

CS365 Written Assignment 1

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Due

Question 1

1. Let $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{AB}$ where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$. Let \vec{a}_i be the i^{th} row of \mathbf{A} and \vec{b}_j be the j^{th} column of \mathbf{B} . Then, the ij^{th} entry of \mathbf{X} is given by

$$X_{ij} = \vec{a}_i \cdot \vec{b}_j \quad \text{definition of matrix multiplication}$$

$$X_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik} \cdot B_{kj} \quad \text{definition of dot product}$$

Differentiating w.r.t. A_{lp} gives:

$$\frac{\partial X_{ij}}{\partial A_{lp}} = \frac{\partial (\sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik} \cdot B_{kj})}{\partial A_{lp}} \quad \text{from previous result}$$

2. TODO

3. First, we find the scalar equation for the L_p norm of \vec{x} .

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{x}\|_p^p &= \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right]^p && \text{definition of } L_p \text{ norm} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p && \text{simplifying} \end{aligned}$$

Then, differentiating w.r.t. x_i gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \|\vec{x}\|_p^p}{\partial x_i} &= p|x_i|^{p-1} \cdot \text{sign}(x_i) && \text{chain rule} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \|\vec{x}\|_p}{\partial \vec{x}} &= \left[\frac{\partial \|\vec{x}\|_p^p}{\partial x_1} \quad \frac{\partial \|\vec{x}\|_p^p}{\partial x_2} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial \|\vec{x}\|_p^p}{\partial x_n} \right] && \text{writing derivative in vector form} \\ &= [p|x_1|^{p-1} \cdot \text{sgn}(x_1) \quad \dots \quad p|x_n|^{p-1} \cdot \text{sgn}(x_n)] && \text{substituting previous result} \end{aligned}$$

4. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. First, we find the scalar equation for $\vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x} &= [\vec{x} \cdot \vec{a}_1 \quad \vec{x} \cdot \vec{a}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \vec{x} \cdot \vec{a}_n] \cdot \vec{x} && \text{definition of matrix multiplication} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{a}_i) x_i && \text{definition of dot product} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n A_{ji} x_j \right) x_i && \text{expanding } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{a}_i \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ji} x_j x_i && \text{simplifying}
\end{aligned}$$

Then, differentiating w.r.t. x_k gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial x_k} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ji} \frac{\partial (x_j x_i)}{\partial x_k} && \text{linearity of differentiation} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ki} x_i + \sum_{j=1}^n A_{jk} x_j && \text{only terms with } i = k \text{ or } j = k \text{ remain} \\
\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial \vec{x}} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} && \text{writing derivative in vector form} \\
&= [\sum_i A_{1i} x_i + \sum_j A_{j1} x_j \quad \cdots \quad \sum_i A_{ni} x_i + \sum_j A_{jn} x_j] && \text{substituting previous result} \\
&= [\sum_i A_{1i} x_i \quad \cdots \quad \sum_i A_{ni} x_i] + [\sum_j A_{j1} x_j \quad \cdots \quad \sum_j A_{jn} x_j] && \text{separating the sums} \\
&= \mathbf{A} \vec{x} + \mathbf{A}^T \vec{x} && \text{rewriting in matrix form} \\
&= (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T) \vec{x} && \text{factoring out } \vec{x}
\end{aligned}$$

5. Using the result from part (d), we have:

$$\vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x} = \sum_i \sum_j A_{ji} x_j x_i \quad \text{from part (d)}$$

Differentiating w.r.t. A_{kl} gives:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{kl}} = \sum_i \sum_j \frac{\partial (A_{ji} x_j x_i)}{\partial A_{kl}}$$

linearity of differentiation

$$= x_l x_k$$

only the term with $j = k$ and $i = l$ remains

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{11}} & \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{12}} & \dots & \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{1n}} \\ \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{21}} & \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{22}} & \dots & \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{2n}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{n1}} & \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{n2}} & \dots & \frac{\partial \vec{x}^T \mathbf{A} \vec{x}}{\partial A_{nn}} \end{bmatrix}$$

writing derivative in matrix form

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 x_1 & x_1 x_2 & \dots & x_1 x_n \\ x_2 x_1 & x_2 x_2 & \dots & x_2 x_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n x_1 & x_n x_2 & \dots & x_n x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

substituting previous result

$$= \vec{x} \vec{x}^T$$

rewriting in vector form

Question 3

1. Let $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a symmetric matrix. Suppose \mathbf{M} has eigenvectors \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 with distinct eigenvalues λ_1, λ_2 . We will show that these eigenvectors are orthogonal, i.e. $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 0$. Consider:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{M}\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 &= \vec{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{M}^T \vec{v}_2 && \text{given lemma} \\
 \Rightarrow \mathbf{M}\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 &= \vec{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{M}\vec{v}_2 && \text{since } \mathbf{M} \text{ is symmetric} \\
 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 &= \lambda_2 \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 && \text{definition of eigenvector} \\
 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 - \lambda_2 \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 &= 0 && \text{rearranging} \\
 \Rightarrow (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) &= 0 && \text{factoring} \\
 \Rightarrow \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 &= 0 && \text{since } \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, eigenvectors of a square symmetric matrix with distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal.

2. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ be any matrix. We will show that $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ and $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are symmetric. Consider:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T)^T &= (\mathbf{A}^T)^T \mathbf{A}^T && \text{transpose of a matrix product} \\
 &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T && \text{double transpose} \\
 \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T &\text{ is symmetric by definition}
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, consider:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A})^T &= \mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{A})^T && \text{transpose of a matrix product} \\
 &= \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A} && \text{double transpose} \\
 \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A} &\text{ is symmetric by definition}
 \end{aligned}$$