

1. Let \mathbf{A} represent a $q \times p$ matrix, \mathbf{B} a $p \times n$ matrix and \mathbf{C} a $m \times q$.

(a) Show that if $\text{rank}(\mathbf{CAB}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{C})$, then $\text{rank}(\mathbf{CA}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{C})$.

$$\mathbf{Proof:} \text{rank}(\mathbf{C}) \geq \text{rank}(\mathbf{CA}) \geq \text{rank}(\mathbf{CAB}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{C})$$

(b) Show that if $\text{rank}(\mathbf{CAB}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{B})$, then $\text{rank}(\mathbf{AB}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{B})$.

$$\mathbf{Proof:} \text{rank}(\mathbf{B}) \geq \text{rank}(\mathbf{AB}) \geq \text{rank}(\mathbf{CAB}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{B})$$

2. Let \mathbf{A} represent an $n \times n$ matrix such that $\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^2$.

(a) Show that $\text{tr}[(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')'(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')] = 0$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}[(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')'(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')] &= \text{tr}[(\mathbf{A}' - \mathbf{A})(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')] \\ &= \text{tr}[\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}' - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}'] \\ &= \text{tr}[\mathbf{A}^2 - (\mathbf{A}^2)' - \mathbf{A}^2 + (\mathbf{A}^2)'] \end{aligned}$$

The last equality follows from $\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^2$ and $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}' = (\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A})' = (\mathbf{A}^2)'$. Therefore

$$\text{tr}[(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')'(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')] = \text{tr}(\mathbf{0}) = 0$$

(b) Show that \mathbf{A} is symmetric.

Proof: For any $m \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} , $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0}$ iff $\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}) = 0$. Since

$$\text{tr}[(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')'(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}')] = 0$$

it follows that $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{0}$ and therefore $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}'$.

3. Suppose matrix $\mathbf{A}_{n \times n}$ satisfied $\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{A}$.

(i) Show that $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A})$.

Proof: **Theorem 4.4.9** states that if \mathbf{A} is an $m \times n$ non-null matrix of rank r , then there exists an $m \times m$ nonsingular matrix \mathbf{B} and an $n \times n$ nonsingular matrix \mathbf{K} such that

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_r & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}$$

Thus

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_r & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_1 & \mathbf{B}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_r & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_1 \\ \mathbf{K}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{K}_1$$

From **Theorem 4.4.8**, \mathbf{B}_1 is $n \times r$ and \mathbf{K}_1 is $r \times n$ and both matrices have rank r . Now since $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^2$,

$$\mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{K}_1 = \mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{K}_1$$

The product $\mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{B}_1$, which is $r \times r$, must have full rank since $\mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{K}_1 = \mathbf{A}$ has rank r . From the above equation, it follows that

$$\mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{K}_1 = \mathbf{K}_1$$

Thus

$$\mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{B}_1 = \mathbf{I}_r$$

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

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{K}_1) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{B}_1) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{I}_r) = r$$

Therefore $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = r$

(ii) Let \mathbf{X} be an $n \times k$ matrix where $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$ exists. Show that the rank of the matrix $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$ is $n - k$.

Proof: Note that

$$(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}')(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}') = (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}')$$

By(i), we have $\text{rank}(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}') = \text{tr}(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}') = n - k$