

Linear Algebra, Data Science, and Machine Learning

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Errata

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- Page 141: Equation with $R \circ S$ on left hand side:

Change $\mathbf{u}_j \mathbf{u}_j^T$ to $\mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T$.

- Page 188: Proof of Theorem 6.9:

Change $b = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{f}$ to $b = -\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{f}$.

- Page 205, Exercise 4.8:

Change A to H twice:

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k - \alpha_k (H \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{r}_k = H \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}.$$

- Page 213:

Change x to \mathbf{x} on the line immediately below Eq. (6.79).

- Page 214: Definition 6.32:

Change the definition to read “is the $n \times n$ self-adjoint matrix defined by the inequality”.

- Page 225: Equation 6.109:

Change μ^2 to μ .

- Page 275: Equation 7.62:

Change the equation to read

$$\min_{\substack{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ b \in \mathbb{R}}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \mid y_i(\mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{w} - b) \geq 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \right\}.$$

- Page 275: Equation 7.63:

Change the equation to read

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \left\{ \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \mid \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{w} - b \geq 1, \quad \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{w} + b \geq 1 \right\}.$$

- Page 306: Theorem 7.22:

The assumptions on convexity/concavity of F should be switched, and D must be nonempty. Also, while the result in Fan [72] holds for nonconvex sets D , Fan has a more general notion of convex/concave functions than we have given in the book, so to be more clear we also assume D is convex. The correct statement of the theorem should read:

Theorem 7.22: Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ be convex, compact, i.e., closed and bounded, and nonempty. Let $F: D \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous, and suppose that $F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is convex as a function of \mathbf{y} for each fixed $\mathbf{x} \in D$, while $F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is concave, i.e., $-F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is convex, as a function of \mathbf{x} for each fixed $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then,

$$\min_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \max_{\mathbf{x} \in D} F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \max_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \min_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n} F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}).$$

As a side note, Theorem 7.22 is one place in the book where the minimum is really an infimum.

- Page 307: Equation (7.112):

Change $\sum_{i=1}^n$ to $\sum_{i=1}^m$.

- Page 307: Remark 7.23:

Replace “exactly those” with “a subset of the”.

- Page 309:

Change $\sum_{i=1}^n$ to $\sum_{i=1}^m$.

- Page 320: Theorem 8.4:

The formula for \mathbf{q}_i should read $\mathbf{q}_i = \lambda_i^{-1/2} Z^T \mathbf{p}_i$.

- Page 333: Equation (8.33):

Change Q to Q^T .

- Page 333: Equation (8.34):

Change Q_k to Q_k^T .

- Page 346, Exercise 4.1:

Delete “How does the accuracy change with the number of principal components used?”

- Page 541, Eq. (10.94):

Remove extra left parenthesis, so equation should read

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - |x_i|)_+.$$

- Page 543, line -6:

Remove first “the” in “...it is the only the lower intrinsic...”.

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