

# Review of Matrix Algebra

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# 1 Basic results

Given matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  of appropriate dimensions,

1. Transposition:

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})' = \mathbf{A}' + \mathbf{B}' \quad (\mathbf{AB})' = \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{A}'$$

2. Trace: Given a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$

(a)  $tr(\mathbf{A}) = \sum diag(\mathbf{A})$

(b)  $tr(k\mathbf{A}) = k tr(\mathbf{A}) \quad tr(\mathbf{A}') = tr(\mathbf{A})$

(c)  $tr(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = tr(\mathbf{A}) + tr(\mathbf{B}) \quad tr(\mathbf{AB}) = tr(\mathbf{BA})$

3. Determinant:

- (a)

$$|\mathbf{A}'| = |\mathbf{A}| \quad |k\mathbf{A}| = k^n |\mathbf{A}| \quad |\mathbf{A}^{-1}| = 1/|\mathbf{A}|$$

- (b)

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{T} & \mathbf{U} \\ \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{W} \end{vmatrix} = |\mathbf{T}| |\mathbf{W} - \mathbf{V}\mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{U}|$$

# 2 Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

1. Eigenvalue: A scalar  $\lambda$  is said to be an eigenvalue of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  if there exists an  $n \times 1$  nonnull vector  $\mathbf{x}$  such that

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

then  $\mathbf{x}$  is an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}$

2. Given an  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  with distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ , with multiplicities  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_k$

(a)  $Rank(\mathbf{A})$  equals the number of nonzero eigenvalues

(b)  $tr(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^k \gamma_i \lambda_i$

(c)  $det(\mathbf{A}) = \prod_{i=1}^k \lambda_i^{\gamma_i}$

# 3 Inverse Matrices

1. Inverse of a matrix: Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a  $k \times k$  matrix. The inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  is another  $k \times k$  matrix such that

$$\mathbf{AA}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$$

2. Generalized inverse of a matrix: A generalized inverse of an  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is any  $n \times m$  matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  such that

$$\mathbf{AGA} = \mathbf{A}$$

3. Inverse of a sum of matrices:

$$(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{STU})^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1} - \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{T}^{-1} + \mathbf{UR}^{-1}\mathbf{S})^{-1}\mathbf{UR}^{-1}$$

4. Inverse of a partitioned matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{T} & \mathbf{U} \\ \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{W} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{T}^{-1} + \mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{VT}^{-1} & -\mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}^{-1} \\ -\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{VT}^{-1} & \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{W} - \mathbf{VT}^{-1}\mathbf{U}$

## 4 Special Matrices

1. Non-negative definite and positive definite matrices:

A real symmetric matrix  $\mathbf{A}$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{non-negative definite} &\Leftrightarrow x'\mathbf{A}x \geq 0 \text{ for all } x \\ &\Leftrightarrow \text{all eigenvalues of } \mathbf{A} \text{ are } \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{positive definite} &\Leftrightarrow x'\mathbf{A}x > 0 \text{ for all } x \neq 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \text{all eigenvalues of } \mathbf{A} \text{ are } > 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \text{is non-singular} \end{aligned}$$

2. Singular matrix: A  $n \times n$  matrix is singular if  $\text{Rank}(\mathbf{A}) < n$

3. Idempotent matrix: Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a  $k \times k$  matrix,  $\mathbf{A}$  is idempotent if  $\mathbf{AA} = \mathbf{A}$

4. Orthogonal matrix: A square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is orthogonal if

$$\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{AA}' = \mathbf{I}$$

if  $\mathbf{A}$  is non-singular  $\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$

## 5 Matrix decomposition

1. Diagonalization of a symmetric matrix: Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix, then

$$\mathbf{PAP}' = \text{diag}(\lambda_i)$$

where  $\lambda_i$  are the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{P}$  is the orthogonal matrix with columns equal to the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$

2. **QR decomposition**: A  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  with  $\text{Rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$  may be decomposed as

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{QR}$$

where  $\mathbf{Q}$  is orthogonal and  $\mathbf{R}$  is an upper triangular matrix with positive diagonal elements

3. **Cholesky decomposition**: A symmetric, positive definite matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  may be decomposed as

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{LL}'$$

where  $\mathbf{L}$  is a lower triangular matrix with positive diagonal elements

4. **Singular value decomposition**: The singular value decomposition of a  $m \times n$  matrix is given by:

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{V} \begin{pmatrix} \text{diag}_r(\lambda_i) & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{U}'$$

where  $r = \text{Rank}(\mathbf{A})$ ,  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  are orthogonal matrices and  $\lambda_i^2$  are the non-zero eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{AA}'$

## 6 Matrix derivatives

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a  $k \times k$  matrix of constants,  $\mathbf{a}$  a  $k \times 1$  vector of constants and  $\mathbf{y}$  a vector of variables:

1.

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}'\mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{a}$$

2.

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = 2\mathbf{y}$$

3.

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{a}$$

4.

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{y}$$

## 7 Expectations and Variances

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a  $k \times k$  matrix of constants,  $\mathbf{a}$  a  $k \times 1$  vector of constants and  $\mathbf{y}$  a random vector with mean  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  and variance-covariance matrix  $\mathbf{V}$

1.  $E(\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{a}'\boldsymbol{\mu}$

2.  $E(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu}$

3.  $Var(\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{a}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{a}$
4.  $Var(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}'$ . Note that if  $\mathbf{V} = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ , then  $Var(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}'$
5.  $E(\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}) = tr(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}) + \boldsymbol{\mu}'\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu}$

## 8 Distributions

1. Let  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n$  be independent normally distributed random variables with  $E(Y_i) = \mu_i$  and  $Var(Y_i) = \sigma_i^2$ . Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  be known constants. Then,

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i Y_i \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sigma_i^2\right)$$

2. If  $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then,

$$Z = \frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1) \quad Z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$$

3. Let  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n$  be independent normally distributed random variables with  $E(Y_i) = \mu_i$  and  $Var(Y_i) = \sigma_i^2$ , and let  $Z_i = \frac{Y_i - \mu_i}{\sigma_i}$  then,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2 \sim \chi_n^2$$

4. if  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$  and,  $V \sim \chi_g^2$ , and  $Z$  and  $V$  are independent, then

$$\frac{Z}{\sqrt{V/g}} \sim t_g$$

5. Let  $V \sim \chi_{g_1}^2$ , and  $W \sim \chi_{g_2}^2$ . If  $V$  and  $W$  are independent, then

$$\frac{V/g_1}{W/g_2} \sim F_{g_1, g_2}$$