

# Mathematics Methods for Computer Science

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# Lecture

## Eigenproblems I:

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

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**Given:** Collection of data points  $\vec{x}_i$

- Age
- Weight
- Blood pressure
- Heart rate

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**Find:** Correlations between different dimensions

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**One-dimensional** subspace

$$\vec{x}_i \approx c_i \vec{v}, \vec{v} \text{ unknown}$$

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## One-dimensional subspace

$$\vec{x}_i \approx c_i \vec{v}, \vec{v} \text{ unknown}$$

**Equivalently:**

$$\vec{x}_i \approx c_i \hat{v} \text{ (进行线性拟合)}$$

$$\hat{v} \text{ unknown with } \|\hat{v}\|_2 = 1$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize}_{\hat{v}} \sum_i \|\vec{x}_i - \text{proj}_{\hat{v}} \vec{x}_i\|_2^2 \\ & \text{such that } \|\hat{v}\|_2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

这个等价问题说的是，求出每个数据点相对于拟合曲线的偏置量的和的最小值，此最小值对应于拟合精度最高的 $v$

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**What does the constraint do?**

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## What does the constraint do?

- Does not affect optimal  $\hat{v}$
- Removes scaling ambiguity  
(无需在除去v模长)

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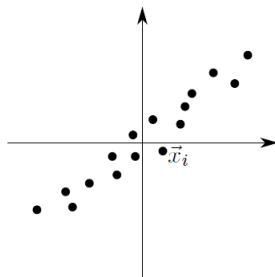
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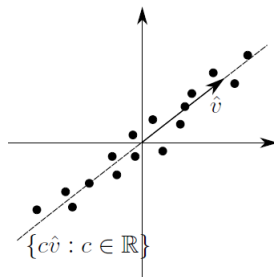
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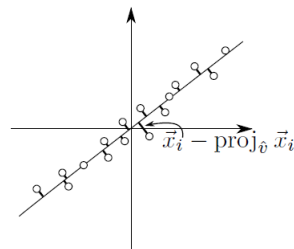
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(a) Input data



(b) Principal axis



(c) Projection error

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$$\min_{c_i} ||\vec{x}_i - c_i \hat{v}||_2$$

**What is  $c_i$  ?**

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$$\min_{c_i} \|\vec{x}_i - c_i \hat{v}\|_2$$

垂直的时候最短！  
，由于  $|\hat{v}|=1$ ，故  $c_i$   
就是投影长度

**What is  $c_i$  ?**

$$c_i = \vec{x}_i \cdot \hat{v}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } ||X^T \hat{v}||_2^2 \\ &\text{such that } ||\hat{v}||_2^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$X^T v$  可以理解为：所有点  $x_i$  在  $v$  向量方向上的投影构成的列向量

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Eigenvector of  $XX^T$  with largest  
eigenvalue.

Gram矩阵

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Eigenvector of  $XX^T$  with largest  
eigenvalue.

”First principal component”  
More after SVD!

## Eigenvalue and eigenvector

An eigenvector  $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$  of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  satisfies

$A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ;  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue.

Complex eigenvalues and eigenvectors instead have  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ .

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**Scale doesn't matter!**

→ can constrain  $||\vec{x}||_2 \equiv 1$

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- Optimize  $||A\vec{x}||_2$  such that  $||\vec{x}||_2 = 1$   
(important!)

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- Optimize  $||A\vec{x}||_2$  such that  $||\vec{x}||_2 = 1$   
(important!)
- ODE/PDE problems: Closed solutions and approximations for  $\vec{y}' = B\vec{y}$

ODE: 常微分方程

PDE: 偏微分方程

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(important!)
- ODE/PDE problems: Closed solutions and approximations for  $\vec{y}' = B\vec{y}$
- Critical points of Rayleigh quotient:  
$$\frac{\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|_2^2}$$

Proved in textbook

## Lemma

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→ at most  $n$  eigenvalues

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### Nondefective

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is nondefective or diagonalizable if its eigenvectors span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

这个定理说的是， $n$ 维矩阵 $A$ 如果有 $n$ 个线性无关的特征向量，则称 $A$ 是可对角化的。



## Nondefective

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$$D = X^{-1}AX$$

$A$  is diagonalized by a similarity transformation  $A \rightarrow X^{-1}AX$

(矩阵A的谱)

### Spectrum and spectral radius

The spectrum of  $A$  is the set of eigenvalues of  $A$ .

The spectral radius  $\rho(A)$  is the eigenvalue  $\lambda$   
(矩阵A的谱半径)  
maximizing  $|\lambda|$ .

## Complex conjugate

The complex conjugate of a number

$z = a + bi \in \mathbb{C}$  is  $\bar{z} \equiv a - bi$ .

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## Complex transpose

The conjugate transpose of  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  is

$$A^H \equiv \bar{A}^T.$$

(A的共轭矩阵的转置)

# Hermitian Matrix

(哈密顿矩阵)

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$$A = A^H$$

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Lemma

All eigenvalues of Hermitian matrices are real.

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Lemma

Eigenvectors corresponding to **distinct** eigenvalues of Hermitian matrices **must be orthogonal**.

## Spectral Theorem

Suppose  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is Hermitian (if  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , suppose it is symmetric). Then,  $A$  has exactly  $n$  orthonormal eigenvectors  $\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n$  with (possibly repeated) eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ .



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$$\text{Full set: } D = X^T A X$$

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$$\vec{b} = c_1 \vec{x}_1 + \cdots + c_k \vec{x}_k$$
$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

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$$\vec{b} = c_1 \vec{x}_1 + \cdots + c_k \vec{x}_k$$
$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x} = \frac{c_1}{\lambda_1} \vec{x}_1 + \cdots + \frac{c_n}{\lambda_n} \vec{x}_n$$

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$$A = XDX^{-1} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = XD^{-1}X^{-1}$$

- Given symmetric positive semi-definite (PSD) matrix,  $U$
- Can compute matrix square root,  $U^{1/2}$

- Given real  $n \times n$  matrix,  $A$
- There exists a unique factorization called the Polar Decomposition

$$A = RU$$

where  $R$  is an  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix, and  $U$  is an  $n \times n$  symmetric PSD right "stretch" matrix.

- Also a left stretch matrix,  $W$ , such that  $A = WR$ .
- Geometric interpretation.

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- Fast Lattice Shape Matching (Fast LSM)
- SIGGRAPH 2007 [Rivers and James 2007]
- <http://www.alecrivers.com/fastlsm>
- Need to compute orientation,  $R$ , of local particle groups
- Millions of polar decompositions (and eigenvalue decomp) per second

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Newton:

$$\vec{F} = m \frac{d^2 \vec{x}}{dt^2}$$



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Newton:

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Hooke:

$$\vec{F}_s = k(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$$

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$$M\vec{X}'' = K\vec{X}$$
$$\longrightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{X} \\ \vec{V} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_{3n \times 3n} \\ M^{-1}K & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{X} \\ \vec{V} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\vec{Y}' = B\vec{Y}$$

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$$\vec{y}' = B\vec{y}$$

$$B\vec{y}_i = \lambda_i\vec{y}_i$$

$$\vec{y}(0) = c_1\vec{y}_1 + \cdots + c_k\vec{y}_k$$

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$$\rightarrow \vec{y}(t) = c_1e^{\lambda_1 t}\vec{y}_1 + \cdots + c_ke^{\lambda_k t}\vec{y}_k$$

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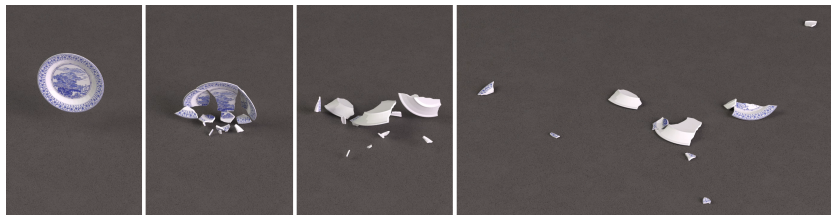
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Major role in physics-based sound synthesis

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dMUHp8i6E5E>

# Organizing a Collection

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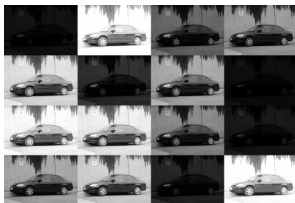
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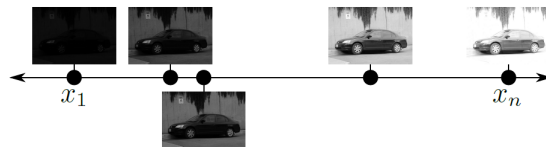
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(a) Database of photos



(b) Spectral embedding

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**Have:**  $n$  items in a dataset

$w_{ij} \geq 0$  similarity of items  $i$  and  $j$

$$w_{ij} = w_{ji}$$

**Want:**  $x_i$  embedding on  $\mathbb{R}$



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$$E(\vec{x}) = \sum_{ij} w_{ij} (x_i - x_j)^2$$

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minimize  $E(\vec{x})$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize } E(\vec{x}) \\ &\text{such that } ||\vec{x}||_2^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize } E(\vec{x}) \\ &\text{such that } \|\vec{x}\|_2^2 = 1 \\ &\quad \vec{1}\vec{x} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$E(\vec{x}) = 2\vec{x}^T (A - W)\vec{x}$$

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Eigenvector of  $A - W$  with  
**second** smallest eigenvalue.