

Problem 1: Moore–Penrose Pseudoinverse

Solution

- (a) Suppose A^+ is not unique and there is A_1^+ and A_2^+ . According to the definition, for any matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$,

$$\begin{aligned} AA_1^+ A &= A \\ AA_2^+ A &= A \\ \Rightarrow (AA_1^+ - AA_2^+)A &= A(A_1^+ A - A_2^+ A) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Because the above equation is valid for any matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, hence there must be $AA_1^+ = AA_2^+$ and $A_1^+ A = A_2^+ A$. So

$$A_1^+ = A_1^+ AA_1^+ = A_1^+ AA_2^+ = A_2^+ AA_2^+ = A_2^+$$

Hence A^+ must be unique.

- (b) Denote $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ as A^+ . Because matrix A is tall, hence $n \leq m$.

$$A^+ A = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T A = (A^T A)^{-1} (A^T A) = I$$

So $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ a left inverse of matrix A .

$$\begin{aligned} AA^+ A &= A(A^+ A) = AI = A \\ A^+ AA^+ &= (A^+ A)A^+ = IA^+ = A^+ \end{aligned}$$

$A^+ A = I$, so $A^+ A$ is symmetric. Meanwhile,

$$(AA^+)^T = (A^+)^T A^T = [(A^T A)^{-1} A^T]^T A^T = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T = AA^+$$

So AA^+ is symmetric. In conclusion, $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ is the pseudoinverse and a left inverse of matrix A .

- (c) Denote $A^T(AA^T)^{-1}$ as A^+ .

$$AA^+ = AA^T(AA^T)^{-1} = (AA^T)(AA^T)^{-1} = I$$

So $A^T(AA^T)^{-1}$ is a right inverse of matrix A .

$$\begin{aligned} AA^+ A &= (AA^+)A = IA = A \\ A^+ AA^+ &= A^+(AA^+) = A^+I = A^+ \end{aligned}$$

$AA^+ = I$, so AA^+ is symmetric. Meanwhile,

$$(A^+ A)^T = A^T(A^+)^T = A^T[A^T(AA^T)^{-1}]^T = A^T(AA^T)^{-1}A = A^+ A$$

so $A^+ A$ is symmetric. In conclusion, $A^T(AA^T)^{-1}$ is the pseudoinverse and a right inverse of matrix A .

(d)

$$AA^{-1}A = IA = A \text{ and } A^{-1}AA^{-1} = IA^{-1} = A^{-1}$$

Also $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$ is symmetric. So in conclusion, A^{-1} is the pseudoinverse of a full-rank square matrix A .

(e) For a projection matrix A , $A^2 = A$ and $A^T = A$. Hence

$$AAA = AA = A$$

Because $A^T = A$, so AA is symmetric. In conclusion, A is the pseudoinverse of itself for a projection matrix A .

(f)

$$\begin{aligned} A^T(A^+)^TA^T &= [AA^+A]^T = A^T \\ (A^+)^TA^T(A^+)^T &= [A^+AA^+]^T = (A^+)^T \end{aligned}$$

Meanwhile,

$$\begin{aligned} [A^T(A^+)^T]^T &= A^+A \Rightarrow \text{symmetric} \\ [(A^+)^TA^T]^T &= AA^+ \Rightarrow \text{symmetric} \end{aligned}$$

So in conclusion, $(A^T)^+ = (A^+)^T$.

(g) i.

$$AA^T[(A^+)^TA^+]AA^T = A(A^+A)^TA^+AA^T = A(A^+A)A^+AA^T = AA^+AA^T = AA^T$$

Hence $(AA^T)^+ = (A^+)^TA^+$.

ii.

$$A^TA[A^+(A^+)^T]A^TA = A^TAA^+(AA^+)^TA = A^TAA^+AA^+A = A^TA$$

Hence $(A^TA)^+ = A^+(A^+)^T$.

(h) i. For any $y \in R(A^+)$, there exist a vector x . S.T.

$$y = A^+x = A^+AA^+x = (A^+A)^TA^+x = A^T(A^+)^TA^+x$$

Hence $y \in R(A^T)$ and $R(A^+) \subset R(A^T)$. For any $y \in R(A^T)$, there exist a vector x . S.T.

$$y = A^Tx = A^T(A^T)^+A^Tx = A^T(A^+)^TA^Tx = (A^+A)^TA^Tx = A^+AA^Tx$$

Hence $y \in R(A^+)$ and $R(A^T) \subset R(A^+)$. In conclusion, $R(A^T) = R(A^+)$.

ii. For any $x \in N(A^T)$, $A^T x = 0$, hence

$$A^+ x = A^+ A A^+ x = A^+ (A A^+)^T x = A^+ (A^+)^T A^T x = 0$$

So $N(A^T) \subset R(A^+)$. For any $x \in N(A^+)$, $A^+ x = 0$, hence

$$A^T x = A^T (A^+)^T A^T x = A^T (A A^+)^T x = A^T A A^+ x = 0$$

So $N(A^+) \subset R(A^T)$. In conclusion, $N(A^T) = N(A^+)$.

(i) First, both AA^+ and A^+A are symmetric. Second,

$$P^2 = AA^+ A A^+ = AA^+$$

$$Q^2 = A^+ A A^+ A = A^+ A$$

Hence P and Q are projection matrix.

(j) Recall the result of problem 5 in Homework 3, $y = Px$ is the projection of x onto $R(P)$. For $\forall y \in R(P)$, there must exists $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ S.T.

$$y = AA^+ x \Rightarrow y = A(A^+ x)$$

Hence for $\forall y \in R(P)$, there must exists $z = A^+ x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, S.T. $y = Az$. Hence $R(P) = R(A)$. So $y = Px$ is the projection of x onto $R(A)$.

Similarly, $y = Qx$ is the projection of x onto $R(Q)$. For $\forall y \in R(Q)$, there must exists $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ S.T.

$$y = A^+ A x \Rightarrow y = A^+(Ax)$$

Hence for $\forall y \in R(Q)$, there must exists $z = Ax \in \mathbb{R}^m$, S.T. $y = A^+ z$. Hence $R(Q) = R(A^+) = R(A^T)$. So $y = Qx$ is the projection of x onto $R(A^T)$.

(k) Recall the result in problem (j), the projection matrix onto $R(A)$ is $P = AA^+$,

$$Ax^* = AA^+ b$$

Hence Ax^* is the orthogonal projection of b onto $R(A)$. Hence $x^* = A^+ b$ is a least-squares solution.

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Problem 2: Eigenvalues

Solution

(a) The characteristic polynomial of A is

$$p(\lambda) = \det(\lambda I - A) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_n)$$

Hence

$$p(\lambda = 0) = \det(-A) = (-1)^n \det(A) = (-1)^n \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n$$

So $\det(A) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n$.

(b) Because

$$\lambda I - A^T = (\lambda I - A)^T$$

and

$$\det((\lambda I - A)^T) = \det(\lambda I - A)$$

So $\det(\lambda I - A) = \det(\lambda I - A^T)$. A^T and A have the same characteristic polynomial. Hence the eigenvalues of A^T and A are the same.

(c) Give the fact that $Av = \lambda_i v$, where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

$$A^k v = A^{k-1} \lambda_i v = A^{k-2} \lambda_i^2 v = \dots = \lambda_i^k v$$

Hence λ_i^k , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ are eigenvalues of matrix A^k .

(d) If matrix A is invertible, then suppose matrix A has a zero eigenvalue λ . There must be a vector $v \neq 0$, S.T.

$$Av = \lambda v = 0$$

Obviously $v \in N(A)$. Because A is invertible, so $\dim(N(A)) = 0 \Rightarrow N(A) = 0$. Hence $v = 0$. But this contradicts the fact that $v \neq 0$. So if A is invertible, it does not have a zero eigenvalue.

If matrix A does not have a zero eigenvalue, then there is no a vector $v \neq 0$ S.T.

$$Av = \lambda v, \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow Av = 0$$

The only solution to $Av = 0$ is $v = 0$, which means $\dim[N(A)] = 0$. Hence matrix A is full-rank and invertible.

In conclusion, A is invertible if and only if it does not have a zero eigenvalue.

(e) According to the definition,

$$Av = \lambda_i v \Rightarrow A^{-1}Av = \lambda_i A^{-1}v \Rightarrow v = \lambda_i A^{-1}v \Rightarrow \lambda_i^{-1}v = A^{-1}v$$

Hence λ_i^{-1} , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ are eigenvalues of A^{-1} .

(f) The characteristic polynomial of $T^{-1}AT$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \det(T^{-1}AT - \lambda I) &= \det(T^{-1}AT - \lambda T^{-1}IT) \\ &= \det[T^{-1}(A - \lambda I)T] \\ &= \det(T^{-1})\det(A - \lambda I)\det(T) \end{aligned}$$

Because $\det(T^{-1})\det(T) = \det(T^{-1}T) = 1$. Hence

$$\det(T^{-1}AT - \lambda I) = \det(A - \lambda I)$$

So A and $T^{-1}AT$ have the same eigenvalues.

Problem 3: Trace

Solution

(a) The

(b) Using the result from problem 2(c), λ_i^k , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ are eigenvalues of matrix A^k .
Hence

$$\text{tr}(A^k) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^k$$

Problem 4: More on Eigenvalues

Solution

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Problem 5: Limit

Solution

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