

MATH00040 Formula Sheet

Matrices and Vectors

Matrix inverses: If $ad - bc \neq 0$, then $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$.

Determinants:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}.$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}.$$

Length of a vector: If $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$, then $\|\mathbf{a}\| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}$.

Dot product: If $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$ and $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$, then $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3$.

Angle between vectors: $\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{v}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{w}\|} \right)$.

Cross product: $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix}$, where $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2, w_3)$.

Eigenvalues: To find the eigenvalues of A , solve $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$.

Eigenvectors: To find the eigenvector \mathbf{v} corresponding to the eigenvalue λ , solve $A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$, where $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$.

Complex numbers

Real part of a complex number: $\operatorname{Re}(a + bi) = a$.

Imaginary part of a complex number: $\operatorname{Im}(a + bi) = b$.

Modulus of a complex number: $|a + bi| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$.

Complex conjugate of a complex number: $\overline{a + bi} = a - bi$.

Dividing complex numbers: $\frac{a + bi}{c + di} = \frac{a + bi}{c + di} \cdot \frac{c - di}{c - di}$.

Polar form: $a + bi = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$, where $r = |a + bi|$ and we find θ as follows.

First calculate $\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\left|\frac{b}{a}\right|\right)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= \phi \text{ if } a > 0 \text{ and } b > 0, & \theta &= \pi - \phi \text{ if } a < 0 \text{ and } b > 0, \\ \theta &= \phi - \pi \text{ if } a < 0 \text{ and } b < 0 & \text{ and } & \theta = -\phi \text{ if } a > 0 \text{ and } b < 0. \end{aligned}$$

Common values of \tan^{-1} :

$$\tan^{-1}(0) = 0, \quad \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}, \quad \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}, \quad \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3}) = \frac{\pi}{3}.$$

De Moivre's formula: $[r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))]^n = r^n(\cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta))$.

Roots of complex numbers: The n 'th roots of $r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$ are

$$z_k = r^{\frac{1}{n}} \left(\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{n} + \frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{n} + \frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) \right) \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1.$$

Differential Calculus

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	Comments
c	0	Here c is any real number
x^n	nx^{n-1}	
e^{ax}	ae^{ax}	
$\ln(ax)$	$\frac{1}{x}$	Here we must have $ax > 0$
$\sin(ax)$	$a \cos(ax)$	
$\cos(ax)$	$-a \sin(ax)$	Note the change of sign

Table 1: Some common derivatives

The product rule for differentiation: $(fg)'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$.

The quotient rule for differentiation: $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(x) = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{g^2(x)}$.

The chain rule for differentiation: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$.

The critical points of a function f occur at points x where $f'(x) = 0$.

The solutions of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ are $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$.

Classifying critical points: Local minima occur where $f''(x) > 0$.

Local maxima occur where $f''(x) < 0$.

The Newton-Raphson method: $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$.

Integral Calculus

$f(x)$	$\int f(x) dx$	Comments
k	$kx + c$	Here k is any real number
x^n	$\frac{1}{n+1}x^{n+1} + c$	Here we must have $n \neq -1$
$\frac{1}{x}$	$\ln(x) + c$	Here we must have $x > 0$
e^{ax}	$\frac{1}{a}e^{ax} + c$	
$\sin(ax)$	$-\frac{1}{a}\cos(ax) + c$	Note the change of sign
$\cos(ax)$	$\frac{1}{a}\sin(ax) + c$	

Table 2: Some common integrals

Evaluating definite integrals: If F is an antiderivative of f then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = [F(x)]_a^b = F(b) - F(a).$$

Integration by substitution: $dx = \frac{du}{du/dx}$.

Integration by parts: $\int f(x)g'(x) dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x) dx$.

Volume of solid of revolution: $V = \pi \int_a^b f(x)^2 dx$.

Probability

Sum rule for probability: $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$.

Conditional probability: $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$.

Binomial distribution: $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$.

Poisson distribution: $P(X = k) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$.

Normal distribution: $P(a \leq X \leq b) = P\left(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma} \leq Z \leq \frac{b - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$.