

CT Notes in the lectures Weeks 2 & 3

Linear maps

$L: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is linear if

- (i) $L(v+w) = L(v) + L(w)$ for $\forall v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$
(ii) $L(rv) = rL(v)$ for $\forall v \in \mathbb{R}^n, \forall r \in \mathbb{R}$

For a fixed rectangular (orthonormal) coordinate system, we have a basis of n unit vectors for \mathbb{R}^n and m unit vectors for \mathbb{R}^m .

With respect to such a basis a linear map is represented by a $m \times n$ matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

For a vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we get

a linear map $v^T: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
defined by $w \mapsto v \cdot w$ (dot product)

Similarly for $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ we get a

linear map } $A^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ (Transpose of A)
represented by }

l_∞ norm:

For large p the l_p norm of a non zero vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ can be

written as

$$\|x\|_p = |x_{\max}| \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \left| \frac{x_i}{x_{\max}} \right|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$\rightarrow |x_{\max}|$ as $p \rightarrow \infty$

where $|x_{\max}| = \max \{ |x_i| : i=1, \dots, m \}$.

Proof Note that $|x_{\max}| \neq 0$ since $x \neq 0$.

We have $0 \leq \left| \frac{x_i}{x_{\max}} \right| \leq 1$. Since $|x_i| \leq |x_{\max}|$

for some i : $1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \left| \frac{x_i}{x_{\max}} \right|^p \leq m$

and $1 \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \left| \frac{x_i}{x_{\max}} \right|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq m^{\frac{1}{p}}$

But $m^{\frac{1}{p}} \rightarrow 1$ as $p \rightarrow \infty$. Thus $\|x\|_p \rightarrow |x_{\max}|$

as $p \rightarrow \infty$ and we put $\|x\|_\infty = |x_{\max}|$

Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

For $\forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^m$ we have

$$-\|u\|_2 \|v\|_2 \leq u^T v \leq \|u\|_2 \|v\|_2$$

Proof

Consider the vector $u + \lambda v$ where $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ is any real number.

$$\text{Then } (u + \lambda v) \cdot (u + \lambda v) = u \cdot u + 2\lambda u \cdot v + \lambda^2 v \cdot v \geq 0$$

for all values of $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, since the dot product is always non-negative.

Now for fixed $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we have a quadratic (with a parabola as its graph)

$$y = (v \cdot v) \lambda^2 + 2\lambda (u \cdot v) + (u \cdot u)$$

For $y \geq 0$ irrespective of

$\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ we must have

$$(u \cdot v)^2 - (u \cdot u)(v \cdot v) \leq 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad (u^T v)^2 \leq (u \cdot u)(v \cdot v)$$

as required.



Orthogonality of range(A) and null(A^T).

For all $v \in \text{range}(A)$ and $w \in \text{null}(A^T)$
we have $v \cdot w = 0$ where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$.

Proof If $v \in \text{range}(A)$ Then $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

such that $Ax = v$. Then

$$v = x_1 a_1 + x_2 a_2 + \dots + x_n a_n$$

where $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$ are the
columns of A .

Now $w \in \text{Null}(A^T)$ means $A^T w = 0$
i.e. w is orthogonal to all rows of
 A^T or columns of A .

So $w \cdot a_i = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$\text{Thus } v \cdot w = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (a_i \cdot w) = 0$$

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$$\text{range}(A) \cap \text{null}(A^T) = \{0\}$$

i.e. The zero vector is the only vector in both $\text{range}(A)$ & $\text{null}(A^T)$.

Proof

Suppose $v \in \text{range}(A) \cap \text{null}(A^T)$

then by previous sheet we know

that any vector in $\text{range}(A)$ is

orthogonal to any vector in $\text{null}(A^T)$.

Therefore $v \cdot v = 0$, i.e. $v = 0$

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