

Problem 0: Homework checklist

- ✓ I didn't talk with any one about this homework.
- ✓ Source-code are included at the end of this document.

Problem 1: Prove or disprove

For the proof below, I will assume all the matrices are $n \times n$ matrices.

1. The product of two diagonal matrices is diagonal.

\mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are diagonal matrices, so

$$\mathbf{A}_{ij} = 0, \text{ if } i \neq j$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{ij} = 0, \text{ if } i \neq j$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{A}_{ik} \mathbf{B}_{kj}$$

Only if $i = j = k$, \mathbf{C}_{ij} will not be zero, which mean \mathbf{C} is also a diagonal matrix.

2. The product of two upper triangular matrices is upper triangular \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are two upper triangular matrices, so

$$\mathbf{A}_{ij} = 0, \text{ if } i < j$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{ij} = 0, \text{ if } i < j$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{A}_{ik} \mathbf{B}_{kj}$$

When $i < j$, $\mathbf{C}_{ij} = 0$ because one of \mathbf{A}_{ik} and \mathbf{B}_{kj} must be zero.

3. The product of two symmetric matrices is symmetric. \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are two symmetric matrices, so

$$\mathbf{A}_{ij} = \mathbf{A}_{ji}, \text{ if } i = j$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{ij} = \mathbf{B}_{ji}, \text{ if } i = j$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{A}_{ik} \mathbf{B}_{kj}$$

Then \mathbf{C}_{ij} is not necessary to be equal to \mathbf{C}_{ji}

Counter-example:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a symmetric matrix;}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is also a symmetric matrix.}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ which is not a symmetric matrices.}$$

4. The product of two orthogonal matrices is orthogonal. This statement is incorrect.

$$\text{Counter-example: } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a full rank matrix;}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is also a full rank matrix.}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ which is not a full matrices.}$$

5. The product of two square, full rank matrices is full rank