*}(c)}{g^2(c)}.$$

- Let

$$f : \mathbb{C} \mapsto \mathbb{R}.$$

If z_o is a local optimal of the real-valued f , then

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z_o) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*}(z_o) = 0.$$

Indeed, in this case $f_i = 0$ and the Wirtinger derivative becomes

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z_o) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f_r}{\partial x}(z_o) - j \frac{\partial f_r}{\partial y}(z_o) \right) = 0,$$

as at the optimal point both derivatives on the left hand side become zero. Similar is the proof for the CW-derivative.

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