

## 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  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,

$$AA_1^+A = A$$

$$AA_2^+A = A$$

$$\Rightarrow (AA_1^+ - AA_2^+)A = A(A_1^+A - A_2^+A) = 0$$

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

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

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

$$AA^+A = A(A^+A) = AI = A$$

$$A^+AA^+ = (A^+A)A^+ = IA^+ = A^+$$

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

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

So  $AA^+$  is symmetric. In conclusion,  $(A^TA)^{-1}A^T$  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  $A$ .

$$AA^+A = (AA^+)A = IA = A$$

$$A^+AA^+ = A^+(AA^+) = A^+I = A^+$$

$AA^+ = I$ , 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)

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

Meanwhile,

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

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

(g) i.

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

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

ii.

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

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

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

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

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.

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

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,

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

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

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.

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

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

- (d) If matrix  $A$  is invertible, then suppose matrix  $A$  has a zero eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . 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  $\lambda_i^{-1}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  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),  $\lambda_i^k$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  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

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