

# **Study Notes of Matrix and Tensor**

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# Preface

The notes mainly refer to:

- From Algebraic Structures to Tensors
- Matrix and Tensor Decompositions in Signal Processing

# Chapter 1

## Matrix Algebra

### 1.1 Notations and definitions

Scalars, column vectors, matrices, and hypermatrices/tensors of order higher than two will be denoted by lowercase letters ( $a, b, \dots$ ), bold lowercase letters ( $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \dots$ ), bold uppercase letters ( $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \dots$ ), and calligraphic letters ( $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \dots$ ) respectively.

A matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of dimensions  $I \times J$ , with  $I$  and  $J \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{A}(I, J)$ , is an array of  $IJ$  elements stored in  $I$  rows and  $J$  columns; the elements belong to a field  $\mathbb{K}$ . Its  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column, denoted by  $A_{i\cdot}$  and  $A_{\cdot j}$ , respectively, are called  $i$ th row vector and  $j$ th column vector. The element located at the intersection of  $A_{i\cdot}$  and  $A_{\cdot j}$  is designated by  $a_{ij}$ . We will use the notation  $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij})$ , with  $a_{ij} \in \mathbb{K}$ ,  $i \in \langle I \rangle = \{1, 2, \dots, I\}$  and  $j \in \langle J \rangle = \{1, 2, \dots, J\}$ .

A matrix  $A \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  is written in the form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1J} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2J} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{I1} & a_{I2} & \dots & a_{IJ} \end{pmatrix}$$

The special cases  $I = 1$  and  $J = 1$  correspond respectively to row vectors of dimension  $J$  and to column vectors of dimension  $I$ :

$$\mathbf{v} = (v_1 \quad v_2 \quad \dots \quad v_J) \in \mathbb{K}^{1 \times J}, \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \dots \\ u_I \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times 1}.$$

In the following, for column vectors,  $\mathbb{K}^I$  will be used instead of  $\mathbb{K}^{I \times 1}$ .

$\mathbf{e}_i^{(I)}$  is the column vector of dimension  $I$ , in which element is equal to 1 at position  $i$  and 0s elsewhere.  $\mathbf{E}_{ij}^{I \times J}$  is the matrix of dimension  $I \times J$  in which element is equal to 1 at position  $(i, j)$  and 0s elsewhere.

## 1.2 Transposition and conjugate transposition

Definition 1.1: transpose and the conjugate transpose of a column vector

The transpose and the conjugate transpose (also called transconjugate) of a column vector

$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \dots \\ u_I \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^I$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{u}^T$  and  $\mathbf{u}^H$ , respectively, are the row vectors defined as:

$$\mathbf{u}^T = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & \dots & u_I \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{u}^H = (u_1^* \ u_2^* \ \dots \ u_I^*),$$

where  $u_i^*$  is the conjugate of  $u_i$  also denoted by  $\overline{u_i}$ .

Definition 1.2: transpose and the conjugate transpose of a matrix

The transpose of  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  is the matrix denoted by  $\mathbf{A}^T$ , of dimensions  $J \times I$ , such that  $\mathbf{A}^T = (a_{ji})$ , with  $i \in \langle I \rangle$  and  $j \in \langle J \rangle$ . In the case of a complex matrix, the conjugate transpose, also known as Hermitian transpose and denoted by  $\mathbf{A}^H$ , is defined as:  $\mathbf{A}^H = (\mathbf{A}^*)^T = (\mathbf{A}^T)^* = (a_{ji}^*)$ , where  $\mathbf{A}^* = (a_{ij}^*)$  is the conjugate of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

**Remark.** In mathematics, the complex conjugate of a complex number is the number with an equal real part and an imaginary part equal in magnitude but opposite in sign. That is, if  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers then the complex conjugate of  $a + ib$  is  $a - ib$ . The complex conjugate of  $z$  is often denoted as  $\bar{z}$  or  $z^*$ .

Proposition 1.1

The operations of transposition and conjugate transposition satisfy:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A}^T)^T &= \mathbf{A}, (\mathbf{A}^H)^H = \mathbf{A} \\ (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^T &= \mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{B}^T, (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^H = \mathbf{A}^H + \mathbf{B}^H, \\ (\alpha \mathbf{A})^T &= \alpha \mathbf{A}^T, (\alpha \mathbf{A})^H = \alpha^* \mathbf{A}^H, \end{aligned}$$

for any matrix  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J}$  and any scalar  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ .

**Remark.** By decomposing  $\mathbf{A}$  using its real and imaginary parts, we have:

$$\mathbf{A} = \text{Re}(\mathbf{A}) + i\text{Im}(\mathbf{A}) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{A}^T = (\text{Re}(\mathbf{A}))^T + i(\text{Im}(\mathbf{A}))^T \\ \mathbf{A}^H = (\text{Re}(\mathbf{A}))^H - i(\text{Im}(\mathbf{A}))^H \end{cases}$$

## 1.3 Vector outer product and vectorization

### 1.3.1 Vector outer product

The outer product of two vectors  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{K}^I$  and  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{K}^J$ , denoted  $\mathbf{u} \circ \mathbf{v}$ , gives a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  such that  $a_{ij} = (\mathbf{u} \circ \mathbf{v})_{ij} = u_i v_j$ , and therefore,  $\mathbf{u} \circ \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}^T = (u_i v_j)$ , with  $i \in \langle I \rangle, j \in \langle J \rangle$ .

#### Example 1.1

For  $I = 2, J = 3$ , we have:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 v_1 & u_1 v_2 & u_1 v_3 \\ u_2 v_1 & u_2 v_2 & u_2 v_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### 1.3.2 Vectorization

A very widely used operation in matrix computation is vectorization which consists of stacking the columns of a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  on top of each other to form a column vector of dimension  $J I$ :

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}_{\cdot 1} \quad \mathbf{A}_{\cdot 2} \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{A}_{\cdot J}) \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J} \Rightarrow \text{vec}(\mathbf{A}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{\cdot 1} \\ \mathbf{A}_{\cdot 2} \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{A}_{\cdot J} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{K}^{JI}.$$

This operation defines an isomorphism between the space  $\mathbb{K}^{JI}$  of vectors of dimension  $J I$  and the space  $\mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  of matrices  $I \times J$ . Indeed, the canonical basis of  $\mathbb{K}^{JI}$ , denoted by  $\{\mathbf{e}_{(j-1)I+i}^{(JI)}\}$ , allows us to write  $\text{vec}(\mathbf{A})$  as:

$$\mathbf{A} = \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J a_{ij} \mathbf{e}_i^{(I)} \circ \mathbf{e}_j^{(J)} \Rightarrow \text{vec}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J a_{ij} \mathbf{e}_{(j-1)I+i}^{(JI)},$$

with  $\mathbf{e}_{(j-1)I+i}^{(JI)} = \text{vec}(\mathbf{e}_i^{(I)} \circ \mathbf{e}_j^{(J)}) = \text{vec}(\mathbf{e}_i^{(I)} (\mathbf{e}_j^{(J)})^T)$ .

**Remark.** Since the operator  $\text{vec}$  satisfies  $\text{vec}(\alpha \mathbf{A} + \beta \mathbf{B}) = \alpha \text{vec}(\mathbf{A}) + \beta \text{vec}(\mathbf{B})$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{K}$ , it is linear.

## 1.4 Vector inner product, norm and orthogonality

### 1.4.1 Inner product

In this section, we recall the definition of the inner product (also called dot product) of two vectors  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{K}^I$ .

## Definition 1.3

If  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ , the inner product is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{R}^I \times \mathbb{R}^I &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ (a, b) &\mapsto \langle a, b \rangle = a^T b = \sum_{i=1}^I a_i b_i.\end{aligned}$$

In  $\mathbb{C}^I$ , the definition of the inner product is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{C}^I \times \mathbb{C}^I &\rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ (a, b) &\mapsto \langle a, b \rangle = a^H b = \sum_{i=1}^I a_i^* b_i.\end{aligned}$$

## 1.4.2 Euclidean/Hermitian norm

## Definition 1.4

The Euclidean (Hermitian) norm of a vector  $\mathbf{a}$ , denoted  $\|\mathbf{a}\|$ , associates to  $a \in \mathbb{R}^I$  ( $a \in \mathbb{C}^I$ ) a non-negative real number according to the following definition:

$$\begin{aligned}\|\cdot\|_2 : \mathbb{K}^I &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \\ \mathbf{a} &\mapsto \|\mathbf{a}\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a} \rangle}\end{aligned}$$

## 1.4.3 Orthogonality

## Definition 1.5

Two vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  of  $\mathbb{K}^I$  are said to be orthogonal if and only if  $\langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \rangle = 0$ .

## 1.5 Matrix multiplication

## 1.5.1 Definition and properties

given matrices  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{K}^{J \times K}$ , the product of  $\mathbf{A}$  by  $\mathbf{B}$  gives a matrix  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times K}$  such that  $c_{ik} = \sum_{j=1}^J a_{ij} b_{jk}$ , for  $j \in \langle J \rangle; k \in \langle K \rangle$ .

This product can be written in terms of the outer products of column vectors of

## 1.6 Matrix trace, inner product and Frobenius norm

### 1.6.1 Definition and properties of the trace

#### Definition 1.6

The trace of a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of order  $I$  is defined as the sum of its diagonal elements:

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^I a_{ii}.$$

#### Proposition 1.2

The trace satisfies the following properties:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(\alpha\mathbf{A} + \beta\mathbf{B}) &= \alpha\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) + \beta\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}), \\ \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T) &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}), \\ \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^*) &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^H) = (\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}))^*,\end{aligned}$$

### 1.7 Subspaces associated with a matrix

### 1.8 Matrix rank

### 1.9 Determinant, inverses and generalized inverses

### 1.10 Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

### 1.11 Reference

- From Algebraic Structures to Tensors ch4 matrix algebra



## Chapter 2

# Matrix Decompositions

# Chapter 3

## Hadamard, Kronecker and Khatri–Rao Products

### 3.1 Partitioned matrices

Let  $\{\alpha_{m_1}, \dots, \alpha_{m_R}\}$  and  $\{\beta_{n_1}, \dots, \beta_{n_S}\}$  be partitions of the sets  $\{1, \dots, m\}$  and  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ , respectively, with  $m_r \in \langle m \rangle$  and  $n_s \in \langle n \rangle$ , such that  $\sum_{r=1}^R m_r = m$  and  $\sum_{s=1}^S n_s = n$ . It is said that matrices  $\mathbf{A}_{rs}$  of dimensions  $(m_r, n_s)$  form a partition of the matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{K}^{m \times n}$  into  $(R, S)$  blocks, or that  $\mathbf{A}$  is partitioned into  $(R, S)$  blocks, if  $\mathbf{A}$  can be written as:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} & \mathbf{A}_{12} & \dots & \mathbf{A}_{1S} \\ \mathbf{A}_{21} & \mathbf{A}_{22} & \dots & \mathbf{A}_{2S} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \mathbf{A}_{R1} & \mathbf{A}_{R2} & \dots & \mathbf{A}_{RS} \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{A}_{rs}), r \in \langle R \rangle, s \in \langle S \rangle.$$

All submatrices of the same row-block ( $r$ ) contain the same number ( $m_r$ ) of rows. Similarly, all submatrices of the same column-block ( $s$ ) contain the same number ( $n_s$ ) of columns, that is:

$$(\mathbf{A}_{r1} \ \mathbf{A}_{r2} \ \dots \ \mathbf{A}_{rS}) \in \mathbb{K}^{m_r \times n}, (\mathbf{A}_{1s} \ \mathbf{A}_{2s} \ \dots \ \mathbf{A}_{Rs}) \in \mathbb{K}^{m \times n_s}.$$

It is then said that the submatrices  $\mathbf{A}_{rs}$  are of compatible dimensions.

In the particular case where  $n = 1$ , the partitioned matrix becomes a block-column vector:

$$\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{a}_R) \in \mathbb{K}^{m \times 1}, \mathbf{a}_r \in \mathbb{K}^{m_r \times 1}, r \in \langle R \rangle.$$

Similarly, when  $m = 1$ , the partitioned matrix becomes a block-row vector:

$$\mathbf{a}^T = (\mathbf{a}_1^T \ \mathbf{a}_2^T \ \dots \ \mathbf{a}_S^T) \in \mathbb{K}^{1 \times n}, \mathbf{a}_s \in \mathbb{K}^{n_s \times 1}, s \in \langle S \rangle.$$

## 3.2 Notation

We will write  $\mathbf{A}^*$ ,  $\mathbf{A}^T$ ,  $\mathbf{A}^H$ ,  $\mathbf{A}^\dagger$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_{i\cdot}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_{\cdot j}$ ,  $r(\mathbf{A})$  and  $\det(\mathbf{A})$ , for the conjugate, the transpose, the transconjugate (also known as conjugate transpose or Hermitian transpose), the Moore-Penrose pseudo-inverse, the  $i$ th row, the  $j$ th column, the rank and the determinant of  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$ , respectively. In the following literature, the Hadamard product is denoted by  $*$ . The symbols  $\otimes$  and  $\odot$  are used for the Kronecker and Khatri-Rao product, respectively.

The symbol  $\mathbf{1}_I$  denotes a column vector of size  $I$  whose elements are all equal to 1. The elements of the matrices  $\mathbf{0}_{I \times J}$  and  $\mathbf{1}_{I \times J}$  of size  $(I \times J)$  are all equal to 0 and 1, respectively. The symbols  $\mathbf{I}_N$  and  $\mathbf{e}_n^{(N)}$  denote the identity matrix of order  $N$  and the  $n$ th vector of the canonical basis of the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , respectively.

## 3.3 Hadamard product

### 3.3.1 Definition and identities

#### Definition 3.1

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  be two matrices of the same size. The Hadamard product of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  is the matrix  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} * \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} & \dots & a_{1J}b_{1J} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} & \dots & a_{2J}b_{2J} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{I1}b_{I1} & a_{I2}b_{I2} & \dots & a_{IJ}b_{IJ} \end{pmatrix},$$

i.e.  $c_{ij} = a_{ij}b_{ij}$ , and therefore  $\mathbf{C} = (a_{ij}b_{ij})$ , with  $i \in \langle I \rangle$ ,  $j \in \langle J \rangle$ .

## 3.4 Kronecker product

### 3.4.1 Kronecker product of vectors

#### Definition

##### Definition 3.2

(a) For  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{K}^I$  and  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{K}^J$ , we have:

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{K}^{IJ} \Leftrightarrow x_{j+(i-1)J} = u_i v_j$$

or equivalently:

$$\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v} = (u_1 v_1 \quad \dots \quad u_1 v_J \quad u_2 v_1 \quad \dots \quad u_2 v_J \quad \dots \quad u_I v_1 \quad \dots \quad u_I v_J)^T = (u_1 \mathbf{v} \quad \dots \quad u_I \mathbf{v})^T.$$

(b) Similarly, for  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{K}^I$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{K}^J$ , and  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{K}^K$ , we have:

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{K}^{IJK} \Leftrightarrow x_{k+(j-1)K+(i-1)JK} = u_i v_j w_k.$$

**Remark.** By convention, the order of the dimensions in a product  $IJK$  follows the order of variation of the corresponding indices  $(i, j, k)$ . For example,  $\mathbb{K}^{IJK}$  means that the index  $i$  varies more slowly than  $j$ , which itself varies more slowly than  $k$ .

### 3.4.2 Kronecker product of matrices

#### Definitions and identities

##### Definition 3.3

Given two matrices  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{K}^{I \times J}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{K}^{M \times N}$  of arbitrary size, the right Kronecker product of  $\mathbf{A}$  by  $\mathbf{B}$  is the matrix  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{K}^{IM \times JN}$  defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}\mathbf{B} & a_{12}\mathbf{B} & \dots & a_{1J}\mathbf{B} \\ a_{21}\mathbf{B} & a_{22}\mathbf{B} & \dots & a_{2J}\mathbf{B} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{I1}\mathbf{B} & a_{I2}\mathbf{B} & \dots & a_{IJ}\mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} = (a_{ij}\mathbf{B}).$$

**Remark.** The Kronecker product is a matrix partitioned into  $(I, J)$  blocks, where the block  $(i, j)$  is given by the matrix  $a_{ij}\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{K}^{M \times N}$ . The element  $a_{ij}b_{mn}$  is located at the position  $((i-1)M + m, (j-1)N + n)$  in  $\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B}$ .

## 3.5 Reference

- From Algebraic Structures to Tensors ch5
- Matrix and Tensor Decompositions in Signal Processing ch2



# Chapter 4

## Tensor Operations

### 4.1 Notation

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### 4.2 Notion of slice

### 4.3 Mode combination

### 4.4 Matricization

### 4.5 Multiplication operations