

Volumes, Matrix calculus

1. Geometric meaning of the determinate of a linear transformation A .
2. Matrix calculation: Given a function $f(x, y, z)$, write df in a matrix multiplication form.
3. Given a $n \times n$ matrix A , trace $tr(A) =$

Eigenvalues

1. Suppose A is a $n \times n$ matrix, λ is an **eigenvalue** of A if

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_____ is an **eigenvector** of A .

2. If A is diagonalizable, then

$$P^{-1}AP = \Sigma,$$

where $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$, $P = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$, and u_i is the eigenvector for the eigenvalue λ_i .

Problems

1. What is area of the triangle whose vertices are $(-1, 1)$, $(1, 2)$, $(0, 3)$?

2. Suppose A is a 2×2 matrix with eigenvalues being 2, 1 and the corresponding eigenvectors being u and v .

(a) What is $(2A + I)u$?

(b) Is $2A + I$ diagonalizable? If yes, what are the eigenvalues of $2A + I$?

3. Suppose A, B are $n \times n$ matrices.

(a) Is $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(A)\text{tr}(B)$? Is $\text{tr}(A^T) = \text{tr}(A)$?

(b) If A is diagonalizable, is A^2 also diagonalizable?

(c) If the eigenvector matrix of A is the identity matrix, what can you say about A ?