

Lab 7

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Diagonalization

Let A be a square $n \times n$ matrix with n linearly independent eigenvectors. Then A is called diagonalizable and we can write

$$A = Q \Lambda Q^{-1}$$

where Q consists of eigenvectors of A and Λ is a diagonal matrix consists of eigenvalues of A . Note that Q^{-1} exists, because eigenvectors are linearly independent, so Q is invertible.

$$Ax = Q \Lambda Q^{-1} x$$

$\underbrace{\text{change of basis: represent } x \text{ in eigenspace coordinates}}_{\text{multiply by a diagonal matrix: rescale}}$
 $\underbrace{\text{change of basis: go back to canonical basis}}$

Diagonalization

Not all square matrices are diagonalizable:

1. If A has n distinct eigenvalues, then all the n eigenvectors are independent and A is diagonalizable. That is, multiplicity of all eigenvalues is one, and $\text{rank}(E_{\lambda_i}(A)) = 1$ for $\forall i$
2. If A has repeated eigenvalues, then it *might* be the case that A does not have n linearly independent eigenvectors. That is for some λ_i , $\text{rank}(E_{\lambda_i}(A)) < \text{multiplicity of } \lambda_i$. In this case, A is not diagonalizable, because Q does not have an inverse.
3. If A is symmetric, then it is guaranteed that A has n linearly independent eigenvectors and is diagonalizable (even if some eigenvalues are repeated!). Moreover, not only eigenvectors are independent, but they are orthogonal too. So

$$A = Q\Lambda Q^T$$

This is referred to as Spectral Theorem.

1. Let $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a projection matrix.

(a) Show that P is always diagonalizable.

(b) What are the eigen values?

(c) Is P orthogonal? *NO - counter example*

(d) Define $P = \begin{bmatrix} .2 & .4 & 0 \\ .4 & .8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. For each eigen value, give the rank of corresponding eigen space, $E_\lambda(P)$.

a) $P_{n \times n} = V V^T$ columns of V : k orthogonal vectors $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$
 $P^T = (V V^T)^T = V V^T = P \Rightarrow P$ is symmetric \Rightarrow diagonalizable.

b) V is an orthogonal basis for projection subspace.

we define U as an orthogonal basis for the complement.

Concatenate V and U to get an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

Define Q as concatenation of v and u . Define Λ as a diagonal matrix, with $\lambda_i = 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq k$ and $\lambda_i = 0$ for $k < i \leq n$:

$$P = vv^T = Q\Lambda Q^T = \begin{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{matrix} | & | & | \\ | & | & | \\ | & | & | \end{matrix}}_v & \underbrace{\begin{matrix} | & | & | \\ | & | & | \\ | & | & | \end{matrix}}_u \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{matrix} \hline \hline \hline \hline \hline \hline \end{matrix}}_v \\ \underbrace{\begin{matrix} \hline \hline \hline \hline \hline \hline \end{matrix}}_u \end{bmatrix}$$

d) $\text{rank}(P) = 2 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1 \text{ and } \lambda_3 = 0$

$$\text{rank}(E_{\lambda=1}(P)) = 2 \qquad \text{rank}(E_{\lambda=0}(P)) = 1$$

Alternatively use : $\text{Tr}(P) = \sum \lambda_i$

$$0.2 + 0.8 + 1 = 2 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3$$

from (b) we know that λ is either 1 or zero. So

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1 \text{ and } \lambda_3 = 0$$

2. What matrix A has eigenvalues $\lambda = 1, -1$ and eigenvectors $v_1 = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$ and $v_2 = (-\sin \theta, \cos \theta)$? Which of these properties hold? $A = A^T$, $A^2 = I$, $A^{-1} = A$. $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$

$$\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \|v_1\| = \|v_2\| = 1 \Rightarrow \{v_1, v_2\} \text{ orthonormal set.}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = Q \Lambda Q^{-1} = Q \Lambda Q^T = (Q \Lambda Q^T)^T = A^T$$

$$\Rightarrow A = A^T \text{ symmetric}$$

$$A^2 = Q \Lambda Q^T Q \Lambda Q^T = Q \Lambda^2 Q^T = Q I Q^T \text{ because } \lambda = 1, -1$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = I$$

$$A^{-1} = (Q \Lambda Q^T)^{-1} = Q^{-1} \Lambda^{-1} Q^T = Q \Lambda Q^T \text{ because } \lambda = 1, -1$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = A$$

$A^{-1} = A^T \Rightarrow A$ is orthogonal. Also we showed it is symmetric.

Symmetric orthogonal matrices are very restricted. Their eigenvalues are $\lambda_i = \{-1, 1\}$.

$$\text{If } \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1 \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos & -\sin \\ \sin & \cos \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos & \sin \\ -\sin & \cos \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

or a rotation with $\theta = 0$

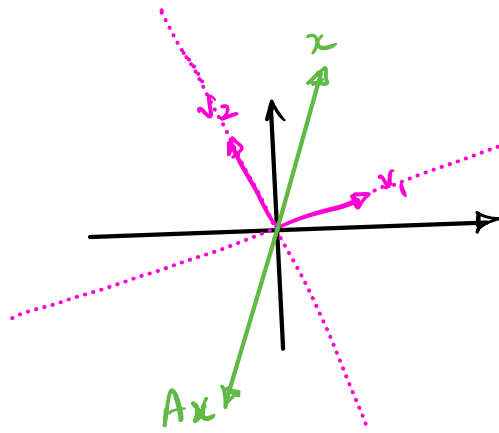
$$\text{If } \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = -1 \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos & -\sin \\ \sin & \cos \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos & \sin \\ -\sin & \cos \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A is a rotation with $\theta = \pi$

$$\text{If } \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1 \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos & -\sin \\ \sin & \cos \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos & \sin \\ -\sin & \cos \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ \sin 2\theta & -\cos 2\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

symmetric & orthogonal

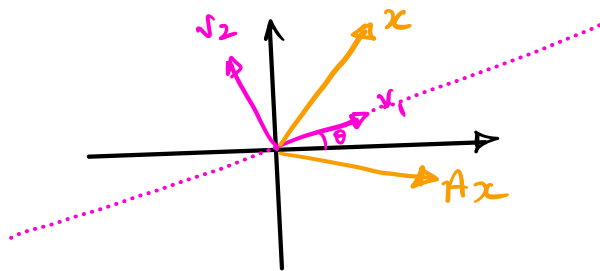
A is reflection around first eigen vector



rotation $\theta = \pi$

vectors in $\text{span}(v_1)$ are reversed.

vectors in $\text{span}(v_2)$ are reversed.



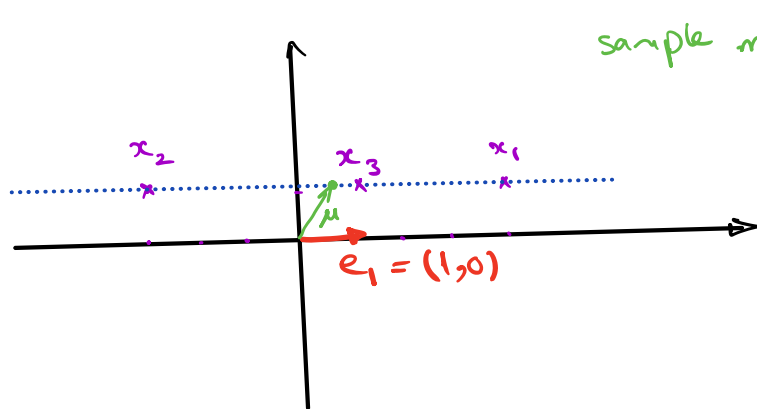
reflection around first eigenvector:

vectors in $\text{span}(v_1)$ are unchanged.

vectors in $\text{span}(v_2)$ are reversed.

3. Define $x_1 = (4, 1)$, $x_2 = (-3, 1)$, and $x_3 = (1, 1)$

- (a) Give a one-dimensional affine subspace of R^2 that best approximates these three points.
- (b) Use this to represent each point using a single number (i.e., reduce the dimension from 2 to 1).
- (c) Describe the eigen decomposition of the covariance matrix without computing it directly.

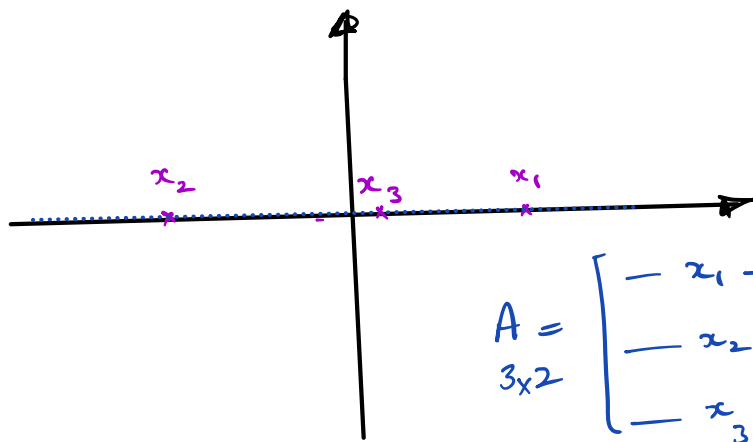


sample mean: $\vec{\mu} = (\frac{2}{3}, 1)$

affine subspace: $\text{span}(\vec{e}_1) + \vec{\mu}$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} b) \quad x_1 &= (4 - \frac{2}{3})\vec{e}_1 + \vec{\mu} \\ x_2 &= (-3 - \frac{2}{3})\vec{e}_1 + \vec{\mu} \\ x_3 &= (1 - \frac{2}{3})\vec{e}_1 + \vec{\mu} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}_1 &= \frac{10}{3} \\ \hat{x}_2 &= -\frac{11}{3} \\ \hat{x}_3 &= \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$



$$A = \begin{matrix} 3 \times 2 \\ \begin{bmatrix} -x_1 - \mu & - \\ -x_2 - \mu & - \\ -x_3 - \mu & - \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \Rightarrow S = A A^T \begin{matrix} 2 \times 2 \\ \text{covariance matrix} \end{matrix}$$

After removing mean, projection of these samples onto span of \vec{e}_1 is equal to the original samples (lossless). That is variance in the direction of $\vec{e}_2 = 0$

$$S = Q D Q^T$$

$\lambda_1 > 0$ variance along e_1

$$\lambda_2 = 0$$

first eigenvector $v_1 = \vec{e}_1$

$$v_2 = e_2$$

4. Suppose $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ has a linearly independent list of n eigenvectors v_1, \dots, v_n with real eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$. Can we factor A in a way similar to the spectral decomposition? Show that if v_1, \dots, v_n are orthonormal, then A has to be symmetric.

We can write $A = V \Lambda V^{-1}$

V is not necessarily orthogonal here.

If V is orthogonal: $V^{-1} = V^T \Rightarrow$

$$A = V \Lambda V^T$$

$$A^T = (V \Lambda V^T)^T = V \Lambda V^T = A$$

symmetric A .

5. Let A and B be diagonalizable matrices. Also assume that α is an eigenvalue of A and β is an eigenvalue of B . Under what condition $\alpha\beta$ is an eigenvalue of AB ?

If A and B share the eigen vector associated with α and β :

$$ABv = A\beta v = BAv = B\alpha v$$

Note: Generally if A and B commute then they share eigen vector.

