

part I: Linear Algebra

Some notations: A is matrix with m rows and n columns, $A_{m \times n} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

A_{ij} is the (i,j) th element of A , A^T is the transpose of A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n],$$

with $a_i = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1i} \\ a_{2i} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mi} \end{bmatrix}$

$a_i^T = [a_{i1}, a_{i2}, \dots, a_{in}]$, the i th row of A

the i th column of A .

• $C = AB$, where $A_{m \times k}$, $B_{k \times n}$, we have $C_{ij} = a_i^T \cdot b_j$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

• $C = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \cdot b_i^T$, outer-product formulation

• $(A \cdot B)^T = (B^T \cdot A^T)$, where $A_{m \times k}$, $B_{k \times n}$ are not necessarily square

• $A \cdot A^{-1} = A^{-1} \cdot A = I$, where A must be square matrix and non-singular

• $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$

Short proof: $\because (A \cdot A^{-1})^T = I^T = I$

$$\therefore (A^{-1})^T \cdot A^T = I \Rightarrow (A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1} //$$

Some special Matrices :

- ① Identity matrix, Let $A = I_N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, whose diagonal elements are all "1"s and off diagonal elements are all zeros.
- ② Symmetric matrix: Let A be a square matrix, we call it a symmetric matrix if $A = A^T$.
- ③ Idempotent matrix: Let A be a square matrix, that satisfies $A = A \cdot A$, then A is called a idempotent matrix.
- ④ orthonormal matrix: Let A be a square matrix, we call it orthonormal matrix if $A^T \cdot A = I$, which also implies $A^{-1} = A^T$.
- ⑤ positive Semi-definite matrix: A is said to be a positive semi-definite matrix if it is satisfied that:
(a) $A = A^T$ (b) $y^T \cdot A \cdot y \geq 0$, for any $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$.
- ⑥ positive definite matrix: A is said to be a positive definite matrix if (a) $A = A^T$ (b) $y^T A y > 0$, for any $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$
 $y \neq 0$

Trace & Determinant

(apply to square matrices)

- Definition of trace: Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. The trace of A , denoted by $\text{tr}(A)$, is defined to be the sum of the diagonal elements of A , i.e., $\text{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Summation $\rightarrow \text{tr}(A)$

- properties:

① For $B_{m \times n}$, $C_{n \times m}$, we have $\text{tr}(B \cdot C) = \text{tr}(C \cdot B)$

② For $B_{m \times n}$, $C_{n \times q}$, $D_{q \times m}$, we have

$$\text{tr}(BCD) = \text{tr}(DBC) = \text{tr}(CDB)$$

Cyclic property

③ For $A_{n \times n}$, $B_{n \times n}$, we have $\text{tr}(\alpha \cdot A + \beta \cdot B) = \alpha \text{tr}(A) + \beta \text{tr}(B)$
where α, β are constant scalars.

trace is a linear operator.

properties of determinant and rank

• $|AB| = |A| |B|$, where A and B are $n \times n$ matrices (NOT very easy to prove!)

• $|A^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|A|}$, A is non-singular $\Rightarrow A^{-1}$ exists

Proof: $A^{-1}A = I \Rightarrow |A^{-1}A| = |A^{-1}| |A| = |I| = 1 \Rightarrow |A^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|A|}$

• $|A| = |A^T|$

• $|\alpha A| = \alpha^n |A|$

Rank of a matrix A of size $m \times n$.

Def: The dimension of the row space and the column space of the matrix A is called the rank of A , denoted by $\text{rank}(A)$

properties: • $\text{rank}(A) \leq \min(m, n)$

• If $\text{rank}(A) = \min(m, n) \Rightarrow A$ is of full rank!

• If $\text{rank}(A) < \min(m, n) \Rightarrow A$ is rank deficient!

Vector Norm.

① L2 norm of $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n]^T$ is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \triangleq \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$$

and L2 norm is also often referred as Euclidean norm.

② L1 norm of $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$ is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_n|$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$$

Vector norms will be used when we talk about regularized least-squares.

Some other interesting norms that you may see in the literature:

③ L_0 norm of $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$ is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_0 = \#(i \mid x_i \neq 0) ,$$

i.e., equal to the number of non-zero entries of \mathbf{x} .

④ L_∞ norm of $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$ is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = \max_i \{ |x_i| \} ,$$

i.e., equal to the maximum entry's magnitude of the vector \mathbf{x} .

Subspace : def : a set $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ is called a subspace if for any $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$,
 $x, y \in S \Rightarrow \alpha x + \beta y \in S$

well-known subspaces:

① span: given a collection of vectors $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\text{span}\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \triangleq \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid x = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i a_i, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

② orthogonal Complement subspace:

given a subset $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$

$$S_{\perp} = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid x^T y = 0, \text{ for all } y \in S \}$$

S_{\perp} is an orthogonal Complement subspace of S .

③ range space:

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

$$R(A) \triangleq \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid x = Ay, y \in \mathbb{R}^n \}$$

$$\equiv \text{span}\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$$

proof $\because x = Ay = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \cdot y_i$, where y_i is the i th element of y
and $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$

This corresponds to the definition of span.

④ Null space: given $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $N(A) \triangleq \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = 0 \}$

$$R(A)_{\perp} = N(A^T) ;$$

$$\text{proof: } N(A^T) \triangleq \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid A^T x = 0\}$$

$$R(A) \triangleq \{\tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid \tilde{x} = Ay, y \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

$$\because \tilde{x}^T x = y^T A^T x = 0 \text{ for all } x \in N(A^T)$$

$$\therefore N_{\perp}(A^T) = R(A)$$

Derivatives:

Suppose ① $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ is a scalar-valued function of a scalar argument x .

② $f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ is a scalar-valued function of an n -vector argument $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$. Sometimes, we write out the n scalar arguments, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n :

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

③ $f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a vector-valued function of an n -vector argument \mathbf{x} . We can write $f(\mathbf{x})$ as

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ f_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix}$$

where $f_i(\mathbf{x})$ is a scalar-valued function of $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$.

The above three cases are more often seen. However, a complete list of all cases are given in the next page. As a short summary, we may have

① $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$

④ $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

② $f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$

⑤ $f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

③ $f(\mathbf{X}) : \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$

⑥ $f(\mathbf{X}) : \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

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$X: \mathbb{R}^1$	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, scalar	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, column vector $n \times 1$	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, $m \times n$ matrix
$X: \mathbb{R}^n$	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, column vector $n \times 1$	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, $n \times n$ matrix	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, hard
$X: \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, $m \times n$ matrix	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, difficult	$\frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X}$, hard

Part II : Statistics

1. Expectation and Covariance matrix

Let us first assume an n -vector $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$ is ^a random vector, that follows the probability density function ^(pdf) $p(\mathbf{x})$.

1.1 The expected value of \mathbf{x} is given by

$$\mathbf{M} \triangleq E(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x} \cdot p(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

The n -vector $\mathbf{M} = [M_1, M_2, \dots, M_n]^T$, whose elements are given by

$$M_i \triangleq \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}}_{n \text{ times}} x_i p(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_i p(x_i) dx_i$$

where $p(x_i)$ is the marginal distribution of $p(\mathbf{x})$ ^{the joint distribution}.

1.2

The covariance matrix \mathbf{K} associated with a real random vector \mathbf{x} is given by

$$\mathbf{K} \triangleq \text{cov}(\mathbf{x}) = E[(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{M})(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{M})^T],$$

Where the (i, j) th component of \mathbf{K} is

$$K_{ij} \triangleq E[(x_i - M_i)(x_j - M_j)]$$

It is easy to verify that K is a symmetric matrix with

$$K_{ij} = K_{ji} \quad (\text{pls verify this point by yourself!})$$

Next, Let us introduce some short-hand notations, as follows:

$$K_{ij} \triangleq \begin{cases} \sigma_{ij} & , \text{ if } i \neq j \\ \sigma_i^2 & , \text{ if } i = j \end{cases}$$

then the matrix K can be written as

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2, \sigma_{12}, \sigma_{13}, \dots, \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21}, \sigma_2^2, \sigma_{23}, \dots, \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1}, \sigma_{n2}, \dots, \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where the diagonal terms all are variances $\cdot E[(x_i - \mu_i)(x_i - \mu_i)]$, which you have learned in the probability theory where uni-variate random variable is introduced.

Note that: don't confuse the covariance matrix K with the correlation matrix R , which is given by $R \triangleq E[xx^T]$.

It is easy to verify that $K = R - \mu\mu^T$.

2. uncorrelated random vectors
orthogonal random vectors
independent random vectors

Definition: Consider two real n -random vectors x and y with respective mean vectors μ_x, μ_y , and pdfs $p(x), p(y)$.

- ① If the expected value of their outer product satisfies

$$E[xy^T] = \mu_x \mu_y^T,$$

then x and y are said to be uncorrelated.

- ② If

$$E[xy^T] = 0_{n \times n} \quad (\text{a zero-matrix}),$$

then x and y are said to be orthogonal.

- ③ If the joint pdf of x and y , defined as $p(x, y)$, satisfies

$$p(x, y) = p(x) \cdot p(y),$$

then x and y are said to be independent.

Remarks:

- ① Independence \Rightarrow uncorrelatedness
② uncorrelatedness \nRightarrow independence
③ For multi-variate Gaussian RVs, independence \Leftrightarrow uncorrelatedness.

Exercise: Show that the covariance matrix K is positive semi-definite (PSD).

3 Gaussian distributed RV

3.1 univariate case

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}'$ be a Gaussian distributed random variable, with the pdf $p(x; \mu, \sigma^2)$ given by

$$p(x) = \underline{N(x; \mu, \sigma^2)} \triangleq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right].$$

The expected mean is given by

$$\mu = E(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}'} x p(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}'} x \cdot N(x; \mu, \sigma^2) dx$$

$$\sigma^2 = E[(x-\mu)^2] = \int_{\mathbb{R}'} (x-\mu)^2 p(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}'} (x-\mu)^2 \cdot N(x; \mu, \sigma^2) dx$$

3.2 multi-variate case

Let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be a Gaussian distributed n-vector random variable, with the pdf $p(\mathbf{x})$

given by

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = N(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \triangleq \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^n \cdot |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})\right]$$

The expected mean and the covariance matrix are given by

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = E(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x} \cdot N(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = E\left\{(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T\right\} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T \cdot p(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T N(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) d\mathbf{x}$$

Multi-variate Gaussian Random Variable :

Theorem 1: If Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_N are jointly Gaussian and mutually independent
i.e. $p(Y_1, Y_2) = p(Y_1) \cdot p(Y_2)$, then they are mutually uncorrelated.

Theorem 2: If Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_N are jointly Gaussian and mutually uncorrelated,
i.e. $E(Y_1 Y_2) = E(Y_1) \cdot E(Y_2)$, then they are mutually independent.
or $\text{Cor}(Y_1, Y_2) = 0$

Theorem 3: If Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_N are jointly Gaussian and mutually uncorrelated,

$$\text{then } \text{Cov}(\underline{Y}) = \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Var}(Y_1) & & & \\ & \text{Var}(Y_2) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \text{Var}(Y_N) \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark: When the elements of a multivariate Gaussian random vector $X = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n]$ are mutually uncorrelated, then the covariance matrix Σ is a diagonal matrix, i.e.,

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} E \{ (X_i - \mu_i)(X_j - \mu_j) \} = 0, & i \neq j, \\ E \{ (X_i - \mu_i)^2 \} = \sigma_i^2, & i = j. \end{cases}$$