

L01: Real matrices

1. Matrices and their operations

In this course we only consider real matrices.

- (1) $R^{m \times n}$ is a linear space
Matrix addition, scalar multiplication, a set of rules;
Linear combination $\alpha_1 A + \alpha_2 B + \cdots + \alpha_k D$
Zero matrix can always be written as a LC of other matrices
- (2) Matrix multiplication
Condition for AB
Condition for AB where A and B are matrices with blocks
Interpretation of Ax
Interpretation of AB
Identity matrices. Left-inverse of A ; right-inverse of A ; inverse of A .
Non-singular matrix. Show $B = A^{-1}$.
- (3) Trace of a square matrix
Show $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$
Symmetric matrices
- (4) Frobenius inner product
Inner product, induced norm, distance, angle, Pythagorean Theorem
Frobenius inner product
Matrix with orthogonal column, matrix with orthonormal columns, orthogonal matrices

Ex1: For A, B, C in $R^{n \times n}$, show $(I + ABC)^{-1} = I - A(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1}C$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof} \quad & (I + ABC)[I - A(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1}C] \\ &= I - A(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1}C + ABC - ABCA(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1}C \\ &= I - AB[B^{-1}(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1}C - C + CA(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1}C] \\ &= I - AB[B^{-1}(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1} - I + CA(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1}]C \\ &= I - AB[(B^{-1} + CA)(B^{-1} + CA)^{-1} - I]C = I - 0 = I. \end{aligned}$$

2. Terminology and notation

- (1) For statements A and B the followings are the same
 - (a) If A is true, then B is true
 - (b) $A \implies B$
 - (c) $B \Leftarrow A$
 - (d) A is a sufficient condition for B
 - (e) B is a necessary condition for A
- (2) For statements A and B the followings are the same
 - (a) A is defined by B
 - (b) B is defined by A
 - (c) A is true if and only if B is true
 - (d) B is true if and only if A is true
 - (e) A is false if and only if B is false
 - (f) B is false if and only if A is false
 - (g) $A \iff B$
 - (h) A and B are equivalent
 - (i) A is a sufficient and necessary condition for B
 - (j) B is a sufficient and necessary condition for A
- (3) For sets A and B the followings are equivalent
 - (a) $A \subset B$
 - (b) $B \supset A$
 - (c) $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$
- (4) For sets A and B the followings are equivalent
 - (a) $A = B$
 - (b) $A \subset B$ and $A \supset B$

Ex2: (i) $\text{tr}(XA) = 0$ for all X has a sufficient condition $A = 0$

Proof $A = 0 \implies \text{tr}(XA) = \text{tr}(X0) = \text{tr}(0) = 0$ for all X

(ii) $\text{tr}(XA) = 0$ for all X has necessary condition $A = 0$

Proof $0 = \text{tr}(XA)$ for all $X \implies 0 = \text{tr}(A'A) = \|A\|^2 \implies A = 0$

(iii) So $\text{tr}(AX) = 0$ for all $X \iff A = 0$

Ex3 For $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in R^{m \times r}$ where $A_1 \in R^{r \times r}$ is non-singular, denote the left-inverse of A by A^L . Show $A^L = (A_1^{-1}, H)$ for all $H \in R^{r \times m-r}$.

\subset : Suppose $B = (B_1, B_2) \in A^L$. Then $I_r = BA = B_1A_1 \Rightarrow B_1 = A_1^{-1}$.

So $B = (A_1^{-1}, H)$ with $H = B_2$

\supset : $(A_1^{-1}, H)A = (A_1^{-1}, H) \begin{pmatrix} A_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = I_r$. So $(A_1^{-1}, H) \subset A^L$.

3. Rank of matrices

(1) Independence

U_1, \dots, U_r are vectors in a linear space

U_1, \dots, U_r are linearly independent (LI) $\xLeftrightarrow{\text{def}}$ " $x_1U_1 + \dots + x_rU_r = 0 \implies x_i = 0$ for all i "

U_1, \dots, U_r are LD $\xLeftrightarrow{\text{def}}$ $x_1U_1 + \dots + x_rU_r = 0$ for some $x = (x_1, \dots, x_r)' \neq 0$
 $\iff \exists U_i$ that is a LC of others

(2) Rank and dimension

Suppose D is a set in linear space V ,

$\text{rank}(D) = r \xLeftrightarrow{\text{def}} \exists [x_1, \dots, x_r] \subset D$; x_1, \dots, x_r are LI; x is a LC of x_1, \dots, x_r for all $x \in D$.

$\dim(V) = r \xLeftrightarrow{\text{def}} \exists [x_1, \dots, x_r] \subset V$; x_1, \dots, x_r are LI; x is a LC of x_1, \dots, x_r for all $x \in V$.
 $[x_1, \dots, x_r]$ is a basis of V .

(3) Matrix rank

The rank of n columns of $A \in R^{m \times n}$ is called the column rank of A

The rank of m rows of $A \in R^{m \times n}$ is called the row rank of A

The column rank and row rank of A are always equal and is called the rank of A denoted as $\text{rank}(A)$.

(4) For $A \in R^{m \times n}$, $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A') \leq \min(m, n)$.

Ex5: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\text{rank}(A) = 2$ since $A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are LI; $A_3 = A_1 + A_2$ and $A_4 = A_1 - A_2$.

Note that the first and the third rows are LI, and the second row is a LC of the first and third row.

Ex6: $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

L02 dimension of space and QR-decomposition

1. Dimension of space

(1) Subspace and span

V is a LS. $S \subset V$.

S is a subspace of V

$\iff S$ is closed under addition and is closed under scalar multiplication

$\iff S$ is closed under LC

For $D \subset V$, the collection of all LCs of vectors in D is closed under LCs and hence is a subspace of V called the span of D denoted as $\text{Span}(D)$. So

$$D \subset V \implies D \subset \text{Span}(D) \subset V.$$

(2) Dimension and rank

Suppose $[x_1, \dots, x_r] \subset D$, x_1, \dots, x_r are LI, and x is a LC of x_1, \dots, x_r for all $x \in D$.

Then $\text{rank}(D) = r$. But one can see that $[x_1, \dots, x_r]$ is a basis of $\text{Span}(D)$.

So $\dim[\text{Span}(D)] = r$. Thus $\dim[\text{Span}(D)] = \text{rank}(D)$.

(3) Column space of matrix

For $A \in R^{m \times n}$, $\{Ax : x \in R^n\}$ contains all LCs of the columns of A and hence is the span of the columns of A , a subspace of R^m called the column space of A with notations

$$C(A) = \text{Span}(A) = L(A) = \{Ax \in R^m : x \in R^n\}.$$

Clearly $\text{rank}[L(A)] = \text{rank}(A)$.

Ex1: For two sets D_1 and D_2 in LS V , $D_1 \subset D_2 \implies \text{rank}(D_1) \leq \text{rank}(D_2)$

For two spaces S_1 and S_2 in LS V , $S_1 \subset S_2 \implies \dim(S_1) \leq \dim(S_2)$.

Ex2: For matrices A , B and AB ,

(i) $y \in L(AB) \implies y = ABx = A(Bx) \in L(A)$. So $L(AB) \subset L(A)$

(ii) $L(AB) \subset L(A) \implies \dim[L(AB)] \leq \dim[L(A)]$
 $\implies \text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(A)$.

(iii) $\text{rank}(AB) = \text{rank}[(AB)'] = \text{rank}(B'A') \leq \text{rank}(B') = \text{rank}(B)$

So we conclude that the rank product is \leq the rank of a factor.

2. Sum and intersection of subspaces

(1) Sum, intersection and their dimensions

S_1 and S_2 are two subspaces of V . Then $S_1 + S_2 = \{x + y : x \in S_1 \text{ and } y \in S_2\}$ and $S_1 \cap S_2$ are subspaces of V .

$$S_1 \cap S_2 \subset \left\{ \begin{array}{c} S_1 \\ S_2 \end{array} \right\} \subset S_1 \cup S_2 \subset S_1 + S_2 \subset V$$

all but $S_1 \cup S_2$ are LSs. It can be shown that

$$\dim(S_1 + S_2) = \dim(S_1) + \dim(S_2) - \dim(S_1 \cap S_2).$$

(2) Direct sum

$S_1 + S_2$ is a direct sum denoted by $S_1 \oplus S_2$ if $S_1 \cap S_2 = \{0\}$.

$$\dim(S_1 \oplus S_2) = \dim(S_1) + \dim(S_2)$$

(3) Orthogonal sum

$S_1 + S_2$ is an orthogonal sum denoted by $S_1 \dot{+} S_2$ if $S_1 \perp S_2$.

But $S_1 \perp S_2 \implies S_1 \cap S_2 = \{0\}$. So an orthogonal sum is a direct sum.

Ex3: $C[(A, B)] = C(A) + C(B)$.

$$\subset: z \in C[(A, B)] \Rightarrow z = (A, B) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = Ax + By \in C(A) + C(B)$$

$$\supset: z \in C(A) + C(B) \Rightarrow z = Ax + By = (A, B) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in C[(A, B)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank}[(A, B)] &= \dim[C(A, B)] = \dim[C(A) + C(B)] \\ &= \dim[C(A)] + \dim[C(B)] - \dim[C(A) \cap C(B)] \\ &= \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) - \dim[C(A) \cap C(B)] \leq \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) \end{aligned}$$

3. QR decomposition

(1) QR-decomposition

For $A \in R^{n \times t}$ with full column rank $\text{rank}(A) = t$ there exist $Q \in R^{n \times t}$ with orthonormal columns $Q'Q = I_t$ and non-singular upper diagonal $R \in R^{t \times t}$ such that $A = QR$.

(2) Gram-Schmidt process

The essence of the QR-decomposition is the Gram-Schmidt process.

For given LI columns vectors A_1, \dots, A_t in $A = (A_1, \dots, A_t)$, the process produces orthonormal Q_1, \dots, Q_t such that $A_i = r_{1i}Q_1 + \dots + r_{ii}Q_i, i = 1, \dots, t$.

$$\text{With } Q = (Q_1, \dots, Q_t) \text{ and } R = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & \cdots & r_{1t} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & r_{tt} \end{pmatrix}, A = QR.$$

(3) Additional requirement

The QR-decomposition is not unique. One can let the each of the diagonal elements of R have designated signs.

Ex4: (a), (b) and (c) below are equivalent.

(a) A has a L-inverse (b) A has full column rank (c) $\text{rank}(AB) = \text{rank}(B) \forall B$

Proof. Suppose $A \in R^{n \times r}$.

(a) \implies (b): A has L-inverse A^L . Then

$r = \text{rank}(I_r) = \text{rank}(A^L A) \leq \text{rank}(A) \leq r$. So (b) $\text{rank}(A) = r$ holds.

(a) \Leftarrow (b): If (b), then by QR-decomposition, $A = QR$. Let $B = R^{-1}Q'$.

Then $BA = R^{-1}Q'QR = I_r$, i.e., A has a L-inverse. So (a) holds.

(a) \implies (c): A has L-inverse A^L . Then

$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B) = \text{rank}(I_r B) = \text{rank}(A^L AB) \leq \text{rank}(AB)$. So (c) holds.

(b) \Leftarrow (c: $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(AI_r) = \text{rank}(I_r) = r$. So (b) holds. \square .