



Unit - 5

Singular Value Decomposition (Chapter 6 – 6.2 , 6.3)

Tests for Positive Definiteness

Each of the following tests is a necessary and sufficient condition for the real symmetric matrix A to be ***positive definite***:

- $x^T A x > 0$ for all nonzero real vectors x .
- All the eigenvalues of A satisfy $\lambda_i > 0$.
- All the upper left submatrices A_k have positive determinants.
- All the pivots (without row exchanges) satisfy $d_k > 0$.



Positive Definite Matrices and Least

Squares

Note:

1. A symmetric matrix A is positive definite if and only if there is a matrix R with independent columns such that $A = R^T R$.
2. Using LDU decomposition $A = R^T R$ where $R = D L^T$.
This ***Cholesky decomposition*** has the pivots split evenly between L and L^T .

3. Using diagonalization

,

$$A = Q\Lambda Q^T, \text{ therefore } R = \sqrt{\Lambda} Q^T.$$

where Q is an orthogonal matrix
with orthonormal eigenvectors of
 A .

4. A third possibility is $R = \sqrt{\Lambda} Q^T$.

the symmetric positive definite square root of

A. If we multiply any R by a matrix Q with orthonormal columns, then

$$(QR)^T(QR) = R^T Q^T Q R = R^T I R = A.$$

Therefore QR is another choice.

Semi Definite matrices

Each of the following tests is a necessary and sufficient condition for a symmetric matrix A to be positive semidefinite:

- $x^T A x \geq 0$ for all vectors x (this defines positive semidefinite).
- All the eigenvalues of A satisfy $\lambda_i \geq 0$.
- No principal submatrix has negative determinants.
- None of the pivots is negative.
- There is a matrix R , possibly with dependent columns, such that $A = R^T R$.



Singular Value Decomposition

Any m by n matrix A can be factored
into

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

(orthogonal)(diagonal)(orthogonal)

The columns of U (m by m) are eigenvectors of AA^T , and the columns of V (n by n) are eigenvectors of A^TA . The r singular values on the diagonal of Σ (m by n) are the square roots of the nonzero eigenvalues of both AA^T and A^TA .

Note:

- For positive definite matrices, Σ is Λ .
- U and V give orthonormal bases for all four fundamental subspaces:
 - first r columns of U : *column space* of A
 - last $m-r$ columns of U : *left nullspace* of A
 - first r columns of V : *row space* of A
 - last $n-r$ columns of V : *nullspace* of A