

1 Linear Algebra Review

1.1 Transposition:

The *transpose* of a matrix results when the rows and columns are interchanged.

A matrix X is **symmetric** if and only if (iff) $X^T = X$.

Properties that should be noted:

1. $(X^T)X = X$.
2. $(XY)^T = Y^T X^T$.

1.2 Identity:

The matrix *identity* I is a square matrix of arbitrary size with 1's on the diagonals (diags).

A $k \times k$ identity matrix is denoted as I_k .

1.3 Inverse:

If X is a **square matrix**, its *inverse* is the matrix X^{-1} of the same size which satisfies the following:

$$XX^{-1} = X^{-1}X = I \tag{1}$$

Properties that should be noted:

1. $(X^{-1})^{-1} = X$.
2. $(XY)^{-1} = Y^{-1}X^{-1}$.
3. $(X^T)^{-1} = (X^{-1})^T$

1.4 Orthogonal Vectors and Matrices:

Two $n \times 1$ vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} are *orthogonal* iff:

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = 0. \quad (2)$$

A square matrix X is *orthogonal* iff:

$$X^T X = I. \quad (3)$$

If X is orthogonal, then

$$X^{-1} = X^T. \quad (4)$$

1.5 Orthogonality:

$$\text{If } \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \quad (5)$$

The square root of $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2$, denoted by $\|\mathbf{x}\|$, is called the **norm** or **length** of \mathbf{x} .

A matrix X is an orthogonal matrix iff the columns of X form an orthonormal set.

1.6 Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors:

Suppose A is a $k \times k$ matrix and \mathbf{x} is a $k \times 1$ nonzero vector which satisfies the equation

$$A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}. \quad (6)$$

We say that λ is an *eigenvalue* of A , with associated *eigenvector* \mathbf{x} .

To find the eigenvalues, solve the following equation:

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0. \quad (7)$$

To then find the eigenvector(s) of A associated with the eigenvalue(s), solve the linear system of equations:

$$A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}. \quad (8)$$

The linear system should have an infinite number of solutions, which will always happen for an eigenvector system.

Note:

If A is **symmetric**, then all its eigenvalues are **real**, and its eigenvectors all **orthogonal**.

1.7 Diagonalization:

Let A be a **symmetric** $k \times k$ matrix. Then an **orthogonal** matrix P exists such that

$$P^T A P = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \lambda_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, k, \text{ are the eigenvalues of } A. \quad (9)$$

We say that P *diagonalizes* A , where A is the *diagonalizable* matrix, and $P^T A P$ is the *diagonalized* matrix.

1.8 Linear Independence:

A set of vectors is *linearly dependent* iff there exists some numbers $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k$, which are not all zero, such that

$$\alpha_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + \alpha_k \mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{0}. \quad (10)$$

If all α are zero, then they are *linearly independent*.

If a set of vectors is linearly dependent, then at least one of the vectors can be written as a **linear combination** of some or all the other vectors.

1.9 Rank:

Some definitions (Yao-Ban):

1. Tall Matrix has more rows than columns ($m > n$) and is of **full rank**.
2. Short Matrix has more columns than rows ($n > m$).

The *rank* of X , denoted by $r(X)$, is the greatest number of **linearly independent vectors** in the set $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\}$.

Properties that should be noted:

1. For any matrix X , we have $r(X) = r(X^T) = r(X^T X)$
2. The rank of a diagonal matrix is equal to the number of nonzero diagonal entries in the matrix.

1.10 Idempotence:

A square matrix A is *idempotent* iff

$$A^2 = A \quad (11)$$

It should be noted that if A is diagonalizable, then A is idempotent.

Properties that should be noted:

1. The eigenvalues of any idempotent matrix is always either 0 or 1

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} A^2\mathbf{x} &= A(A\mathbf{x}) \\ &= A(\lambda\mathbf{x}), \text{ since } A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} \\ &= \lambda(A\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \lambda^2\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

By definition, $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$, so $\lambda = \lambda^2$. Therefore $\lambda = 0, 1$.

2. If A is a **symmetric** and **idempotent** matrix, $r(A) = tr(A)$.

1.11 Trace:

The *trace* of a square matrix X , denoted by $tr(X)$, is the sum of its diagonal entries

$$tr(X) = \sum_{i=1}^k x_{ii}. \quad (12)$$

Properties that should be noted:

1. If c is a scalar, $tr(cX) = ctr(X)$
2. If XY and YX both exist, $tr(XY) = tr(YX)$

1.12 Quadratic Forms:

Suppose A is a square matrix, and \mathbf{y} is a $k \times 1$ vector containing variables. The quantity

$$q = \mathbf{y}^T A \mathbf{y} \quad (13)$$

is called a *quadratic form* in \mathbf{y} , and A is called the matrix of the *quadratic form*.

However, since q is a scalar, it can be re-expressed as

$$q = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k a_{ij} y_i y_j. \quad (14)$$

Example:

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } A = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{2} & \boxed{3} & \boxed{1} \\ \boxed{1} & \boxed{2} & \boxed{0} \\ \boxed{4} & \boxed{6} & \boxed{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Then

$$\mathbf{y}^T A \mathbf{y} = \left| 2y_1^2 \right| + \left| 3y_1y_2 + y_1y_3 \right| + \left| y_2y_1 + 2y_2^2 + 4y_3y_1 \right| + \left| 0 + 6y_3y_2 \right| + \left| 3y_3^2 \right| \quad (15)$$

$$= 2y_1^2 + 2y_2^2 + 3y_3^2 + 4y_1y_2 + 5y_1y_3 + 6y_2y_3 \quad (16)$$

This can be found from either the summation formula (14) or by multiplying out the matrices.

Positive Definiteness:

1. If $\mathbf{y}^T A \mathbf{y} > 0$, then it is positive definite.
2. If $\mathbf{y}^T A \mathbf{y} \geq 0$, then it is positive semi-definite.

Properties that should be noted:

1. The quadratic form will **never** be negative.
2. A symmetric matrix A is **positive definite** iff all its eigenvalues are all (strictly) positive.
3. A symmetric matrix A is **positive semi-definite** iff all its eigenvalues are all non-negative.

1.13 Differentiation of Quadratic Forms:

Suppose we have a vector of variables $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k)^T$, and some scalar function of them

$$z = f(\mathbf{y}). \quad (17)$$

We can then define the derivative of z with respect to \mathbf{y} as follows:

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y_1} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial y_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial y_k} \end{bmatrix} \quad (18)$$

To do so, you can take the **quadratic form** of z and **partial derive** with respect to \mathbf{y} .

Example from Figure 14:

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4y_1 + 4y_2 + 5y_3 \\ 4y_2 + 4y_1 + 6y_3 \\ 6y_3 + 5y_1 + 6y_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (19)$$

2 Random Vectors

2.1 Expectation:

Note that we will denote random variables (r.v's) as lower-cases, according to linear algebra notation.

We define the *expectation* of a random vector \mathbf{y} as follows:

$$\text{If } \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_k \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } E[\mathbf{y}] = \begin{bmatrix} E[y_1] \\ E[y_2] \\ \vdots \\ E[y_k] \end{bmatrix} \quad (20)$$

Properties that should be noted:

1. If \mathbf{a} is a vector of constants, then:

- (a) $E[\mathbf{a}] = \mathbf{a}$.
- (b) $E[\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y}] = \mathbf{a}^T E[\mathbf{y}]$.

2. If A is a matrix of constants, then $E[A\mathbf{y}] = AE[\mathbf{y}]$.

2.2 Variance: