

# Mathematics for AI

## Homework 3

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  - (a) Represent scalars with italic letters ( $a, A$ ), vectors with bold lowercase letters ( $\mathbf{a}$ , using `\mathbf{a}`), and matrices with bold uppercase letters ( $\mathbf{A}$ , using `\mathbf{A}`), or
  - (b) Represent scalars with italic letters ( $a, A$ ), vectors with bold letters ( $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{A}$ ), and matrices with typewriter uppercase letters ( $\mathbf{A}$ , using `\mathtt{A}`).
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## Questions

For each questions, you may use the results of the previous questions (but not the following questions).

### Positive Definite Matrices

For all question in this section, by *positive definite* we mean *symmetric positive definite*.

1. Prove that a symmetric matrix is positive definite if and only if all its eigenvalues are positive. (Remember from the class that the eigen-decomposition of a symmetric matrix is in the form of  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^{-1} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T$ .)
2. Show that the diagonal elements of a positive definite matrix are all positive definite.
3. Remember from the class that an operation  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined on a vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  is an *inner product* if
  - (a)  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{V}$ ,
  - (b)  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ ,
  - (c)  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle$  for all  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{V}$ ,
  - (d)  $\langle \alpha\mathbf{u} + \beta\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \alpha \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w} \rangle + \beta \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle$  for all  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be any *positive definite* matrix. Show that the operation  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathbf{A}} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}$$

is indeed an inner product.

### Singular Value Decomposition

4. Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a nonsingular square matrix and  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$  be its (full) SVD. Prove that  $\det(\mathbf{U}) \det(\mathbf{V}) = \text{sign}(\det(\mathbf{A}))$ , that is  $\det(\mathbf{U}) \det(\mathbf{V}) = 1$  if  $\det(\mathbf{A}) > 0$  and  $\det(\mathbf{U}) \det(\mathbf{V}) = -1$  if  $\det(\mathbf{A}) < 0$ .
5. Show that for a symmetric positive definite matrix the eigenvalue decomposition  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^{-1} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T$  is the same as the singular value decomposition.
6. Find a way to obtain the SVD of a symmetric matrix from its eigenvalue decomposition  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T$ . Notice that the diagonal elements of  $\mathbf{\Lambda}$  might be negative.
7. Consider a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and two orthogonal matrices  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Show that the singular values of  $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}$  is the same as the singular values of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

## Matrix inner product

8. Perhaps the simplest way to define an inner product between a pair of matrices  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is  $\langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} B_{ij}$ . This is the same as vectorizing the matrices and taking their dot product, and is sometimes called the *Frobenius Inner Product*.

(a) Prove that real matrices  $\langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \rangle = \text{trace}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B}) = \text{trace}(\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}) = \text{trace}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}^T)$ , where  $\text{trace}(\mathbf{S}) = \sum_i S_{ii}$  gives the sum of the diagonal elements of a square matrix  $\mathbf{S}$ .

(b) Prove that  $\langle \mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{C} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{C} \mathbf{B}^T \rangle$  Hint:  $(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{B})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$ .

Note: Same results hold for complex matrices by replacing the transpose operation with conjugate transpose:  $\langle \mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{C} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{C} \mathbf{B}^* \rangle$ .

## Matrix Norms

9. Show that the squared Frobenius norm is the same as the Frobenius inner product of a matrix by itself, that is  $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F^2 = \langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A} \rangle$ .
10. A matrix norm is called *Unitarily Invariant* if  $\|\mathbf{A}\| = \|\mathbf{U} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}\|$  for any orthogonal matrices  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  of compatible size. Using the above and the properties of matrix inner product prove that the Frobenius norm is unitarily invariant. Notice that for orthogonal matrices we have  $\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}^T = \mathbf{I}$ . (A more general definition that also works for complex matrices is when  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  are unitary, that is  $\mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}^* = \mathbf{I}$ ).
11. Use Question 7 to prove that the *spectral norm* and *nuclear norm* are also unitarily invariant.

## Adjoint

Consider two inner product spaces  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$ . A mapping  $f^*: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  is called the *adjoint* of the linear map  $f: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$  if

$$\langle \mathbf{y}, f(\mathbf{x}) \rangle = \langle f^*(\mathbf{y}), \mathbf{x} \rangle,$$

for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{V}$ .

12. Show that for the linear map  $\mathbf{f}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  defined by  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$  with  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  the adjoint is defined by  $f^*(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y}$ .
13. Show that the  $\text{diag}(\cdot)$  and  $\text{Diag}(\cdot)$  operations defined below are adjoints of each other (with respect to the ordinary dot product defined in previous assignments).

The operations  $\text{diag}(\cdot)$  and  $\text{Diag}(\cdot)$  are defined as follows:

- $\text{diag}(\mathbf{A})$  creates a vector  $\in \mathbb{R}^n$  from the diagonal elements of the matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , and

- $\text{Diag}(\mathbf{x})$  creates an  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix whose diagonal elements are the entries of  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Notice that both these operations are linear.