Orthogonal Matrices & Symmetric Matrices Hung-yi Lee

# Outline

# **Orthogonal Matrices**

• Reference: Chapter 7.5

# Symmetric Matrices

• Reference: Chapter 7.6

- An nxn matrix Q is called an **orthogonal matrix** if the columns of Q are **orthonormal**.
- Orthogonal operator: standard matrix is an orthogonal matrix.

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$$A_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$
 is an orthogonal matrix.orthogonal

### Norm-preserving

A linear operator is norm-preserving if

||T(u)|| = ||u|| For all u

Example: linear operator T on R<sup>2</sup> that rotates a vector by  $\theta$ .  $\Rightarrow$  Is T norm-preserving?

$$A_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Example: linear operator T is reflection  $\Rightarrow$  Is T norm-preserving?

### Norm-preserving

• A linear operator is norm-preserving if  $\|T(u)\| = \|u\|$  For all u

Example: linear operator *T* is projection  

$$\Rightarrow$$
 Is *T* norm-preserving?
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: linear operator U on R<sup>n</sup> that has an eigenvalue  $\lambda \neq \pm 1$ .



• Necessary conditions:



Linear operator Q is norm-preserving

$$||\mathbf{q}_{j}|| = 1$$

$$||\mathbf{q}_{j}|| = ||Q\mathbf{e}_{j}|| = ||\mathbf{e}_{j}||$$

$$\mathbf{q}_{i} \text{ and } \mathbf{q}_{j} \text{ are orthogonal}$$

$$||\mathbf{q}_{i} + \mathbf{q}_{j}||^{2} = ||Q\mathbf{e}_{i} + Q\mathbf{e}_{j}||^{2} = ||Q(\mathbf{e}_{i} + \mathbf{e}_{j})||^{2} = ||\mathbf{e}_{i} + \mathbf{e}_{j}||^{2} = 2 = ||\mathbf{q}_{i}||^{2} + 2$$

 $\|\mathbf{q}_{j}\|^{2}$ 

Those properties are used to check orthogonal matrix.





- Q is an orthogonal matrix
- $Q^T Q = I_n$ 2 Q is invertible, and  $Q^{-1} = Q^T$
- $Qu \cdot Qv = u \cdot v$  for any u and v
- **3** ||Qu|| = ||u|| for any u

$$q_{i} \cdot q_{j} = q_{i}^{T} q_{j}$$

$$\begin{cases} i \neq j; & 0 \\ i = j; & 1 \end{cases}$$

$$Q^{T} Q$$

i-j entry is  $q_i^T q_j$ 

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$$Qu \cdot Qv = (Qu)^T Qv = u^T Q^T Qv = u^T Iv = u^T v = u \cdot v$$

3 
$$Qu \cdot Qv = u \cdot v \implies Qu \cdot Qu = u \cdot u$$
  
 $\implies ||Qu||^2 = ||u||^2 \implies ||Qu|| = ||u||$ 

- Let P and Q be n x n orthogonal matrices
  - $detQ = \pm 1$
  - *PQ* is an orthogonal matrix
  - $Q^{-1}$  is an orthogonal matrix  $Q^T$  is an orthogonal matrix

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Proof

Check by 
$$(PQ)^{-1} = (PQ)^{T}$$

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rows and columns

(C) 
$$(Q^{-1})^{-1} = (Q^{T})^{-1} = (Q^{-1})^{T}$$

# Orthogonal Operator

- Applying the properties of orthogonal matrices on orthogonal operators
- T is an orthogonal operator
  - $T(u) \cdot T(v) = u \cdot v$  for all u and v
  - ||T(u)|| = ||u|| for all u

Preserves dot product

Preserves norms

• T and U are orthogonal operators, then TU and  $T^{-1}$  are orthogonal operators.

Example: Find an orthogonal operator T on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that

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$$T\left( \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 Norm-preserving

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad Av = e_2 \quad v = A^{-1}e_2 \quad \text{Because } A^{-1} = A^T$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} * & 1/\sqrt{2} & * \\ * & 0 & * \\ * & 1/\sqrt{2} & * \end{bmatrix}$$
 Also orthogonal  
$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A = (A^{-1})^{T}$$
$$1/\sqrt{2} x_{1} + 0x_{2} + 1/\sqrt{2} x_{3} = 0$$

# Conclusion

- Orthogonal Matrix (Operator)
  - Columns and rows are orthogonal unit vectors
  - Preserving norms, dot products
  - Its inverse is equal its transpose

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# **Orthogonal Matrices**

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Symmetric Matrices

• Reference: Chapter 7.6

# Eigenvalues are real

• The eigenvalues for symmetric matrices are always real.

Consider 2 x 2 symmetric matrices

$$A = A^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

How about more general cases?

$$det(A - tI_2) = t^2 - (a + c)t + ac - b^2$$
  
Since  $(a + c)^2 - 4(ac - b^2) = (a - c)^2 + 4b^2 \ge 0$ 

The symmetric matrices always have real eigenvalues.

# Eigenvalues are real

Symmetric matrix A always has eigenvalue.

A symmetric matrix A has an eigenvalue  $\lambda$   $\lambda = a + bi$ 

Av = 
$$\lambda v \rightarrow \overline{Av} = \overline{\lambda v} \rightarrow \overline{Av} = \overline{\lambda}\overline{v} \rightarrow \overline{Av} = \overline{\lambda}\overline{v}$$
  
 $(\overline{v})^{T}Av = \overline{\lambda(\overline{v})^{T}v}$   
 $(\overline{v})^{T}Av = (A\overline{v})^{T}v$   
 $(\overline{v})^{T}A^{T}v = (A\overline{v})^{T}v$   
 $= (\overline{\lambda}\overline{v})^{T}v = \overline{\lambda(\overline{v})^{T}v}$   
 $(\overline{v})^{T}v = ? > 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \overline{\lambda} \rightarrow b = 0$ 

 $= (a_1)^2 + (b_1)^2 + (a_2)^2 + (b_2)^2 + \cdots$ 

# Orthogonal Eigenvectors



# Orthogonal Eigenvectors

- A is symmetric.
- If u and v are eigenvectors corresponding to eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  ( $\lambda \neq \mu$ )

 $\longrightarrow$  u and v are orthogonal.

$$A\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot A^T \mathbf{v}$$
$$= \mathbf{u} \cdot \mu \mathbf{v}$$



P consists of eigenvectors, D are eigenvalues

#### Diagonalization A issymmetric A isA is

- A has eigenvalue  $\lambda$   $A\boldsymbol{u}_1 = \lambda \boldsymbol{u}_1$   $\boldsymbol{u}_1$  is unit vector
- Find an orthonormal basis  $\{u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_n\} = B$ eigenvector don't care

by the Extension Theorem and Gram-Schmidt Process

 $B^{T}AB = ? \quad (B^{T}AB)^{T} = B^{T}A^{T}(B^{T})^{T} = B^{T}AB \quad \text{symmetric}$   $B^{T}ABe_{1} = B^{T}Au_{1} = B^{T}\lambda u_{1} = \lambda B^{T}u_{1} \qquad \lambda \quad \mathbf{0}$  $= \lambda \begin{bmatrix} u_{1}^{T} \\ u_{2}^{T} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} u_{1} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{0} \quad \mathbf{A}'$ 

symmetric



# Diagonalization



 $A:n \times n$ 

 $C^T B^T A B C = ?$ 

 $B'^T A' B' =$ 









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# Diagonalization

• Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \qquad A = PDP^{-1} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} A = PDP^{T} \\ P^{T}AP = D \end{bmatrix}$$

A has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  = 6 and  $\lambda_2$  = 1,

with corresponding eigenspaces  $E_1 = \text{Span}\{[-1 \ 2 \ ]^T\}$  and  $E_2 = \text{Span}\{[2 \ 1 \ ]^T\}$  orthogonal  $\Rightarrow B_1 = \{[-1 \ 2 \ ]^T/\sqrt{5}\}$  and  $B_2 = \{[2 \ 1 \ ]^T/\sqrt{5}\}$  $P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\begin{bmatrix} -1 \ 2 \\ 2 \ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \ 0 \\ 0 \ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

#### Example of Diagonalization of Symmetric Matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \qquad A = PDP^{-1} \implies A = PDP^{T}$$
P is an orthogonal matrix
$$\lambda_{1} = 2 \qquad \text{independent} \qquad \text{Gram-}$$
Eigenspace:  $Span \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \qquad \text{Schmidt} \qquad Span \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \\ -2/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ 
Eigenspace:  $Span \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \qquad \text{mormalization} \qquad Span \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ 

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 0 & -2/\sqrt{6}1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \qquad D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Diagonalization

#### P is an orthogonal matrix



#### P consists of eigenvectors , D are eigenvalues

Finding an orthonormal basis consisting of eigenvectors of A



### Spectral Decomposition

Orthonormal basis

 $A = PDP^{T} \qquad \text{Let } P = [\mathbf{u}_{1} \ \mathbf{u}_{2} \ \cdots \ \mathbf{u}_{n}] \text{ and } D = \text{diag}[\lambda_{1} \ \lambda_{2} \ \cdots \ \lambda_{n}].$ 

$$= P[\lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_1 \ \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_2 \ \cdots \ \lambda_n \mathbf{e}_n] P^T$$

$$= [\lambda_{1}P\mathbf{e}_{1} \ \lambda_{2}P\mathbf{e}_{2} \ \cdots \ \lambda_{n}P\mathbf{e}_{n}]P^{T}$$

$$= [\lambda_{1}\mathbf{u}_{1} \ \lambda_{2}\mathbf{u}_{2} \ \cdots \ \lambda_{n}\mathbf{u}_{n}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \\ \mathbf{u}_{2}^{T} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_{n}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \ \begin{array}{c} \mathsf{nx1} \ \mathsf{1xn} \\ P_{1} \\ P_{2} \\ \end{array}$$

$$= \lambda_{1}P_{1} + \lambda_{2}P_{2} + \cdots + \lambda_{n}P_{n} \quad P_{i} \text{ are symmetric}$$

 $P_n$ 

Spectral Decomposition Orthonormal basis  $A = PDP^T$  Let  $P = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{u}_n]$  and  $D = \text{diag}[\lambda_1 \ \lambda_2 \ \cdots \ \lambda_n].$  $= \lambda_1 P_1 + \lambda_2 P_2 + \cdots + \lambda_n P_n$ rank  $P_i$  = rank  $\mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T$  = 1.  $P_i P_i = \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T = \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T$  $P_i P_j = \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_j \mathbf{u}_j^T = O$  $P_i \mathbf{u}_i$  $= u_i$  $P_i \mathbf{u}_i$ = 0

# Spectral Decomposition

• Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 Find spectrum decomposition.

Eigenvalues 
$$\lambda_1 = 5$$
 and  $\lambda_2 = -5$ .  $P_1 = u_1 u_1^T$ 

An orthonormal basis consisting of eigenvectors of *A* is

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2/\sqrt{5} \\ 1/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{5} \\ 2/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix} \right\} \qquad P_2 = u_2 u_2^T$$
$$u_1 \qquad u_2 \qquad A = \lambda_1 P_1 + \lambda_2 P_2$$

# Conclusion

- Any symmetric matrix
  - has only real eigenvalues
  - has orthogonal eigenvectors.
  - is always diagonalizable



#### P is an orthogonal matrix

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