

# Review of Linear Algebra for Statistics

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- ▶ We wrap up the math topics by reviewing some linear algebra concepts
- ▶ Linear algebra will become an important tool for you as a statistician
- ▶ You'll be using matrix operations most of the year, but the main necessity for linear algebra will come in STAT 200C.

- ▶ Here are a few good references for reviewing undergraduate linear algebra in general
  - ▶ Introduction to Linear Algebra by Gilbert Strang
  - ▶ Linear Algebra and it's Applications by David Lay
- ▶ Graduate Level Linear Algebra References for Statistics
  - ▶ Matrix Algebra from a Statisticians Perspective by David Harville
  - ▶ Appendix of Linear Regression Analysis by George Seber and Alan Lee
  - ▶ Appendix of Applied Linear Regression by Sanford Weisberg

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# Motivation I

- ▶ A familiarity with matrices will allow you to expand the types of statistics you can do.

- ▶ Consider the multivariate normal distribution

$$\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)^T$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n |\Sigma|}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right)$$

which is said to be “non-degenerate” when  $\Sigma$  is positive-definite.

- ▶ Additionally,  $\mathbf{x}$  is a real-valued  $n$ -dimensional column vector and  $|\Sigma|$  is the determinant of  $\Sigma$
- ▶ To investigate many of the properties of this distribution we'll need matrix algebra

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# Motivation II

- ▶ We'll specifically use this distribution to explore linear regression
- ▶ Let  $Y$  be a random variable which has some mean  $\mu$  which we measure under error  $\epsilon$ , specifically

$$Y = \mu + \epsilon$$

- ▶ We will focus on linear models where

$$\mu = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \cdots + \beta_{p-1} x_{p-1}$$

where  $\mathbf{x}$  are explanatory variables and each  $\beta_j$  is unknown and to be estimated

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- If we consider a random sample of  $n$  observations we will have

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{10} & x_{11} & \dots & x_{1,p-1} \\ x_{20} & x_{21} & \dots & x_{2,p-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{n0} & x_{n1} & \dots & x_{n,p-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_{p-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- Or more simply written

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

- We will eventually show that  $\mathbf{Y} \sim N_n(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ .
- Matrix algebra will play a very important role throughout understanding linear algebra

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# Defining a Matrix

- ▶ A rectangular array of real numbers is called a matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ A matrix with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns is referred to as an  $m \times n$  matrix
- ▶ Matrices will often be denoted by boldface letters  $\mathbf{X}$ .
- ▶ Additionally we can denote a matrix  $\mathbf{X} = \{a_{ij}\}$

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- ▶ **Scalar Multiplication:** Consider a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  and a scalar  $k$ , then

$$k\mathbf{A} = k\{a_{ij}\} = \{ka_{ij}\}$$

- ▶ **Matrix Addition:** Consider two matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , if they are both of dimension  $m \times n$  then we define addition between these two matrices. Specifically  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$  is the  $m \times n$  matrix  $\{a_{ij} + b_{ij}\}$  for all pairs  $i, j$ .
  - ▶ Matrix addition is commutative and associative
  - ▶ Additionally matrices having the same number of rows and columns are said to be conformal for addition (or subtraction).



# Basic Matrix Operations II

- ▶ **Matrix Multiplication:** Let  $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{ij}\}$  represent an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $\mathbf{B} = \{b_{ij}\}$  a  $p \times q$  matrix. When  $n = p$  (when  $\mathbf{A}$  has the same number of columns as  $\mathbf{B}$  has rows), then the matrix product  $\mathbf{AB}$  is defined to be the  $m \times q$  matrix whose  $ij^{th}$  element is

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}b_{kj} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \cdots + a_{in}b_{nj}$$

- ▶ The formation  $\mathbf{AB}$  is called the premultiplication of  $\mathbf{B}$  by  $\mathbf{A}$  or the postmultiplication of  $\mathbf{A}$  by  $\mathbf{B}$ .
- ▶ When  $n \neq p$  then the matrix product  $\mathbf{AB}$  is undefined.
- ▶ Two  $n \times n$  matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are said to commute if  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$

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- ▶ **Matrix Transpose:** The transpose of an  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , to be denoted  $\mathbf{A}^T$  or  $\mathbf{A}'$  is the  $n \times m$  matrix whose  $ij^{th}$  element is the  $ji^{th}$  element of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

- ▶ For any matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $(\mathbf{A}')' = \mathbf{A}$
- ▶ For any two matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  which are conformal for addition

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})' = \mathbf{A}' + \mathbf{B}'$$

- ▶ Finally any two matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  for which the product is defined,

$$(\mathbf{AB})' = \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{A}'$$

- ▶ A matrix with only one column

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{pmatrix}$$

is called an  $m$ -dimensional column vector

- ▶ A matrix with only one row is called a row vector
- ▶ Vectors will often be denoted by lower case bold symbols  $\mathbf{x}$ .
- ▶ Clearly the transpose of an  $m$ -dimensional column vector is an  $m$ -dimensional row vector

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- ▶ One of the most important types of matrices in all of statistics is the square matrix
- ▶ A matrix having the same number of rows as it does columns is called a square matrix
- ▶ An  $n \times n$  square matrix is said to have order  $n$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ The set of terms  $\{a_{ii}\}$  are called the diagonal elements of the square matrix and the terms  $\{a_{ij}\}, i \neq j$  are the off-diagonal terms

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- ▶ A matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is said to be symmetric is  $\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{A}$
- ▶ Thus a symmetric matrix is a square matrix where the  $ij^{th}$  element equals the  $ji^{th}$  element.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & -10 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ A diagonal matrix is a square matrix whose off-diagonal elements are zero, that is

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ The effect of premultiplying an  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  by a  $m \times m$  diagonal matrix  $\mathbf{D}$ ,  $\mathbf{DA}$  is to multiply each element of the  $i^{th}$  row of  $\mathbf{A}$  by the element  $d_{ii}$ .

# Identity Matrix

- Often the most useful diagonal matrix is the identity matrix  $\mathbf{I}_n$  where the subscript  $n$  denotes the dimension of the identity matrix ( $n \times n$ ). That is,

$$\mathbf{I}_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

often the subscript  $n$  is dropped.

- An important property is

$$\mathbf{IA} = \mathbf{AI} = \mathbf{A}$$

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# Matrix Inversion I

- ▶ For any scalar  $c$  there is a number called the inverse of  $c$ , say  $d$  such that the product of  $cd = 1$ .
  - ▶ For example, if  $c = 3$ , then  $d = 1/c = 1/3$ , and the inverse of 3 is  $1/3$ .
- ▶ This can be extended to square matrices

## Definition (Matrix Inverse)

An  $n \times n$  square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is called invertible (also nonsingular and non-degenerate) if there exists an  $n \times n$  square matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  such that

$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}_n$$

If this is the case, then the matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  is uniquely determined by  $\mathbf{A}$  and is called the inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$  denoted  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$

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- ▶ The collection of matrices that have an inverse are called full rank, invertible, or nonsingular.
- ▶ A square matrix that is not invertible, is of less than full rank or singular.
- ▶ The identity matrix is its own inverse  $(\mathbf{I}_n)^{-1} = \mathbf{I}_n$ .

# Inverting a $2 \times 2$ Matrix. I

- ▶ Consider the following matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ the inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$  denoted  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  is

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{A}|} \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

where the determinant of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $|\mathbf{A}| = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$

- ▶ By our previous definitions we should have that  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$

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Inverting a  $2 \times 2$  Matrix. II

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} &= \frac{1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} & -a_{11}a_{12} + a_{12}a_{11} \\ a_{21}a_{22} - a_{22}a_{21} & -a_{21}a_{12} + a_{22}a_{11} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

- This satisfies our requirement

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- ▶ Two vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  (of the same length), are orthogonal if

$$\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{b} = 0$$

- ▶ An  $r \times c$  matrix  $\mathbf{Q}$  has orthonormal columns if its columns, viewed as a set  $c \leq r$  different  $r \times 1$  vectors, are orthogonal and in addition have length 1.
- ▶ This is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{Q}'\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I}$$

- ▶ Additionally a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is orthogonal if

$$\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{I}$$

so  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}'$ .

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# Linear Dependence and Rank I

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- ▶ Consider an  $n \times p$  matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  with columns given by the vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p$  (we only consider the case when  $p \leq n$ .)
- ▶ We say that  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p$  are linearly dependent if we can find multipliers  $a_1, \dots, a_p$  not all equal to 0, such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^p a_i \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{0}$$

# Linear Dependence and Rank II

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- ▶ If no such multipliers exist, then we say the vectors are linearly independent, and the matrix is full-rank.
- ▶ In general the rank of a matrix is the maximum number of  $\mathbf{x}_i$  which form a linearly independent set.
- ▶ The matrix  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$  is a  $p \times p$  matrix.
  - ▶ If  $\mathbf{X}$  has rank  $p$ , so does  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$ .
- ▶ Full Rank matrices always have an inverse
- ▶ Square matrices less than full rank never have an inverse

# More Properties of Matrices I

## Definition (Positive-Semidefinite Matrix)

A symmetric matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is said to be positive-semidefinite (p.s.d) if and only if

$$\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \geq 0$$

for all  $\mathbf{x}$

## Definition (Positive-Definite Matrix)

A symmetric matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is said to be positive-definite (p.d.) if

$$\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} > 0$$

for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \neq 0$ . Note that a matrix that is p.d. is also p.s.d.

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## Definition (Idempotent Matrices)

A matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  is idempotent if  $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^2 = \mathbf{P}$ . A symmetric idempotent matrix is called a projection matrix.



# Trace of a Matrix

- ▶ An important operation on square matrices is called the trace.
- ▶ While not blatantly obvious at the moment, the trace of a square is encountered throughout statistics and therefore we'll define it

## Definition (trace)

The trace of a square matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{ij}\}$  of order  $n$  is defined to be the sum of the  $n$  diagonal elements of  $\mathbf{A}$  and is said to be the symbol  $\text{tr}(\mathbf{A})$ . Thus

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = a_{11} + a_{22} + \cdots + a_{nn}$$

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- ▶ Finally we introduce Differentiation for Vectors

- ▶ If  $\frac{d}{d\beta} = \left( \frac{d}{d\beta_i} \right)$ , then

1. Consider the vector  $\mathbf{a}$ ,

$$\frac{d(\beta' \mathbf{a})}{d\beta} = \mathbf{a}$$

2. If  $\mathbf{A}$  is a symmetric matrix, then

$$\frac{d(\beta' \mathbf{A} \beta)}{d\beta} = 2\mathbf{A}\beta$$

# Simple Linear Regression I

- ▶ Consider a random sample of  $n$  observations such

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i,1} + \epsilon_i$$

where  $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  and independent observations.

- ▶ Here the  $x_i$  are observed and known and we would like to estimate the parameter  $\beta$ .
- ▶ We can rewrite into matrix notation for the  $n$  observations

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{11} \\ 1 & x_{21} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

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# Simple Linear Regression II

- ▶ One method that can be used to estimate  $\beta$  is through the method of least squares
- ▶ The idea is to find the vector  $\beta$  which minimizes the squared errors

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_i^n \epsilon_i^2 &= \epsilon' \epsilon \\ &= (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ That is

$$\hat{\beta} = \arg \min_{\beta} (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)$$

# Simple Linear Regression III

Let's expand this function

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta) &= \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Y} - \beta'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{X}\beta + \beta'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\beta \\ &= \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Y} - 2\beta'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} + \beta'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\beta\end{aligned}$$

where the above holds since  $\beta'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{X}\beta$  which is a scalar.

# Simple Linear Regression IV

Now

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{d\beta}(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta) &= \frac{d}{d\beta}(\mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Y} - 2\beta'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} + \beta'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\beta) \\ &= -2\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} + 2\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\beta\end{aligned}$$

We can set this equal to zero and thus

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\beta$$

Now provided the inverse of  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$  exists we have.

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$$

# Simple Linear Regression V

Let us consider  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$ , its inverse will exist only if it is full rank and/or nonsingular.

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} n & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The determinant is  $\det(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}) = n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2$

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# Simple Linear Regression VI

Consider if  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T$ , Then

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}) &= n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 \\ &= n^2 - n^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

We also see that

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} n & n \\ n & n \end{pmatrix}$$

which is not full rank. Thus one condition for inversion is that  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{1}$

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# Simple Linear Regression VII

Continuing we can solve for  $\hat{\beta}$ , by our formula for  $2 \times 2$  inversions we have

$$(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} = \frac{1}{n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 & -\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ -\sum_{i=1}^n x_i & n \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \end{pmatrix}$$

# Simple Linear Regression VIII

Without going into all fun of calculating this for you guys, it can be shown that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} \\ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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