

# LECTURE I

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MATHEMATICS

## Lecture plan:

- ① Matrices, linear systems,  
Gaussian elimination
- ② Eigenvectors, eigenvalues  
and diagonalization.
- ③ Quadratic forms, definiteness  
of symmetric matrices

## Reading:

[FMEA] 1.1-1.7  
[HEJ] 6-7, 23  
([S] 1.3, 1.5)  
[LSCE]

## Problems

Problem Set I

Lecture 2: Tuesday Aug 19<sup>th</sup> at 10-12 in A2-030

(tomorrow)

on Euclidean spaces. Sequences.  
Topology

(see course page / its L. for  
full lecture plan).

# ① Matrices and matrix algebra

An  $m \times n$ -matrix  $A$  is a rectangular array (with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns) of numbers

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} = (a_{ij})$$

A (column) vector is an  $m \times 1$ -matrix

$$\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix}$$

Operations on matrices:

\* Addition / subtraction:  $\begin{cases} A + B = (a_{ij}) + (b_{ij}) = (a_{ij} + b_{ij}) \\ A - B = (a_{ij}) - (b_{ij}) = (a_{ij} - b_{ij}) \end{cases}$

- defined when  $A, B$  has same size
- computed position by position

\* Scalar multiplication:  $r \cdot A = r \cdot (a_{ij}) = (ra_{ij})$

- defined when  $r$  is scalar (number)
- computed position by position

\* Multiplication:  $\underset{(m \times n)}{A} \cdot \underset{(n \times p)}{B} = (a_{ij}) \cdot (b_{ij}) = (c_{ij})$ , where

$$\left\{ c_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \cdots + a_{in}b_{nj} \right.$$

- defined when  $\# \text{cols}(A) = \# \text{rows}(B)$
- not commutative:  $AB \neq BA$

\* Transpose:  $\underset{(m \times n)}{A} \rightsquigarrow A^T = (a_{ij})^T = (a_{ji})$

## Special matrices:

$$O = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

zero matrix  
(any size)

$$I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

identity matrix  
( $n \times n$ )

$$A \cdot O = O$$

$$O \cdot A = O$$

Properties:

$$\begin{cases} A \cdot I = A \\ I \cdot A = A \end{cases}$$

Square matrix: #rows = #cols

Diagonal:  $A = (a_{ij})$  square such that  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{ij} = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j \\ a_{ii} \text{ for } i = j \end{array} \right.$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Symmetric:  $A = (a_{ij})$  square such that  $A^T = A$

Upper/lower triangular:

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_1 & d_2 & * \\ 0 & \ddots & d_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 \\ * & d_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Inverse matrix: A non-matrix

An inverse of  $A$  is a matrix  $B$  such that  $A \cdot B = B \cdot A = I_n$

If it exists, it is unique and written  $A^{-1}$  (instead of  $B$ )

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$2 \times 2$ -matrix

$\Rightarrow ad - bc = 0 : A^{-1}$  does not exist

$$ad - bc \neq 0 : A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$$

Determinant: A non-matrix  $\rightsquigarrow \det(A) = |A|$  is a number

Determinant  $\det(A)$  defined inductively:

$$i) n=1: A = (a) \rightarrow |A| = a$$

$$ii) \text{ General case: } A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots \\ a_{21} & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow |A| = a_{11} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots \\ a_{32} & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & & \ddots \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} & \dots \\ a_{31} & a_{33} & \dots \\ \vdots & & \ddots \end{vmatrix} + \dots$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$2 \times 2$

$$\det(A) = |A| = a \cdot d - b \cdot c$$

Properties: A non-matrix

$$A^{-1} \text{ exists} \Leftrightarrow |A| \neq 0$$

## Linear systems and Gaussian elimination

A linear system is a system of linear equations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array} \right.$$

Matrix form:

$$A \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

Augmented matrix:

$$(A : \underline{b})$$

Gaussian elimination is a solution method; see [LSGE] for details.

Example:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + y + z = 3 \\ x + 2y + 4z = 7 \\ x + 3y + 7z = 13 \end{array} \right.$$

Augmented matrix:

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & 13 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[-1]{} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 8 & 10 \end{array} \right)$$

pivot positions

{  
elementary  
row  
operations}

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Echelon form  
(zeros under all pivots)



$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[-2]{} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

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Linear system:

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 3 && \leftarrow x=1 \\ y + 3z &= 4 && \leftarrow y=1 \\ 2z &= 2 && \leftarrow z=1 \end{aligned}$$

Solution:  $x=1, y=1, z=1$

# Linear systems and Gaussian elim.

Ex: Linear system

$$x + y + z = 3$$

$$x + 2y + 4z = 7$$

$$x + 3y + 9z = 13$$

Gaussian elimination  
is an efficient  
method for  
solving lin sys.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & 13 \end{array} \right)$$

coeff.  
matrix

augmented  
matrix

→  
elementary  
row  
operations

(echelon  
form)

echelon  
form = only  
zeros under  
each leading  
coeff.

① switch  
two rows

② multiply a  
row with  
 $c \neq 0$

③ add a multiple  
of one row  
to another row

leading coeff.  
= first non-zero coeff.  
in a row

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & 13 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{-1}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & 13 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{-1}$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 8 & 10 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{-2} \rightarrow$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

echelon form.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

echelon form

$$\begin{aligned} x + 4z &= 3 \\ \cancel{x} + 3z &= 4 \\ 2\cancel{z} &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = 1$$

$$y = 1$$

$$z = 1$$

pivot, pivot position  
= leading coeff. (pos.)  
in an echelon form.

back substitution

Gauss-Jordan elim.:

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad \left[ \begin{matrix} -3 \\ -3 \end{matrix} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad \left[ \begin{matrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{matrix} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad \left[ \begin{matrix} x = 1 \\ y = 1 \\ z = 1 \end{matrix} \right]$$

reduced echelon form

= echelon form with  
 i) all pivots are 1  
 ii) all entries over a  
 pivot are 0

Important facts:

- Any matrix has an echelon / reduced echelon form
- An echelon form is not unique, but the pivot positions are.
- The reduced echelon form is unique.

geometric interpretation:

$3 \times 3$  (linear sys.)

= intersection of 3 planes in 3-dim space

Ex:

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \textcircled{X} \quad +3z+4w=7$$

$$(\textcircled{Z}) \quad = 2$$

$$z = 2$$

$$x + 6 + 4w = 7 \Rightarrow x = \underline{1 - 4w}$$

$y, w$ : free variables (non-pivot col's)

$x, z$ : basic variables (pivot col's)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = 1 - 4w \\ y = y \\ z = z \\ w = w \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 4w \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + w \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution set  
is a plane.

# free variables

= degrees of freedom

= dim. of the set of solutions =====

pivot in the last col.

$\Rightarrow$  no solutions

$$(0 = 3)$$

Ex:

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

## Rank

The rank of a matrix  $A$  is the number of pivot positions in its echelon form. It is written  $\text{rk } A$ .

Let  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$  be  $n$   $m$ -vectors. The vectors are called linearly independent if  $x_1\underline{v}_1 + x_2\underline{v}_2 + \dots + x_n\underline{v}_n = \underline{0}$  has only the trivial solution  $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$ , and linearly dependent if there are non-trivial solutions.

Fact: When  $A = (\underline{v}_1 | \underline{v}_2 | \dots | \underline{v}_n)$ , then  $\text{rk } A$  is the maximal number of linearly independent vectors among  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$ .

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$ -matrix. A  $k \times k$ -submatrix of  $A$  is a matrix  $B$  obtained by selecting  $k$  rows  $(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k)$  and  $k$  columns  $(j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k)$  from  $A$ . A minor of order  $k$  from  $A$  is the determinant of a  $k \times k$ -submatrix.

Fact:  $\text{rk } A$  is the maximal order  $k$  such that there exists a non-zero minor of order  $k$ :

$$\text{rk } A = \max \{k : M_k \neq 0 \text{ for a minor } M_k \text{ of order } k\}$$

## Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 7 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left| \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 7 \\ 3 & 4 \end{array} \right| = 4 \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot 3 = -17 \neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \text{rk } A = 2$$

A principal minor is a minor obtained by selecting  $k$  rows  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k$  and the same columns  $j_1=i_1, j_2=i_2, \dots, j_k=i_k$ .

A leading principal minor is a minor obtained by selecting rows  $1, 2, 3, \dots, k$  and columns  $1, 2, \dots, k$ .

Rank:  $\text{rk } A = \# \text{pivot positions in } A$ .

If  $A$  is  $n \times n$ -matrix:

$$\text{rk } A = n \iff |A| \neq 0$$

(maximal rank)

You can compute determinant / inverses efficiently using Gaussian elimination.

## ② Eigenvalues / eigenvectors

$A$ :  $n \times n$ -matrix

$\lambda$  is an eigenvalue if  $A \underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$  has non-trivial solutions

Linear system:

$$a_{1,1}x_1 + a_{1,2}x_2 + \dots + a_{1,n}x_n = b_1$$

:

$$a_{m,1}x_1 + a_{m,2}x_2 + \dots + a_{m,n}x_n = b_m$$

↑  
linear system.

$$A = (a_{ij})$$

$$(A | b) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \dots & a_{1,n} & b_1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \dots & a_{m,n} & b_m \end{array} \right) \leftrightarrow A \underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

aug. matrix

$\lambda$  eigenvalue  $\Leftrightarrow$

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0$$

char. eqn.

polynomial eqn. of order  $n$

An eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$   
is a solution of  $A\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$ .

Ex:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 7-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(7-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) - 9 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 6\lambda - 16 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 - 4 \cdot (-16)}}{2}$$

$$= 3 \pm 5$$

$$\lambda_1 = 8, \lambda_2 = -2$$

eigenvalues

eigenvectors:

$$\lambda = 8: \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 3 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \underline{x} = 0$$

$$\underline{x} = t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -2: \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \underline{x} = 0$$

$$\underline{x} = t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

## ② Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$ -matrix.

A number  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for  $A$  if  $A \cdot \underline{v} = \lambda \cdot \underline{v}$  has a non-trivial solution  $\underline{v} \neq \underline{0}$ . In that case, the eigenspace of eigenvectors of  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$  is

$$E_\lambda = \{ \underline{v} : A \underline{v} = \lambda \underline{v} \}$$

The equation  $A \underline{v} = \lambda \underline{v}$  can be rewritten as  $(A - \lambda I) \underline{v} = \underline{0}$ .

Fact: The eigenvalues of  $A$  are the solutions of the characteristic equation  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ . It is a polynomial equation of order  $n$ .

Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - 2^2 = 0$$

$$\underbrace{A - \lambda I}_{\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3 = 0}$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3 = 0$$

$$\lambda = 3, \lambda = -1$$

Fact: The characteristic equation is  $(-1)^n \cdot \lambda^n + c_1 \lambda^{n-1} + c_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + c_{n-1} \lambda + c_n = 0$  where  $c_1 = \text{tr}(A)$  and  $c_n = \det(A)$

$$(\text{tr } A = a_{11} + a_{22} + \dots + a_{nn})$$

Fact: If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the  $n$  eigenvalues of  $A$ , then

$$\det(A) = \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 \cdot \dots \cdot \lambda_n$$

$$\text{tr}(A) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) =$$

$$= (-1)^n (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_n)$$

Fact: If  $A$  is symmetric, then  $A$  has  $n$  real eigenvalues (counted with multiplicity).

If  $A$  is symmetric, then we have

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{n_1} \cdot (\lambda - \lambda_2)^{n_2} \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_k)^{n_k}$$

with  $n_1 + n_2 + \cdots + n_k = n$ . The number  $n_i$  is the (algebraic) multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$ .

Fact:

If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  of multiplicity  $m$ , then the equation  $(A - \lambda I) \cdot \underline{v} = \underline{0}$  has at most  $m$  degrees of freedom.

Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

A square matrix  $A$  is called diagonalizable if there is diagonal matrix  $D$  and a invertible  $P$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

Fact: If  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  and linearly independent eigenvectors  $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n$  then  $A = PDP^{-1}$  if

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}, P = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{v}_1 & \underline{v}_2 & \dots & \underline{v}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  are ~~k~~ distinct eigenvalues for  $A$ , with ~~m<sub>1</sub>, m<sub>2</sub>, ..., m<sub>n</sub>~~ multiplicities  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n$ , then  $A$  is diagonalizable if and only if the following conditions hold:

i)  $m_1 + m_2 + \cdots + m_k = n$

ii) The equation  $(A - \lambda_i \cancel{\underline{v}}) \underline{v} = \underline{0}$  has  $m_i$  degrees of freedom for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0.15 \\ 0.1 & 0.85 \end{pmatrix}$$

We want to compute  $A^n$  when  $n > 0$

If  $A$  diagonalizable, then  $A = PDP^{-1}$ , and we have

$\uparrow$   
inv. matrix      diagonal matrix

$$A^n = (PDP^{-1})(PDP^{-1}) \cdots (PDP^{-1})$$

$$= PD^n P^{-1}$$

$$= P \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^n & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2^n \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} \quad \text{if } D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues:  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $\lambda = 0.75$

$$\underline{v}_1$$

$$\underline{v}_2$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.75 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = (\underline{v}_1 | \underline{v}_2)$$

$$A^n = P \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1^n & 0 \\ 0 & 0.75^n \end{pmatrix} \cdot P^{-1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} P \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot P^{-1}$$

## Diagonalization:

A diag. of A is

such that  $P^{-1}A \cdot P = D$ .

$$\text{Ex: } A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

diagonal  
matrix  
of eigenvalues

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left( \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & | & v_2 & | & \dots & | & v_n \end{pmatrix}$$

↑                           ↑  
eig. vector               eig. vector  
for                        for  
 $\lambda_1$                     $\lambda_2$

A is diagonalizable

$\Leftrightarrow$  There are enough  
eigenvalues and  
eigenvectors

$$\text{Ex: } A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda^2 + 1 = 0$$

not diag.

$$\text{Ex: } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1 \quad \lambda_2 = 1$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad P = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

$$\underline{x} = t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

one free var.

The vectors  $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n$  are linearly independent if

$$c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n = \underline{0}$$

has only the trivial solution  $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_n = 0$ .

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No vector is a linear comb. of the others

To have a diagonalization of A, the column vectors of P (eigenvectors) have to be linearly independent.

A diagonalizable  $\Leftrightarrow$  A has n linearly independent eigenvectors

Fact: A Symmetric  $\Rightarrow$  A diagonalizable ( $A^T = A$ )

### ② Definiteness

A quadratic form in  $n$  variables is a polynomial function where all terms have degree two,

$$Q(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = Q_{11}x_1^2 + Q_{12}x_1x_2 + \dots + Q_{nn}x_n^2$$

" "

$$Q(\underline{x})$$

A quadratic form can be written in matrix form

$$Q(\underline{x}) = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \begin{pmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} & \dots & Q_{1n} \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} & \dots & Q_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ Q_{n1} & Q_{n2} & \dots & Q_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \underline{x}^T A \underline{x}$$

$\left. \begin{matrix} \text{matrix } A, \text{ or} \\ \text{for a unique symmetric non-matrix } A. \end{matrix} \right\}$

Definition:  $Q$  and  $A$  are called

positive semidefinite  $\Leftrightarrow \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} \geq 0$  for all  $\underline{x}$

negative  $\rightarrow \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} \leq 0$

indefinite  $\underline{x}^T A \underline{x}$  have positive and negative values

positive definite  $\Leftrightarrow \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} > 0$  for all  $\underline{x} \neq 0$

negative  $\rightarrow \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} < 0$

Fact: If  $A$  is symmetric with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ , then we have

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow A$  positive semidefinite

$> 0$  positive definite

$\leq 0$  negative semidefinite

$< 0$  negative definite

$\lambda_i > 0, \lambda_j < 0$  indefinite

③

### Definiteness of quadratic forms.

Quadratic form = polynomial where all terms have degree 2.  
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex: 
$$Q(\underline{x}) = x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 3x_2^2$$
  
$$= (x_1 \ x_2) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}^T \cdot A \cdot \underline{x} \quad \text{for an } n \times n \text{-matrix } A$$

$\uparrow$   
n var's

A can be chosen to be symmetric

coeff. in front of  $x_i x_j$ : 
$$\begin{cases} a_{ij} + a_{ji} & i \neq j \\ a_{ii} & i = j \end{cases}$$

Definiteness: of Q or of A

$Q(\underline{x}) \geq 0$  for all  $\underline{x}$  : Q positive semidef.

$Q(\underline{x}) \leq 0$  for all  $\underline{x}$  negative - - -

none of the above :

indefinite

$Q(\underline{x}) > 0$  for all  $\underline{x} \neq \underline{0}$  :

positive definite  
negative - - -

$Q(\underline{x}) < 0$  - - -

A symmetric with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ :

$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \geq 0$  pos. semi def.

$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda \leq 0$  neg. — —

all other cases indefinite

$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n > 0$  pos. definite

$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n < 0$  neg. — — —

$$\text{Ex: } \frac{x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 6x_2^2}{2}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda^2 + 5\lambda - 7 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 28}}{2}$$

one pos. one neg.  $\lambda \Rightarrow$  Q indefinite

### Effective method:

Let  $A$  be symmetric non-zero matrix, let  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n$  be its leading principal minors, and let  $\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \dots, \Delta_n$  be any of its principal minors.

$A$  positive definite  $\Leftrightarrow D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n > 0$

$A$  negative "  $D_1 < 0, D_2 > 0, D_3 < 0, \dots$  (that is,  $(-1)^i D_i > 0$ )

$A$  positive semidefinite  $\Leftrightarrow \Delta_1, \Delta_2, \dots, \Delta_n \geq 0$  for all principal minors

$A$  negative "  $\Delta_1 \leq 0, \Delta_2 \geq 0, \dots = //$

### Problems: Problem Set I