

Kronecker product的一些性质

Kronecker积引入

设 $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$, $X = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} \end{pmatrix}$, $Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} \end{pmatrix}$. 从而:

1. 矩阵方程 $AX = Y$ 等价于

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & a_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{11} & 0 & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & 0 & a_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{21} & 0 & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. 矩阵方程 $XB = Y$ 等价于

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{21} & 0 & 0 \\ b_{12} & b_{22} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & b_{11} & b_{21} \\ 0 & 0 & b_{12} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

3. 矩阵方程 $AXB = Y$ 等价于

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{21} \\ a_{11}b_{12} & a_{11}b_{22} & a_{12}b_{12} & a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & a_{21}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{11} & a_{22}b_{21} \\ a_{21}b_{12} & a_{21}b_{22} & a_{22}b_{12} & a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

实际上, 上式左端可写作分块矩阵形式

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{21} \\ a_{11}b_{12} & a_{11}b_{22} & a_{12}b_{12} & a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & a_{21}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{11} & a_{22}b_{21} \\ a_{21}b_{12} & a_{21}b_{22} & a_{22}b_{12} & a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}B^T & a_{12}B^T \\ a_{21}B^T & a_{22}B^T \end{pmatrix}.$$

记作 $A \otimes B^T$.

Kronecker积性质

一般地, 设 $P \in K^{k \times l}$, $Q \in K^{m \times n}$, 从而 $P \otimes Q \in K^{km \times ln}$. 其形式为

$$P \otimes Q = \begin{pmatrix} p_{11}Q & p_{12}Q & \cdots & p_{1l}Q \\ p_{21}Q & p_{22}Q & \cdots & p_{2l}Q \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ p_{k1}Q & p_{k2}Q & \cdots & p_{kl}Q \end{pmatrix}.$$

在维度允许的前提下, 有如下性质:

1. \otimes 为二元运算, 满足分配律, 结合律.
2. 满足双线性性, 即对 \otimes 两端自变量均线性.
3. $(A \otimes B) \cdot (C \otimes D) = (A \cdot C) \otimes (B \cdot D)$.
4. 转置 $(A \otimes B)^T = A^T \otimes B^T$.
5. 秩 $r(A \otimes B) = r(A) \cdot r(B)$.
6. 行列式 $(\det A)^{\dim A} (\det B)^{\dim B} = \det (A \otimes B)$.
7. 迹 $\text{tr}(A \otimes B) = \text{tr}(A) \text{tr}(B)$.
8. 设 A, B 的特征值分别为 $\{\lambda_i\}, \{\mu_i\}$, 对应的特征向量分别为 $\{v_i\}, \{u_i\}$, 则 $A \otimes B$ 的特征值为 $\{\lambda_i \mu_j\}$, 对应的特征向量为 $\{v_i \otimes u_j\}$.
9. 由5 – 9可见 $A \otimes B$ 与 $B \times A$ 有相同的行列式, 秩, 迹, 以及特征值.

总结

实际上, 矩阵方程 $AX = Y$ 与 $XB = Y$ 的本质仍为线性代数, 因此可以化作简单的线性方程组问题. Kronecker积深刻地描述了该种转化关系.