

ORTHOGONAL MATRICES.

Def. An orthogonal matrix is a square matrix with orthonormal columns.

i. $QQ^T = Q^TQ = I.$

ii. ~~$Q^{-1} = Q^T.$~~



Columns:

- orthogonal

- normalized.

i.e. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ orthogonal matrix

$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ not orthogonal matrix

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ orthogonal matrix.

Try the following questions on your own,

1. Show that the matrix M is orthogonal.

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R}$$

2. Compute M^{-1} (for M above).

3. Prove that $A = I - 2aa^T$ is orthogonal, where a is a unit vector.

4. (T or F) The product of orthogonal matrices is orthogonal.

5. (T or F) Let A and B be $n \times n$ orthogonal matrices. Is $C = \frac{1}{2}(A+B)$ orthogonal?

Solutions:

$$1. \left\{ u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ 0 \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Shows vectors are orthogonal

$$u_1 \cdot u_2 = 0, u_2 \cdot u_3 = 0$$

$$u_1 \cdot u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= -\cos \theta \sin \theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$$

WTS vectors are unit length

$$\|u_2\|^2 = 1.$$

$$\|u_1\|^2 = \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \stackrel{\text{trig}}{=} 1.$$

$$\|u_3\|^2 = \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1.$$

$\Rightarrow M$ is orthogonal.

$$2. \quad M^{-1} = M^T = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

Show $AA^T = I \Rightarrow A$ is orthogonal.

$$\begin{aligned}
 3. \quad AA^T &= (I - 2aa^T)(I - 2aa^T)^T \\
 &= (I - 2aa^T)(I - 2aa^T) \quad (*) \quad A^T = A \\
 &= I - 2aa^T - 2aa^T + 4\underbrace{aa^Taa^T}_{a^T a = 1} \\
 &= I - 4\cancel{aa^T} + 4\cancel{aa^T} = I.
 \end{aligned}$$

4. TRUE

same dimensions.

A_1, \dots, A_n be orthogonal

$AA^T = I \Rightarrow A$ is orthogonal

$$(A_1 \cdots A_n)(A_1 \cdots A_n)^T = A_1 \cdots A_n \cancel{A_n^T} \cdots A_1^T$$

$$= A_1 A_1^T = I.$$

$A_1 \cdots A_n$ is orthogonal.

5. FALSE.

$$\begin{aligned} CC^T &= \frac{1}{2}(A+B)\frac{1}{2}(A+B)^T \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(A+B)(A^T+B^T) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(AA^T + BA^T + AB^T + BB^T) \end{aligned}$$

$\begin{matrix} \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} \\ \text{I} & ? & ? & \text{I} \end{matrix}$

Counter example, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\frac{1}{2}(A+B) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

↑ col. are not orthogonal.

(REAL) SYMMETRIC MATRICES.

Def. A matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is symmetric if $A = A^T$.

Example 1. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. Show that $A + A^T$ is symmetric.

$$\begin{aligned}(A + A^T)^T &= A^T + (A^T)^T \\ &= A^T + A = A + A^T.\end{aligned}$$

$$(A + A^T)^T = A + A^T \Rightarrow A + A^T \text{ is sym.}$$

Example 2. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. Is $A - A^T$
a symmetric matrix?

$$(A - A^T)^T = A^T - A \quad \text{let } B = A - A^T$$
$$= -(A - A^T)$$

$$\Rightarrow B^T = -B \quad \text{NOT SYM.}$$

↑

Skew-symmetric matrix.

PROPERTIES OF REAL SYM. MATRICES.

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \quad A = A^T.$$

A is real (pointing to $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$)
A is symmetric. (pointing to $A = A^T$)

① A is *always* diagonalizable with real eigenvalues.

② Eigenvectors can *always* be chosen to form an orthogonal matrix.

there exist an orthonormal eigenbasis. (pointing to the word "matrix")

So we can write, $A = VDV^T$.

Example 3. Find an orthonormal eigenbasis of M .

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Find eigenvalues.

$$\begin{aligned} \det(M - \lambda I) &= (1 - \lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 - \lambda \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (1 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 - 1) + (\lambda - 1) \\ &= (1 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1 - 1) \\ &= (1 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 - 3\lambda) \\ &= (1 - \lambda)\lambda(\lambda - 3) \end{aligned}$$

3 distinct eigenvalues - $\{1, 0, 3\}$

2. Find eigenvectors:

$$\lambda_1 = 0: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = 1: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_3 = 3: \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} -2x + z = 0 \\ -2y + z = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x = y$$

$$x + y - z = 0$$

$$v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = 0, \quad v_2 \cdot v_3 = 0, \quad v_1 \cdot v_3 = 0.$$

Just need to normalize.

$$v'_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} \\ -1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \quad v'_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v'_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 2/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ v'_1 & v'_2 & v'_3 \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} \text{ is orthogonal.}$$

Example 4. Find an orthonormal eigen basis of S .

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Compute eigenvalues.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 2-\lambda & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 0 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & -\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2-\lambda)(\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2)$$

$$= (2-\lambda)(\lambda-2)(\lambda+1)$$

Eigenvalues - $\{-1, 2\}$
↑ repeated.

Check eigenvectors of $\lambda = 2$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

orthogonal.

3. Check $\lambda = -1$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

NORMALIZE!

ALTERNATIVE INNER PRODUCT.

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

A symmetric \doteq positive definite.

$$\lambda_i > 0.$$

Then $\langle u, v \rangle = u^T A v$ is an inner product on \mathbb{R}^n .

↑
For usual $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$
 $A = I$.

Example 5. Is $\langle u, v \rangle = u^T A v$ an inner product on \mathbb{R}^2 ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

① Is A symmetric? YES.

② Is A pos.-def.? NO.

Compute eigenvalues...

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 - 9$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 8$$

$$= (\lambda - 4)(\lambda + 2)$$

$$\lambda = 4, \text{ } \underline{-2}$$



A is not pos. def.
bc $-2 \leq 0$.

$\langle u, v \rangle = u^T A v$ is NOT an inner product.

Example 6. What are the conditions on $a \neq b$ such that A is positive definite.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a-\lambda & b \\ b & a-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 2a\lambda + a^2 - b^2$$

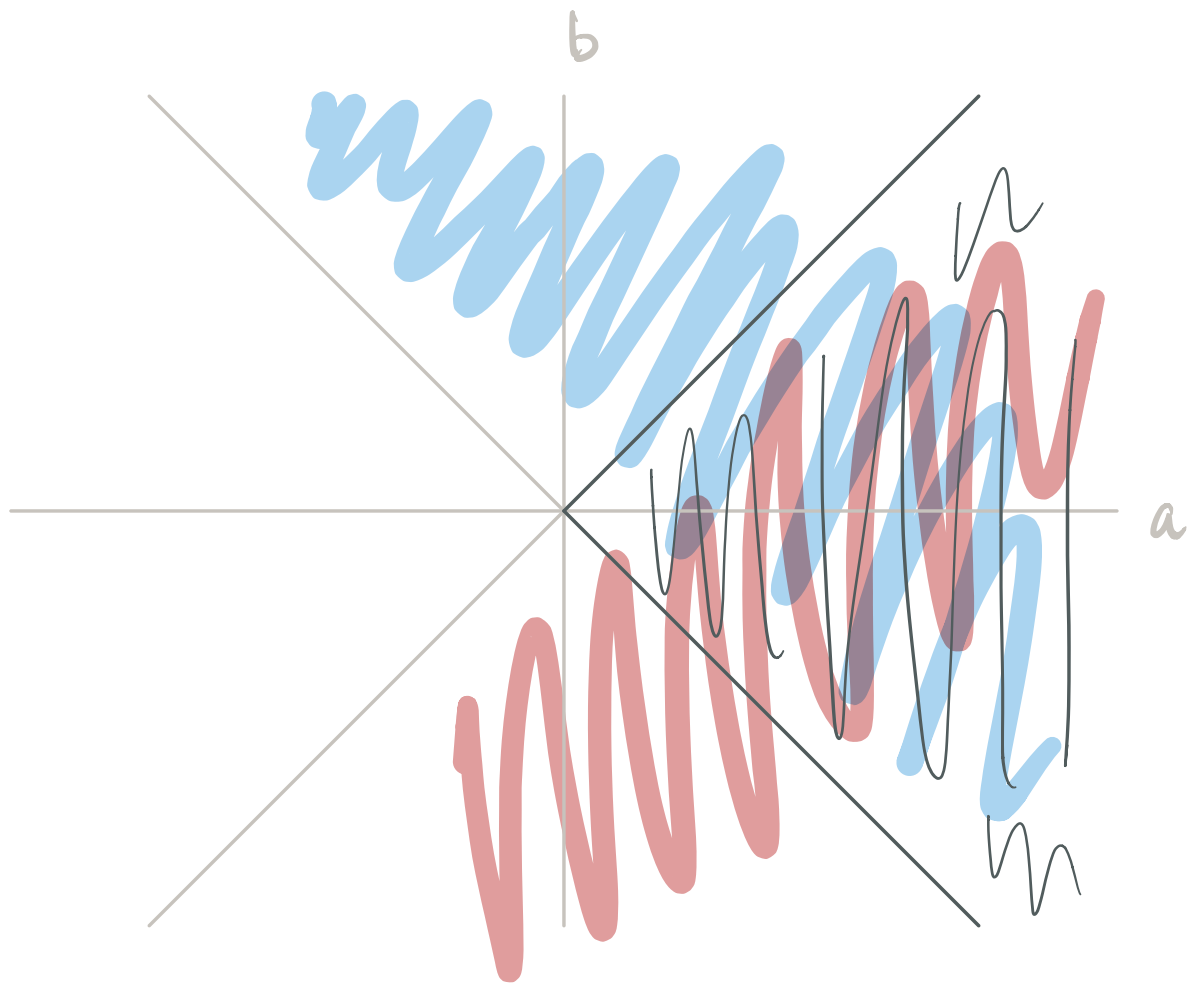
$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= \frac{2a \pm \sqrt{4a^2 - 4(a^2 - b^2)}}{2} \\ &= \frac{2a \pm \sqrt{4b^2}}{2} = \frac{2a \pm 2b}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda = a \pm b.$$

$$a+b > 0 \quad \& \quad a-b > 0$$

$$\boxed{a > -b}$$

$$\boxed{a > b}$$



$a > 0$
 $|a| > |b|$ } another interpretation.