

# Linear Algebra

## Chapter 6: Positive Definite Matrices

Solution of highlighted problems

2. Decide for or against the positive definiteness of these matrices, and write out the corresponding  $f = x^T A x$ :

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ , (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ , (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The determinant in (b) is zero; along what line is  $f(x, y) = 0$ ?

② **checking positive definiteness**

a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & 5-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(5-\lambda) - 9 = 5 - 6\lambda + \lambda^2 - 9$   
 $= \lambda^2 - 6\lambda - 4 = 0 \quad \lambda = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4(1)(-4)}}{2(1)} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{52}}{2} = 3 \pm \sqrt{13}$

\* As all the eigenvalues are not positive, we can conclude that the matrix is not a positive definite matrix.

d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} -1-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & -8-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = -(1+\lambda)(8-\lambda) - 4 = 0$

$-(8-\lambda+8\lambda-\lambda^2)-4=0 \rightarrow -8+\lambda-8\lambda+\lambda^2-4=0 \rightarrow -8-7\lambda+\lambda^2-4=0$   
 $\rightarrow \lambda^2-7\lambda-12=0 \rightarrow \lambda = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{97}}{2} = \text{not positive definite}$

$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \det([-1]) = -1 ; \det\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -8 \end{pmatrix} = -8 - 4 = -12$

\* As the 2 sub-determinants are not positive, the matrix is not positive definite.

b)  $f(x_1, x_2) = x^T B x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ -x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_1(x_1 - x_2) + x_2(-x_1 + x_2)$   
 $= x_1^2 - x_1 x_2 - x_2 x_1 + x_2^2 = x_1^2 - 2x_1 x_2 + x_2^2 = (x_1 - x_2)^2 = 0 \rightarrow x_1 = x_2$

This means that the quadratic form  $f(x_1, x_2)$  is zero along the line where  $x_1 = x_2$ .

4. Decide between a minimum, maximum, or saddle point for the following functions.

(a)  $F = -1 + 4(e^x - x) - 5x \sin y + 6y^2$  at the point  $x = y = 0$ .

(b)  $F = (x^2 - 2x) \cos y$ , with stationary point at  $x = 1, y = \pi$ .

(4)

a)  $F = -1 + 4(e^x - x) - 5x \sin y + 6y^2$       $(x, y) = (0, 0)$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 4e^x - 4 - 5 \sin y \rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(0, 0) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = -5x \cos y + 12y \rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(0, 0) = 0$$

In both first-order partial derivatives, we have the values of zero at the point  $(0, 0)$ , so it's the critical point.

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = 4e^x \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y^2} = 12 + 5x \sin y$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x \partial y} = -5 \cos y$$

At point  $(0, 0)$ , these second-order partial derivatives are equal to:

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}(0, 0) = 4 \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y^2}(0, 0) = 12 \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x \partial y}(0, 0) = -5$$

at  $(0, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow f_{xx} f_{yy} &= 4 \times 12 = 48 \\ f_{xy} &= -5 \rightarrow f_{xy}^2 = 25 \end{aligned} \quad \left| \begin{aligned} \rightarrow f_{xx} f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 &= 48 - 25 = 23 \quad (*) \\ f_{xx} &= 4 \quad (**) \end{aligned} \right.$$

by considering  $(*)$ ,  $(**)$ , we can conclude that  $F(x, y)$  has a minimum at  $(0, 0)$ .

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b)

$$F = (x^2 - 2x) \cos y \quad \text{stationary point} = (0, 0)$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2 \cos y - 2x \cos y) = 2x \cos y - 2 \cos y = 2(x-1) \cos y$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = (-\sin y)(x^2 - 2x) = (2x - x^2) \sin y$$

at  $(1, \pi)$  both derivatives are equal to zero, so  $(1, \pi)$  is stationary or critical point.

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = 2 \cos y \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y^2} = (2x - x^2) \cos y \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x \partial y} = 2(1-x) \sin y$$

Alternatively, we can consider another approach to figure out whether the critical point is minimum, maximum or saddle point.

$$\text{Hessian Matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{the matrix is symmetric.}$$

- $\det(H) = f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 \xrightarrow{\text{at } (1, \pi)} (-2)(-1) - (0) = 2$
- $f_{xx} = -2$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \det(H) \\ f_{xx} < 0 \end{array} \right| \xrightarrow{\quad} F(x, y) \text{ has a Maximum.}$$

20. For  $F_1(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}x^4 + x^2y + y^2$  and  $F_2(x, y) = x^3 + xy - x$ , find the second derivative matrices  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \partial^2 F / \partial x^2 & \partial^2 F / \partial x \partial y \\ \partial^2 F / \partial y \partial x & \partial^2 F / \partial y^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$A_1$  is positive definite, so  $F_1$  is concave up (= convex). Find the minimum point of  $F_1$  and the saddle point of  $F_2$  (look where first derivatives are zero).

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$$F_1(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}x^4 + x^2y + y^2 \rightarrow F_1(x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + y\right)^2 \geq 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_1}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^3 + 2xy) = 3x^2 + 2y$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_1}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^2 + 2y) = 2 \quad \frac{\partial^2 F_1}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2 + 2y) = 2x$$

$$\text{Hessian Matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x^2 + 2y & 2x \\ 2x & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Principal minors

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \bullet \det(A_1) &= 2(3x^2 + 2y) - 4x^2 = 6x^2 + 4y - 4x^2 = 2x^2 + 4y = x^2 + 2y \\ \bullet 3x^2 + 2y \end{aligned}$$

$$F_{1,x} = x^3 + 2xy = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 + 2y)(x) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 0 \\ y &= -\frac{x^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$F_{1,y} = x^2 + 2y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = -2y \rightarrow y = -\frac{x^2}{2}$$

so the critical point is  $(x, -\frac{x^2}{2})$

by considering the critical point, we have positive semi-definite matrix.

$$y = -\frac{x^2}{2} \rightarrow H = \begin{bmatrix} 2x^2 & 2x \\ 2x & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \det(H) &= 2(2x^2) - 4x^2 = 0 \\ \textcircled{2} 2x^2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

As the matrix's all principal minors are non-negative our Hessian matrix is positive semi-definite.

$$x^T A x \geq 0$$

being a positive semi definite indicates that the quadratic function has a **minimum** or a **plateau** at the critical point.

due to having minimum with respect to any value of  $x$  ( $f(x, -\frac{x^2}{2}) = 0$ ), the quadratic function has plateau on the critical points.



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$$F_2(x, y) = x^3 + xy - x$$

$$\frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} = 3x^2 + y - 1 = 0 \xrightarrow{(*)} y = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} = x = 0 \quad (*)$$

so the critical point is  $(0, 1)$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_2}{\partial x^2} = 6x \quad \frac{\partial^2 F_2}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x) = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_2}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x) = 0$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 6x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Principal minors

$$\bullet |0| = 0$$

$$\bullet \det(H) = (0)(0) - 1 = -1$$

eigen values

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 1 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \{-1, 1\}$$

our function has a **saddle point**, as the eigen values take both signs at the critical point. and our matrix is indefinite.

1. For what range of numbers  $a$  and  $b$  are the matrices  $A$  and  $B$  positive definite?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & a & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & a \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & b & 8 \\ 4 & 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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a)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & a & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & a \end{bmatrix}$

$A$  is a positive definite matrix if all of its subdeterminants are greater than zero.

(\*)  $|a| = a > 0$

(\*\*)  $\begin{vmatrix} a & 2 \\ 2 & a \end{vmatrix} = a^2 - 4 > 0 \rightarrow a > 2, a < -2$

(\*\*\*)  $\begin{vmatrix} a & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & a & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & a \end{vmatrix} = (a) \begin{vmatrix} a & 2 \\ 2 & a \end{vmatrix} + (2) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & a \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & a \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= a(a^2 - 4) - 2(2a - 4) + 2(4 - 2a)$$

$$= a(a+2)(a-2) - 4(a-2) - 4(a-2) = a(a+2)(a-2) - 8(a-2)$$

$$= (a-2)(a^2 + 2a - 8) = (a-2)(a-2)(a+4) = (a-2)^2(a+4) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a > -4$$

$$\leadsto (*) \cap (**) \cap (***) \Rightarrow a > 2$$

3. Construct an indefinite matrix with its largest entries on the main diagonal:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b & -b \\ b & 1 & b \\ -b & b & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } |b| < 1 \text{ can have } \det A < 0.$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b & -b \\ b & 1 & b \\ -b & b & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad |b| < 1 \quad \det A < 0$$

Principal minors

$$|A_1| = 1 > 0$$

$$|A_3| < 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow (1) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b \\ b & 1 \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} b & b \\ -b & 1 \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} b & 1 \\ -b & b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1 - b^2) - b(b + b^2) - b(b^2 + b) = 0$$

$$= (1 - b)(1 + b) - b^2(1 + b) - b^2(b + 1) = 0$$

$$= (1 + b)(1 - b - 2b^2) = 0 \rightarrow b = \left\{ -1, \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4} \right\}$$

$$b = \left\{ -1, -\frac{1}{2}, 1 \right\}$$

	-1	-1/2	1
(1+b)	-	+	+
(1-b-2b <sup>2</sup> )	-	+	-
	+	-	-

$$\rightarrow -1 < b < -\frac{1}{2}$$



14. Decide whether the following matrices are positive definite, negative definite, semidefinite, or indefinite:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = -B, \quad D = A^{-1}.$$

Is there a real solution to  $-x^2 - 5y^2 - 9z^2 - 4xy - 6xz - 8yz = 1$ ?

(14)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(*) \quad |1| > 0 \quad (**) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 5 - 4 > 0$$

$$(***) \quad (1) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 4 & 9 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 9 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 29 - 2(6) + 3(-7) = 29 - 33 = -4 < 0$$

Since the principal minors didn't change the sign in order, the matrix isn't negative definite and negative semi-definite. Regarding  $\det(A)$  is equal to  $-4$  it isn't positive definite and positive semi-definite. it's indefinite.

$$D = A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 29 & -6 & -7 \\ -6 & 0 & 2 \\ -7 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T = \frac{-1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 29 & -6 & -7 \\ -6 & 0 & 2 \\ -7 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -29/4 & 6/4 & 7/4 \\ 6/4 & 0 & -2/4 \\ 7/4 & -2/4 & -1/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(*) \quad \begin{vmatrix} -29/4 \end{vmatrix} = -29/4 < 0 \quad (**) \quad \begin{vmatrix} -29/4 & 6/4 \\ 6/4 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{36}{16} < 0$$

$$(***) \quad |D| = -\frac{6}{4} \begin{vmatrix} 6/4 & 7/4 \\ -2/4 & -1/4 \end{vmatrix} + \frac{2}{4} \begin{vmatrix} -29/4 & 6/4 \\ 7/4 & -2/4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -\frac{6}{4} \left( -\frac{6}{16} + \frac{14}{16} \right) + \frac{2}{4} \left( \frac{58}{16} - \frac{42}{16} \right) = -\frac{6}{4} \cdot \frac{8}{16} + \frac{2}{4} \left( \frac{16}{16} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{4} = -\frac{1}{4} < 0$$

As the principal minors are all negative, they don't satisfy the conditions of being positive definite, positive semi-definite, negative definite, and negative semi-definite. therefore, our matrix is indefinite.

14. Decide whether the following matrices are positive definite, negative definite, semidefinite, or indefinite:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = -B, \quad D = A^{-1}.$$

Is there a real solution to  $-x^2 - 5y^2 - 9z^2 - 4xy - 6xz - 8yz = 1$ ?

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(*) \quad |1| > 0 \quad (**) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 6 - 4 = 2 > 0$$

$$(***) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (1) \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(30 - 4) + (-2)(10) = 26 - 20 = 6 > 0$$

$$(***) \quad |B| = (1) \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} + (2) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1) (6(11) + 2(-6)) + (2)(2)(11) = 66 - 12 + 44 = 98 > 0$$

all principal minors are greater than zero, so B is positive definite.

$$C = -B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -6 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(*) \quad |-1| < 0 \quad (**) \quad \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -2 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^2(2) = 2 > 0$$

$$(***) \quad \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & -6 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^3(6) = -6 < 0$$

$$(***) \quad C = |-B| = (-1)^4 |B| = (-1)^4(98) = 98 > 0$$

Its principal minors are alternating in sign and start with negative value, so we can conclude that our matrix is negative definite.

14. Decide whether the following matrices are positive definite, negative definite, semidefinite, or indefinite:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = -B, \quad D = A^{-1}.$$

Is there a real solution to  $-x^2 - 5y^2 - 9z^2 - 4xy - 6xz - 8yz = 1$ ?

$$F(x, y, z) = -x^2 - 5y^2 - 9z^2 - 4xy - 6xz - 8yz$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = -2 \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial z^2} = -18 \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y^2} = -10$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x \partial y} = -4 \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x \partial z} = -6 \quad \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial z \partial y} = -8$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 & -6 \\ -4 & -10 & -8 \\ -6 & -8 & -18 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} (*) \quad |-2| < 0 \\ (**) \quad \begin{vmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ -4 & -10 \end{vmatrix} = 20 - 16 = 4 > 0 \end{array}$$

$$(***) \quad \det(H) = (-2) \begin{vmatrix} -10 & -8 \\ -8 & -18 \end{vmatrix} + (4) \begin{vmatrix} -4 & -8 \\ -6 & -18 \end{vmatrix} + (-6) \begin{vmatrix} -4 & -10 \\ -6 & -8 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-2)(180 - 64) + (4)(72 - 48) + (-6)(32 - 60)$$

$$= -232 + 96 + 168 = -232 + 264 = 32$$

As the subdeterminants have both signs, the hessian matrix is indefinite.

Hence we can say that  $F(x, y, z) = 1$  has a real solution.



1. Compute  $A^T A$  and its eigenvalues  $\sigma_1^2$ , 0 and unit eigenvectors  $v_1, v_2$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 20 \\ 20 & 80 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 5-\lambda & 20 \\ 20 & 80-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \rightarrow (5-\lambda)(80-\lambda) - 400 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow 400 - 85\lambda + \lambda^2 - 400 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda(\lambda - 85) = 0 \rightarrow \lambda_1 = 0 \quad \lambda_2 = 85$$

$$\star \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 20 \\ 20 & 80 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\star \begin{bmatrix} -80 & 20 \\ 20 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{4}{\sqrt{17}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} & \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = \sigma_1^2 \\ \lambda_2 = \sigma_2^2$$



5. Compute  $A^T A$  and  $A A^T$ , and their eigenvalues and unit eigenvectors, for

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

Multiply the three matrices  $U \Sigma V^T$  to recover  $A$ .

(5)

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$= (1-\lambda)(2-3\lambda+\lambda^2-1) - 1(1-\lambda) = (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2-3\lambda) = (1-\lambda)\lambda(\lambda-3) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda \in \{1, 0, 3\}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\lambda=1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{make unit}} \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\lambda=0} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Eliminate}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{make unit}} \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} \\ -1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\lambda=3} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Eliminate}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.5 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{make unit}} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 2/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} & -1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{3} \\ 2/\sqrt{6} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1} A v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 2/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{6} \\ 3/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_2} A u_2 = \frac{1}{1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = U \Sigma V^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} & 2/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{3} & -1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

10. Suppose  $A$  is a 2 by 2 symmetric matrix with unit eigenvectors  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ . If its eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = 3$  and  $\lambda_2 = -2$ , what are  $U$ ,  $\Sigma$ , and  $V^T$ ?

⑩

1  $A$  is symmetric  $\cong$  Its eigenvalues are 3, -2.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1} A v_1 = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = u_1$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_2} A v_2 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = u_2$$

$$\rightarrow U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A^T A - \lambda I) = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \{9, 4\} \rightarrow \sigma = \sqrt{\lambda} = \{3, 2\}$$

$$A = U \Sigma V^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A^T A - 9I)x = 0 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix} x = 0 \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = v_1 \rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A^T A - 4I)x = 0 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x = 0 \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = v_2$$



**Thanks for your  
attention**