

Matrices and Tensors

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Types of (square) matrices

- Symmetric $A^T = A$.
- Hermitian $A^H = A$.
- Normal $A^H A = A A^H$.
- Nonnegative $a_{ij} \geq 0, i, j = 1, \dots, n$
- Similarly for nonpositive, positive, and negative matrices
- Unitary $Q^H Q = I$. (for complex matrices)
- Skew-symmetric $A^T = -A$.
- Skew-Hermitian $A^H = -A$.

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[Note: Common usage restricts this definition to complex matrices. An *orthogonal matrix* is a unitary *real* matrix – not very natural]

- Orthogonal $Q^T Q = I$ [orthonormal columns]

In this class: We'll call unitary matrix a **square** matrix with orthonormal columns, whether real or complex. [so: Orthogonal + square = unitary]

► The term “orthonormal” matrix is rarely used.

2-3 What is the inverse of a unitary (complex / real) matrix?

2-4 What can you say about the diagonal entries of a skew-symmetric (real) matrix?

2-5 What can you say about the diagonal entries of a Hermitian (complex) matrix?

2-6 What can you say about the diagonal entries of a skew-Hermitian (complex) matrix?

2-7 Which matrices of the following type are also normal: real symmetric, real skew-symmetric, Hermitian, skew-Hermitian, complex symmetric, complex skew-symmetric matrices.

2-8 Find all real 2×2 matrices that are normal.

2-9 Show that a triangular matrix that is normal is diagonal.

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Matrices with structure

- **Diagonal** $a_{ij} = 0$ for $j \neq i$. Notation :

$$A = \text{diag}(a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}).$$

- **Upper triangular** $a_{ij} = 0$ for $i > j$.
- **Lower triangular** $a_{ij} = 0$ for $i < j$.
- **Upper bidiagonal** $a_{ij} = 0$ for $j \neq i$ and $j \neq i + 1$.
- **Lower bidiagonal** $a_{ij} = 0$ for $j \neq i$ and $j \neq i - 1$.
- **Tridiagonal** $a_{ij} = 0$ when $|i - j| > 1$.

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- **Banded** $a_{ij} \neq 0$ only when $i - m_l \leq j \leq i + m_u$, 'Bandwidth' = $m_l + m_u + 1$.
- **Upper Hessenberg** $a_{ij} = 0$ when $i > j + 1$. Lower Hessenberg matrices can be defined similarly.
- **Outer product** $A = uv^T$, where both u and v are vectors.
- **Block tridiagonal** generalizes tridiagonal matrices by replacing each nonzero entry by a square matrix.

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Special matrices

Vandermonde : Given a column of entries $[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n]^T$ put its (component-wise) powers into the columns of a matrix V :

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 & x_0^2 & \cdots & x_0^n \\ 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \cdots & x_n^n \end{pmatrix}$$

 8 Try the matlab function `vander`

 9 What does the matrix-vector product Va represent?

 10 Interpret the solution of the linear system $Va = y$ where a is the unknown. Sketch a 'fast' solution method based on this.

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Toeplitz :

- Entries are constant along diagonals, i.e., $a_{ij} = r_{j-i}$.
- Determined by $m + n - 1$ values r_{j-i} .

$$T = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} r_0 & r_1 & r_2 & r_3 & r_4 \\ r_{-1} & r_0 & r_1 & r_2 & r_3 \\ r_{-2} & r_{-1} & r_0 & r_1 & r_2 \\ r_{-3} & r_{-2} & r_{-1} & r_0 & r_1 \\ r_{-4} & r_{-3} & r_{-2} & r_{-1} & r_0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Toeplitz}}$$

- Toeplitz systems ($m = n$) can be solved in $O(n^2)$ ops.
- The whole inverse (!) can be determined in $O(n^2)$ ops.

 11 Explore `toeplitz(c,r)` in matlab.

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Hankel : Entries are constant along anti-diagonals, i.e., $a_{ij} = h_{j+i-1}$.
Determined by $m + n - 1$ values h_{j+i-1} .

$$H = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & h_5 \\ h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & h_6 & h_7 \\ h_4 & h_5 & h_6 & h_7 & h_8 \\ h_5 & h_6 & h_7 & h_8 & h_9 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Hankel}}$$

🔗12 Explore `hankel(c,r)` in matlab.

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🔗15 What is the result of multiplying S_n by a vector? What are the powers of S_n ?
What is the inverse of S_n ?

🔗16 Show that

$$C = c_1 I + c_2 S_n + c_3 S_n^2 + \dots + c_n S_n^{n-1}$$

As a result show that all circulant matrices of the same size commute.

🔗17 (Continuation) Use the result of the previous exercise to show that the product of two circulant matrices is circulant.

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Circulant : Entries in a row are cyclically right-shifted to form next row. Determined by n values.

$$C = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} c_1 & c_2 & c_3 & c_4 & c_5 \\ c_5 & c_1 & c_2 & c_3 & c_4 \\ c_4 & c_5 & c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ c_3 & c_4 & c_5 & c_1 & c_2 \\ c_2 & c_3 & c_4 & c_5 & c_1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Circulant}}$$

🔗13 How can you generate a circulant matrix in matlab?

🔗14 If C is circulant (real) and symmetric, what can be said about the c_i 's?

➤ A simple and important circulant matrix is the up-shift matrix S_n

$$S_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Sparse matrices

- Matrices with very few nonzero entries – so few that this can be exploited.
- Many of the large matrices encountered in applications are sparse.
- Main idea of “sparse matrix techniques” is not to represent the zeros.

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A few words on tensors

- A *tensor* is a multidimensional array
- An *order N* tensor requires N indices: $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N}) \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \times d_2 \times \dots \times d_N}$
- Each d_n is the n -th *dimension* of $\mathcal{A}$.
- A vector is an order-1 tensor and a matrix is an order-2 tensor.
- Order 3 tensor indexed by 3 indices i_1, i_2, i_3 or i, j, k .
- For each fixed i_3 (or k) $a_{:, :, i_3}$ is a matrix - a **frontal slice**
- $a(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{n-1}, :, i_{n+1}, \dots, i_N)$ is a **fiber** (a vector) in n -th mode
- 🔗18 How many mode n fibers are there?

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Unfolding and mode- n products Useful for visualizing tensors of order $N > 3$.

- **Unfolding** of a tensor along **mode n** is a **matrix** $A_{(n)}$ of dimension

$$d_n \times (d_1 \cdots d_{n-1} d_{n+1} \cdots d_N).$$

- Columns of $A_{(n)}$ are all mode n fibers of $\mathcal{A}$
- For the above example tensor $\mathcal{A}$, the three mode- n unfoldings are

$$A_{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_{(3)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Note: In Python/Pytorch tensors are stored differently from multidimensional arrays in matlab

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- Illustration [1st and 2nd indices: top to bottom and left to right, 3rd: front to back]

$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{array}{ccc} & a_{112} & a_{122} \\ a_{111} & & a_{121} \\ & a_{212} & a_{222} \\ a_{211} & & a_{221} \end{array} = \begin{array}{ccc} & 5 & 7 \\ 1 & & 3 \\ & 6 & \\ 2 & & 4 \end{array}$$

- For above example, frontal slices are the matrices $A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ $A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 6 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$
- The mode-2 fibers are: $f_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$, $f_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$, $f_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$, $f_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$
- Note order: $a(x, :, y) : a(1, :, 1), a(2, :, 1), a(1, :, 2), a(2, :, 2)$

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Mode- n Product or **tensor-matrix product** Given a tensor $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \times d_2 \times \dots \times d_N}$ and a matrix $M \in \mathbb{R}^{c_n \times d_n}$, the **mode- n** product is a tensor

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \otimes_n M \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \times \dots \times d_{n-1} \times c_n \times d_{n+1} \times \dots \times d_N} \quad \text{where}$$

$$b(i_1, \dots, i_{n-1}, j_n, i_{n+1}, \dots, i_N) =$$

$$\sum_{i_n=1}^{d_n} a(i_1, \dots, i_{n-1}, i_n, i_{n+1}, \dots, i_N) m(j_n, i_n) \text{ for } j_n = 1, 2, \dots, c_n$$

- Matrix interpretation : $B_{(n)} = M A_{(n)}$.

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► Here are a couple of properties of tensor-matrix multiplication:

- For $m \neq n$, and matrices F and G of appropriate dimensions,

$$(\mathcal{A} \otimes_n F) \otimes_m G = (\mathcal{A} \otimes_m G) \otimes_n F.$$

- For any n , and for matrices F and G of appropriate dimensions,

$$(\mathcal{A} \otimes_n F) \otimes_n G = \mathcal{A} \otimes_n (GF).$$

► for a general n , the mode- n product of two matrices is not defined, can safely omit the parentheses and write $(\mathcal{A} \otimes_n F) \otimes_m G$ as $\mathcal{A} \otimes_n F \otimes_m G$.