03: Linear Algebra - Review

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Matrices - overview

- Rectangular array of numbers written between square brackets
 - 2D array
 - Named as capital letters (A,B,X,Y)
- Dimension of a matrix are [Rows x Columns]
 - Start at top left
 - To bottom left
 - $\circ \ \, \text{To bottom right}$
 - $\circ~R^{\left[r~x~c\right]}$ means a matrix which has r rows and c columns

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1402 & 191 \\ 1371 & 821 \\ 949 & 1437 \\ 147 & 1448 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Is a [4 x 2] matrix
- Matrix elements
 - $A_{(i,j)}$ = entry in i^{th} row and jth column

• Provides a way to organize, index and access a lot of data

Vectors - overview

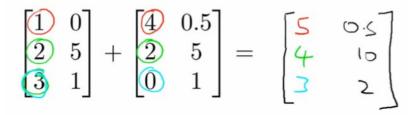
- Is an n by 1 matrix
 - Usually referred to as a lower case letter
 - n rows
 - 1 column
 - 。 e.g.

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 460 \\ 232 \\ 315 \\ 178 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Is a 4 dimensional vector
 - Refer to this as a vector R4
- Vector elements
 - \circ $v_i = i^{th}$ element of the vector
 - Vectors can be 0-indexed (C++) or 1-indexed (MATLAB)
 - In math 1-indexed is most common
 - But in machine learning 0-index is useful
 - Normally assume using 1-index vectors, but be aware sometimes these will (explicitly) be 0 index ones

Matrix manipulation

- Addition
 - Add up elements one at a time
 - o Can only add matrices of the same dimensions
 - Creates a new matrix of the same dimensions of the ones added



· Multiplication by scalar

- Scalar = real number
- o Multiply each element by the scalar
- Generates a matrix of the same size as the original matrix

$$3 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & \emptyset \\ \zeta & 1 \zeta \\ 9 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Division by a scalar

- Same as multiplying a matrix by 1/4
- · Each element is divided by the scalar

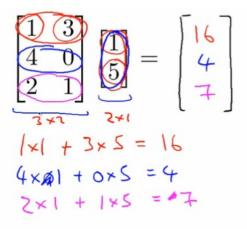
• Combination of operands

Evaluate multiplications first

$$3 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} / 3$$

· Matrix by vector multiplication

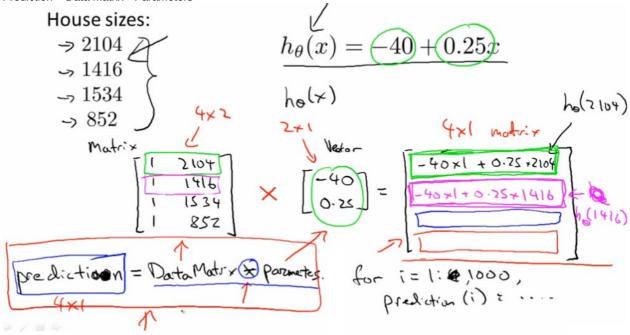
- [3 x 2] matrix * [2 x 1] vector
 - New matrix is [3 x 1]
 - More generally if [a x b] * [b x c]
 - Then new matrix is [a x c]
 - How do you do it?
 - Take the two vector numbers and multiply them with the first row of the matrix
 - Then add results together this number is the first number in the new vector
 - The multiply second row by vector and add the results together
 - Then multiply final row by vector and add them together



· Detailed explanation

- A * x = y
 - A is m x n matrix
 - x is n x 1 matrix
 - n must match between vector and matrix
 - i.e. inner dimensions must match
 - Result is an m-dimensional vector
- \circ To get y_i multiply A's i^{th} row with all the elements of vector x and add them up
- Neat trick
 - Say we have a data set with four values
 - Say we also have a hypothesis $h_{\theta}(x) = -40 + 0.25x$
 - Create your data as a matrix which can be multiplied by a vector

- Have the parameters in a vector which your matrix can be multiplied by
- Means we can do
 - Prediction = Data Matrix * Parameters



- Here we add an extra column to the data with 1s this means our θ_0 values can be calculated and expressed
- The diagram above shows how this works
 - This can be far more efficient computationally than lots of for loops
 - This is also easier and cleaner to code (assuming you have appropriate libraries to do matrix multiplication)

• Matrix-matrix multiplication

- o General idea
 - Step through the second matrix one column at a time
 - Multiply each column vector from second matrix by the entire first matrix, each time generating a vector
 - The final product is these vectors combined (not added or summed, but literally just put together)
- Details
 - A x B = C
 - A = [m x n]
 - B = [n x o]
 - C = [m x o]
 - With vector multiplications o = 1
 - Can only multiply matrix where columns in A match rows in B
- Mechanism
 - Take column 1 of B, treat as a vector
 - Multiply A by that column generates an [m x 1] vector
 - Repeat for each column in B
 - There are o columns in B, so we get o columns in C
- Summary
 - The i th column of matrix C is obtained by multiplying A with the i th column of B
- Start with an example
- A x B

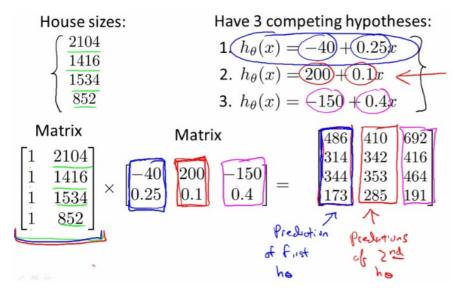
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Initially
 - Take matrix A and multiply by the first column vector from B
 - Take the matrix A and multiply by the second column vector from B

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

Implementation/use

- House prices, but now we have three hypothesis and the same data set
- · To apply all three hypothesis to all data we can do this efficiently using matrix-matrix multiplication
 - Have
 - Data matrix
 - Parameter matrix
 - Example
 - Four houses, where we want to predict the prize
 - Three competing hypotheses
 - Because our hypothesis are one variable, to make the matrices match up we make our data (houses sizes) vector into a 4x2 matrix by adding an extra column of 1s



- What does this mean
 - o Can quickly apply three hypotheses at once, making 12 predictions
 - · Lots of good linear algebra libraries to do this kind of thing very efficiently

Matrix multiplication properties

- Can pack a lot into one operation
 - However, should be careful of how you use those operations
 - Some interesting properties
- Commutativity
 - $\circ~$ When working with raw numbers/scalars multiplication is commutative
 - 3 * 5 == 5 * 3
 - This is not true for matrix
 - A x B != B x A
 - Matrix multiplication is not commutative
- Associativity
 - o 3 x 5 x 2 == 3 x 10 = 15 x 2
 - Associative property
 - Matrix multiplications is associative
 - A x (B x C) == (A x B) x C
- Identity matrix
 - o 1 is the identity for any scalar
 - i.e. 1 x z = z
 - for any real number
 - \circ In matrices we have an identity matrix called I
 - Sometimes called I_{n x n}

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 \times 2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 \times 3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 \times 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

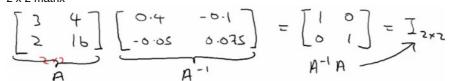
- See some identity matrices above
 - o Different identity matrix for each set of dimensions
 - Has
 - 1s along the diagonals
 - 0s everywhere else
 - 1x1 matrix is just "1"
- Has the property that any matrix A which can be multiplied by an identity matrix gives you matrix A back

• So if A is [m x n] then

- A * I
 - I = n x n
- | * A
 - I = m x m
- (To make inside dimensions match to allow multiplication)
- Identity matrix dimensions are implicit
- Remember that matrices are not commutative AB != BA
 - Except when B is the identity matrix
 - ∘ Then AB == BA

Inverse and transpose operations

- Matrix inverse
 - How does the concept of "the inverse" relate to real numbers?
 - 1 = "identity element" (as mentioned above)
 - Each number has an inverse
 - This is the number you multiply a number by to get the identify element
 - i.e. if you have x, x * 1/x = 1
 - e.g. given the number 3
 - 3 * 3⁻¹ = 1 (the identity number/matrix)
 - In the space of real numbers not everything has an inverse
 - e.g. 0 does not have an inverse
 - What is the inverse of a matrix
 - If A is an m x m matrix, then A inverse = A⁻¹
 - So $A*A^{-1} = I$
 - Only matrices which are m x m have inverses
 - Square matrices only!
 - Example
 - 2 x 2 matrix



- How did you find the inverse
 - Turns out that you can sometimes do it by hand, although this is very hard
 - Numerical software for computing a matrices inverse
 - Lots of open source libraries
- If A is all zeros then there is no inverse matrix
 - Some others don't, intuition should be matrices that don't have an inverse are a singular matrix or a degenerate matrix (i.e. when it's too close to 0)
 - So if all the values of a matrix reach zero, this can be described as reaching singularity

• Matrix transpose

- Have matrix A (which is [n x m]) how do you change it to become [m x n] while keeping the same values
 - i.e. swap rows and columns!
- How you do it;
 - Take first row of A becomes 1st column of A^T
 - Second row of A becomes 2nd column...
- A is an m x n matrix
 - B is a transpose of A
 - Then B is an n x m matrix
 - $A_{(i,j)} = B_{(j,i)}$

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$