

Orthogonal Matrix Polynomials

Def: A weight matrix is a function $W: (a,b) \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{R})$ with

- $\int_a^b W(x) |x|^n dx < \infty \quad \forall n \geq 0$
- $W(x)^T = W(x) \quad \forall x \in (a,b)$ (symmetric)
- eigenvalues of $W(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in (a,b)$ (pos-definite)

Remark: An inner product is a function $V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, u, v \mapsto \langle u, v \rangle$

satisfying

- $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$
- $\langle u, u \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow u = 0$ & $\langle u, u \rangle \geq 0$
- $\langle \lambda u, v \rangle = \lambda \langle u, v \rangle$ and $\langle u_1 + u_2, v \rangle = \langle u_1, v \rangle + \langle u_2, v \rangle$

Thm: Every inner product on $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ is of the form

$$\langle u, v \rangle = u \cdot A v = u^T A v$$

for some positive def + symm. matrix A .

Ex:

$$W(x) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-x^2} & x e^{-x^2} \\ x e^{-x^2} & e^{-x^2} (1+x^2) \end{bmatrix}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^n W(x)) dx = \begin{bmatrix} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^n e^{-x^2} dx & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^n) x e^{-x^2} dx \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^n x e^{-x^2} dx & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^n) (1+x^2) e^{-x^2} dx \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W(x) = e^{-x^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ x & 1+x^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{tr}(W(x)) = e^{-x^2} (2+x^2) > 0$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 > 0$$

$$\det(W(x)) = e^{-2x^2} > 0$$

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 > 0$$

Ex: $W(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Def: A sequence of orthogonal polynomials for a weight matrix $W(x)$ is a sequence of matrix-valued polys $P_0(x), P_1(x), \dots$ satisfying

$$\bullet P_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n P_{nj} x^j, \quad P_{nj} \in M_n(\mathbb{R}), \quad \det(P_{nn}) \neq 0$$

$$\bullet \underbrace{\int_b^c P_n(x) W(x) P_m(x)^T dx}_{\langle P_n, P_m \rangle_w} = 0, \quad m \neq n.$$

Theorem: The sequence P_0, P_1, \dots satisfies a three-term recursion relation

$$xP_n(x) = A_n P_{n+1}(x) + B_n P_n(x) + C_n P_{n-1}(x)$$

Quest: $W(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} Q(x),$

$Q(x)$ is pos-def, symm poly on $[-1, 1]$

What is the three-term recursion relation for a sequence of orthogonal polys for $w(x)$?

Where to begin? CODE!

- $P_n(x) = P_n(\cos\theta) = \sum_{j=0}^n F_{nj} \cos(j\theta)$

- $\int_{-1}^1 P_n(x) w(x) P_m(x)^* dx = \int_0^\pi P_n(\cos\theta) \underbrace{Q(\cos\theta) P_m(\cos\theta)^*}_{d\theta} d\theta$

$$\int_0^\pi \cos(m\theta) \cos(n\theta) d\theta = \begin{cases} 0, & m \neq n \\ \pi/2, & m=n > 0 \\ \pi, & m=n=0 \end{cases}$$

$$Q(\cos\theta) = \sum_{k=0}^d Q_k \cos(k\theta)$$

Code input: Q_0, \dots, Q_d , n_{\max}

Code output: A_n, B_n, C_n values in
a recursion relation for $P_n(x)$
 $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_{n_{\max}}, \dots$

• $A_n = \text{function of } n$, $B_n =$, $C_n =$

Ex: $Q(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & ax \\ ax & ax^2+1 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$Q(\cos\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cos\theta \\ \cos\theta & \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix}}_{Q_0} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{Q_1} \cos \theta + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}}_{Q_2} \cos 2\theta$$

Conjecture : If $\det Q(x) = \text{constant}$
then

$$A_n = \frac{1}{2} I \quad B_n = 0 \quad C_n = \frac{1}{2} I, \quad n \gg 1$$

$$\therefore P_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n \Omega_j T_{n-j}(x) \quad n \gg 0$$

Wonder : $P_n(x) = \frac{1}{\det} \left[\int \cdot Q(x)^{-1} \right]$



