

1 Linear Algebra

trace: $\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_i a_{ii}$

$\text{tr}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) + \text{tr}(\mathbf{B})$

$\text{tr}(\mathbf{AB}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{BA})$

$\text{rank} = \#$ linearly independent rows $= \#$ linearly independent columns

$\text{rank}(\mathbf{AB}) \leq \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$

$\text{rank}(\mathbf{AB}) \leq \text{rank}(\mathbf{B})$

$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}') = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{AA}')$

Inverses of square matrices with full rank $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{AA}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$

Generalized inverses: \mathbf{A}^- is a generalized inverse of \mathbf{A} if $\mathbf{AA}^-\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}$. Generalized inverses are not unique except for square matrices of full rank.

Inner product of vectors \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} : $\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{b}$

Vector norm: $\|\mathbf{a}\| = \sqrt{(\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{a})}$.

Orthogonal vectors: $\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{b} = 0$

\mathbf{A} is an orthogonal matrix if $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}'$

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors: If $\mathbf{Ax} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{x} = 1$ then \mathbf{x} is an eigenvector for \mathbf{A} and its corresponding eigenvalue is λ .

For a symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} there exists an orthogonal matrix T such that

(i) $\mathbf{T}'\mathbf{AT} = \Lambda$

(ii) $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \#$ non-zero eigenvalues

(iii) $\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum \lambda_i$ and $|\mathbf{A}| = \prod \lambda_i$

A symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} is positive definite if $\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{Ax} > 0$ for all non-zero \mathbf{x}

A symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} is positive semi-definite if $\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{Ax} \geq 0$ for all non-zero \mathbf{x}

Positive definite matrices have positive eigenvalues and positive semi-definite matrices have nonnegative eigenvalues.

If \mathbf{A} is positive definite then there exists a non-singular \mathbf{B} such that $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{BB}'$.

Idempotent means $\mathbf{P}^2 = \mathbf{P}$

A matrix that is symmetric and idempotent is called a projection matrix.

Projection matrix with rank r :

- (i) has r eigenvalues = 1 and remaining eigenvalues = 0.
- (ii) trace = rank
- (iii) Positive semi-definite

Let \mathbf{V} be a vector space and let Ω be a subspace. If $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbf{V}$ then $\mathbf{Y} = w_1 + w_2$ uniquely where $w_1 \in \Omega$ and $w_2 \in \Omega^\perp$

2 Random vectors \mathbf{Z}

$$\begin{aligned} E(\mathbf{AZB} + \mathbf{C}) &= \mathbf{AE}(\mathbf{Z})\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} \\ \text{cov}(\mathbf{Z}) &= [\text{cov}(\mathbf{Z}_i, \mathbf{Z}_j)] \\ &= E[(\mathbf{Z} - E(\mathbf{Z}))(\mathbf{Z} - E(\mathbf{Z}))'] \\ &= E(\mathbf{ZZ}') - E(\mathbf{Z})E(\mathbf{Z})' \end{aligned}$$

$\text{cov}(\mathbf{Z})$ is positive semi-definite

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) &= \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{Y}_i) \\ &= E[(\mathbf{X} - E\mathbf{X})(\mathbf{Y} - E\mathbf{Y})'] \\ \text{cov}(\mathbf{AX}, \mathbf{BY}) &= \mathbf{A}\text{cov}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})\mathbf{B}' \end{aligned}$$

Quadratic forms: Let $E(\mathbf{X}) = \boldsymbol{\mu}$ and $\text{cov}(\mathbf{X}) = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$.

$E((\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})'\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ and $E(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) + \boldsymbol{\mu}'\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu}$.

We have three definitions for the multivariate normal distribution $\mathbf{Y} \sim N_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$:

- (1) The density function of \mathbf{Y} is

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{-1/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})'\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right\}.$$

(This definition only works when $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is positive definite.)

- (2) The moment generating function of \mathbf{Y} is

$$M_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{t}) \equiv E[e^{\mathbf{t}'\mathbf{Y}}] = \exp\left\{\boldsymbol{\mu}'\mathbf{t} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{t}'\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{t}\right\}$$

- (3) $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{AZ} + \boldsymbol{\mu}$ where $\mathbf{Z} = (\mathbf{Z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{Z}_k)$ are independent $N(0, 1)$ and $\mathbf{AA}' = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$.

3 Some facts related to least squares estimation

A least squares estimate of β must satisfy the normal equations $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}$.

$\mathbf{a}'\beta$ is estimable if and only if $\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{X}')$

$$\text{var}(\mathbf{a}'\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{a}'(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{a}$$

If $\text{rank}(\mathbf{X}) = r < p$ then we can impose identifiability constraints on the parameters. In vector notation a constraint is $\mathbf{h} = (\mathbf{h}_0, \dots, \mathbf{h}_{p-1})$ such that $\mathbf{h}'\beta = 0$. We need $s = p - r$ constraints and they should be linearly independent of each other and the rows of \mathbf{X} .

4 Generalized least squares

Generalized least squares pertains to the more general assumption $\text{cov}(\epsilon) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{V}$ for some known positive definite \mathbf{V} .

$\beta^* = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{Y}$ is the generalized least squares estimate.

β^* is unbiased and $\text{cov}(\beta^*) = \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X})^{-1}$

The GLS and OLS estimates are the same if and only if $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X}) = \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{X})$.