# Linear algebra

Prerequisites

### **Reduction of matrices**

#### Theorem 1.2-1

- (1) Given a square matrix A, there exists a unitary matrix U such that the matrix  $U^{-1}AU$  is triangular.
- (2) Given a normal matrix A, there exists a unitary matrix U such that the matrix  $U^{-1}AU$  is diagonal.
- (3) Given a symmetric matrix A, there exists an orthogonal matrix O such that the matrix O<sup>-1</sup>AO is diagonal.

#### Theorem 1.2-2

If A is a real, square matrix, there exist two orthogonal matrices U and V such that

$$U^{T}AV = diag(\mu_i),$$

and, if A is a complex, square matrix, there exist two unitary matrices U and V such that

$$U*AV = diag(\mu_i)$$
.

In either case, the numbers  $\mu_i \ge 0$  are the singular values of the matrix A.

### Rayleigh quotient

#### Theorem 1.3-1

Let A be a Hermitian matrix of order n, with eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 \leqslant \lambda_2 \leqslant \cdots \leqslant \lambda_m$$

the associated eigenvectors  $p_1, p_2, ..., p_n$  satisfying

$$p_i^* p_j = \delta_{ij}$$
.

For k = 1, ..., n, let  $V_k$  denote the subspace of V spanned by the vectors  $p_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$ , and let  $\mathscr{V}_k$  denote the set of subspaces of V of dimension k. Furthermore, set

$$V_0 = \{0\}, \mathscr{V}_0 = \{V_0\}.$$

The eigenvalues then have the following characterisations, for k = 1, 2, ..., n.

$$\lambda_k = R_A(p_k),$$

$$\lambda_{k} = \max_{v} R_{A}(v),$$

(3) 
$$\lambda_k = \min_{v \perp V_{k-1}} R_A(v),$$

(4) 
$$\lambda_k = \min_{W \in \mathcal{V}_k} \max_{v \in W} R_A(v),$$

(5) 
$$\lambda_k = \max_{w \in I} \min_{v \in I} R_A(v).$$

Furthermore,

(6) 
$$\{R_{\mathbf{A}}(v): v \in V\} = [\lambda_1, \lambda_n] \subset \mathbb{R}.$$

### Norms upon matrice spaces

#### Theorem 1.4-2

Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be a square matrix. Then

$$\|A\|_{1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sup \frac{\|Av\|_{1}}{\|v\|_{1}} = \max_{j} \sum_{i} |a_{ij}|,$$

$$\|A\|_{2} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sup \frac{\|Av\|_{2}}{\|v\|_{2}} = \sqrt{\varrho}(A^{*}A) = \sqrt{\varrho}(AA^{*}) = \|A^{*}\|_{2},$$

$$\|A\|_{\infty} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sup \frac{\|Av\|_{\infty}}{\|v\|_{\infty}} = \max_{i} \sum_{i} |a_{ij}|.$$

The norm  $\|\cdot\|_2$  is invariant under unitary transformations:

$$UU^* = I \Rightarrow ||A||_2 = ||AU||_2 = ||UA||_2 = ||U^*AU||_2.$$

Furthermore, if the matrix A is normal,

$$AA^* = AA^* \Rightarrow ||A||_2 = \varrho(A).$$

#### Theorem 1.4-3

(1) Let A be any square matrix and  $\|\cdot\|$  any matrix norm, subordinate or otherwise. Then

$$\varrho(A) \leq ||A||$$
.

(2) Given a matrix A and any number  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists at least one subordinate matrix norm such that

$$\|A\| \leq \rho(A) + \varepsilon$$
.

#### Theorem 1.4-4

The function  $\|\cdot\|_{E}: \mathcal{A}_{n} \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_{\mathbf{E}} = \left\{ \sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}|^2 \right\}^{1/2} = \left\{ \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A} * \mathbf{A}) \right\}^{1/2}$$

for every matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$  of order n is a matrix norm which is not subordinate (for  $n \ge 2$ ), is invariant under unitary transformations,

$$UU^* = I \Rightarrow ||A||_E = ||AU||_E = ||UA||_E = ||U^*AU||_E$$

and satisfies

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_{2} \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_{E} \leq \sqrt{n} \|\mathbf{A}\|_{2}$$
 for every  $A \in \mathcal{A}_{n}$ .

#### Theorem 1.4-5

(1) Let  $\|\cdot\|$  be a subordinate matrix norm and B a matrix satisfying

$$\|\mathbf{B}\| < 1$$
.

Then the matrix I + B is invertible and

$$\|(I+B)^{-1}\| \leqslant \frac{1}{1-\|B\|}.$$

(2) If a matrix of the form I + B is singular, then necessarily

$$\|\mathbf{B}\| \geqslant 1$$

for every matrix norm, subordinate or not.

## Convergence of a suite of matrice

#### Theorem 1.5-1

Let B be a square matrix. The following conditions are equivalent:

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \mathbf{B}^k = 0,$$

(2) 
$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \mathbf{B}^k v = 0 \text{ for every vector } v,$$

$$\varrho(B) < 1,$$

(4)  $\|\mathbf{B}\| < 1$  for at least one subordinate matrix norm  $\|\cdot\|$ .

#### Theorem 1.5-2

Let B be a square matrix and let  $\|\cdot\|$  be any matrix norm. Then

$$\lim_{k\to\infty}\|\mathbf{B}^k\|^{1/k}=\varrho(\mathbf{B}).$$

### Conditioning

#### Theorem 2.2-1

Let A be an invertible matrix and let u and  $u + \delta u$  be the solutions of the linear systems

$$Au = b,$$

$$A(u + \delta u) = b + \delta b.$$

Suppose that  $b \neq 0$ . Then the inequality

$$\frac{\|\delta u\|}{\|u\|} \leqslant \operatorname{cond}(A) \frac{\|\delta b\|}{\|b\|}$$

holds and is the best possible: that is, for a given matrix A, it is possible to find vectors  $b \neq 0$  and  $\delta b \neq 0$  for which equality holds.

#### Theorem 2.2-3

(1) For every matrix A,

$$cond(A) \ge 1$$
,

$$\operatorname{cond}(A) = \operatorname{cond}(A^{-1}),$$

 $cond(\alpha A) = cond(A)$  for every scalar  $\alpha \neq 0$ .

(2) For every matrix A,

$$\operatorname{cond}_2(A) = \frac{\mu_n(A)}{\mu_1(A)},$$

where  $\mu_1(A) > 0$  and  $\mu_n(A) > 0$  denote respectively the smallest and the largest of the singular values of the matrix A.

(3) If the matrix A is normal

$$\operatorname{cond}_{2}(A) = \frac{\max_{i} |\lambda_{i}(A)|}{\min_{i} |\lambda_{i}(A)|},$$

where the numbers  $\lambda_i(A)$  are the eigenvalues of the matrix A.

(4) The condition number cond<sub>2</sub>(A) of a unitary or orthogonal matrix A is equal to 1.

(5) The condition number cond<sub>2</sub>(A) is invariant under unitary transformations:

 $UU^* = I \Rightarrow \operatorname{cond}_2(A) = \operatorname{cond}_2(AU) = \operatorname{cond}_2(UA) = \operatorname{cond}_2(U^*AU).$ 

#### Theorem 2.2-2

Let A be an invertible matrix and let u and  $u + \Delta u$  be the solutions of the linear systems

$$Au = b,$$

$$(A + \Delta A)(u + \Delta u) = b.$$

Suppose that  $b \neq 0$ . Then the inequality

$$\frac{\|\Delta u\|}{\|u + \Delta u\|} \le \operatorname{cond}(A) \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|}$$

holds and is the best possible: that is, for a given matrix A, it is possible to find a vector  $b \neq 0$  and a matrix  $\Delta A \neq 0$  for which equality holds.

Furthermore, we have the inequality

$$\frac{\|\Delta u\|}{\|u\|} \leq \text{cond}(A) \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|} \{1 + O(\|\Delta A\|)\}.$$