

I) Linear Algebra Review

1)

We know that for a PSD matrix M ,

$$v^T M v \geq 0 \quad (\forall v \in \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow ①$$

Let λ be an eigenvalue of M

Then,

there exists an eigenvector $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, s.t.

$$Mv = \lambda v \rightarrow ②$$

Multiplying ② by v^T , we get

$$v^T M v = \lambda v^T v$$

From ①, we know that $v^T M v \geq 0$

Thus, $\lambda v^T v \geq 0$

Since $v^T v$ is positive for all v , it implies that λ is non-negative.

Hence, Proved.

2)

$$\text{Given: } M_{ij} = -\rho \quad \forall i \neq j$$

$$M_{ii} = 1 \quad \forall i = j$$

A positive correlation matrix is a square matrix with all diagonal elements as 1, and all other elements lie between 1 and -1.

Thus $|\rho| \leq 1$ for M to be a valid correlation matrix.

3)

i) Consider 'n' independent random variables

$$\mathbf{z} = [z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n]$$

ii) A correlation matrix can be decomposed using Cholesky Decomposition, where

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{V}$$

where, \mathbf{V} = lower triangular matrix.

iii) Compute matrix \mathbf{V} , where,

Diagonal elements of \mathbf{V} :

$$v_{j,j} = \sqrt{c_{j,j} - \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} (v_{j,k})^2}$$

and non-diagonal elements of \mathbf{V} :

$$v_{i,j} = \frac{c_{i,j} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} (v_{j,k})^2}{v_{j,j}}$$

iv) This comp recursive substitution can be easily done by in-built functions (`.linalg.cholesky()` in python)

v) Compute correlated random variables

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{z}$$

The random variables \mathbf{x} will have the desired correlation matrix \mathbf{C} .

4)

a) False.

Correlation is a measure of "linear" association.

Counterexample 1:

→ Consider the relation between x and y are related through a polynomial or trigonometric relationship.

$$y = x^3 \text{ or } y = \sin x$$

even though y is strongly dependent on x , their correlation is close to zero.

→ Consider temperature and ice-cream sales. They're dependent, but ~~not~~ not linearly, so correlation might be 0.

b) False.

Just because 2 variables are related, does not mean one causes the other.

Counterexample:

Height and weight of people are highly correlated, but one doesn't cause the other, they are simply related.

- It is important to look at other factors for causal analysis.

c) False.

A correlation matrix gets affected by scaling X .

Counterexample:

If the original random variable X is ~~scaled~~, centered, the mean of each variable will change, and so will C .

~~If~~ If X is changed to X -centered, the new correlation matrix will be

$$C\text{-centered} = \frac{\mathbf{x}_{\text{centered}}^T \mathbf{x}_{\text{centered}}}{(n-1)}, n = \text{no. of obs.}$$

Similarly, if X is scaled by a factor k , the new correlation matrix will change as standard deviation of each variable will change.

$$C\text{-scaled} = \frac{(k\mathbf{x})^T k\mathbf{x}}{n-1} = k^2 C$$

New correlation matrix will change by a factor of k^2 .

Vector Calculus

1) $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T A x + b^T x$, A : symmetric
 $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{1}{2} x^T A x \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (b^T x) \\&= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^T A x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (b^T x) \\&= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^T A) \cdot x + b^T \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x) \\&= \frac{1}{2} A^T x + \frac{1}{2} x^T A + b\end{aligned}$$

* $A^T = A$, A is symmetric

$$\Rightarrow x^T A + b^T x = x^T A$$

$\Rightarrow \nabla f(x) = Ax + b$ ($A^T = A$, A is symmetric)

$$\begin{aligned}2) \quad \nabla^2 f(x) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (Ax + b) \\&= A\end{aligned}$$

$$2) \quad f(u, \lambda) = u^T X^T X u - \lambda u^T u$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (u^\top x^\top x u) - \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (x u^\top u) = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 f(u) = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (u^T x^T x u) - \lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (u^T u) = 0$$

$$= x^T x \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (u^T u) - \lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (u^T u) =$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^T x v = 120 \quad (\text{Product Rule for } v^T x v)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x^T x) v = (f \lambda) v \text{ or } b$$

$$\underline{\underline{(X^T X)}} \underline{\underline{U}} = \underline{\underline{(A)}} \underline{\underline{U}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

In Equation 1, we see a relationship similar to a matrix & eigenvectors.

$$\underline{Ax = \lambda x} \quad J + R \quad \text{c}$$

U is the eigenvector for matrix $X^T X$,
 λ is the eigenvalue.

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$$(A + \lambda I)^{-1} = A^{-1} - \lambda^{-1} A^{-1} I$$

II) Simple Linear Regression

1)

Prove : Regression line passes through (\bar{x}, \bar{y})

$$\text{let } Y = a + bX$$

The regression line minimizes the least square sum residuals, i.e.,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - (a + bX_i))^2 \text{ is minimum.} \rightarrow ①$$

We know that a minimum occurs when $\frac{\partial}{\partial a}$ & $\frac{\partial}{\partial b} = 0$

Partially differentiating ① w.r.t x and y we get,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - (a + bX_i)) = 0 \quad \& \quad \sum_{i=1}^n X_i(Y_i - (a + bX_i)) = 0$$

The first equation can be simplified to

$$\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i = a + b \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

Dividing by n throughout

$$\bar{Y} = a + b \bar{X}$$

Hence, Proved.

2)

Prove : $R^2 = r_{xy}^2$, where $r_{xy} = \text{corr.}(x, y)$

Assume a simple regression model

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$$

Consider estimation using ordinary least squares.

OLS estimates for simple linear regression:

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_x^2}$$

$\rightarrow ①$

$$R^2 = \text{proportion of variation explained in the data}$$

$$= \frac{\text{Explained sum of sq}}{\text{Total sum of sq}} = \frac{ESS}{TSS}$$

then,

$$R^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$$

Applying ②, ①, we get,

$$R^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{\beta}_1 (x_i - \bar{x}))^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$$

$$= \hat{\beta}_1^2 \frac{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = \hat{\beta}_1^2 \frac{S_x^2}{S_y^2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{S_x}{S_y} \hat{\beta}_1 \right)^2 = r_{xy}^2$$

$$\text{Thus, } R^2 = r_{xy}^2$$