

Lec 27. Real symmetric matrix
singular value decomposition.

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

Thm. (Spectral decomp). A real symmetric

① A is **always** diagonalizable.

all eigenvalues are real.

② eigenvectors can **always** be chosen to be a **real** orthogonal matrix.

$$AV = VD \Leftrightarrow A = VD \underline{V}^{-1} \Leftrightarrow A = VD V^T$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$V^T V = I_n$$



$$\underline{V}^{-1} = V^T$$

A real symmetric. is orthogonally diagonalizable.

We will show. ① λ is real.

If so then eigenvector \vec{v} satisfies

$$(A - \lambda I) \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

\uparrow \uparrow \rightarrow real vector.
 $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ \mathbb{R}

Pf: $A \vec{v} = \lambda \vec{v}$ $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{C}^n, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\vec{v}^* \vec{v} = \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{v}_i v_i = \sum_{i=1}^n |v_i|^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}^* A \vec{v} = \lambda \underbrace{\vec{v}^* \vec{v}}_{>0} \quad (1)$$

Apply Hermitian conjugate to both sides of (1)

$$(\vec{v}^* A \vec{v})^* = \overline{\lambda} \vec{v}^* \vec{v}$$

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$$\vec{v}^* A^* \vec{v}$$

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$$\vec{v}^* A \vec{v} = \lambda \vec{v}^* \vec{v}$$

$$A^* = \overline{A}^T = A^T = A$$

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real symmetric

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \overline{\lambda} \Rightarrow \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Ex. In Chap 5.

not diagonalizable

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 1 \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots$$

not symmetric.

eigenvalues not real.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ +\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

not symmetric

Ex. $A = A^T$. $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \vec{u}^T A \vec{v}$$

For which A , $\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle$ defines an inner prod?

check: ① $\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle \vec{v}, \vec{u} \rangle$

$$= \vec{v}^T A \vec{u} = (\vec{v}^T A \vec{u})^T = \vec{u}^T A^T \vec{v}$$

$$= \vec{u}^T A \vec{v}$$

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sym.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \langle \vec{u} + \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle = (\vec{u} + \vec{v})^T A \vec{w} = \langle \vec{u}, \vec{w} \rangle + \langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{R}, \langle c\vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = c \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle.$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \langle \vec{u}, A\vec{u} \rangle = \vec{u}^T A \vec{u} \geq 0 \quad . \quad \vec{u}^T A \vec{u} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \vec{u} = \vec{0}.$$

Obviously wrong when

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Use spectral decomp. thm.

$$A = V D V^T \quad . \quad V^T V = I_n$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{u}^T A \vec{v} &= \vec{u}^T V D V^T \vec{v} \\ &= \underbrace{\left(V^T \vec{u}\right)^T}_w D \underbrace{\left(V^T \vec{v}\right)}_w\end{aligned}$$

change of basis.

Define $\vec{w} = V^T \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\vec{u}^T A \vec{u} = \vec{w}^T D \vec{w} = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i^2 \lambda_i}$$

Inner prod $\Leftrightarrow \lambda_i > 0$. for all $1 \leq i \leq n$.

$\underbrace{A^T=A}, A \succ 0$ reads "A is positive definite".

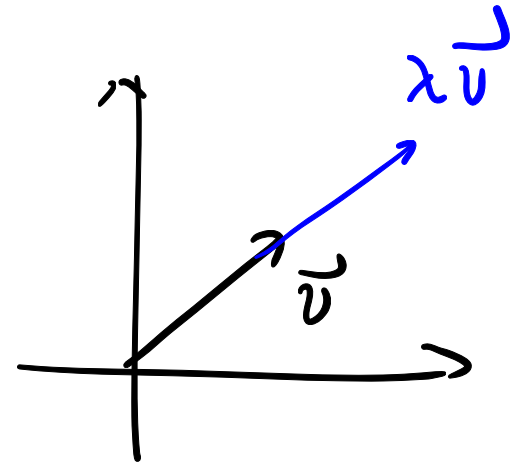
means $\lambda_i > 0$.

Singular value decomposition (SVD)

In Chap 5.

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

$$A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$$



Drawback: ① A may not be diagonalizable.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

② $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ($m \neq n$) cannot even talk about diagonalizability

$$\underline{\text{Ex.}} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ | & | \\ | & | \\ | & | \\ | & | \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 2}$$

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} | \\ | \\ | \\ | \\ | \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} | \\ | \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{u} \vec{v}^T = \begin{bmatrix} | \\ | \\ | \\ | \\ | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ | & | \\ | & | \\ | & | \\ | & | \end{bmatrix} = A.$$

$$\text{Ex. } A = 10^6 \underbrace{\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}}_{10^5}$$

$$\vec{u} = 10^6 \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad \vec{v} = 10^5 \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$10^6 + 10^5 = 1.1 \times 10^6 \lll 10^6 \times 10^5 = 10^{11}$$

$$\vec{u} \vec{v}^T = A.$$

In general. SVD seeks the following decomposition. $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ (assume $m \geq n$)

$$A = \sum_{k=1}^n \underbrace{\sigma_k}_{\text{singular value}} \vec{u}_k \vec{v}_k^T$$

$$\underbrace{\sigma_k}_{\geq 0}. \quad \vec{u}_k \in \mathbb{R}^m, \quad \vec{v}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

$$U = [\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$$V = [\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}.$$

$$U^T U = I_n. \quad V^T V = I_n.$$

When is this useful?

Most useful if most $\sigma_k \approx 0$.

$$A \approx \sum_{k=1}^k \sigma_k \vec{u}_k \vec{v}_k^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$$k \ll n.$$

data compression.

