

1. Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} both be $n \times n$ and assume that there is an invertible matrix \mathbf{S} such that \mathbf{SAS}^{-1} and \mathbf{SBS}^{-1} are both diagonal (but not necessarily equal). Prove that $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$.
2. Suppose that \mathbf{A} is symmetric and positive definite, while \mathbf{B} is symmetric. Prove that there is a real invertible matrix \mathbf{S} such that

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{D})\mathbf{S}^T$$

where \mathbf{D} is diagonal.

3. Suppose that \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are both $n \times n$. Prove that \mathbf{AB} and \mathbf{BA} have the same eigenvalues.
4. Suppose that \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are both symmetric and positive definite. Prove that \mathbf{AB} has real, positive eigenvalues. (Hint: Show that \mathbf{AB} is similar to a symmetric and positive definite matrix.)
5. Suppose that $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a symmetric matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$. (Note that m can be $\leq n$.) Prove that

$$\mathbf{L} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{P}_1 + \dots + \lambda_m \mathbf{P}_m$$

6. Prove that if \mathbf{A} is invertible (and, for simplicity, real), then there is an orthogonal matrix \mathbf{U} and a symmetric and positive definite matrix \mathbf{E} such that $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{UE}$. This is analogous to writing complex numbers in polar form $x + iy = \rho e^{i\theta}$. Show that if \mathbf{A} is square but not invertible then there is a similar factorization but with \mathbf{E} being symmetric and non-negative definite.
7. Let $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{SAS}^{-1}$ be diagonalizable. Find a symmetric positive definite matrix \mathbf{K} that defines an inner product $\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \vec{x}^T \mathbf{K} \vec{y}$ such that \mathbf{A} commutes with its \mathbf{K} -adjoint.
8. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ have full column rank. Prove that $\|\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1}\|_2 = 1/\sigma_n$ where σ_n is the n^{th} singular value of \mathbf{A} . (Note that \mathbf{A}^{-1} is not defined, so your proof cannot use \mathbf{A}^{-1} .)
where \mathbf{P}_i is an orthogonal projection matrix that projects orthogonally onto the nullspace of $\mathbf{L} - \lambda_i \mathbf{I}$.