

Fundamental content after midterm- A brief review

MAT2040 Linear Algebra

Brief Review- Linear transformation

1. Definition for linear transformation: Let V, W be two vector spaces, and the mapping L from V to W is said to be a linear transformation if the following condition is satisfied:

$$L(\alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2) = \alpha_1 L(\mathbf{v}_1) + \alpha_2 L(\mathbf{v}_2), \quad \forall \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \forall \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 \in V. (*)$$

V is called the **domain** of the linear transformation, and W is called the **codomain** of the linear transformation.

2. Definition for Kernel of L , denoted by $\ker(L)$ is defined as

$$\ker(L) = \{\mathbf{v} \in V \mid L(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}_W\}.$$

3. Definition of range. Let S be a subspace of V , the **image** of S , denoted by $L(S)$, is defined by

$$L(S) = \{\mathbf{w} \in W \mid \exists \mathbf{v} \in S, \text{ s.t. } L(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{w}\}$$

The image of the entire vector space V , i.e., $L(V)$ is called the **range** of L .

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(Matrix Representation for linear transformation between Eulerian vector spaces w.r.t. standard bases) If L is a linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m , there is a $m \times n$ matrix A such that

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$$

for each $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. In fact, the j th column vector of $A = [\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n]$ is given by

$$\mathbf{a}_j = L(\mathbf{e}_j), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

where $\mathcal{E}_n = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$ is the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

Brief Review- Linear transformation

(Matrix Representation for General Vector Spaces) If

$\mathcal{V} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a basis for vector space V and

$\mathcal{W} = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \dots, \mathbf{w}_m\}$ is a basis for vector space W , and L is a linear transformation mapping from vector space V to vector space W , then there is a $m \times n$ matrix A such that

$$[L(\mathbf{u})]_{\mathcal{W}} = A[\mathbf{u}]_{\mathcal{V}}, \quad \forall \mathbf{u} \in V$$

And in fact, the j th column of A is given by

$$\mathbf{a}_j = [L(\mathbf{v}_j)]_{\mathcal{W}}$$

and $A = [\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n]$.

Brief Review-Orthogonality

Let $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, \dots, x_n]^T$, $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, \dots, y_n]^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n$$

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}} = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = \|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\| \cos \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi.$$

Two vectors $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are said to be **orthogonal** if $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0$. Denote $\mathbf{x} \perp \mathbf{y}$.

Brief Review-Orthogonality

(Orthogonal Subspaces in \mathbb{R}^n) Two subspaces X and Y of \mathbb{R}^n are said to be orthogonal if

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0, \forall \mathbf{x} \in X, \mathbf{y} \in Y.$$

Denoted by $X \perp Y$.

$$Y^\perp = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n | \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0, \forall \mathbf{y} \in Y\}$$

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$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, (1) \text{Null}(A) = \text{Col}(A^T)^\perp = \text{Row}(A)^\perp$$

$$(2) \text{Null}(A^T) = \text{Col}(A)^\perp = \text{Row}(A^T)^\perp$$

Brief Review-Orthogonality

Theorem If S is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$\dim S + \dim S^\perp = n.$$

Furthermore, if $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r\}$ is a basis for S and $\{\mathbf{u}_{r+1}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ is a basis for S^\perp , then $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{u}_{r+1}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

$$\mathbb{R}^n = S \oplus S^\perp$$

(Definition for Least square solution) Given linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ ($A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$), a vector $\hat{\mathbf{x}} (\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n)$ that satisfies the minimum residual condition

$$\|r(\hat{\mathbf{x}})\| = \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|r(\mathbf{x})\|$$

is called the least square solution for $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, where $r(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}$.

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(Normal equations for the linear system) Given the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ ($A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$), let the projection of \mathbf{b} onto the subspace $Col(A)$ is \mathbf{p} , then there exists a vector $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, s.t.
 $\mathbf{p} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in Col(A)$, $\mathbf{b} - A\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in Col(A)^\perp = Null(A^T)$ and
 $\|\mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}\| \geq \|\mathbf{b} - A\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|$ for any $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
 $\mathbf{b} - A\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in Col(A)^\perp = Null(A^T)$ gives the condition

$$A^T A \hat{\mathbf{x}} = A^T \mathbf{b}$$

which is called the **normal equation**, and it is a $n \times n$ linear system.

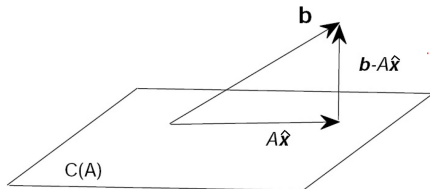


Figure: Projection of $\mathbf{b} \in V$ onto column space $Col(A)$.

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(Unique Solution Condition for the Normal Equations) If A is a $m \times n$ matrix of rank n , the normal equations

$$A^T A \hat{\mathbf{x}} = A^T \mathbf{b}$$

have a unique solution

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b}$$

and $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ is the unique least square solution for the linear system $A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{b}$. The projection vector is given by $\mathbf{p} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b}$ where $P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ is called the **projection matrix**

Brief Review-Orthogonality

1. **(Orthogonal Set in \mathbb{R}^n)** Let $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ be **nonzero** vectors from \mathbb{R}^n . If $\mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_j = \langle \mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{u}_j \rangle = 0$ when $i \neq j$, then $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ is said to be an **orthogonal set**.
2. **Theorem (Orthogonal vectors are linearly independent)**
3. **(Orthonormal Set in \mathbb{R}^n)** Let $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ be **nonzero vectors** from \mathbb{R}^n . $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ is said to be the **orthonormal set** if
$$\langle \mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{u}_j \rangle = \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = j, \\ 0, & \text{if } i \neq j. \end{cases}$$
4. **(Orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n)** $B = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n if $B = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ is an orthonormal set in \mathbb{R}^n .

Brief Review-Orthogonality

1. (Orthogonal Matrix)

Let $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, Q is said to be the orthogonal matrix if the column vectors of Q form an orthonormal set in \mathbb{R}^n (also form an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n).

2. (Equivalent Condition for Orthogonal Matrix) Let $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, Q is an orthogonal matrix if and only if $Q^T Q = I_n$. Q is an orthogonal matrix if and only if $Q^{-1} = Q^T$.

3. Property for Orthogonal Matrix)

Let $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is an orthogonal matrix, then

(a) $\|Q\mathbf{x}\| = \|\mathbf{x}\|, \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

(b) $\langle Q\mathbf{x}, Q\mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

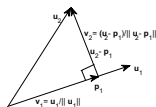
Brief Review-Gram-Schmidt process in \mathbb{R}^n

Question: Given an linearly independent set $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n , how can we find an orthonormal set $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\}$ such that $\text{Span}(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m)$?

(Gram-Schmidt Process for $m=3$)

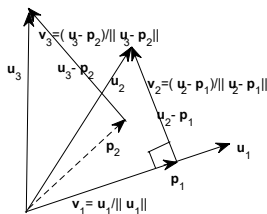
Step 1: normalize \mathbf{u}_1 to get \mathbf{v}_1 , i.e., $\mathbf{v}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{u}_1}{\|\mathbf{u}_1\|}$

Step 2: project \mathbf{u}_2 onto $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1)$ to get $\mathbf{p}_1 = \langle \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle \mathbf{v}_1$, then $\mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{p}_1 \perp \text{Span}(\mathbf{u}_1)$. Set $\mathbf{v}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_1}{\|\mathbf{r}_1\|} = \frac{\mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{p}_1}{\|\mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{p}_1\|}$, then $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ are orthonormal set and $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2)$.



$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{u}_1 / \|\mathbf{u}_1\| \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = (\mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{p}_1) / \|\mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{p}_1\|$$

Brief Review-Gram-Schmidt process in \mathbb{R}^n



$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{v}_1 &= \mathbf{u}_1 / \|\mathbf{u}_1\| & \mathbf{p}_1 &= \langle \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{p}_2 &= \langle \mathbf{u}_3, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle \mathbf{v}_1 + \langle \mathbf{u}_3, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle \mathbf{v}_2 \\
 \mathbf{v}_2 &= (\mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{p}_1) / \|\mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{p}_1\| & \mathbf{v}_3 &= (\mathbf{u}_3 - \mathbf{p}_2) / \|\mathbf{u}_3 - \mathbf{p}_2\|
 \end{aligned}$$

Step 3: project \mathbf{u}_3 onto $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$ to get $\mathbf{p}_2 = \langle \mathbf{u}_3, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle \mathbf{v}_1 + \langle \mathbf{u}_3, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle \mathbf{v}_2$, then $\mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{u}_3 - \mathbf{p}_2 \perp \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$, set $\mathbf{v}_3 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_2}{\|\mathbf{r}_2\|} = \frac{\mathbf{u}_3 - \mathbf{p}_2}{\|\mathbf{u}_3 - \mathbf{p}_2\|}$, then $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ are orthonormal set and $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3)$.

QR decomposition

Let $A = [\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3]$ is a real matrix, whose the column vector set $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3\}$ is linearly independent. Gram-Schmidt process gives following orthonormal set

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{a}_1}{\|\mathbf{a}_1\|}, \quad \mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{a}_2 - \mathbf{p}_1 \quad (\mathbf{p}_1 = \langle \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{q}_1 \rangle \mathbf{q}_1), \quad \mathbf{q}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_1}{\|\mathbf{r}_1\|}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{a}_3 - \mathbf{p}_2 \quad (\mathbf{p}_2 = \langle \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{q}_1 \rangle \mathbf{q}_1 + \langle \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{q}_2 \rangle \mathbf{q}_2), \quad \mathbf{q}_3 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_2}{\|\mathbf{r}_2\|}$$

$$(\mathbf{q}_2 \perp \text{Span}(\mathbf{q}_1) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1), \quad \mathbf{q}_3 \perp \text{Span}(\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2))$$

The above relations can be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \|\mathbf{a}_1\| \mathbf{q}_1,$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 = \langle \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{q}_1 \rangle \mathbf{q}_1 + \|\mathbf{r}_1\| \mathbf{q}_2,$$

$$\mathbf{a}_3 = \langle \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{q}_1 \rangle \mathbf{q}_1 + \langle \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{q}_2 \rangle \mathbf{q}_2 + \|\mathbf{r}_2\| \mathbf{q}_3.$$

QR decomposition

This gives

$$A = [\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3] = [\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{q}_3] \begin{bmatrix} \|\mathbf{a}_1\| & \langle \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{q}_1 \rangle & \langle \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{q}_1 \rangle \\ 0 & \|\mathbf{r}_1\| & \langle \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{q}_2 \rangle \\ 0 & 0 & \|\mathbf{r}_2\| \end{bmatrix} \\ \triangleq QR.$$

This is called the QR factorization. Here $Q = [\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{q}_3]$, and

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \|\mathbf{a}_1\| & \langle \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{q}_1 \rangle & \langle \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{q}_1 \rangle \\ 0 & \|\mathbf{r}_1\| & \langle \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{q}_2 \rangle \\ 0 & 0 & \|\mathbf{r}_2\| \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{a}_2 & \mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{a}_3 \\ 0 & \mathbf{q}_2^T \mathbf{a}_2 & \mathbf{q}_2^T \mathbf{a}_3 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{q}_3^T \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

since $\langle \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{a}_1 \rangle = \mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{a}_1 = \|\mathbf{a}_1\|$, $\langle \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{a}_2 \rangle = \mathbf{q}_2^T \mathbf{a}_2 = \|\mathbf{r}_1\|$,
 $\langle \mathbf{q}_3, \mathbf{a}_3 \rangle = \mathbf{q}_3^T \mathbf{a}_3 = \|\mathbf{r}_2\|$.

Brief Review-Eigenvalue and Eigenvectors

1. Let A be a square matrix with size $n \times n$ ($A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ or $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$), if there exists a scalar λ ($\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ or $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$) and **nonzero vector** \mathbf{x} such that $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$, then λ is called the **eigenvalue** (or **characteristic value**) and \mathbf{x} is called the **eigenvector** (or **characteristic vector**) w.r.t λ .
2. (**Characteristic Polynomial**) Let A is a $n \times n$ matrix ($A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ or $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$) and λ is a variable, then $p_A(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$ is the characteristic polynomial with degree n . The roots of the characteristic polynomial are the eigenvalues of A , the number of eigenvalues (counting with multiplicity) are n .
3. (**Product and Sum of Eigenvalues**) Let $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ be a square matrix ($A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ or $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$), $\lambda_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ are the eigenvalues, then (1) $\det(A) = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$, (2) $\sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$, where $\sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} = a_{11} + a_{22} + \dots + a_{nn} = \text{Trace}(A)$ is called the trace of A .

Brief Review-Eigenvalue and Eigenvectors

1. (**Diagonalizable**) A $n \times n$ matrix A is said to be diagonalizable if there exists a nonsingular matrix X and a diagonal matrix D such that $X^{-1}AX = D$.

Brief Review-Eigenvalue and Eigenvectors

2. **Theorem (Sufficient and Necessary Condition for Diagonalization)** A $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

3. **Corollary** Let A be a matrix with size $n \times n$, if A has n distinct eigenvalues, then A is diagonalizable.

However, if A has eigenvalues with multiplicity ≥ 2 , then A may or may not be diagonalizable

Brief Review-Diagonalization for real symmetric matrix

1. **Theorem** Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be the real symmetric matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$, then

(1) $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}, \forall i = 1, \dots, n$. (**The eigenvalues of real symmetric matrices are real numbers.**)

(2) If $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$, \mathbf{x}_i is the eigenvectors w.r.t λ_i , \mathbf{x}_j is the eigenvectors w.r.t λ_j , then $\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j$ are orthogonal. (**For real symmetric matrices, the eigenvectors belonging to different eigenvalues are orthogonal.**)

2. **Theorem (Spectral Theorem (eigen decomposition theorem) for Real Symmetric Matrix)** If A is a real symmetric matrix, then there exists an orthogonal matrix Q that diagonalizes A , i.e.,
 $Q^T A Q = Q^{-1} A Q = \Lambda$ (Λ is a diagonal matrix)

Brief Review-Quadratic form

Let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be symmetric, then

(1) The quadratic form $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ is called **positive definite** if $f(\mathbf{x}) > 0$ for any $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$. And correspondingly, A is called **positive definite matrix**.

(2) The quadratic form $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ is called **positive semidefinite** if $f(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$ for any $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$. And correspondingly, A is called **positive semidefinite matrix**.

(3) The quadratic form $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ is called **indefinite** if $f(\mathbf{x})$ takes different signs.

Brief Review-Quadratic form

The negative definite and negative semidefinite can be defined as follows:

(4) The quadratic form $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ is called **negative definite** if $f(\mathbf{x}) < 0$ for any $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$. And correspondingly, A is called **negative definite matrix**.

(5) The quadratic form $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ is called **negative semidefinite** if $f(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$ for any $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$. And correspondingly, A is called **negative semidefinite matrix**.

Brief Review-Quadratic form

Theorem:

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be symmetric, then A is positive definite if and only if all eigenvalues are positive.

Proof. Since A is symmetric, by spectral theorem for real symmetric matrix, there exists an orthogonal matrix Q such that $Q^{-1}AQ = Q^T AQ = D$, where D is the diagonal matrix. Let $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = Q^T \mathbf{x}$ then $\mathbf{x} = Q\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ and $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} = (Q\hat{\mathbf{x}})^T A Q\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T Q^T A Q \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T D \hat{\mathbf{x}}$. Since Q is invertible and $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = Q^T \mathbf{x}$, thus

$$\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} > 0, \forall \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0} \Leftrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T D \hat{\mathbf{x}} > 0, \forall \hat{\mathbf{x}} \neq \mathbf{0}$$

Thus, A is positive definite \Leftrightarrow the entries in diagonal elements of D are all positive \Leftrightarrow all eigenvalues of A are positive.

Brief Review-Quadratic form

Remark.

1. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be symmetric, then A is negative definite if and only if all eigenvalues are negative.
2. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be symmetric, then A is indefinite if and only if eigenvalues have different signs.

Theorem:

A ($A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$) is a symmetric positive definite matrix if and only if all leading principal submatrices have positive determinants.