

- Matrix Vector Multiplication

Want $\underline{x} \rightarrow \boxed{A} \rightarrow \underline{y} = A\underline{x}$ for $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$
 $\underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

. ~~Dot~~ Inner Product View

e.g.

$$\underline{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 \\ 4x_1 + 5x_2 + 6x_3 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\alpha}_1^\top \\ \underline{\alpha}_2^\top \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\alpha}_1^\top \underline{x} \\ \underline{\alpha}_2^\top \underline{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle \underline{\alpha}_1, \underline{x} \rangle \\ \langle \underline{\alpha}_2, \underline{x} \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

□ Note: $\underline{y}_{m \times 1} = A_{m \times n} \underline{x}_{n \times 1}$

□ In general:

$$\underline{y} = A \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\alpha}_1^\top \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\alpha}_m^\top \end{bmatrix} \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\alpha}_1^\top \underline{x} \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\alpha}_m^\top \underline{x} \end{bmatrix}$$

$y_k = \underline{\alpha}_k^\top \underline{x}$ for $k=1, \dots, m$

Dot Product View.

• Alternatively e.g.: Lin. Combos of Cols. of A
View

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{array} \right]_{2 \times 3} \left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right]_{3 \times 1} = \left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 \\ 4x_1 + 5x_2 + 6x_3 \end{array} \right]_{2 \times 1} \\
 & = \left[\begin{array}{c} 1x_1 \\ 4x_1 \end{array} \right] + \left[\begin{array}{c} 2x_2 \\ 5x_2 \end{array} \right] + \left[\begin{array}{c} 3x_3 \\ 6x_3 \end{array} \right] \\
 & = x_1 \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 4 \end{array} \right] + x_2 \left[\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 5 \end{array} \right] + x_3 \left[\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 6 \end{array} \right] \\
 & = x_1 \underline{a}_1 + x_2 \underline{a}_2 + x_3 \underline{a}_3
 \end{aligned}$$

□ In general

$$A = [\underline{a}_1 \dots \underline{a}_n]_{m \times n} \rightarrow A\underline{x} = x_1 \underline{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \underline{a}_n$$

$$\underline{a} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$= \sum_{l=1}^n x_l \underline{a}_l$$

Column-Linear-Combo of Columns of A

View of $A\underline{x}$.

Matrix Multiplication

$$C_{m \times n} = A_{m \times p} B_{p \times n}$$

1) Inner Product View

$$A = [\underline{a}_1, \dots, \underline{a}_k, \dots, \underline{a}_p] = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{a}_k^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{a}_p^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = [\underline{b}_1, \dots, \underline{b}_k, \dots, \underline{b}_n] = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{b}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{b}_k^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{b}_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Inner Product View

$$C = AB = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{a}_k^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{a}_n^T \end{bmatrix} [\underline{b}_1, \dots, \underline{b}_k, \dots, \underline{b}_n]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1^T \underline{b}_1 & \dots & \underline{a}_1^T \underline{b}_k & \dots & \underline{a}_1^T \underline{b}_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \underline{a}_k^T \underline{b}_1 & \dots & \underline{a}_k^T \underline{b}_k & \dots & \underline{a}_k^T \underline{b}_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \underline{a}_n^T \underline{b}_1 & \dots & \underline{a}_n^T \underline{b}_k & \dots & \underline{a}_n^T \underline{b}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{k \times l} = \underline{a}_k^T \underline{b}_l$$

$$k \in \{1, \dots, m\}$$

$$l \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

e.g. $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 2 & 1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 5 \\ 4 \cdot 0 + 5 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 2 & 4 \cdot 3 + 5 \cdot 4 + 6 \cdot 5 \end{bmatrix}$

2) Cols. of C viewed as lin. combos. of cols of A .

$$C = AB$$

Consider: $c_1 = Ab_1 \dots c_2 = Ab_2 \dots c_n = Ab_n$

$$\begin{aligned} [c_1 \dots c_2 \dots c_n] &= [Ab_1 \dots Ab_2 \dots Ab_n] \\ &= A [\underbrace{b_1 \dots b_2 \dots b_n}_B] \end{aligned}$$

$$c_2 = Ab_2 = [\underline{a_1} \dots \underline{a_r} \dots \underline{a_p}] \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,2} \\ \vdots \\ b_{r,2} \\ \vdots \\ b_{p,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= b_{1,2} \underline{a_1} + \dots + b_{r,2} \underline{a_r} + \dots + b_{p,2} \underline{a_p}$$

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e.g. $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \left[\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}}_{c_1} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \right] \left[\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}}_{c_2} \right]$$

3) Rows of C viewed as lin. combos. of the rows of B .

$$C = AB$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{\sigma}_1^T \\ \underline{\sigma}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\sigma}_m^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\alpha}_1^T \\ \underline{\alpha}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\alpha}_m^T \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\alpha}_1^T B \\ \underline{\alpha}_2^T B \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\alpha}_m^T B \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underline{\sigma}_k^T$ = k^{th} row of C

$$\underline{\sigma}_k^T = \underline{\sigma}_k^T B = [\underline{\alpha}_{k1} \dots \underline{\alpha}_{kr} \dots \underline{\alpha}_{kp}] \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\beta}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\beta}_r^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\beta}_p^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\sigma}_k^T &= \underline{\alpha}_{k1} \underline{\beta}_1^T + \dots + \underline{\alpha}_{kr} \underline{\beta}_r^T + \underline{\alpha}_{kp} \underline{\beta}_p^T \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^p \underline{\alpha}_{kr} \underline{\beta}_r^T \end{aligned}$$

e.g. $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} [1[03] + 2[14] + 3[25]] \\ [4[03] + 5[14] + 6[25]] \end{bmatrix}$$

- 4th View

Details: Outer Product (Dyadic Product)

$$\underline{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} \quad \underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}$$

$$\underline{\underline{ab}}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 8 & 10 \\ 12 & 15 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 [4 5] \\ 2 [4 5] \\ 3 [4 5] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} & 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

→ In general:

$$4) \quad \underline{\underline{ab}}^T = \underline{a} [\underline{b}_1 \dots \underline{b}_n] = [\underline{a} \underline{b}_1 \dots \underline{a} \underline{b}_n]_{m \times n}$$

only 1 indep. col. All others are scalar multiples.

Now, $C = AB$ viewed as sum of outer products of cols. of A & rows of B .

$$C = [\underline{a}_1 \dots \underline{a}_r \dots \underline{a}_p] \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\beta}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\beta}_r^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\beta}_p^T \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{\beta}_r \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad \underline{\beta}, \underline{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$= \underline{a}_1 \underline{\beta}_1^T + \dots + \underline{a}_r \underline{\beta}_r^T + \dots + \underline{a}_p \underline{\beta}_p^T \quad \underline{a}_r \underline{\beta}_r^T$$

$$C = \sum_{k=1}^p \underline{a}_k \underline{\beta}_k^T$$

4) cont'd

e.g. $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} [0 \ 3] + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} [1 \ 4] + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} [2 \ 5]$$

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Concept	Symbolic notation	Index (Einstein) notation
Vector-matrix product	$y = Ax$ wikipedia	$y_i = \sum_j a_{ij}x_j$ or $y_i = a_{ij}x_j$ brown
Inner product	$x^T y$ wikipedia	$\sum_i x_i y_i = x_i y_i$ brown
Quadratic form	$x^T A x$ wikipedia	$\sum_{i,j} a_{ij} x_i x_j = a_{ij} x_i x_j$ brown
Trace/Frobenius	$\text{tr}(A^T B)$ math.uwaterloo	$\sum_{i,j} a_{ij} b_{ij}$ brown
Jacobian of linear map	$\frac{\partial(Ax)}{\partial x} = A$ (numerator layout) wikipedia	$\frac{\partial y_i}{\partial x_k} = a_{ik}$ so the Jacobian has entries a_{ik} wikipedia

3 Matrix Multiplication

— **Definition 3** Let \mathbf{A} be $m \times n$, and \mathbf{B} be $n \times p$, and let the product \mathbf{AB} be

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB} \quad (3)$$

then \mathbf{C} is a $m \times p$ matrix, with element (i, j) given by

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj} \quad (4)$$

for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$.

— **Proposition 1** Let \mathbf{A} be $m \times n$, and \mathbf{x} be $n \times 1$, then the typical element of the product

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{Ax} \quad (5)$$

is given by

$$z_i = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} x_k \quad (6)$$

— for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Similarly, let \mathbf{y} be $m \times 1$, then the typical element of the product

$$\mathbf{z}^T = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \quad (7)$$

is given by

$$z_i = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ki} y_k = (\mathbf{A}^T)_{ik} y_k \quad (8)$$

— for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Finally, the scalar resulting from the product

$$\alpha = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{Ax} \quad (9)$$

is given by

$$\alpha = \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n a_{jk} y_j x_k \quad (10)$$

Proof: These are merely direct applications of Definition 3. q.e.d.

Proposition 2 Let \mathbf{A} be $m \times n$, and \mathbf{B} be $n \times p$, and let the product \mathbf{AB} be

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB} \quad (11)$$

then

$$\mathbf{C}^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T \quad (12)$$

Proof: The typical element of \mathbf{C} is given by

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj} \quad (13)$$

By definition, the typical element of \mathbf{C}^T , say d_{ij} , is given by

$$d_{ij} = c_{ji} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{jk} b_{ki} = \sum_{k=1}^n b_{ki} a_{jk} \quad (14)$$

Hence,

$$\mathbf{C}^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T = \sum_{k=1}^n (\mathbf{B}^T)_{ik} (\mathbf{A}^T)_{kj} \quad (15)$$

q.e.d.

5 Matrix Differentiation

In the following discussion I will differentiate matrix quantities with respect to the elements of the referenced matrices. Although no new concept is required to carry out such operations, the element-by-element calculations involve cumbersome manipulations and, thus, it is useful to derive the necessary results and have them readily available ².

Convention 3

Let

$$\mathbf{y} = \psi(\mathbf{x}), \quad (23)$$

where \mathbf{y} is an m -element vector, and \mathbf{x} is an n -element vector. The symbol

$\psi(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

will denote the $m \times n$ matrix of first-order partial derivatives of the transformation from \mathbf{x} to \mathbf{y} . Such a matrix is called the Jacobian matrix of the transformation $\psi()$.

Notice that if \mathbf{x} is actually a scalar in Convention 3 then the resulting Jacobian matrix is a $m \times 1$ matrix; that is, a single column (a vector). On the other hand, if \mathbf{y} is actually a scalar in Convention 3 then the resulting Jacobian matrix is a $1 \times n$ matrix; that is, a single row (the transpose of a vector).

Almost—more precisely, a Jacobian is the $m \times n$ matrix of first-order partial derivatives of a vector-valued map $\psi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, arranged with the i -th row equal to the gradient of the i -th output component and the j -th column giving sensitivities with respect to x_j across outputs. Beyond being “elementwise derivatives,” the Jacobian represents the linear map (the differential) that best approximates ψ near a point: $\psi(\mathbf{x}) \approx \psi(\mathbf{x}_0) + J\psi(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)$ for \mathbf{x} near \mathbf{x}_0 . When $m=1$, the Jacobian reduces to the row form of the gradient; when $n=m$ and one takes its determinant, that determinant is the “Jacobian” used in change of variables. [wikipedia +2](#)

Proposition 5 Let

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \quad (25)$$

where \mathbf{y} is $m \times 1$, \mathbf{x} is $n \times 1$, \mathbf{A} is $m \times n$, and \mathbf{A} does not depend on \mathbf{x} , then

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A} \quad (26)$$

Proof: Since the i th element of \mathbf{y} is given by

$$y_i = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} x_k \quad \text{Def 3, Prop 1} \quad (27)$$

it follows that

$$\frac{\partial y_i}{\partial x_j} = a_{ij} \quad (28)$$

for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Hence

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A} \quad (29)$$

q.e.d.

Proposition 6 Let

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \quad (30)$$

where \mathbf{y} is $m \times 1$, \mathbf{x} is $n \times 1$, \mathbf{A} is $m \times n$, and \mathbf{A} does not depend on \mathbf{x} , as in Proposition 5. Suppose that \mathbf{x} is a function of the vector \mathbf{z} , while \mathbf{A} is independent of \mathbf{z} . Then

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{A} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} \quad (31)$$

Proof: Since the i th element of \mathbf{y} is given by

$$y_i = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} x_k \quad (32)$$

for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, it follows that

$$\frac{\partial y_i}{\partial z_j} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial z_j} \quad (33)$$

but the right hand side of the above is simply element (i, j) of $\mathbf{A} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{z}}$. Hence

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{A} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} \quad (34)$$

q.e.d.

Chain rule holds

Proposition 7 Let the scalar α be defined by

$$\alpha = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} \quad (35)$$

where \mathbf{y} is $m \times 1$, \mathbf{x} is $n \times 1$, \mathbf{A} is $m \times n$, and \mathbf{A} is independent of \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} , then

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \quad (36)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \quad (37)$$

Proof: Define

$$\mathbf{w}^T = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \quad (38)$$

and note that

$$\alpha = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (39)$$

Hence, by Proposition 5 we have that

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{w}^T = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \quad (40)$$

which is the first result. Since α is a scalar, we can write


$$\alpha = \alpha^T = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} \quad (41)$$

and applying Proposition 5 as before we obtain

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \quad (42)$$

q.e.d.

HW 0 Answers...

Proposition 8 For the special case in which the scalar α is given by the quadratic form

$$\alpha = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} \quad (43)$$

where \mathbf{x} is $n \times 1$, \mathbf{A} is $n \times n$, and \mathbf{A} does not depend on \mathbf{x} , then

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}^T (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T) \quad (44)$$

Proof: By definition

$$\alpha = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Def 3} \\ \text{Prop 1} \end{matrix} \quad (45)$$

Differentiating with respect to the k th element of \mathbf{x} we have

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x_k} = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{kj} x_j + \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ik} x_i \quad \begin{matrix} i \text{ or } j \text{ must} \\ = k \text{ for } x_j \text{ or } x_i \\ \text{to survive, respectively} \end{matrix} \quad (46)$$

for all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, and consequently,

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \underbrace{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T}_{=\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{x}^T (\mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{A}) \quad (47)$$

q.e.d.

Proposition 9 For the special case where \mathbf{A} is a symmetric matrix and

$$\alpha = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} \quad (48)$$

where \mathbf{x} is $n \times 1$, \mathbf{A} is $n \times n$, and \mathbf{A} does not depend on \mathbf{x} , then

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = 2 \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \quad (49)$$

Proof: This is an obvious application of Proposition 8. q.e.d.