

# *Linear Algebra*

## ***Eigen value decomposition : Part2***

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# Eigendecomposition of Singular Matrices

# Wrong Idea about Eigendecomposition of Singular Matrices

## ■ Students often get idea.

- ▶ Singular matrices cannot be eigen decomposed
- ▶ Eigenvectors of singular matrix must be unusual somehow.

## ■ That idea is completely wrong!

- ▶ Eigendecomposition of singular matrices is perfectly fine.

# Code Exercise of Eigendecomposition of Singular Matrix

## ■ Code Exercise (13\_03)

- ▶ This rank-2 matrix has one zero-valued eigenvalue with nonzeros eigenvector.
- ▶ Explore eigendecomposition of other reduced-rank random matrices by using example code.

```
% Clear workspace, command window, and close all figures
clc; clear; close all;

% Define the matrix
A = [1 4 7; 2 5 8; 3 6 9];

% Calculate the matrix rank
rankA = rank(A);

% Eigen decomposition
[V, D] = eig(A);

% Display the results
disp('Rank =')
disp(rankA);
disp('Eigenvalues:');
disp(diag(D));
disp('Eigenvectors:');
disp(V);

% Optionally round eigenvalues and eigenvectors for display
disp('Rounded Eigenvalues:');
disp(round(diag(D).',2)); % Round and transpose for horizontal display
disp('Rounded Eigenvectors:');
disp(round(V, 2));
```

MATLAB code of eigendecomposition of singular matrix

# One Special Property of Eigendecomposition of Singular Matrices

## ■ At least **one eigenvalue is guaranteed to be zero**.

- ▶ That **doesn't mean** that number of nonzero eigenvalues **equals** rank of matrix.
- ▶ True for singular values
  - Scalar values from the SVD (Singular Value Decomposition)
- ▶ Not for eigen values
  - But if matrix is singular, then at least one eigenvalue equals zero.

## ■ **Converse is also true.**

- ▶ Every **full-rank matrix has zero zero-valued eigenvalues**.

## ■ **Why this happens**

- ▶ Singular matrix already has nontrivial null space.
  - $\lambda = 0$  provides nontrivial solution to  $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{v} = 0$ .

↑  
of singular

## ■ **Main take-homes of this section**

- ▶ Eigendecomposition is valid for reduced-rank matrices.
- ▶ Presence of at least one zero-valued eigenvalue indicates reduced-rank matrix.

# Quadratic Form, Definiteness, and Eigenvalues

# Quadratic Form and Definiteness

## ■ Quadratic form and definiteness are intimidating terms.

- ▶ Don't worry.
- ▶ They are both straightforward concepts that provide gateway to advanced linear algebra and applications.
- ▶ advanced linear algebra technique such as
  - Principal components analysis (PCA)
  - Monte Carlo simulations
- ▶ Integrating MATLAB code into your learning will give you huge advantage over learning about these concepts.
  - Compared to traditional linear algebra textbooks.



# Quadratic Form of Matrix

## ■ Consider Eq 1..

- ▶ Pre- and postmultiply square matrix by same vector  $w$  and get scalar.
  - Notice: This multiplication is valid only for square matrices.

## ■ This is called quadratic form. on matrix $A$ .

## ■ Which matrix and which vector do we use?

- ▶ Idea of quadratic form
  - To use one specific matrix.
  - To set of all possible vectors.
    - Appropriate size
- ▶ Important point
  - Signs of  $\alpha$  for all possible vectors.

$$w^T A w = \alpha$$

Eq 1. Quadratic form of matrix

# Example of Quadratic Form of Matrix

## ■ For this particular matrix as Eq 1.

- ▶ There is **no possible combination** of  $x$  and  $y$  that can give **negative answer**.
  - Even when  $x$  or  $y$  is negative value.
    - Because squared terms ( $2x^2$  and  $3y^2$ )  $\gg$  cross-term ( $4xy$ ).
- ▶  $\alpha$  can be nonpositive.
  - $\alpha$  comes from  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{w} = \alpha$ .
  - Only when  $x = y = 0$ .
    - In remaining cases,  $\alpha$  is always positive.

## ■ That is not trivial result of quadratic form.

- ▶ Eq 2. can have positive or negative  $\alpha$  depending on values of  $x$  and  $y$ .
- ▶  $[x \ y] \rightarrow [-1 \ 1]$ : **Negative** quadratic form result.
- ▶  $[x \ y] \rightarrow [-1 \ -1]$ : **Positive** quadratic form result

$$[x \ y] \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 2x^2 + (0 + 4)xy + 3y^2$$

Eq 1. First example of quadratic form of matrix

$$[x \ y] \begin{bmatrix} -9 & 4 \\ 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = -9x^2 + (3 + 4)xy + 9y^2$$

Eq 2. Second example of quadratic form of matrix

# Scalar for All Possible Vectors

## ■ How can you possibly know whether quadratic form will produce positive?

- ▶ Or negative, or zero-valued

## ■ Key

- ▶ Full-rank eigenvectors matrix spans all of  $\mathbb{R}^M$ .
- ▶ Therefore, Every vector in  $\mathbb{R}^M$  can be expressed.
  - As some linear weighted combination of eigenvectors.

## ■ Then, start from eigenvalue equation and left-multiply by eigenvector to return to quadratic form as Eq 1..

$$\begin{aligned}
 A\mathbf{v} &= \lambda\mathbf{v} \\
 \mathbf{v}^T A\mathbf{v} &= \lambda\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} \\
 \mathbf{v}^T A\mathbf{v} &= \lambda\|\mathbf{v}\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Eq 1. Return to quadratic form

# Key of Return to Quadratic Form

## ■ In Eq 1., Final equation is key.

- ▶ Note,  $\|v^T v\|$  is **strictly positive**.
  - Vector magnitudes cannot be negative.
  - Ignore zeros vector.
- ▶ Sign of right-hand side of equation is determined entirely by eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

## ■ That equation uses only one eigenvalue and its eigenvector.

- ▶ But we need to know about any possible vector.

$$\begin{aligned}Av &= \lambda v \\ v^T Av &= \lambda v^T v \\ v^T Av &= \lambda \|v\|^2\end{aligned}$$

Eq 1. Return to quadratic form

# Insight of Return to Quadratic Form

- If equation is valid for each eigenvector-eigenvalue pair,
  - ▶ It is valid for any combination of eigenvector-eigenvalue pairs as Eq 1..
- In other words
  - ▶ Set any vector  $\mathbf{u}$  to be some linear combination of eigen vectors.
  - ▶ Set some scalar  $\zeta$  to be that same linear combination of eigenvalues.
- Anyway, it doesn't change principle
  - ▶ Sign of right-hand side (quadratic form) is determined by sign of eigenvalues.

$$\mathbf{v}_1^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_1 = \lambda_1 \|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_2 = \lambda_2 \|\mathbf{v}_2\|^2$$

$$(\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2)^T \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2) = (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \|\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2\|^2$$

$$\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} = \zeta \|\mathbf{u}\|^2$$

Eq 1. Valid for each eigenvector-eigenvalue pair

# Think about Equation under Different Assumption about sign of $\lambda$

- ★ ■ **All eigenvalues are positive.** → *quadratic form을 만들면.*
  - ▶ Right-hand side of equation is always positive.
  - ▶  $v^T A v$  is always positive for any vector  $v$ .
- **Eigenvalues are positive or zero.**
  - ▶  $v^T A v$  is **nonnegative**
  - ▶  $v^T A v$  will equal zero when  $\lambda = 0$ .
    - $\lambda = 0$  happens when matrix is singular.
- **Eigenvalues are negative or zero.**
  - ▶ Quadratic form result will be zero or negative.
- **Eigenvalues are negative.**
  - ▶ Quadratic form result will be negative for all vectors.

# Definiteness

- **Characteristic of square matrix**
- **Defined by signs of eigenvalues of matrix.**
  - ▶ Same thing as signs of quadratic form results.
- **Implication**
  - ▶ Invertibility of matrix as well as advanced data analysis methods.
    - Such as generalized eigendecomposition
      - Used in multivariate linear classifiers and signal processing.

# Categories of Definiteness

- There are **5 categories in definiteness**.
- Five categories as shown in Table 1.
  - ▶ + and – signs indicate signs of eigenvalues.
  - ▶ Depends
    - Matrix can be invertible or singular depending on numbers in matrix.
    - Not on definiteness category.

Category	Quadratic form	Eigenvalues	Invertible
Positive definite	Positive	+	Yes
Positive semidefinite	Nonnegative	+ and 0	No
Indefinite	Positive and negative	+ and -	Depends
Negative semidefinite	Nonpositive	- and 0	No
Negative definite	Negative	-	Yes

Table 1. Definiteness categories



# $A^T A$ is Positive (Semi)definite

## ■ Specific matrix is guaranteed to be positive definite or positive semidefinite.

- ▶ Expressed as product of matrix and its transpose.
- ▶ That is,  $S = A^T A$
- ▶ Combination of these two categories is often written as Positive (semi) definite.

## ■ All data covariance matrices are positive (semi)definite.

- ▶ Because covariance matrices defined:  $A^T A$ 
  - where data matrix:  $A$
- ▶ All covariance matrices have nonnegative eigenvalues.

## ■ Case1: When data matrix is full-rank,

- ▶ If data is stored as observations by features,
  - Full column-rank
- ▶ Eigenvalues will be all positive.

## ■ Case2: If data matrix is reduced-rank,

- ▶ At least one zero-valued eigenvalue

# Proof of $A^T A$

## ■ Proof that $S$ is positive (semi)definite.

- ▶ Writing out its quadratic form.
- ▶ Applying some algebra manipulations.

## ■ In Eq 1..

- ▶ Transition from first to second equation simply involves moving parentheses around.
  - Such “proof by parentheses” is common in linear algebra.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S} \mathbf{w} &= \mathbf{w}^T (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{w} \\ &= (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{A}^T) (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{w}) \\ &= (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{w})^T (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{w}) \\ &= \|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{w}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Eq 1. Proof that  $S$  is positive (semi)definite by parentheses

# Point of Proof of $A^T A$

- Quadratic form of  $A^T A$  equals  $\|matrix\|^2 * vector$ .
- Characteristic of magnitudes
  - ▶ Cannot be negative.
  - ▶ Can be zero
    - Only when vector is zero.
- If  $Aw = 0$  for nontrivial  $w$ ,
  - ▶ Then  $A$  is singular.
- Notice
  - ▶ Although all  $A^T A$  matrices are symmetric, not all symmetric matrices can be expressed as  $A^T A$ .
    - Matrix symmetry on its own does not guarantee positive (semi)definiteness.
      - Because not all symmetric matrices can be expressed as product of matrix and its transpose.

# Importance of Quadratic Form and Definiteness

## ■ Importance in data science.

- ▶ Because some linear algebra operations are applied only to well-endowed matrices.
  - Cholesky decomposition
    - Create correlated datasets in Monte Carlo simulations.
- ▶ Importance in optimization problems.
  - Gradient descent
    - Because guaranteed minimum to find

## ■ In your never-ending quest to improve your data science prowess,

- ▶ You might encounter technical papers.
  - Use abbreviation SPD (Symmetric Positive Definite).

# Generalized Eigendecomposition

# Eigendecomposition

■ Consider that Eq 1. is same as fundamental eigenvalue equation.

▶ This is obvious.

- Because  $Iv = v$ .
- Generalized eigendecomposition as Eq 2. involves replacing identity matrix with another matrix.
  - Not identity or zeros matrix

$$Av = \lambda Iv$$

Eq 1. Assumption equal to fundamental eigenvalue equation

$$Av = \lambda Bv$$

Eq 2. Generalized eigendecomposition

# Generalized Eigendecomposition

- It is also called simultaneous diagonalization of two matrices.
- Resulting  $(\lambda, v)$  pair is not eigenvalue / vector of  $A$  alone nor of  $B$  alone.
  - ▶ Instead, two matrices share eigenvalue / vector pairs.
- Conceptually, you can think of generalized eigendecomposition
  - ▶ As “regular” eigendecomposition of product matrix as Eq 1..
- Just conceptual
  - ▶ In practice, does not require  $B$  to be invertible.
- Not case
  - ▶ Any two matrices can be simultaneously diagonalized.
  - ▶ If  $B$  is positive (semi)definite,
    - Diagonalization is possible.

$$C = AB^{-1}$$

$$Cv = \lambda v^{-1}$$

Eq 1. “Regular” eigendecomposition of product matrix

# Use Generalized Eigendecomposition in Data Science

- **Classification analysis**
- **In particular, fisher's linear discriminant analysis (LDA)**
  - ▶ Based on generalized eigendecomposition of two data covariance matrices.



# Myriad Subtleties of Eigendecomposition

## ■ A lot of properties of eigendecomposition

- ▶ Sum of eigenvalues equals trace of matrix.
  - While product of eigenvalues equals determinant.
- ▶ Not all square matrices can be diagonalized.
- ▶ Some matrices have repeated eigenvalues.
  - Implications for their eigenvectors
- ▶ Complex eigenvalues of real-valued matrices
  - Inside circle in complex plane.

## ■ Mathematical knowledge of eigenvalues runs deep.

- ▶ But this lecture provides essential foundational knowledge.
  - For working with eigendecomposition in applications.

# Summary



# Summary

## ■ Eigendecomposition identifies $M$ scalar/vector pairs of an $M \times M$ matrix.

- ▶ It reflect special directions in the matrix.
- ▶ And have myriad applications in data science.
  - As well as in geometry, physics, computational biology, and myriad other technical displines.

## ■ Eigenvalues can be found.

- ▶ Assuming that the matrix shifted by an unknown scalar  $\lambda$  is singular.
- ▶ Setting its determinant to zero.
  - Called characteristic polynomial.
- ▶ And solving for  $\lambda$ s.

## ■ Eigenvectors can be found.

- ▶ By finding basis vector for the null space of  $\lambda - \textit{shifted}$  matrix.

## ■ Meaning of diagonalizing a matrix.

- ▶ Represent matrix as  $V^{-1}\Lambda V$ .
  - $V$ : matrix with eigenvectors in the columns.
  - $\Lambda$ : diagonal matrix with eigenvalues in the diagonal elements.

# Summary

## ■ Symmetric matrices have several special properties in eigendecomposition.

### ▶ In data science

- All eigenvectors are pair-wise orthogonal.
  - Matrix of eigenvectors is orthogonal.
  - Inverse of eigenvectors matrix is its transpose.

## ■ Definiteness of matrix

### ▶ Signs of its eigenvalues

### ▶ In data science

- Positive (semi)definite
  - All eigenvalues are either nonnegative or positive.

### ▶ Matrix times its transpose is always positive (semi)definite.

- All covariance matrices have nonnegative eigenvalues.

## ■ Study of eigendecomposition

### ▶ Rich and detailed

### ▶ Many fascinating subtleties, special cases, and applications

# Code Exercises

# $A, A^{-1}$ Eigenvalue

- Interestingly, the eigenvectors of  $A^{-1}$  are the same as the eigenvectors of  $A$  while the eigenvalues are  $\lambda^{-1}$ . Prove that is the case by writing out the eigendecomposition of  $A$  and  $A^{-1}$ . Then illustrate it using a random full-rank  $5 \times 5$  symmetric matrix.

```
% create the matrix
A = randn(5,5);
A = A' * A;

% compute its inverse
Ai = ;

% eigenvalues of A and Ai
eigvals_A = ;
eigvals_Ai = ;

% compare them (hint: sorting helps!)
disp('Eigenvalues of A:')
disp(sort(eigvals_A))

disp(' ')
disp('Eigenvalues of inv(A):')
disp(sort(eigvals_Ai))

disp(' ')
disp('Reciprocal of evals of inv(A):')
disp(sort(1./eigvals_Ai))
```

Sample code

# Interesting property of random matrices

- One interesting property of random matrices is that their complex-valued eigenvalues are distributed in a circle with a radius proportional to the size of the matrix. To demonstrate this, compute 123 random  $42 \times 42$  matrices, extract their eigenvalues, divide by the square root of the matrix size (42), and plot the eigenvalues on the complex plane, as in **Figure below**.

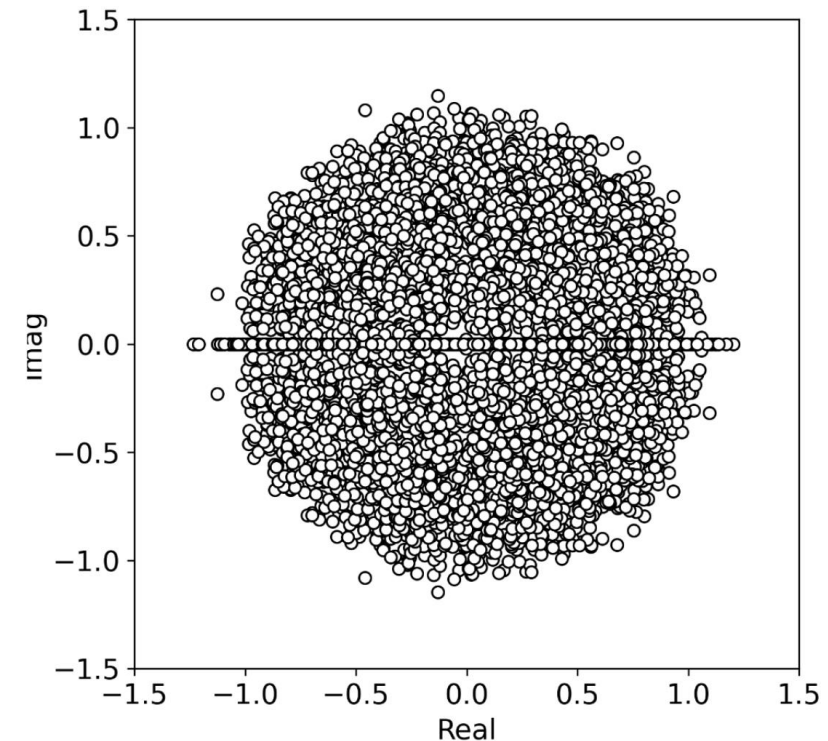
```
nIter = 123;
matsize = 42;
% fill this evals variable
evals = zeros(nIter, matsize);

% create the matrices and get their scaled eigenvalues
for i = 1:nIter
    % declare (matsize, matsize) sized matrix A in every iteration
    A = ; randn(matsize, matsize)
    evals(i, :) = ; eig(A)/sqrt(matsize)
end

% visualization
% and show in a plot
figure('Position', [100, 100, 600, 600]);

plot(real(evals(:)), imag(evals(:)), 'ko', 'MarkerFaceColor', 'w');
xlim([-1.5, 1.5]);
ylim([-1.5, 1.5]);
xlabel('Real');
ylabel('Imag');
```

Sample code



# Method to Create Random Symmetric Matrices

- Start by creating a  $4 \times 4$  diagonal matrix with positive numbers on the diagonals(they can be, for example, the numbers 1,2,3,4). Then create a  $4 \times 4$   $Q$  matrix from the  $QR$  decomposition of a random-numbers matrix. Use these matrices as the eigenvalues and eigenvectors, and multiply them appropriately to assemble a matrix. Confirm that the assembled matrix is symmetric, and that its eigenvalues equal the eigenvalues you specified.

```
% Create the Lambda matrix with positive values
Lambda = diag(rand(4,1) * 5);
randnMat = randn(4,4);

% create Q
;

% reconstruct to a matrix
A = ;

% the matrix minus its transpose should be zeros (within precision error)
result = ;

disp(result);

% sort(diag(Lambda)) and sort(eig(A)) disp same result
% print sorted diagonal of Lambda
disp('Sorted diagonal of Lambda:')
disp(sort(diag(Lambda)))

% print sorted eigenvalues of A
disp('Sorted eigenvalues of A:')
disp(sort(eig(A)))
```

Sample code





**THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR ATTENTION**