

Homework for Linear Algebra

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Exercise 1. Write B as a matrix of column vectors.

$$AB = [A\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \dots \quad A\mathbf{b}_q]$$

For any c_{il} in the product AB , it belongs to $A \mathbf{b}_l$. And

$$\mathbf{c}_l = \mathbf{a}_1 b_{1l} + \dots + \mathbf{a}_p b_{pl}, c_{il} = a_{i1} b_{1l} + \dots + a_{ip} b_{pl} = \sum_{k=1}^p a_{ik} b_{kl}$$

Exercise 2. (i) There is only one entry in every \mathbf{p}_i equals 1, and all the 1 entries are in different rows. So each pair of $\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{p}_j$ equals 0.

(ii) Each $\|\mathbf{p}_i\| = 1$, so each of the vector is a unit matrix.

(iii) To prove $P^{-1} = P^T$, we need to prove $P^T P = I$.

$$P^T P = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{p}_n^T \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{p}_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{p}_n] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_1^T \mathbf{p}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{p}_1^T \mathbf{p}_n \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{p}_n^T \mathbf{p}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{p}_n^T \mathbf{p}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Using (i) and (ii), we know that $\mathbf{p}_1^T = \mathbf{p}_1$, and $\mathbf{p}_1^2 = 1$, So $P^T P = I$.

Exercise 3. (i) Since $A^{-1} = A^T$, we have $A^{-1} \mathbf{a}_1 = A^T \mathbf{a}_1$.

$$A^{-1} \mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1^T \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_n^T \mathbf{a}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since $\mathbf{a}_i^T = \mathbf{a}_i$, we have for any $i \neq j$, $\mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{a}_j = 0$, so each pair of \mathbf{a}_i and \mathbf{a}_j are perpendicular to each other.

(ii) Using the same method as (i), we can prove that $\|\mathbf{a}_i^2\| = \|\mathbf{a}_i\| = 1$. So it is a unit vector.

Exercise 4. Since $BA = AC = I$, we have

$$BAA^{-1} = IA^{-1} \Rightarrow B = A^{-1}, A^{-1}AC = A^{-1}I \Rightarrow C = A^{-1}.$$

So $A^{-1} = B = C$.

Exercise 5. (i)

$$(0 + 1)\mathbf{v} = 1\mathbf{v} \rightarrow 0\mathbf{v} + 1\mathbf{v} = 1\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{0} \rightarrow 0\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$$

(ii)

$$0\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow (-1 + 1)\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow (-1)\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow (-1)\mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{v}$$

(iii)

$$(-1)\mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{v}, (-1)\mathbf{w} = -\mathbf{w} \rightarrow -(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (-\mathbf{v}) + (-\mathbf{w})$$

(iv)

$$c\mathbf{0} = \sum_1^c \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow c\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$$

(v)

$$(-1)\mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{v} \rightarrow c(-\mathbf{v}) = (-c)\mathbf{v}$$

$$\sum_1^c \mathbf{v} = c\mathbf{v} \rightarrow -\sum_1^c \mathbf{v} = -(c\mathbf{v}) \rightarrow (-c)\mathbf{v} = -(c\mathbf{v})$$