

On Linear Algebra

1. For matrices $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$

$$(AB)' = B'A'$$

2. $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ is called symmetric if $A' = A$.
3. $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ is called idempotent if $AA = A$.
4. If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ is idempotent and symmetric then $I - A$ is also idempotent and symmetric.
5. For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ the trace of A , $tr(A)$, is defined as

$$tr(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$$

- (a) For matrices $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

$$tr(AB) = tr(BA)$$

- (b) For matrices $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ and $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$

$$tr(cA + dB) = c \, tr(A) + d \, tr(B)$$

6. If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ idempotent, then $tr(A) = rk(A)$.
7. $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ is invertible, if it has rank k .
8. If A is invertible then its inverse, A^{-1} , exists with $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I_k$.
9. If A has full rank and $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^k$ then the system of linear equations, $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$, has solution $\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$.
10. $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ is called orthonormal if $A'A = I$. Which means $A^{-1} = A'$.