

# ST 661 Note

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## Outline

- Idempotent matrix
- Matrix calculus

## Last time

Let  $A_1$  be the 1st subspace and  $A_2$  be the second subspace, then we can write  $x$  s.t.

$$x = A_1x + A_2x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$I = A_1 + A_2, \quad \text{rank}(I) = 2$$

$$\text{rank}(A_1) = 1, \text{rank}(A_2) = 1$$

Both  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are idempotent matrices.

Now, we pick  $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$  and decompose it s.t.

$$x = A_1x + A_2x,$$

where

$$\text{rank}(A_1) = 2 \quad \text{a plane} \quad \text{rank}(A_2) = 1 \quad \text{a line},$$

so

$$\text{rank}(I) = 3 = 2 + 1 = \text{rank}(A_1) + \text{rank}(A_2).$$

## Thm

\$I\$: \$n \times n\$, \$I = A\_1 + A\_2 + \dots + A\_k\$ (\$k\$ can be anything \$\leq n\$), where each \$A\_i\$ is \$n \times n\$ symmetric of rank \$r\_i\$.

If \$\sum\_{i=1}^k r\_i = n\$ (no gain or loss of rank), then

- \$A\_i\$ (each \$A\_i\$) is idempotent \$i = 1, 2, \dots, k\$
- \$A\_i A\_j = 0\$ \$i \neq j\$ (complementary)

Comment. In general, \$\text{rank}(A+B) \neq \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B)\$. So when it is equal, then all \$A\_i\$ are idempotent.

e.g. \$n = 2\$

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A_1 + A_2$$

So, \$\text{rank}(A\_1) + \text{rank}(A\_2) = 2 = \text{rank}(I)\$.

\$\Rightarrow\$

- i)  $A_1, A_2$  are both idempotent
- ii)  $A_1 A_2 = 0$  Info does not overlap.

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_1 x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

projecting to x axis.

$$A_2 x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

projecting to y axis.

e.g.

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

In this case,

$$\text{rank}(I) = 2 \neq 2 + 2 = \text{rank}(A_1) + \text{rank}(A_2)$$

Condition is not met. Info overlap.

ii)

$$A_1 A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \neq 0,$$

so info overlap.

## Vector or matrix calculus (derivatives mostly)

1. vector  $\rightarrow$  scalar

$u = f(x)$ , where  $u$  is a scalar,  $x$  is a column vector and

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_p \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_p \end{bmatrix},$$

then

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_p} \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Thm

Let  $u = a^T x$  and  $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p)^T$  is a constant vector, then

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = a,$$

i.e.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x_1} = a_1.$$

**Thm**

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