

Lecture 2

A Short Review of Matrix Algebra

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DSA 8070 Multivariate Analysis

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Why Matrix Algebra?

Data:

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1	0.00632	18	2.31	0	0.538	6.575
2	0.02731	0	7.07	0	0.469	6.421
3	0.02729	0	7.07	0	0.469	7.185
4	0.03237	0	2.18	0	0.458	6.998
5	0.06985	0	2.18	0	0.458	7.147
6	0.02985	0	2.18	0	0.458	6.430

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1p} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{np} \end{bmatrix}$$

Summary Statistics:

$$\bar{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_1 \\ \bar{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \bar{x}_p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i1} \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ip} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{n} X^T \mathbf{1} \text{ is the sample mean}$$

vector,

$$\text{and } S = \begin{bmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} & \cdots & s_{1p} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} & \cdots & s_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s_{p1} & s_{p2} & \cdots & s_{pp} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{n-1} X^T (I - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^T) X \text{ is}$$

the sample covariance matrix

⇒ Many matrix algebra techniques will be applied to this matrix in multivariate analysis

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Vectors

- A column array of p elements is called a **vector** of dimension p and is written as

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_p \end{bmatrix}$$

⇒ Each observation in a multivariate dataset is a p -dimensional vector (e.g., exam scores in math, science, and writing).

- The **transpose** of the column vector \mathbf{a} is a row vector

$$\mathbf{a}^T = [a_1 \ a_2 \ \cdots \ a_p]$$

- $L_{\mathbf{a}}^{-1}\mathbf{a} = \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}}$ is called a **unit vector**



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Vectors in Multivariate Analysis

- Column vector (observation):** Each observation $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^p$ is a $p \times 1$ column; stacking rows yields the data matrix $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$
- Transpose:** Enables matrix operations such as inner products and summary statistics, e.g., $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}$ (**inner product**), $\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}$ (**linear combination**), $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{1}$ (**mean**), $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$ (**cross-product for covariance**)
- Unit vector:** normalize \mathbf{x} to $\mathbf{x}/\|\mathbf{x}\|$ (length 1) to remove scale and compare **directions**



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Matrices

- A matrix \mathbf{A} is an array of elements a_{ij} with n rows and p columns:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1p} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{np} \end{bmatrix}$$

- The transpose \mathbf{A}^T has p rows and n columns. The j -th row of \mathbf{A}^T is the j -th column of \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{n1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1p} & a_{2p} & \cdots & a_{np} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Key matrices in multivariate analysis: **data matrix** \mathbf{X} , **covariance/correlation** \mathbf{S} , \mathbf{R} , and **eigen decomposition**



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Covariance Matrices

Covariance Matrix

$$\Sigma = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)(X - \mu)^T] = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1p} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} & \cdots & \sigma_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{p1} & \sigma_{p2} & \cdots & \sigma_{pp} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{population covariance matrix}}, \quad S = \frac{1}{n-1} (X - \mathbf{1} \bar{x}^T)^T (X - \mathbf{1} \bar{x}^T) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} & \cdots & s_{1p} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} & \cdots & s_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s_{p1} & s_{p2} & \cdots & s_{pp} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{sample covariance matrix}}$$

- Since $\sigma_{jk} = \sigma_{kj}$ (likewise $s_{jk} = s_{kj}$) for all $j \neq k \Rightarrow \Sigma$ and S are **symmetric**
- Σ and S are also **non-negative definite** \Rightarrow Any linear combination of the variables has **nonnegative variance**

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Identity Matrix and Inverse Matrix

- An **identity matrix**, denoted by I , is a square matrix with 1's along the diagonal and 0's everywhere else. For example,

$$I_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Consider two square matrices A and B of the same dimension. If

$$AB = BA = I,$$

then B is the **inverse** of A , denoted by A^{-1} .

- The inverse matrix is used in multivariate analysis for standardization (e.g., **Mahalanobis distance**).

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Orthogonal Matrices

- A square matrix Q is **orthogonal** if

$$QQ^T = Q^TQ = I$$

- If Q is orthogonal, its rows and columns have unit length (i.e., $L_{q_j} = 1$) and are mutually perpendicular (i.e., $q_j^T q_k = 0$ for any $j \neq k$)

- Example:**

$$Q = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Orthogonal matrices are used in multivariate analysis for **rotations** and **transformations**

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Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

- A square matrix A has an eigenvalue λ with corresponding eigenvector $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$ if

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}.$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are the solution to $|\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}| = 0$

- A normalized eigenvector is denoted by \mathbf{e} with $\mathbf{e}^T\mathbf{e} = 1$
- A $p \times p$ matrix A has p pairs of eigenvalues and eigenvectors

$$\lambda_1, \mathbf{e}_1 \quad \lambda_2, \mathbf{e}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \lambda_p, \mathbf{e}_p$$



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Spectral Decomposition

- Eigenvalues and eigenvectors will play an important role in DSA 8070. For example, **principal components** are based on the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of **sample covariance matrices**
- The **spectral decomposition** of a $p \times p$ symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} is $\mathbf{A} = \lambda_1\mathbf{e}_1\mathbf{e}_1^T + \lambda_2\mathbf{e}_2\mathbf{e}_2^T + \cdots + \lambda_p\mathbf{e}_p\mathbf{e}_p^T$. Matrix form:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 & \mathbf{e}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{e}_p \end{bmatrix}}_P \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_p \end{bmatrix}}_{\Lambda} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 & \mathbf{e}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{e}_p \end{bmatrix}^T}_{P^T}$$

- In PCA, let \mathbf{A} be the covariance matrix; sort $\lambda_1 \geq \cdots \geq \lambda_p$: eigenvectors $\mathbf{e}_j \Rightarrow$ principal components, eigenvalues $\lambda_j \Rightarrow$ variances



Notes

Determinant, Trace, and Rank

- The **trace** of a $p \times p$ matrix \mathbf{A} is the sum of its diagonal elements, i.e., $\text{trace}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^p a_{ii}$.
- The trace of a square, symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} is the **sum of its eigenvalues**, i.e., $\text{trace}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^p a_{ii} = \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i$
- The **determinant** of a square, symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} is the product of its eigenvalues, i.e., $|\mathbf{A}| = \prod_{i=1}^p \lambda_i$
- The **rank** of a matrix \mathbf{A} is the dimension of the vector space spanned by its rows (or equivalently, its columns). It is equal to the **number of nonzero eigenvalues** of \mathbf{A}



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Determinant, Trace, and Rank: Applications in Multivariate Analysis

- The **determinant** of the covariance matrix is used to measure the **generalized variance** of a multivariate distribution.
- The **trace** of the covariance matrix represents the **total variance** across all variables.
- The **rank** of a data matrix (or covariance matrix) indicates the **effective dimensionality** of the data, revealing linear dependence among variables



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Positive Definite Matrix

- For a $p \times p$ symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} and a vector $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_p]^T$ the quantity $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^p a_{ij} x_i x_j$ is called a **quadratic form**
- If $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} \geq 0$ for any vector \mathbf{x} , both \mathbf{A} and the quadratic form are said to be **non-negative definite**
 \Rightarrow **all the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are non-negative**
- If $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} > 0$ for any vector $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$, both \mathbf{A} and the quadratic form are said to be **positive definite**
 \Rightarrow **all the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are positive**
- In multivariate analysis, the **covariance matrix** must be positive definite to ensure valid **Mahalanobis distances**, **PCA**, and **multivariate normal distributions**



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Distance and Quadratic Forms

- For $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_p]^T$ and a $p \times p$ positive definite matrix \mathbf{A} ,

$$d^2 = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$$

when $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$. Thus, a positive definite quadratic form can be interpreted as a **squared distance** of \mathbf{x} from the origin and vice versa

- The squared distance from \mathbf{x} to a fixed point $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ is given by the quadratic form

$$(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

- In multivariate analysis, such quadratic forms are used to define the **Mahalanobis distance**, construct **confidence ellipsoids**, and perform **discriminant analysis**



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Distance and Quadratic Forms (Cont'd)

- We can interpret distance in terms of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} . any point \mathbf{x} at constant distance c from the origin satisfies

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T \left(\sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j \mathbf{e}_j \mathbf{e}_j^T \right) \mathbf{x} = \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{e}_j)^2 = c$$

- Note that the point $\mathbf{x} = c\lambda_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{e}_1$ is at a distance c (in the direction of \mathbf{e}_1) from the origin because it satisfies $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = c^2$
- The same is true for points $\mathbf{x} = c\lambda_j^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{e}_j$, $j = 2, \dots, p$. Thus, all points at distance c lie on an **ellipsoid** with axes in the directions of the eigenvectors and with lengths proportional to $\lambda_j^{-\frac{1}{2}}$



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Square-Root Matrices

- Spectral decomposition of a positive definite matrix \mathbf{A} yields

$$\mathbf{A} = \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j \mathbf{e}_j \mathbf{e}_j^T = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{P}^T,$$

with $\mathbf{\Lambda}_{p \times p} = \text{diag}(\lambda_j)$, all $\lambda_j > 0$, and $\mathbf{P}_{p \times p} = [\mathbf{e}_1 \ \mathbf{e}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{e}_p]$ an orthonormal matrix of eigenvectors. Then

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1} \mathbf{P}^T = \sum_{j=1}^p \frac{1}{\lambda_j} \mathbf{e}_j \mathbf{e}_j^T$$

- With $\mathbf{\Lambda}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \text{diag}(\lambda_j^{\frac{1}{2}})$, a square-root matrix is

$$\mathbf{A}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Lambda}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{P}^T = \sum_{j=1}^p \sqrt{\lambda_j} \mathbf{e}_j \mathbf{e}_j^T$$



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Partitioning Random vectors

- If we partition the $p \times 1$ random vector \mathbf{X} into two components $\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2$ of dimensions $q \times 1$ and $(p-q) \times 1$ respectively, then the mean vector and the variance-covariance matrix need to be partitioned accordingly

- Partitioned mean vector:

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}] = \mathbb{E} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1 \\ \mathbf{X}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}_1] \\ \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}_2] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Partitioned covariance matrix:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_1) & \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2) \\ \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_1) & \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}}_{q \times q} & \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}}_{q \times (p-q)} \\ \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21}}_{(p-q) \times q} & \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}}_{(p-q) \times (p-q)} \end{bmatrix}$$



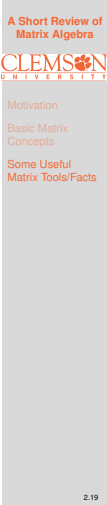
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Summary: Matrix Algebra in Multivariate Analysis

- Data as a **matrix** X ; each row is an observation, each column a variable
- **Sample mean vector** and **covariance matrix** are matrix expressions
- **Eigenvalues/eigenvectors** \Rightarrow PCA, factor analysis, canonical correlation
- **Quadratic forms** \Rightarrow Mahalanobis distance, hypothesis testing

In the next lecture, we will learn:

- **Multivariate Normal Distribution**
- **Copula Models** and **Non-parametric Density Methods**



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