Matrix Algebra Marathon

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1 Basic Matrix Identities

1.1 Definition

Definition 1.1.1. The transpose of an $m \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} , to be denoted by A^{T} , is the $n \times m$ matrix whose (j,i)-th entry is (i,j)-th entry of \mathbf{A} . Namely,

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \cdots & A_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m,1} & \cdots & A_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}\right)^{\mathrm{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \cdots & A_{m,1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{1,n} & \cdots & A_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$
(1)

Definition 1.1.2. The inverse of a square $n \times n$ matrix A, to be denoted by A^{-1} , is the $n \times n$ matrix such that

$$A^{-1}A = I_n. (2)$$

The matrix \mathbf{A} is said to be non-singlar if \mathbf{A}^{-1} exists.

1.2 Exercise

Exercise 2.5.2.

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$, $B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$. Show that A(B + C) = AB + AC.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$, \mathbf{B} , $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$. For all $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$, and $j \in \mathbb{N}_n$,

$$egin{aligned} (m{A}(m{B}+m{C}))_{i,j} &= \sum_{k=1}^p m{A}_{i,k}(m{B}+m{C})_{k,j} \ &= \sum_{k=1}^p m{A}(m{B}_{k,j}+m{C}_{k,j}) \ &= \sum_{k=1}^p (m{A}_{i,k}m{B}_{k,j}+m{A}_{i,k}m{C}_{k,j}) \ &= \sum_{k=1}^p m{A}_{i,k}m{B}_{k,j} + \sum_{k=1}^p m{A}_{i,k}m{C}_{k,j} \ &= m{A}m{B}_{i,j}+m{A}m{C}_{i,j} \ &= (m{A}m{B}+m{A}m{C})_{i,j}. \end{aligned}$$

From this A(B+C) = AB + AC follows.

Exercise 2.5.5.

Let $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Show that $(A + B)^{T} = A^{T} + B^{T}$.

Proof. Let $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. For all $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$, and $j \in \mathbb{N}_n$,

$$egin{aligned} \left((oldsymbol{A} + oldsymbol{B})^{\mathrm{T}}
ight)_{i,j} &= (oldsymbol{A} + oldsymbol{B})_{j,i} \ &= oldsymbol{A}_{j,i} + oldsymbol{B}_{j,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \ &= oldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}} + oldsymbol{B}^{\mathrm{T}}_{i,j} \ &= (oldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}} + oldsymbol{B}^{\mathrm{T}})_{i,j}. \end{aligned}$$

From this $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}} + \mathbf{B}^{\mathrm{T}}$ follows.

- Exercise 2.5.7. -

Let $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}, C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$. Show that (A + B)C = AC + BC.

Proof. Let $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}, C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$. For all $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$, and $j \in \mathbb{N}_n$,

$$egin{aligned} ((m{A}+m{B})m{C})_{i,j} &= \sum_{k=1}^p (m{A}+m{B})_{i,k}m{C}_{k,j} \ &= \sum_{k=1}^p (m{A}_{i,k}+m{B}_{i,k})m{C}_{k,j} \ &= \sum_{k=1}^p (m{A}_{i,k}m{C}_{k,j}+m{B}_{i,k}m{C}_{k,j}) \ &= \sum_{k=1}^p (m{A}_{i,k}m{C}_{k,j}) + \sum_{k=1}^p (m{B}_{i,k}m{C}_{k,j}) \ &= (m{A}m{C})_{i,j} + (m{B}m{C})_{i,j} \ &= (m{A}m{C}+m{B}m{C})_{i,j}. \end{aligned}$$

From this (A + B)C = AC + BC follows.

Exercise 2.5.9. —

Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$, and $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q}$. Show that

$$A[B,C] = [AB,AC]. \tag{3}$$

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$, and $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q}$.

$$\mathbf{A}[\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}] = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \cdots & A_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m,1} & \cdots & A_{m,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_{1,1} & \cdots & B_{1,p} & C_{1,1} & \cdots & C_{1,q} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{n,1} & \cdots & B_{n,p} & C_{n,1} & \cdots & C_{n,q} \end{bmatrix} \\
= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{1,i} B_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{1,i} B_{i,p} & \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{1,i} C_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{1,i} C_{i,q} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{m,i} B_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{m,i} B_{i,p} & \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{m,i} C_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{m,i} C_{i,q} \end{bmatrix} \\
= [\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{C}]$$

Exercise 2.5.11. -

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times q}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$, and $D \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times n}$. Show that

$$[A,B]\begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = AC + BD. \tag{4}$$

Proof. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times q}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$, and $D \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times n}$.

$$[A,B] \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \cdots & A_{1,p} & B_{1,1} & \cdots & B_{1,q} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m,1} & \cdots & A_{m,p} & B_{m,1} & \cdots & B_{m,q} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_{1,1} & \cdots & C_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_{p,1} & \cdots & C_{p,n} \\ D_{1,1} & \cdots & D_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ D_{q,1} & \cdots & D_{q,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^{p} A_{1,i}C_{i,1} + \sum_{i=1}^{q} B_{1,i}D_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{p} A_{1,i}C_{i,n} + \sum_{i=1}^{q} B_{1,i}D_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^{p} A_{m,i}C_{i,1} + \sum_{i=1}^{q} B_{m,i}D_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{p} A_{m,i}C_{i,n} + \sum_{i=1}^{q} B_{m,i}D_{i,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^{p} A_{1,i}C_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{p} A_{1,i}C_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^{p} A_{m,i}C_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{p} A_{m,i}C_{i,n} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^{q} B_{1,i}D_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{q} B_{1,i}D_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^{q} B_{m,i}D_{i,1} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{q} B_{m,i}D_{i,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= AC + BD$$

Exercise 2.5.13.

Let $A^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_1}$, $A^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_2}$, $B^{(1,1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times p_1}$, $B^{(1,2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times p_2}$, $B^{(2,1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times p_1}$, and $B^{(2,2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times p_2}$. Show that

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}^{(1,1)} & \mathbf{B}^{(1,2)} \\ \mathbf{B}^{(2,1)} & \mathbf{B}^{(2,2)} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= [\mathbf{A}^{(1)} \mathbf{B}^{(1,1)} + \mathbf{A}^{(2)} \mathbf{B}^{(2,1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(1)} \mathbf{B}^{(1,2)} + \mathbf{A}^{(2)} \mathbf{B}^{(2,2)}].
\end{aligned} (5)$$

 $\textit{Proof.} \ \ \text{Let} \ \ \boldsymbol{A}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_1}, \boldsymbol{A}^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_2}, \boldsymbol{B}^{(1,1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times p_1}, \boldsymbol{B}^{(1,2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times p_2}, \boldsymbol{B}^{(2,1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times p_1}, \ \text{and} \ \ \boldsymbol{B}^{(2,2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times p_2}.$

$$[m{A}^{(1)},m{A}^{(2)}]egin{bmatrix} m{B}^{(1,1)} & m{B}^{(1,2)} \ m{B}^{(2,1)} & m{B}^{(2,2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

= $[A^{(1)}B^{(1,1)} + A^{(2)}B^{(2,1)}, A^{(1)}B^{(1,2)} + A^{(2)}B^{(2,2)}]$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1}^{(1)} & \cdots & A_{1,n_1}^{(1)} & A_{1,1}^{(2)} & \cdots & A_{1,n_2}^{(2)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ A_{m,1}^{(1)} & \cdots & A_{m,n_1}^{(1)} & A_{m,1}^{(2)} & \cdots & A_{m,n_2}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_{1,1}^{(1,1)} & \cdots & B_{1,p_1}^{(1,1)} & B_{1,p_1}^{(1,2)} & \cdots & B_{1,p_2}^{(1,2)} \\ B_{m,1}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_1}^{(1,2)} & B_{m,p_1}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ B_{m,1}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_1}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,1}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_1}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m,p_2}^{(2,1)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} & \cdots & B_{m,p_2}^{(2,2)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots$$

Exercise 2.5.19. —

Show that $(ABC)^{-1} = C^{-1}B^{-1}A^{-1}$ where $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are non-singular.

Proof. Let $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be non-singular.

$$(C^{-1}B^{-1}A^{-1})(ABC) = C^{-1}B^{-1}A^{-1}ABC$$
 $= C^{-1}B^{-1}(A^{-1}A)BC$
 $= C^{-1}B^{-1}I_nBC$
 $= C^{-1}B^{-1}BC$
 $= C^{-1}(B^{-1}B)C$
 $= C^{-1}I_nC$
 $= C^{-1}C$
 $= I_n$

Then, by definition 2.5.16., we get $(ABC)^{-1} = C^{-1}B^{-1}A^{-1}$.

Exercise 2.5.22. -

Show the Woodbury formula

$$(A + BD^{-1}C)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1}.$$
(6)

where A, B, C, and D are matrices with the correct size.

Proof. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, B, C, and, D be matrices with the correct size.

$$(A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1})(A + BD^{-1}C)$$

$$= (A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1})A$$

$$+ (A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1})BD^{-1}C$$

$$= I_n - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}C$$

$$+ A^{-1}BD^{-1}C - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1}BD^{-1}C$$

$$= I_n + A^{-1}BD^{-1}C - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}(DD^{-1} + CA^{-1}BD^{-1})C$$

$$= I_n + A^{-1}BD^{-1}C - A^{-1}B(D + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}(D + CA^{-1}B)D^{-1}C$$

$$= I_n + A^{-1}BD^{-1}C - A^{-1}BD^{-1}C$$

$$= I_n$$

Then, by definition 2.5.16., we get (6).

Exercise 2.5.25.

Let $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m]^{\mathrm{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Note that *i*-th row of \mathbf{A} is $\mathbf{a}_i^{\mathrm{T}}$. Show that, $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}_m$,

$$\boldsymbol{e}_k^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{A} = \boldsymbol{a}_k^{\mathrm{T}} \tag{7}$$

where e_k is a unit vector with k-th entry one and the other entries zero.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}_m$.

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{e}_k^{\mathrm{T}} oldsymbol{A} &= oldsymbol{e}_k^{\mathrm{T}} oldsymbol{A} = oldsymbol{e}_k^{\mathrm{T}} oldsymbol{A} = oldsymbol{e}_{k,1}, \dots, A_{k,n} \end{bmatrix} \ &= [A_{k,1}, \dots, A_{k,n}] \end{aligned}$$

Since *i*-th row of \boldsymbol{A} is $\boldsymbol{a}^{\mathrm{T}}$,

$$[A_{k,1},\ldots,A_{k,n}]=\boldsymbol{a}_k^{\mathrm{T}}.$$

Thus, (7) holds.

Exercise 2.5.27. -

Let $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$. Note that *i*-th column of \mathbf{A} is \mathbf{a}_i . Let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}_m$. Show that

$$\langle \boldsymbol{e}_k, \boldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{x} \rangle = \langle \boldsymbol{a}_k, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle$$
 (8)

where e_k is a unit vector with k-th entry one and the other entries zero.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}_m$.

$$oldsymbol{A}^{ ext{T}}oldsymbol{x} = egin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \cdots & A_{n,1} \ dots & \ddots & dots \ A_{1,m} & \cdots & A_{n,m} \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} x_1 \ dots \ x_n \end{bmatrix} \ = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{a}^{ ext{T}}oldsymbol{x} \ dots \ oldsymbol{a}^{ ext{T}}oldsymbol{x} \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$egin{aligned} \langle oldsymbol{e}_k, oldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}} oldsymbol{x}
angle &= oldsymbol{a}_k^{\mathrm{T}} oldsymbol{x} \ &= \langle oldsymbol{a}_k, oldsymbol{x}
angle. \end{aligned}$$