

Linear Systems: Positive Definite Matrices and Matrix Norm Assignment

1. Prove that $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is positive semi-definite for any matrix \mathbf{A} . When is $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ guaranteed to be positive definite?
2. If \mathbf{A} is positive definite, then prove that \mathbf{A}^{-1} is also positive definite.
3. Show that a positive definite matrix cannot have a zero or a negative element along its diagonal.
4. Show that the following statements are true.
 - (a) All positive definite matrices are invertible.
 - (b) The only positive definite projection matrix is \mathbf{I} .
5. Is the function $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 12x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 6x_3^2 + x_1x_2 - 2x_2x_3 + 4x_3x_1$ positive definite?
6. The LU decomposition for symmetric matrices can be written as $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{L}$, where \mathbf{D} is a diagonal matrix, and \mathbf{L} is lower triangular with 1 along its main diagonal. When \mathbf{A} is positive definite, we can write, $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{L}^T \sqrt{\mathbf{D}} \sqrt{\mathbf{D}} \mathbf{L}$. This is the *Cholesky decomposition*. Find \mathbf{C} for the following,

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

7. Prove the following for $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$:

$$\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{a}_n] = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{a}}_1^T \\ \tilde{\mathbf{a}}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{\mathbf{a}}_m^T \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) $\|\mathbf{A}\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \|\mathbf{a}_i\|_1$
 - (b) $\|\mathbf{A}\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} \|\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_i\|_1$
 - (c) $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\lambda_i|$, where λ_i are the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$.
 - (d) $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \text{trace}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$
8. Prove that the induced norm of a matrix product is bounded: $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{B}\|$.
 9. Verify the following inequalities on vector and matrix norms ($\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$):
 - (a) $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$
 - (b) $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \leq \sqrt{m} \|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty$
 - (c) $\|\mathbf{A}\|_\infty \leq \sqrt{n} \|\mathbf{A}\|_2$
 - (d) $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \leq \sqrt{m} \|\mathbf{A}\|_\infty$
 10. Find an expression for the induced 2-norm of an outer product, $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T$, where $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.