

Linear algebra.

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Invertible Matrix Theorem

For n by n matrix A to have an inverse, any (and hence all) must hold

1. A is row equivalent to I_n
2. A has a n pivot positions
3. $Ax = 0$ only has the trivial solution
4. Columns of A form a linearly independent set
5. Linear transformation $x \mapsto Ax$ is one-to-one
6. $Ax = b$ has a unique solution for each column vector $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$
7. Columns of A span \mathbb{R}^n
8. Linear transformation $x \mapsto Ax$ is a surjection
9. There exists n by n matrix C such that $CA = I_n$
10. There exists n by n matrix D such that $AD = I_n$
11. Transpose matrix A^T is invertible
12. Columns of A form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n
13. Column space of A is equal to \mathbb{R}^n
14. Dimension of the column space of A is n
15. Rank of A is n
16. Null space of A is $\{0\}$
17. Dimension of null space is 0
18. 0 fails to be an eigenvalue of A
19. Determinant of A is not zero
20. Orthogonal complement of column space of A is $\{0\}$
21. Orthogonal complement of null space of A is \mathbb{R}^n
22. Row space of A is \mathbb{R}^n
23. Matrix A has n non-zero singular values

Echelon form

1. All non-zero rows are above any row of all zeros
2. Each leading point (pivot) is in a column to the right of the leading entry in the previous row
3. All entries below a leading entry are zero

Reduced echelon form

1. The matrix is in echelon form
2. The pivot of each nonzero row is 1
3. Each leading 1 is the only nonzero entry in its column

Basic, free variables

If the augmented matrix is in echelon form:

1. Basic variables of a linear system are those corresponding to pivot columns
2. Free variables of a linear system are those that have no pivot in the corresponding column
3. A consistent system is solved by expressing all basic variables in terms of the free variables

If there are no free variables, then the system has a unique solution

Linear combinations

Given vectors v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p in \mathbb{R}^n and scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_p ,

$$y = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_p v_p$$

is called a linear combination of v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p with weights c_1, c_2, \dots, c_p

Spans

$$\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$$

is the set of all linear combinations of v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p and consists of all vectors that can be written as

$$x_1 v_1 + x_2 v_2 + \dots + x_p v_p$$

Matrix-vector product

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \dots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1 a_2 + x_2 a_2 + \dots + x_n a_n$$

Solutions of matrix equation

For $m \times n$ A , the following statements are equivalent:

1. For each b in \mathbb{R}^m , $Ax = b$ has a solution
2. Each b in \mathbb{R}^m is a linear combination of the columns of A
3. The columns of A span \mathbb{R}^m
4. Each row in A has a pivot position

Linear independence

$$x_1 v_1 + x_2 v_2 + \dots + x_p v_p = 0$$

only has the trivial solution

If the set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n contains the zero vector, then the set is linearly dependent

Linear transformation

$T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a linear transformation if

1. $T(u + v) = T(u) + T(v)$
2. $T(cu) = cT(u)$

If T is a linear transformation, then

1. $T(0) = 0$
2. $T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_p v_p) = c_1 T(v_1) + \dots + c_p T(v_p)$

Linear transformation composition

$$(S \circ T)(x) = S(T(x))$$

Transpose matrix properties

1. $(A^T)^T = A$
2. $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
3. $(rA)^T = rA^T$ for any scalar r
4. $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

Inverse matrices

A square $n \times n$ matrix A is invertible if there is an $n \times n$ matrix C such that

$$CA = I_n \text{ and } AC = I_n$$

System with inverse matrix

$$Ax = b$$

has the unique solution

$$x = A^{-1}b$$

Inverse matrix properties

1. $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$
2. $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$
3. $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$

Subspace

A subspace of \mathbb{R}^n is a set W such that:

1. 0 is in W
2. If v and u in W , so is $v + u$
3. If v in W and c in \mathbb{R} , then cv is in W

The span of a set of vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ in \mathbb{R}^m is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^m

Null, column space

$\text{Nul}A$ of A is the set of all solutions of the homogeneous equation $Ax = 0$.

Subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

$\text{Col}A$ of A is the span of the columns of A . Subspace of \mathbb{R}^m

Basis

A basis for subspace W is a set of vectors in W which

1. is linearly independent
2. spans W

The pivot columns of A form a basis for the column space of A

Coordinate vector

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_p\}$ be a basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n and $x \in W$. Then there are unique weights c_1, \dots, c_p such that

$$x = c_1 b_1 + c_2 b_2 + \dots + c_p b_p$$

Weights c_1, \dots, c_p form the \mathcal{B} -coordinate vector of x :

$$[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \dots \\ c_p \end{bmatrix}$$

Rank theorem

Rank of A is dimension of column space of A

$$\text{rank}(A) + \dim(\text{Nul}(A)) = n$$

Cofactor expansion

Across row i :
$$\det A = a_{i1}C_{i1} + \dots + a_{in}C_{in}$$

Across column j :
$$\det A = a_{1j}C_{1j} + \dots + a_{nj}C_{nj}$$

Row operations, determinants

- 1. Interchange two rows:
 $\det B = -\det A$
- 2. Multiply a row by constant k :
 $\det B = k \det A$
- 3. Adding multiples of rows:
 $\det B = \det A$

Eigenvalues, eigenvectors

Scalar λ is an eigenvalue of A is there exists a nonzero eigenvector $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for which
$$Ax = \lambda x$$

Eigenspace E_λ

$E_\lambda = \text{Nul}(A - \lambda I)$ is the set of all solutions of $Ax = \lambda x$, forms a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , and consists of

- 1. all the eigenvectors with eigenvalue λ
- 2. the zero vector

Eigenvalue multiplicity

Algebraic multiplicity of eigenvalue λ_0 of A is the number of factors $(\lambda - \lambda_0)$ in the characteristic polynomial.
Geometric multiplicity of eigenvalue λ_0 is the dimension of the corresponding eigenspace E_{λ_0} .

Similarity

A and B similar if there exists P such that $A = PBP^{-1}$.
Similar matrices A and B have the same characteristic polynomial and hence the same eigenvalues with the same multiplicities.
If v is an eigenvector of B with eigenvalue λ , then Pv is an eigenvector of A with the same eigenvalue λ .

Diagonalizable matrix

A diagonalizable if it is similar to diagonal matrix D
 D : eigenvalues of A
 P : corresponding eigenvectors of A
Diagonalizable if $\text{a.m.}(\lambda_i) = \text{g.m.}(\lambda_i)$ for all λ_i

Real matrices, complex eigenvalues

Suppose $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \neq 0$ and

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let $z = a + bi = re^{i\theta}$. Then

$$A = r \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix},$$

and the eigenvalues of A are

$$a \pm bi = re^{\pm i\theta}$$

Real 2x2 matrix with non-real eigenvalues

Let A be a real 2×2 matrix with eigenvalues $a \pm bi$, where $b \neq 0$. Then there exists an invertible matrix P such that

$$A = P \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} P^{-1}.$$

The matrix P can be constructed as

$$P = [\text{Re} v \quad \text{Im} v],$$

where v is an eigenvector associated to eigenvalue $a - bi$

Differential equations, general

Suppose A is an $n \times n$ matrix with n linearly independent eigenvectors v_j and corresponding eigenvalues λ_j . The general solution to $x' = Ax$ is given by

$$x(t) = c_1 v_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + \dots + c_n v_n e^{\lambda_n t}$$

Complex eigenvalues

Suppose 2×2 real matrix A has complex eigenvalues $\lambda_{1,2} = a \pm bi$ with corresponding eigenvectors v_1 and v_2 . Two independent, real solutions of the system

$$x' = Ax$$

are given by

$$x_1(t) = \text{Re}(v_1 e^{\lambda_1 t}) \text{ and } x_2(t) = \text{Im}(v_1 e^{\lambda_1 t})$$

Different orbit types

Let A be a 2×2 matrix. Consider the system $x' = Ax$, where A has real eigenvalues λ_1 and λ_2 . The origin is:

- 1. an attractor/sink if $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$
- 2. a repeller/source if $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$
- 3. a saddle point if $\lambda_1 < 0 < \lambda_2$

Let A be a 2×2 matrix. Consider the system $x' = Ax$, where A has the eigenvalues $\lambda_{1,2} = a \pm bi, b \neq 0$:

- 1. if $a > 0$, the trajectories spiral away from the origin
- 2. if $a < 0$, the trajectories spiral inward towards the origin
- 3. if $a = 0$, the trajectories are closed curves around the origin

Orthogonal complement

Given a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , the orthogonal complement of W is the set of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^n that are orthogonal to all vectors in W : W^\perp

- 1. The orthogonal complement of W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n
- 2. Let $W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a subset, then $(W^\perp)^\perp = W$

Fundamental matrix spaces

$(\text{Co}A)^\perp = \text{Nul}A^T$ and $(\text{Co}A^T)^\perp = \text{Nul}A$
The subspace $\text{Co}A^T$ is the Row Space of A

Orthogonal, orthonormal sets

A set of vectors $\{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n is called an

- 1. orthogonal set if $u_i \cdot u_j = 0$ for each pair $i \neq j$
- 2. orthonormal set if $u_i \cdot u_j = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1, & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$

Any orthogonal set which doesn't contain the zero vector is linearly independent

Coordinates with respect to orthogonal basis

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ be an orthogonal basis for a subspace W in \mathbb{R}^n . Then any vector y in W has the following decomposition w.r.t. \mathcal{B} :

$$y = \frac{y \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 + \dots + \frac{y \cdot v_p}{v_p \cdot v_p} v_p$$

Denominators disappear for an orthonormal basis

Orthonormal columns

An $m \times n$ matrix U has orthonormal columns iff

$$U^T U = I$$

Let U be an $m \times n$ matrix with orthonormal columns and x, y vectors in \mathbb{R}^n :

- 1. $(Ux) \cdot (Uy) = x \cdot y$
- 2. $\|Ux\| = \|x\|$
- 3. $(Ux) \perp (Uy)$ iff $x \perp y$

$$U^{-1} = U^T$$

Projection

$$\hat{y} = \text{proj}_L(y) = \frac{y \cdot u}{u \cdot u} u$$

Orthogonal decomposition theorem

$y = \hat{y} + z$ where $\hat{y} = \text{proj}_W(y)$ and $z \in W^\perp$

Subspaces with an orthonormal basis

Let $\{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$ be an orthonormal basis of $W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$:

- 1. $\text{proj}_W(y) = UU^T y$ with $U = [u_1 u_2 \dots u_p]$
- 2. if $P = UU^T$ is the standard matrix of proj_W , then $P^2 = P = P^T$

Best approximation

$$\|y - \hat{y}\| \leq \|y - v\| \text{ for all } v \in W$$

Least-squares solution

$$\|b - A\hat{x}\| \leq \|b - Ax\| \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Distance $\|b - A\hat{x}\|$ is the least-squares error

Spectral theorem

An $n \times n$ symmetric matrix A has the following properties

- 1. A has n real eigenvalues, counting multiplicities
- 2. For each eigenvalue, the geometric multiplicity is equal to the algebraic multiplicity
- 3. The eigenspaces are mutually orthogonal, in the sense that eigenvectors corresponding to different eigenvalues are orthogonal
- 4. A is orthogonally diagonalizable