

Problem 11.4 *worth 4 points*

Transpose of orthogonal matrix. Let U be an orthogonal $n \times n$ matrix. Show that its transpose U^T is also orthogonal.

Solution: If U is orthogonal, $U^T U = I$ and $U^{-1} = U^T \longrightarrow U^{-1} U = U U^{-1} = I$.

Orthogonal matrices imply orthonormal rows:

$$U_i U_j = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases},$$

where i and j denote row number. Let $A = U^T$ and suppose the columns of A are orthonormal. If we let our rows of U represent $1 \times n$ orthonormal vectors and our columns of A as $n \times 1$ orthonormal vectors, when we transpose the vector of block vectors we find:

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{R1}A_{C1} & U_{R1}A_{C2} & U_{R1}A_{C3} \\ U_{R2}A_{C1} & U_{R2}A_{C2} & U_{R2}A_{C3} \\ U_{R3}A_{C1} & U_{R3}A_{C2} & U_{R3}A_{C3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ = I$$

This satisfies our condition $U^{-1} U = U U^{-1} = I$ because rows become the columns of transposed vectors, so the only time we'll get a one are when the row number matches the column number.

Problem 11.6 *worth 6 points*

Inverse of a block upper triangular matrix. Let B and D be invertible matrices of sizes $m \times m$ and $n \times n$, respectively, and let C be any $m \times n$ matrix. Find the inverse of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$$

in terms of B^{-1} , C , and D^{-1} . (The matrix A is called *block upper triangular*.)

Hints. First get an idea of what the solution should look like by considering the case when B , C , and D are scalars. For the matrix case, your goal is to find matrices W , X , Y , Z (in terms of B^{-1} , C , and D^{-1}) that satisfy

$$A \begin{bmatrix} W & X \\ Y & Z \end{bmatrix} = I.$$

Use block matrix multiplication to express this as a set of four matrix equations that you can then solve. The method you will find is sometimes called *block back substitution*.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} A \begin{bmatrix} W & X \\ Y & Z \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W & X \\ Y & Z \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{(first index will be I)} \quad \begin{bmatrix} B \\ C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W \\ Y \end{bmatrix} &= I \\ & (BW + CY) = I \\ \text{(second index will be 0)} \quad \begin{bmatrix} B \\ C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} &= 0 \\ & (BX + CZ) = 0 \\ \text{(third index will be 0)} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W \\ Y \end{bmatrix} &= 0 \\ \text{this implies } Y = 0 & DY = 0 \\ \text{(fourth index will be I)} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} &= I \\ \text{this implies } Z = D^{-1} & DZ = I \end{aligned}$$

Since we've figured out $Y = 0$ we plug this into the equation for the first index $(BW + CY) = I$ and we see $BW = I$; from our identities we can deduce $W = B^{-1}$. To find X we will use $(BX + CZ) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} (BX + CZ) &= 0 \\ BX &= -CZ \\ (B^{-1})BX &= -(B^{-1})CZ \\ IX &= -B^{-1}CZ \\ X &= -B^{-1}CD^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

So this means our answer is

$$\begin{bmatrix} W & X \\ Y & Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & -B^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ 0 & D^{-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Proven:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & -B^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ 0 & D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = I \\
 \text{(first entry)} & \begin{bmatrix} B \\ C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = BB^{-1} + C0 = I \\
 & \begin{bmatrix} B \\ C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -B^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = -BB^{-1}CD^{-1} + CD^{-1} \\
 \text{(second entry)} & -ICD^{-1} + CD^{-1} = CD^{-1} - CD^{-1} = 0 \\
 \text{(third entry)} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = B^{-1}(0) + D(0) = 0 \\
 \text{(fourth entry)} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -B^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = -B^{-1}CD^{-1}(0) + DD^{-1} = I
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 11.8 worth 4 points

If a matrix is small, its inverse is large. If a number a is small, its inverse $\frac{1}{a}$ (assuming $a \neq 0$) is large. In this exercise you will explore a matrix analog of this idea. Suppose the $n \times n$ matrix A is invertible. Show that $\|A^{-1}\| \geq \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\|A\|}$. This implies that if a matrix is small, its inverse is large. *Hint.* You can use the inequality $\|AB\| \leq \|A\|\|B\|$ which holds for any matrices for which the product makes sense. (See exercise 10.12).

Solution: Let $B = A^{-1}$. Since the norm produces a scalar, we will treat it as such:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|AB\| & \leq \|A\|\|B\| \\
 \|AA^{-1}\| & \leq \|A\|\|B\| \\
 \|I\| & \leq \|A\|\|B\| \\
 \sqrt{n} & \leq \|A\|\|B\| \\
 \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\|A\|} & \leq \|B\| \\
 \|A^{-1}\| & \geq \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\|A\|}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 11.9 worth 6 points

Push-through identity. Suppose A is $m \times n$, B is $n \times m$, and the $m \times m$ matrix $I + AB$ is invertible.

- (a) Show that the $n \times n$ matrix $I + BA$ is invertible. *Hint.* Show that $(I + BA)x = 0$ implies $(I + AB)y = 0$, where $y = Ax$.

- (b) Establish the identity

$$B(I + AB)^{-1} = (I + BA)^{-1}B.$$

This is sometimes called the *push-through identity* since the matrix B appearing on the left 'moves' into the inverse, and 'pushes' the B in the inverse out to the right side. *Hint.* Start with the identity

$$B(I + AB) = (I + BA)B,$$

and multiply on the right by $(I + AB)^{-1}$, and on the left by $(I + BA)^{-1}$.

Solution:

- (a) Set $Ix + BAx = Iy + AB y$, and plug Ax in for y :

$$(I + BA)x = Ix + BAx = 0$$

$$(I + AB)y = Iy + AB y = 0$$

$$Ix + BAx = Iy + AB y$$

$$x + BAx = y + AB y$$

$$y = Ax$$

$$x + BAx = Ax + AB Ax$$

$$x + BAx = A(Ix + BAx)$$

$$x + BAx = A(0)$$

- (b) It gave the solution in the hint:

$$B(I + AB) = (I + BA)B$$

$$(I + BA)^{-1}B(I + AB)(I + AB)^{-1} = (I + BA)^{-1}(I + BA)B(I + AB)^{-1}$$

$$(I + BA)^{-1}BI = IB(I + AB)^{-1}$$

$$(I + BA)^{-1}B = B(I + AB)^{-1}$$

$$B(I + AB)^{-1} = (I + BA)^{-1}B$$