

Lecture 17, Feb 28, 2022

Non-Square Matrices

- Theorem IV: Let $\mathbf{A} \in {}^m\mathbb{R}^n$; then the following are equivalent:
 1. $\text{rank } \mathbf{A} = n$
 2. The columns of \mathbf{A} are linearly independent
 3. $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0} \implies \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
 4. $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is invertible
 5. \mathbf{A} has a left inverse ($\exists \mathbf{B} \ni \mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{1} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$), where $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T$ is the left inverse, known as the Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse
- This necessitates $m \geq n$, i.e. \mathbf{A} is a “tall” matrix, because if $n > m$ then the columns cannot be independent
- Proof:
 - 1 \implies 2: $\text{rank } \mathbf{A} = n \implies \dim \text{col } \mathbf{A} = n$ so the columns are linearly independent as there are n columns
 - 2 \implies 3: The columns are independent, so the only linear combination of the columns that add to 0 is all 0s, which is the zero vector
 - 3 \implies 4: $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is square, so it is invertible if and only if $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0} \implies \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
 - * Lemma III: Let $\mathbf{s} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} = 0$ then $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{0}$
 - Proof: $\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} = \sum_{i=1}^n s_i^2 = 0$ but each $s_i^2 \geq 0$, which means all $s_i^2 = 0 \implies s_i = 0 \implies \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{0}$
 - * $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$
 - $\implies \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Ax} = 0$
 - $\implies (\mathbf{Ax})^T (\mathbf{Ax}) = 0$
 - $\implies \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$
 - $\implies \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
 - 4 \implies 5: $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is invertible implies $\exists \mathbf{C} \ni \mathbf{CA}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{1}$; let $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{CA}^T$, then \mathbf{B} is the one-sided inverse
 - 5 \implies 1: Show the columns are linearly independent:
$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{c}_i &= \mathbf{0} \\ \implies \mathbf{Ac} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \implies \mathbf{BAc} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \implies \mathbf{1c} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \implies \mathbf{c} &= \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$
- Theorem IV: Let $\mathbf{A} \in {}^m\mathbb{R}^n$ (this time $n \geq m$, i.e. \mathbf{A} is short and wide); then the following are equivalent:
 1. $\text{rank } \mathbf{A} = m$
 2. The rows of \mathbf{A} are linearly independent
 3. $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0}^T \implies \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
 4. \mathbf{AA}^T is invertible
 5. \mathbf{A} has a right inverse ($\exists \mathbf{B} \ni \mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{1} \in {}^m\mathbb{R}^m$), where $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{AA}^T)^{-1}$ (also the Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse)