EE445 Mod1-Lec2: Linear Algebra V

References:

- [VMLS]: Chapter 11
- [OM] by Calafiore & El-Ghaoui: 3.3

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Inverse of A

- if matrix A has both a left-inverse and a right-inverse, they are unique and equal
 - A must be square
 - we say A is *invertible* or non-singular (det(A) $\neq 0$)
- to see this: if AX = I and YA = I,

$$X = (YA)X = Y(AX) = Y$$

• inverse of product: $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

Inverse of A

- for a square matrix A, the following are equivalent:
 - \blacktriangleright A is invertible
 - \blacktriangleright columns of A are linearly independent
 - \blacktriangleright rows of A are linearly independent
- examples:
 - $\blacktriangleright \ \, \text{if Q is square with $Q^TQ=I$, then} \qquad Q^{-1}=Q^T$
 - for a 2×2 matrix A with $det(A) = A_{11}A_{22} A_{21}A_{12} \neq 0$,

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} A_{22} & -A_{12} \\ -A_{21} & A_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse via QR factorization

- if A is invertible, Ax = b has the unique solution $x = A^{-1}b$ for any b
- if A = QR, the inverse is given by

$$A^{-1} = (QR)^{-1} = R^{-1}Q^{-1} = R^{-1}Q^T$$

- easy way to solve for x:
 - 1. compute the QR factorization A = QR
 - 2. compute $Q^T b$
 - 3. solve the triangular equation $Rx = Q^T b$ using back-substitution

Ex: polynomial interpolation

let's find coefficients of polynomial $p(x) = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2 + c_4 x^3$ that satisfies

$$p(-1.1) = b_1, \quad p(-0.4) = b_2, \quad p(0.1) = b_3, \quad p(0.8) = b_4$$

write as Ac = b with

Ex: polynomial interpolation

Vandermonde matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 & t_1^2 & \dots & t_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & t_2 & t_2^2 & \dots & t_n^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \\ 1 & t_n & t_n^2 & \dots & t_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

we show A is invertible, by showing if Ay = 0 then y = 0

• Ay = 0 means $p(t_1) = \ldots = p(t_n) = 0$ where p(t) is polynomial of degree n-1 or less:

$$p(t) = y_1 + y_2 t + y_3 t^2 + \ldots + y_n t^{n-1}$$

- if $y \neq 0$, p(t) cannot have more than n-1 distinct real roots
- so $p(t_1) = \ldots = p(t_n) = 0$ only possible if y = 0

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Ex: polynomial interpolation

• coefficients given by $c = A^{-1}b$ with

$A^{-1} = $	-0.0370	0.3492	0.7521	-0.0643 -
	0.1388	-1.8651	1.6239	0.1023
	0.3470	0.1984	-1.4957	0.9503
	-0.5784	1.9841	-2.1368	0.7310

- observe, e.g., c_1 is not very sensitive to b_1 or b_4
- first col gives coeffs of polynomial that satisfies

$$p(-1.1) = 1$$
, $p(-0.4) = 0$, $p(0.1) = 0$, $p(0.8) = 0$

called (first) Lagrange polynomial

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Example



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Lagrange polynomials

Lagrange polynomials corresponding to points -1.1, -0.4, 0.2, 0.8



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Invertibility of Gram matrix

A has linearly independent columns if and only if $A^T A$ (Gram matrix of A) is invertible

- to see this, we'll show $Ax = 0 \iff A^T A x = 0$
- \Rightarrow : if Ax = 0 then $(A^TA)x = A^T(Ax) = A^T0 = 0$
- \Leftarrow : if $(A^T A)x = 0$ then

$$0 = x^{T} (A^{T} A) x = (Ax)^{T} (Ax) = ||Ax||^{2} = 0$$

Pseudo-inverse of tall matrix

• for A with linearly independent cols, the psuedo-inverse is

$$A^{\dagger} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$$

• it is a left-inverse of A:

$$A^{\dagger}A = (A^T A)^{-1}A^T A = I$$

- reduces to A^{-1} when A is square
- in terms of QR factorization: $A^{\dagger} = R^{-1}Q^T$

Projection on range

• for A with linearly independent cols, combining A = QR and $A^{\dagger} = R^{-1}Q^{T}$ gives

$$AA^{\dagger} = QRR^{-1}Q^T = QQ^T$$

(note order of product in AA^{\dagger} and difference with $A^{\dagger}A = I$)

• $QQ^T x$ gives the *orthogonal projection* of x on the range of Q (we'll see more in Module 3):

Pseudo-inverse of wide matrix

• similarly, if A is wide, with linearly independent rows, AA^T is invertible. pseudo-inverse is defined as

$$A^{\dagger} = A^T (AA^T)^{-1}$$

- it is a right-inverse of A (can check)
- reduces to A^{-1} when A is square

Psuedo-inverse of a general matrix

suppose A is $m \times n$ with rank $r (r < \min\{m, n\})$, so has a factorization A = BC

• B is $m \times r$ with linearly independent columns, its psuedo-inverse is:

$$B^{\dagger} = (B^T B)^{-1} B^T$$

• C is $r \times n$ with linearly independent rows, its psuedo-inverse is:

$$C^{\dagger} = C^T (CC^T)^{-1}$$

we define the psuedo-inverse of A as $\qquad A^{\dagger}=C^{\dagger}B^{\dagger}$

- extends def of psuedo-inverse to non-full-rank matrices. also known as *Moore-Penrose* (generalized) inverse.
- (later, we'll also give expression in terms of SVD...)

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Ex: psuedo-inverse of diagonal matrix

- rank of diagonal matrix= # of nonzero diagonal entries
- A^{\dagger} is a diagonal matrix with

$$(A^{\dagger})_{ii} = \begin{cases} 1/A_{ii} & \text{if } A_{ii} \neq 0\\ 0 & \text{if } A_{ii} = 0 \end{cases}$$

example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad A^{\dagger} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Meaning of AA^{\dagger} and $A^{\dagger}A$

if A does not have full rank, A^{\dagger} is not a left or right inverse

• interpretation of AA^{\dagger} :

$$AA^{\dagger} = BCC^{\dagger}B^{\dagger} = BB^{\dagger} = B(B^TB)^{-1}B^T$$

- BB^{\dagger} gives the orthogonal projection on $\mathcal{R}(B)$ (and $\mathcal{R}(A) = \mathcal{R}(B)$)
- interpretation of $A^{\dagger}A$:

$$A^{\dagger}A = C^{\dagger}B^{\dagger}BC = C^{\dagger}C = C^{T}(CC^{T})^{-1}C$$

• orthogonal projection onto $\mathcal{R}(A^T) = \mathcal{R}(C^T)$

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Eigenvalues & eigenvectors

a nonzero vector x is an eigenvector of the $n \times n$ matrix A, with eigenvalue λ , if

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

- the matrix $\lambda I A$ is singular, x is a (nonzero) vector in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda I A)$
- the eigenvalues of A are the roots of the characteristic polynomial:

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = \lambda^n + c_{n-1}\lambda^{n-1} + \ldots + c_1\lambda + (-1)^n \det(A) = 0$$

- the polynomial roots (and eigenvectors) may be complex
- there are exactly *n* eigenvalues (counted with their multiplicity)
- set of eignevalues called the *spectrum* of A

Similarity transform

two matrices A and B are similar if $B = T^{-1}AT$ for some nonsingular matrix T

• similarity transforms preserve eigenvalues:

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = \det(\lambda I - T^{-1}AT) = \det(T^{-1}(\lambda I - A)T) = \det(I - A)$$

• if x is an eigenvector of A then $y = T^{-1}x$ is an eigenvector og B:

$$By = (T^{-1}AT)(T^{-1}x) = T^{-1}Ax = T^{-1}(\lambda x) = \lambda y$$

special interest will be orthogonal similarity transforms

Diagonalizable matrices

• a matrix is diagonalizable if it is similar to a diagonal matrix:

$$T^{-1}AT = \Lambda$$

for some nonsingular matrix \boldsymbol{T}

- diagonal entries of Λ are the eigenvalues of A
- cols of T are eigenvectors of A:

$$A(Te_i) = T\Lambda e_i = \Lambda_{ii}(Te_i)$$

- cols of T give n linearly independent eigenvectors
- (not all square matrices are diagonalizable)

Spectral decomposition

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suppose A is diagonalizable, with

$$A = T^{-1}\Lambda T = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1^T \\ w_2^T \\ \vdots \\ w_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \lambda_1 v_1 w_1^T + \lambda_2 v_2 w_2^T + \dots + \lambda_n v_n w_n^T$$

this is a spectral decomposition of the linear function f(x) = Ax

• entries of $T^{-1}x$ are coeffs of x in the eigenvector basis $\{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$:

$$x = TT^{-1} = (w_i^T x)v_1 + \ldots + w_n^T v_n$$

• by superposition for f(x) = Ax, $Ax = (w_1^T x)\lambda_1 v_1 + \ldots + (w_n^T x)\lambda_n v_n = T\Lambda T^{-1}x$

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Ex: Google PageRank

[OM, example 3.5]

- say web is composed of n pages, labeled with $j = 1, \ldots, n$, and model as a directed graph.
- denote by x_j the importance score (or "voting power") of page j, to be evenly divided among outgoing links from node k: x_j/n_j
- let B_k be set of "backlinks" for page k (pages point to k). score of page k is:

$$x_k = \sum_{j_k} \frac{x_j}{n_j}, \quad k = 1, \dots, n$$



Ex: Google PageRank

• in figure, we have $n_1 = 3$, $n_2 = 2$, $n_3 = 1$, $n_4 = 2$, hence we get system of linear eq's:

$$x = Ax, \quad A \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/3 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- A is called *link matrix*. x is eignevector of A associated with $\lambda = 1$
- here we get

$$x = v_1 = (12, 4, 9, 6)$$

• thus page 1 appears to be the most relevant according to PageRank scoring