

# Matrix Calculus

## § 3.1 Kronecker Products and Jacobians

Q: Let  $f(x) = \|x\|_2$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $= \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$ . Ask for  $\nabla_x f$ .

Let  $r = \|x\|$ ,  $r^2 = x^T x$ , take differential.

$$2r dr = 2x^T dx, \quad dr = \frac{x^T}{r} dx,$$

$$\nabla_x r = \frac{x}{r}.$$

Recall. Jacobian is the ~~graph~~ mat that  $[x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial x_3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_3}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial x_3}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial x_3}{\partial x_3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Never construct Jacobian, use linear transformation instead.

### 1. Kronecker Products

Example.  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} p & r \\ q & s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ap & ar \\ bq & br \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \nabla & \nabla \\ \otimes & \nabla \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \begin{bmatrix} \nabla & \nabla \\ \otimes & \nabla \end{bmatrix} & b \square & c \square \\ d \square & e \square & f \square \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$I_2 \otimes \begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p & q & 0 \\ r & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & p & q \\ 0 & 0 & r & s \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} p & r \\ q & s \end{bmatrix} \otimes I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} p & 0 & q & 0 \\ 0 & p & 0 & q \\ r & 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & r & 0 & s \end{bmatrix}$$

- Jacobian is a function  $I_2 \otimes X + X^T \otimes I_2$ .
- key kronecker identity

$$(A \otimes B)^T \cdot \text{vec}(C) = \text{vec}(BCA^T)$$

• Useful identities

- a)  $(A \otimes B)^T = A^T \otimes B^T$
- b)  $(A \otimes B)^{-1} = A^{-1} \otimes B^{-1}$
- c)  $\det(A \otimes B) = \det(A)^m \det(B)^n$ ,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$
- d)  $\text{trace}(A \otimes B) = \text{trace } A \text{ trace } B$
- e)  $A \otimes B$  is orthogonal if  $A, B$  are orthogonal.
- f)  $(A \otimes B)(C \otimes D) = (AC) \otimes (BD)$
- g) If  $Au = \lambda u$ ,  $Bv = \mu v$ , if  $X = v u^T$ ,  
 $BXA^T = \lambda \mu X$ , also  $AX^T B^T = \lambda \mu X^T$ ,  
 $A \otimes B$  and  $B \otimes A$  have same eigenvals.  
 and transposed eigenvectors.

Eg.  $d(x^2) = X dX + dX X$

$$= X dX I + I dX X$$

$$\text{vec}(dX^2) = (I \otimes X + X^T \otimes I) \text{vec}(dX) \quad \text{by key identity.}$$

$\downarrow I \otimes X + X^T \otimes I$  is a linear op. i.e.

$$dX^2 = (I \otimes X + X^T \otimes I) [dX] \quad (A \otimes B)[M] \equiv BMA^T$$

Eg.  $d(x^3) = X^2 dX + X dX X + dX X^2$ .

$$= \underbrace{(I \otimes X^2 + X^T \otimes X + (X^T)^2 \otimes I)}_{\text{operator}} \cdot [dX]$$

2. Example. LU decomposition,

$$A = L U$$

no other than  $\mathbb{R}^{n^2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$  functions.  $\begin{matrix} \triangle & + & \nabla \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{n^2} n^2$

prod rule:  $d(LU) = L du + ~~U~~ dL U$ .

$$= (I \otimes L + U^T \otimes I) [dL, du]$$

$$dL = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ dL_{11} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad du = \begin{pmatrix} du_{11} & du_{12} \\ 0 & du_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{vec} = \begin{pmatrix} dL_{11} \\ du_{11} \\ du_{12} \\ du_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$



3. Example. Traceless symmetric eigenproblem.

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} p & s \\ s & -p \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} r & 0 \\ 0 & -r \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\frac{1}{2}\theta) & -\sin(\frac{1}{2}\theta) \\ \sin(\frac{1}{2}\theta) & \cos(\frac{1}{2}\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q \Lambda Q^T = \begin{bmatrix} r \cos \theta & r \sin \theta \\ r \sin \theta & -r \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}. \quad \text{Catesian} \rightarrow \text{Polar}$$

4. Example. full  $2 \times 2$  symmetric eigenproblem

$$\begin{pmatrix} p & s \\ s & r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \\ & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}^T$$

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \theta \rightarrow p, r, s$ . characteristic, polynomial, etc.

← matrix multiplication.

The det of  $\lambda_1 - \lambda_2$  will be the scale factor.