

# Recitation #5

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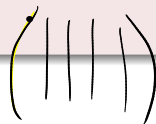
# recall: Orthogonal matrices

## Orthogonal matrix

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a matrix.  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix if its columns form an orthogonal family of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (therefore linearly independent and basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ )

Alert!: orthogonal vectors given an inner product

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T y$$



## Properties of Orthogonal matrices

The following are equivalent:

①  $A$  is orthogonal

②  $AA^T = Id$

③  $A^T A = Id$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} AA^T = Id \\ A^T A = Id \end{array} \right\} A^T = A^{-1}$$

Exercise for home: re-prove it.

## Exercise 1

Prove that the product of two orthogonal matrices is also an orthogonal matrix.

Goal :  $A \cdot B$  is orthogonal

Start :  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are orthogonal

Show :  $\underline{(A \cdot B)(A \cdot B)^T} = Id$

$$\underbrace{A \cdot B}_{Id} \underbrace{B^T A^T}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ B \text{ orthogonal}}} = A \underbrace{A^T}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ A \text{ orthogonal}}} = Id \quad \square$$

## Exercise 2

Let  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be an orthogonal matrix and let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Show that  $\langle Qx, Qy \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\underline{\langle Qx, Qy \rangle}} &= (Qx)^T Qy = x^T \underbrace{Q^T Q}_{Id} y = x^T y \quad \square \\ &\quad \uparrow \\ &\quad Q \text{ is orthogonal} \end{aligned}$$

# QR decomposition

## Exercise 3

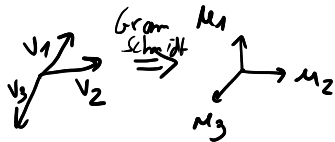
Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  be a matrix with linearly independent columns.

Show that  $A$  can be written as  $A = QR$  where  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is an orthogonal matrix and  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  an upper triangular matrix.

Hint: apply Gram-Schmidt to the columns of  $A$ .

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} * & & \\ 0 & * & \\ & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ v_1 & \dots & v_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \quad v_1, \dots, v_n \text{ lin. ind}$$



Gram-Schmidt

$$\begin{cases} u_1 = v_1 \\ u_2 = v_2 - \text{proj}_{u_1}(v_2) \\ \vdots \\ u_m = v_n - \text{proj}_{u_{n-1}}(v_n) - \dots - \text{proj}_{u_2}(v_n) \end{cases}$$

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$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & \dots & u_m \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \quad QR \cong \text{Gram-Schmidt}$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & * & * \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad r_{ij} = \text{proj}_{u_i}(v_j)$$

# recall: eigenvalues and eigenvectors

## Eigenvalue, eigenvector

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . A non-zero vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  if there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$Av = \lambda v$$

The scalar  $\lambda$  is the eigenvalue of  $A$  associated to  $v$ .

important directions

## Eigenspace

The following set is called eigenspace of  $A$  associated to  $\lambda$ .

$$E_\lambda(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = \lambda x\} = \ker(A - \lambda Id)$$

The dimension of the eigenspace is called multiplicity of  $\lambda$ .

$$v \in E_\lambda(A)$$

$$Av = \lambda v$$

$$Av - \lambda v = 0$$
$$(A - \lambda Id)v = 0$$

## Exercise 4

Show that the eigenspace  $E_\lambda(A)$  is a subspace.

$$- v, w \in E_\lambda(A) \quad \begin{aligned} Av &= \lambda v \\ Aw &= \lambda w \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{show : } A(v+w) = \lambda(v+w)$$

$$\underline{\underline{A(v+w)}} = Av + Aw = \lambda v + \lambda w = \lambda(v+w) \quad \square$$

$$- \alpha v, v \in E_\lambda(A) \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\underline{\underline{A(\alpha v)}} = \alpha(Av) = \alpha(\lambda v) = \lambda(\alpha v) \quad \square$$



# recall and practice: diagonalizable matrices

## Diagonalizable matrix

A matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is diagonalizable if and only if there exists a matrix  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that

$$A = P^{-1}DP \quad \text{where } D = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$$

eigenvalues

$A \sim D$   $P$  is a change of basis

## Exercise 5

Are all  $\mathbb{R}$  real matrices diagonalizable? Why?

✓ True    ✗ False

$\mathbb{R}$

$A = \begin{pmatrix} & \\ & \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda = i$   
✗ diagonalizable  $\mathbb{R}$   
✓ diagonalizable  $\mathbb{C}$

# practice: diagonalizable matrices

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Counterexample:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$   $V = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} A = P^{-1} \cancel{D} P \\ \text{0} \end{array} \right.$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} v_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \lambda = 0 \quad v_2 = \lambda v_1 \Rightarrow v_2 = 0 \\ \lambda \neq 0 \quad 0 = \lambda v_2 \Rightarrow v_2 = 0 \\ \quad \quad \quad v_2 = \lambda v_1 \Rightarrow v_1 = 0 \end{array} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right.$$

## Exercise 6

Let  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be an orthogonal matrix.

Prove that the eigenvalues of  $Q$  can only be  $-1$ ,  $+1$ .

$$\Rightarrow \text{Recall: } x \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \|Qx\| = \|x\|$$

$$\text{Let's find } v \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad Qv = \lambda v$$

$$\|Qv\| = \|\lambda v\|$$

$$\text{recall } \rightarrow \|\lambda v\|$$

$$\|v\| = |\lambda| \|v\| \Rightarrow |\lambda| = 1 \rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1 \quad \square$$

# practice: orthogonal matrices and eigenvalues

## Exercise 7

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  and respective eigenvectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ .

Prove that  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent.

$\rightarrow \lambda_1 \neq \dots \neq \lambda_n !!$

Show  $\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = 0$   $\alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0$

Note that we can rewrite equation in vector form  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$  as  $\alpha^T v = 0$

Now apply  $A$  at each side and use eigenvector hypothesis

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Prove that  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent.

$$A \alpha^T v = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A(\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n \alpha_n v_n = 0$$

$$A \alpha^T v = \Lambda \alpha^T v = 0$$

But then  $A$  diagonalizes as  $A = P \Lambda P^{-1}$

so  $AP = P\Lambda$   $P = v$  (Think about this)

$$A \alpha^T P = \underline{AP \alpha^T} = 0 \quad \text{But } AP \neq 0 \text{ so } \boxed{\alpha = 0} \quad \square$$

## Exercise 8 (\*)

Suppose  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a diagonal matrix.

Give a vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\|v\| = 1$  such that  $\|Dv\|$  is maximized.

Note :

$$\begin{aligned}\|Dv\| &= \sum_{i=1}^n (d_{ii} v_i)^2 \leq (\max_i d_{ii}^2) \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2}_{\|v\|=1} = \\ &= \max_i d_{ii}^2\end{aligned}$$

Take  $v = e_j$  where  $|d_{jj}|$  is the max absolute value of  $D$   $\square$