Math Refresher Winter Institute in Data Science

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Vectors

Matrix Algebra

Systems of Linear Equations

Warming Up

- 1. Let " $A \circledast B$ " be defined as $A^B + A \cdot B$. Calculate $4 \circledast 3$.
- 2. Solve this system of two linear equations:

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
2x - y & = & 4 \\
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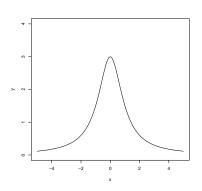
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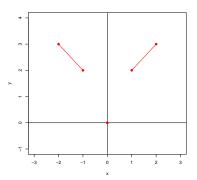
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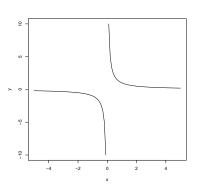
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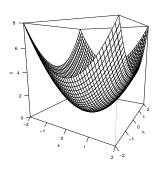
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Trigonometric Functions: Gill & Casella (2004)

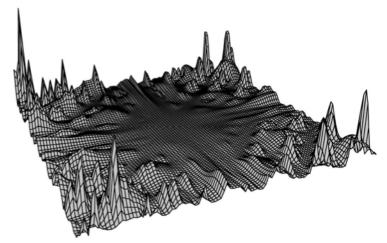


Fig. 1 A highly multimodal surface.

$$f(x,y) = |(x\sin(20y - 90) - y\cos(20x + 45))^3 a\cos(\sin(90y + 42)x) + (x\cos(10y + 10) - y\sin(10x + 15))^2 a\cos(\cos(10x + 24)y)|$$

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- Norm Squared: $||\mathbf{u}||^2 = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}$
- ► Cosine Rule: $\cos(\theta) = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{||\mathbf{u}|| \cdot ||\mathbf{v}||}$
- Difference Norm: $||\mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}||^2 = ||\mathbf{u}||^2 2(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) + ||\mathbf{v}||^2$ = $||\mathbf{u}||^2 - 2||\mathbf{u}|| \cdot ||\mathbf{v}||(\cos \theta) + ||\mathbf{v}||^2$
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Like Euclidean distance, but scaled by inverse covariances

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{x})'$$

where

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{x}_i$$

is the vector of sample means.

A Bit of R

```
a <- c(3, 0, 0)
b <- c(0, 2, 0)
a %*% b ## inner prod
## [,1]
## [1,] 0
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is $c_1 = c_2 = \cdots = c_k = 0$. If another solution exists, the set of vectors is linearly dependent.

Linear Dependence

- ▶ A set S of vectors is linearly dependent iff at least one of the vectors in S can be written as a linear combination of the other vectors in S.
- ▶ Linear independence is only defined for sets of vectors with the same number of elements
- Any linearly independent set of vectors in n-space contains at most n vectors.

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No.
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 (e.g.)

Matrix Algebra

Matrix: A matrix is an array of mn real numbers arranged in m rows by n columns.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Special Matrices

▶ Identity:
$$\mathbf{I_n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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▶ Diagonal:
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▶ Upper Triangular:
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Triangular: Either upper triangular or lower triangular

Matrix Equality

▶ Let **A** and **B** be two $m \times n$ matrices. Then

$$A = B$$

iff

$$a_{ij} = b_{ij}$$

$$\forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

Matrix Addition

▶ Let **A** and **B** be two $m \times n$ matrices. Then

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} + b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & a_{m2} + b_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

▶ A and B must be same size – *conformable* for addition

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B to be composed of stacked columns
$$\mathbf{b}_j = \begin{pmatrix} b_{1j} \\ b_{2j} \\ \dots \\ b_{mj} \end{pmatrix}$$
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Then, AB = C, where

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▶ Given **AB**, say **B** is pre-multiplied by **A** or **B** is left-multiplied by **A** or **A** is post-multiplied by **B** or **A** is right-multiplied by **B**

Warning!

➤ Commutative law for multiplication does **not** hold – order of multiplication matters:

$$\mathbf{AB} \neq \mathbf{BA}$$

▶ **AB** may exist, while **BA** does not.

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Identity Matrix

The $n \times n$ identity matrix \mathbf{I}_n has diagonal elements = 1 and off-diagonal elements = 0.

Examples:

$$\mathbf{I}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{I}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Xinv <- solve(X)
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b

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