

More Linear Algebra¹

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Overview

- 1 Things you already know
- 2 Spectral decomposition
- 3 Positive definite matrices
- 4 Square root matrices
- 5 R

You already know about

- Matrices $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$
- Matrix addition and subtraction $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}]$
- Scalar multiplication $a\mathbf{B} = [a b_{ij}]$
- Matrix multiplication $\mathbf{AB} = \left[\sum_k a_{ik} b_{kj} \right]$
- Inverse $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{AA}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$
- Transpose $\mathbf{A}' = [a_{ji}]$
- Symmetric matrices $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}'$
- Determinants
- Linear independence

Linear independence

\mathbf{X} be an $n \times p$ matrix of constants. The columns of \mathbf{X} are said to be *linearly dependent* if there exists $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ with $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$. We will say that the columns of \mathbf{X} are linearly *independent* if $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ implies $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$.

For example, show that \mathbf{A}^{-1} exists implies that the columns of \mathbf{A} are linearly independent.

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$$

How to show $\mathbf{A}^{-1'} = \mathbf{A}'^{-1}$

Suppose $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$, meaning $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$. Must show two things: $\mathbf{B}'\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{I}$ and $\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{B}' = \mathbf{I}$.

$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{I}' = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{B}' = \mathbf{I}' = \mathbf{I}$$



Extras

You may not know about these, but we may use them occasionally

- Trace
- Rank
- Partitioned matrices

Trace of a square matrix

- Sum of diagonal elements
- Obvious: $tr(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = tr(\mathbf{A}) + tr(\mathbf{B})$
- Not obvious: $tr(\mathbf{AB}) = tr(\mathbf{BA})$

Rank

- Row rank is the number of linearly independent rows
- Column rank is the number of linearly independent columns
- Rank of a matrix is the minimum of row rank and column rank
- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{AB}) = \min(\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}), \text{rank}(\mathbf{B}))$

Partitioned matrix

- A matrix of matrices

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \hline \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{D} \end{array} \right]$$

- Row by column (matrix) multiplication works, provided the matrices are the right sizes.

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{i,j}]$ be an $n \times n$ matrix, so that the following applies to square matrices. \mathbf{A} is said to have an *eigenvalue* λ and (non-zero) *eigenvector* \mathbf{x} corresponding to λ if

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}.$$

- Eigenvalues are the λ values that solve the determinantal equation $|\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}| = 0$.
- The determinant is the product of the eigenvalues:

$$|\mathbf{A}| = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$$

Spectral decomposition of symmetric matrices

The *Spectral decomposition theorem* says that every square and symmetric matrix $\mathbf{A} = [a_{i,j}]$ may be written

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{C}',$$

where the columns of \mathbf{C} (which may also be denoted $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$) are the eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} , and the diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} contains the corresponding eigenvalues.

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

The eigenvectors may be chosen to be orthonormal, so that \mathbf{C} is an orthogonal matrix. That is, $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{C}'\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{I}$.

Positive definite matrices

The $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} is said to be *positive definite* if

$$\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} > 0$$

for *all* $n \times 1$ vectors $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{0}$. It is called *non-negative definite* (or sometimes positive semi-definite) if $\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} \geq 0$.

Example: Show $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$ non-negative definite

Let \mathbf{X} be an $n \times p$ matrix of real constants and \mathbf{y} be $p \times 1$.
Then $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{y}$ is $n \times 1$, and

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})\mathbf{y} \\ &= (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{y})'(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{y}) \\ &= \mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Some properties of symmetric positive definite matrices

Variance-covariance matrices are often assumed positive definite.

For a symmetric matrix,

Positive definite



All eigenvalues positive



Inverse exists \Leftrightarrow Columns (rows) linearly independent

If a real symmetric matrix is also non-negative definite, as a variance-covariance matrix *must* be, Inverse exists \Rightarrow Positive definite

Showing Positive definite \Rightarrow Eigenvalues positive

For example

Let \mathbf{A} be square and symmetric as well as positive definite.

- Spectral decomposition says $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{C}'$.
- Using $\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} > 0$, let \mathbf{y} be an eigenvector, say the third one.
- Because eigenvectors are orthonormal,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{C}'\mathbf{y} \\ &= (0 \ 0 \ 1 \ \dots \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \lambda_3 \\ &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

Inverse of a diagonal matrix

Suppose $\mathbf{D} = [d_{i,j}]$ is a diagonal matrix with non-zero diagonal elements. It is easy to verify that

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_{1,1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & d_{2,2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & d_{n,n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/d_{1,1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1/d_{2,2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1/d_{n,n} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$$

And

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/d_{1,1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1/d_{2,2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1/d_{n,n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d_{1,1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & d_{2,2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & d_{n,n} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$$

Showing Eigenvalues positive \Rightarrow Inverse exists

For a symmetric, positive definite matrix

Let \mathbf{A} be symmetric and positive definite. Then $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{C}'$ and its eigenvalues are positive.

Let $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{C}'$

Showing $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{C}'\mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{C}'\mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{I}$$

So

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{C}'$$

Square root matrices

For symmetric, non-negative definite matrices

Define

$$\mathbf{D}^{1/2} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\lambda_2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sqrt{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}^{1/2} \mathbf{D}^{1/2} &= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\lambda_2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sqrt{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\lambda_2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sqrt{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{D} \end{aligned}$$

For a non-negative definite, symmetric matrix \mathbf{A}

Define

$$\mathbf{A}^{1/2} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{C}'$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}^{1/2}\mathbf{A}^{1/2} &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{C}'\mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{C}' \\ &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{I}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{C}' \\ &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{C}' \\ &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{C}' \\ &= \mathbf{A}\end{aligned}$$

The square root of the inverse is the inverse of the square root

Let \mathbf{A} be symmetric and positive definite, with $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{C}'$.

Let $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}\mathbf{C}'$. What is $\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}$?

Show $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{A}^{-1})^{1/2}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B} &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}\mathbf{C}'\mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}\mathbf{C}' \\ &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

Show $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{A}^{1/2})^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}^{1/2}\mathbf{B} &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{C}'\mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}^{1/2} &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}\mathbf{C}'\mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{I}\end{aligned}$$

Just write $\mathbf{A}^{-1/2} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}\mathbf{C}'$

Matrix calculation with R

```
> is.matrix(3) # Is the number 3 a 1x1 matrix?
```

```
[1] FALSE
```

```
> treecorr = cor(trees); treecorr
```

```
      Girth   Height   Volume
Girth 1.0000000 0.5192801 0.9671194
Height 0.5192801 1.0000000 0.5982497
Volume 0.9671194 0.5982497 1.0000000
```

```
> is.matrix(treecorr)
```

```
[1] TRUE
```

Creating matrices

Bind rows into a matrix

```
> # Bind rows of a matrix together
> A = rbind( c(3, 2, 6,8),
+           c(2,10,-7,4),
+           c(6, 6, 9,1) ); A
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]    3    2    6    8
[2,]    2   10   -7    4
[3,]    6    6    9    1
```

```
> # Transpose
> t(A)
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]    3    2    6
[2,]    2   10    6
[3,]    6   -7    9
[4,]    8    4    1
```

Matrix multiplication

Remember, \mathbf{A} is 3×4

```
> # U = AA' (3x3), V = A'A (4x4)
> U = A %% t(A)
> V = t(A) %% A; V
```

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]
[1,]	49	62	58	38
[2,]	62	140	-4	62
[3,]	58	-4	166	29
[4,]	38	62	29	81

Determinants

```
> # U = AA' (3x3), V = A'A (4x4)
> # So rank(V) cannot exceed 3 and det(V)=0
> det(U); det(V)
```

```
[1] 1490273
```

```
[1] -3.622862e-09
```

Inverse of \mathbf{U} exists, but inverse of \mathbf{V} does not.

Inverses

- The `solve` function is for solving systems of linear equations like $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.
- Just typing `solve(M)` gives \mathbf{M}^{-1} .

```
> solve(U)
```

```
           [,1]           [,2]           [,3]
[1,] 0.0173505123 -8.508508e-04 -1.029342e-02
[2,] -0.0008508508 5.997559e-03 2.013054e-06
[3,] -0.0102934160 2.013054e-06 1.264265e-02
```

```
> solve(V)
```

```
Error in solve.default(V) :
  system is computationally singular: reciprocal condition
  number = 6.64193e-18
```

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

```
> eigen(U)
```

```
$values
```

```
[1] 234.01162 162.89294 39.09544
```

```
$vectors
```

```
      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]  
[1,] -0.6025375  0.1592598  0.78203893  
[2,] -0.2964610 -0.9544379 -0.03404605  
[3,] -0.7409854  0.2523581 -0.62229894
```

V should have at least one zero eigenvalue

```
> eigen(V)
```

```
$values
```

```
[1] 2.340116e+02 1.628929e+02 3.909544e+01 -1.012719e-14
```

```
$vectors
```

```
      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]  
[1,] -0.4475551 0.006507269 -0.2328249 0.863391352  
[2,] -0.5632053 -0.604226296 -0.4014589 -0.395652773  
[3,] -0.5366171 0.776297432 -0.1071763 -0.312917928  
[4,] -0.4410627 -0.179528649 0.8792818 0.009829883
```

Spectral decomposition $V = CDC'$

```
> eigenV = eigen(V)
> C = eigenV$vectors; D = diag(eigenV$values); D
```

```
      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
[1,] 234.0116  0.0000  0.00000  0.000000e+00
[2,]  0.0000 162.8929  0.00000  0.000000e+00
[3,]  0.0000  0.0000 39.09544  0.000000e+00
[4,]  0.0000  0.0000  0.00000 -1.012719e-14
```

```
> # C is an orthogonal matrix
> C %*% t(C)
```

```
      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
[1,] 1.000000e+00 5.551115e-17 0.000000e+00 -3.989864e-17
[2,] 5.551115e-17 1.000000e+00 2.636780e-16 3.556183e-17
[3,] 0.000000e+00 2.636780e-16 1.000000e+00 2.558717e-16
[4,] -3.989864e-17 3.556183e-17 2.558717e-16 1.000000e+00
```

Verify $V = CDC'$

```
> V; C %% D %% t(C)
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]  
[1,]   49   62   58   38  
[2,]   62  140   -4   62  
[3,]   58   -4  166   29  
[4,]   38   62   29   81
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]  
[1,]   49   62   58   38  
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[4,]   38   62   29   81
```

Square root matrix $V^{1/2} = CD^{1/2}C'$

```
> sqrtV = C %*% sqrt(D) %*% t(C)
```

Warning message:

In sqrt(D) : NaNs produced

```
> # Multiply to get V
```

```
> sqrtV %*% sqrtV; V
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]  NaN  NaN  NaN  NaN
[2,]  NaN  NaN  NaN  NaN
[3,]  NaN  NaN  NaN  NaN
[4,]  NaN  NaN  NaN  NaN
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]   49   62   58   38
[2,]   62  140   -4   62
[3,]   58   -4  166   29
[4,]   38   62   29   81
```

What happened?

```
> D; sqrt(D)
```

```
      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
[1,] 234.0116  0.0000  0.00000  0.000000e+00
[2,]  0.0000 162.8929  0.00000  0.000000e+00
[3,]  0.0000  0.0000 39.09544  0.000000e+00
[4,]  0.0000  0.0000  0.00000 -1.012719e-14
```

```
      [,1]      [,2]      [,3] [,4]
[1,] 15.29744  0.00000  0.000000  0
[2,]  0.00000 12.76295  0.000000  0
[3,]  0.00000  0.00000  6.252635  0
[4,]  0.00000  0.00000  0.000000 NaN
```

Warning message:

In sqrt(D) : NaNs produced

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