

Weighted norm: $\|v\|_a = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i^2$
 $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ weights

Valid? $a_i > 0$

counter-example: suppose that $a_1 = 0$, $a_i > 0 \forall i \geq 2$

we can find v s.t. $\|v\|_a = 0$ while $v \neq 0$
 (Definiteness violated)

Eg: $v_i = \begin{cases} 1 & i = 1 \\ 0 & i \geq 2 \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow a_i > 0 \forall i$ for valid norm

Alternatively: $\|v\|_A^2 = v^T A v = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n] \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & & 0 \\ & a_2 & \\ 0 & & a_3 \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$
 $= \sum a_i v_i^2$
 valid? $[A]_{ii} > 0$

Generalize: $A \in S^n$ symmetric $n \times n$ matrix
 define $\|v\|_A$

Aside

Symmetric Eigenvalue Decomposition

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

$$Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

eigenvalues

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ q_1 & q_2 & \dots & q_n \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

$q_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ eigenvectors

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

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i q_i q_i^T$$

(alternative way)

note $q_i q_i^T$ $n \times n$ matrix

$$\text{rank}(q_i q_i^T) = 1$$

sum of rank-1 matrices

Also Q orthogonal $Q Q^T = Q^T Q = I$

$$\text{and } Q^{-1} = Q^T$$

$$\text{also } \langle q_i, q_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq j \\ 1 & i = j \end{cases}$$

$$A q_i = \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j q_j q_j^T \right) q_i = \lambda_i q_i$$

Recall: $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$

$$\text{tr}(ABC) = \text{tr}(CAB) = \text{tr}(BCA)$$

$$\text{tr}(A) = \text{tr}(Q\Lambda Q^T) = \text{tr}(Q^T Q \Lambda) = \text{tr}(\Lambda) = \sum \lambda_i$$

$$\det(A) = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$$

$$\det(A) > 0 \quad \text{only when} \quad \lambda_i > 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_n)$$

characteristic equation

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 3 - \lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 3 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (3 - \lambda)^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2, 4 \text{ roots}$$

eigen values

$$Aq_i = \lambda_i q_i = 2q_i$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_{11} \\ q_{12} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2q_{11} \\ 2q_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3q_{11} + q_{12} = 2q_{11} \Rightarrow q_{11} + q_{12} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ -\alpha \end{bmatrix} \text{ for some } \alpha$$

$$\|q_1\| = 1 \text{ so } \alpha^2 + \alpha^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{So } q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{so that } \langle q_1, q_2 \rangle = 0$$