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# Section 7.1 : Diagonalization of Symmetric Matrices

Chapter 7: Orthogonality and Least Squares

Math 1554 Linear Algebra

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| 3    | 1/22 - 1/26 | 1.7          | WS1.5,1.7                   | 1.8                           | WS1.8     | 1.9       |
| 4    | 1/29 - 2/2  | 1.9,2.1      | WS1.9,2.1                   | Exam 1 Review                 | Cancelled | 2.2       |
| 5    | 2/5 - 2/9   | 2.2,2.4      | WS2.2,2.4                   | 2.5                           | WS2.5     | 2.8       |
| 6    | 2/12 - 2/16 | 2.8          | WS2.8                       | 2.9,3.1                       | WS2.9,3.1 | 3.2       |
| 7    | 2/19 - 2/23 | 3.3          | WS3.2                       | 4.9                           | WS3.4,9   | 5.1       |
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| 13   | 4/1 - 4/5   | 6.6          | WS6.5,6.6                   | Exam 3 Review                 | Cancelled | PageBreak |
| 14   | 4/8 - 4/12  | 7.1          | WS7.1                       | 7.2                           | WS7.2,7.2 | 7.3       |
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| 16   | 4/22 - 4/24 | Last Lecture | Last Studio                 | Reading Period                |           |           |
| 17   | 4/25 - 5/2  | Final Exam   | MATH 1554 Course Final Exam | Tuesday, April 30th at 6:00pm |           |           |

Topics and Objectives

Topics

- Symmetric matrices
- Orthogonal diagonalization
- Spectral decomposition

Learning Objectives

- Construct an orthogonal diagonalization of a symmetric matrix,  $A = PDP^T$ .
- Construct a spectral decomposition of a matrix.

Section 7.1 : Diagonalization of Symmetric Matrices

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Symmetric Matrices

Definition

Matrix  $A$  is symmetric if  $A^T = A$ .

Example. Which of the following matrices are symmetric? Symbols \* and \* represent real numbers.

$\checkmark A = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$    
  $\checkmark B = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}$    
  $\checkmark C = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$    
  $\checkmark B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$    
  $\checkmark B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$\times D = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$    
  $\times E = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$    
  $\checkmark F = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 7 & 4 \\ 0 & 7 & 6 & 0 \\ 7 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$ET = E$   
 $\uparrow \uparrow$   
 same size is requirement of symmetric.

$ET = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = E$

$A^T A$  is Symmetric

A very common example: For any matrix  $A$  with columns  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ ,

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^T a_1 & a_1^T a_2 & \dots & a_1^T a_n \\ a_2^T a_1 & a_2^T a_2 & \dots & a_2^T a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_n^T a_1 & a_n^T a_2 & \dots & a_n^T a_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & \dots & | \\ a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \\ | & | & \dots & | \end{bmatrix}$$

Entries are the dot products of columns of  $A$ .

$v_1 \quad v_2 \quad v_3$   
 $\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 14 & 18 \\ 14 & 20 & 26 \\ 18 & 26 & 34 \end{bmatrix}$

$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \cdot v_1 & v_1 \cdot v_2 & v_1 \cdot v_3 \\ v_2 \cdot v_1 & v_2 \cdot v_2 & v_2 \cdot v_3 \\ v_3 \cdot v_1 & v_3 \cdot v_2 & v_3 \cdot v_3 \end{bmatrix}$

Symmetric Matrices and their Eigenspaces

Theorem

$A$  is a symmetric matrix, with eigenvectors  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  corresponding to two distinct eigenvalues. Then  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are orthogonal.

More generally, eigenspaces associated to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal subspaces.

Proof:

Suppose  $Av_1 = \lambda_1 v_1$  where  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$   
 $Av_2 = \lambda_2 v_2$  and  $A^T = A$ . ( $A$  symmetric)

$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = (a+b+c) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Notice

$\star = Av_1 \cdot v_2 = \lambda_1 v_1 \cdot v_2 = \lambda_1 (v_1 \cdot v_2)$

So  
 $\lambda_1 (v_1 \cdot v_2) - \lambda_2 (v_1 \cdot v_2) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(v_1 \cdot v_2) = 0$

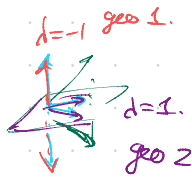
also  
 $\star = Av_1 \cdot v_2 = (A^T v_1) \cdot v_2 = v_1^T A v_2$

$\circledast = v_1^T A v_2 = v_1 \cdot A v_2 = \lambda_2 (v_1 \cdot v_2) \Rightarrow v_1 \cdot v_2 = 0$

Example 1

Diagonalize  $A$  using an orthogonal matrix. Eigenvalues of  $A$  are given.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda = -1, 1 \quad \text{only eigenvalues of } A.$$



$\lambda_1 = -1$

$$A - \lambda I = A + I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda_2 = 1$

$$A - I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = r \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_3 = -1 + 1 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$v_2 \cdot v_3 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

$$A = P D P^T$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} +1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$P^T = P^{-1}$   
 $\uparrow$  P orthogonal matrix w/ orthonormal cols.

FACT. IF  $A = P D P^T$  &  $P$  orthogonal  $D$  diagonal

then  $A = A^T$

Proof:

$$A^T = (P D P^T)^T = (P^T)^T D^T P^T = P D P^T = A. \quad \square$$

Spectral Theorem

Recall: If  $P$  is an orthogonal  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $P^{-1} = P^T$ , which implies  $A = PDP^T$  is diagonalizable and symmetric.

Theorem: Spectral Theorem

An  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix  $A$  has the following properties.

1. All eigenvalues of  $A$  are real.
2. The dimension of each eigenspace is full, that is its dimension is equal to its algebraic multiplicity. *geo = alg.*
3. The eigenspaces are mutually orthogonal.
4.  $A$  can be diagonalized:  $A = PDP^T$ , where  $D$  is diagonal and  $P$  is orthogonal (*columns are unit length & orthogonal*).

Proof (if time permits):

Spectral Decomposition of a Matrix

Spectral Decomposition

Suppose  $A$  can be orthogonally diagonalized as

$$A = PDP^T = [u_1 \cdots u_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1^T \\ \vdots \\ u_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Then  $A$  has the decomposition

$$A = \lambda_1 u_1 u_1^T + \cdots + \lambda_n u_n u_n^T = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i u_i u_i^T$$

Each term in the sum,  $\lambda_i u_i u_i^T$ , is an  $n \times n$  matrix with rank 1.

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Motivate Chapter 7.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

(Spectral Theorem)

THM: IF  $A$  is symmetric ( $A^T = A$ )

then  
(1)  $A$  diag'ble. (*all  $\lambda$ 's real, geo = alg.*)

(2) IF  $v_1, v_2$  eigenvectors of  $A$  w/  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$   
then  $v_1 \cdot v_2 = 0$



Spectrum of a matrix is just the set of eigenvalues.

(3)  $A = PDP^T$  orthogonal diagonalization  
where  $P$  orthogonal (*orthonormal columns*)

## Example 2

Construct a spectral decomposition for  $A$  whose orthogonal diagonalization is given.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = PDP^T$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \lambda_1 u_1 u_1^T + \lambda_2 u_2 u_2^T$$

$$= 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$= 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_1 u_1^T \vec{y} = \text{proj}_{u_1}(\vec{y})$$

Span $\{(1,1)\}$



Span $\{(1,1)\} = L$

$$T(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 7.1 Exercises

Determine which of the matrices in Exercises 1–6 are symmetric.

$$1. \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 5 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2. \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ -5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3. \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4. \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 8 & 3 \\ 8 & 0 & -4 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$5. \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -6 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$6. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine which of the matrices in Exercises 7–12 are orthogonal. If orthogonal, find the inverse.

$$7. \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .8 \\ .8 & -.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$8. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$9. \begin{bmatrix} -4/5 & 3/5 \\ 3/5 & 4/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$10. \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 2/3 & 2/3 \\ 2/3 & 1/3 & -2/3 \\ 2/3 & -2/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$11. \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 1/3 & -2/3 \\ 5/3 & -4/3 & -2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$12. \begin{bmatrix} .5 & .5 & -.5 & -.5 \\ .5 & .5 & .5 & .5 \\ .5 & -.5 & -.5 & .5 \\ .5 & -.5 & .5 & -.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Orthogonally diagonalize the matrices in Exercises 13–22, giving an orthogonal matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$ . To save

you time, the eigenvalues in Exercises 17–22 are the following: (17)  $-4, 4, 7$ ; (18)  $-3, -6, 9$ ; (19)  $-2, 7$ ; (20)  $-3, 15$ ; (21)  $1, 5, 9$ ; (22)  $3, 5$ .

$$13. \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$14. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ -5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$15. \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$16. \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$17. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$18. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & 4 \\ -6 & 2 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$19. \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 4 \\ -2 & 6 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$20. \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 8 & -4 \\ 8 & 5 & -4 \\ -4 & -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$21. \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$22. \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

23. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Verify that 5 is

an eigenvalue of  $A$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  is an eigenvector. Then orthogonally diagonalize  $A$ .

24. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Verify that  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are eigenvectors of  $A$ . Then orthogonally diagonalize  $A$ .

In Exercises 25–32, mark each statement True or False (T/F). Justify each answer.

25. (T/F) An  $n \times n$  matrix that is orthogonally diagonalizable must be symmetric.

26. (T/F) There are symmetric matrices that are not orthogonally diagonalizable.

27. (T/F) An orthogonal matrix is orthogonally diagonalizable.

28. (T/F) If  $B = PDP^T$ , where  $P^T = P^{-1}$  and  $D$  is a diagonal matrix, then  $B$  is a symmetric matrix.

29. (T/F) For a nonzero  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the matrix  $\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T$  is called a projection matrix.

30. (T/F) If  $A^T = A$  and if vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  satisfy  $A\mathbf{u} = 3\mathbf{u}$  and  $A\mathbf{v} = 4\mathbf{v}$ , then  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ .

31. (T/F) An  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix has  $n$  distinct real eigenvalues.

32. (T/F) The dimension of an eigenspace of a symmetric matrix is sometimes less than the multiplicity of the corresponding eigenvalue.

33. Show that if  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix, then  $(A\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} \cdot (A\mathbf{y})$  for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . I 43.

34. Suppose  $A$  is a symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix and  $B$  is any  $n \times m$  matrix. Show that  $B^T A B$ ,  $B^T B$ , and  $B B^T$  are symmetric matrices. I 44.

35. Suppose  $A$  is invertible and orthogonally diagonalizable. Explain why  $A^{-1}$  is also orthogonally diagonalizable.

36. Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are both orthogonally diagonalizable and  $AB = BA$ . Explain why  $AB$  is also orthogonally diagonalizable. I 45.

37. Let  $A = PDP^{-1}$ , where  $P$  is orthogonal and  $D$  is diagonal, and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$  of multiplicity  $k$ . Then  $\lambda$  appears  $k$  times on the diagonal of  $D$ . Explain why the dimension of the eigenspace for  $\lambda$  is  $k$ . I 46.

38. Suppose  $A = PRP^{-1}$ , where  $P$  is orthogonal and  $R$  is upper triangular. Show that if  $A$  is symmetric, then  $R$  is symmetric and hence is actually a diagonal matrix.

39. Construct a spectral decomposition of  $A$  from Example 2.

40. Construct a spectral decomposition of  $A$  from Example 3.

41. Let  $\mathbf{u}$  be a unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $B = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T$ .

a. Given any  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , compute  $B\mathbf{x}$  and show that  $B\mathbf{x}$  is the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  onto  $\mathbf{u}$ , as described in Section 6.2.

b. Show that  $B$  is a symmetric matrix and  $B^2 = B$ .

c. Show that  $\mathbf{u}$  is an eigenvector of  $B$ . What is the corresponding eigenvalue?

42. Let  $B$  be an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix such that  $B^2 = B$ . Any such matrix is called a **projection matrix** (or an **orthogonal projection matrix**). Given any  $\mathbf{y}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = B\mathbf{y}$  and  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}$ .

a. Show that  $\mathbf{z}$  is orthogonal to  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ .

b. Let  $W$  be the column space of  $B$ . Show that  $\mathbf{y}$  is the sum of a vector in  $W$  and a vector in  $W^\perp$ . Why does this prove that  $B\mathbf{y}$  is the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{y}$  onto the column space of  $B$ ?

Orthogonally diagonalize the matrices in Exercises 43–46. To practice the methods of this section, do not use an eigenvector routine from your matrix program. Instead, use the program to find the eigenvalues, and, for each eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , find an orthonormal basis for  $\text{Nul}(A - \lambda I)$ , as in Examples 2 and 3.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 & 9 & -6 \\ 2 & 6 & -6 & 9 \\ 9 & -6 & 6 & 2 \\ -6 & 9 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} .63 & -.18 & -.06 & -.04 \\ -.18 & .84 & -.04 & .12 \\ -.06 & -.04 & .72 & -.12 \\ -.04 & .12 & -.12 & .66 \end{bmatrix}$$

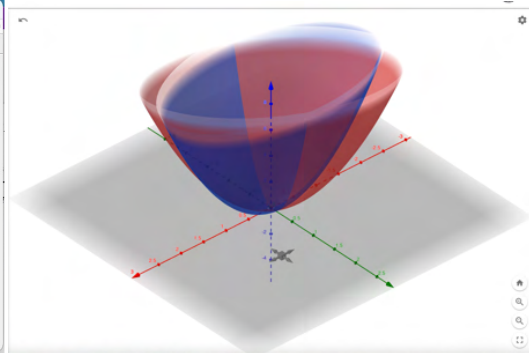
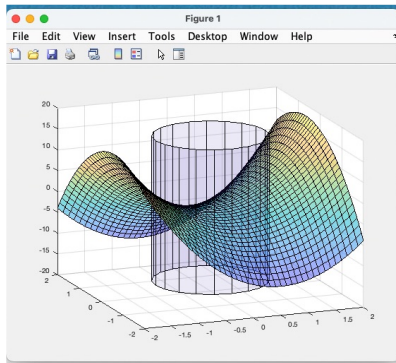
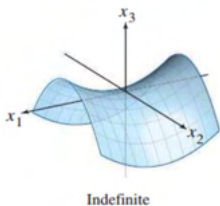
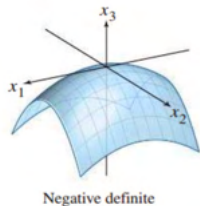
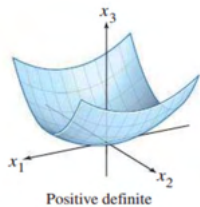
$$\begin{bmatrix} .31 & .58 & .08 & .44 \\ .58 & -.56 & .44 & -.58 \\ .08 & .44 & .19 & -.08 \\ .44 & -.58 & -.08 & .31 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 2 & 2 & -6 & 9 \\ 2 & 8 & 2 & -6 & 9 \\ 2 & 2 & 8 & -6 & 9 \\ -6 & -6 & -6 & 24 & 9 \\ 9 & 9 & 9 & 9 & -21 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Section 7.2 : Quadratic Forms

## Chapter 7: Orthogonality and Least Squares

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| 3    | 1/22 - 1/26 | 1.7                                     | WS1.5, 1.7                    | 1.8            | WS1.8      | 1.9      |
| 4    | 1/29 - 2/2  | 1.8, 2.1                                | WS1.9, 2.1                    | Exam 1, Review | Cancelled  | 2.2      |
| 5    | 2/5 - 2/9   | 2.2, 2.4                                | WS2.2, 2.4                    | 2.5            | WS2.5      | 2.8      |
| 6    | 2/12 - 2/16 | 2.9                                     | WS2.8                         | 2.9, 3.1       | WS2.9, 3.1 | 3.2      |
| 7    | 2/19 - 2/23 | 3.3                                     | WS3.2                         | 4.9            | WS3.4, 4.9 | 5.1      |
| 8    | 2/26 - 3/1  | 3.2                                     | WS1.5, 3.2                    | Exam 2, Review | Cancelled  | 5.3      |
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# Section 7.2 : Quadratic Forms

Chapter 7: Orthogonality and Least Squares  
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### Topics and Objectives

**Topics**

1. Quadratic forms
2. Change of variables
3. Principle axes theorem
4. Classifying quadratic forms

**Learning Objectives**

1. Characterize and classify quadratic forms using eigenvalues and eigenvectors.
2. Express quadratic forms in the form  $Q(x) = x^T A x$ .
3. Apply the principle axes theorem to express quadratic forms with no cross-product terms.

**Motivating Question** Does this inequality hold for all  $x, y$ ?

$$x^2 - 6xy + 9y^2 \geq 0$$

### Quadratic Forms

**Definition**

A quadratic form is a function  $Q : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , given by

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

Matrix  $A$  is  $n \times n$  and symmetric.

In the above,  $x$  is a vector of variables.

Handwritten notes:

$$x^T A x \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Handwritten derivation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x+3y \\ 3x+y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= x(x+3y) + y(3x+y)$$

$$= x^2 + 3xy + 3xy + y^2$$

$$= x^2 + 6xy + y^2$$

Handwritten calculation:

$$Q(x, y) = x^2 + 6xy + y^2 \geq 0$$

$$Q(1, -1) = (1)^2 + 6(1)(-1) + (-1)^2$$

$$= 1 - 6 + 1 = -4.$$

Exam 3 vs. expectations



<https://strawpoll.com/GJn478JBbyz>

Next time.

### Example 1

Compute the quadratic form  $x^T A x$  for the matrices below.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Handwritten calculation for A:

$$Q_A(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4x_1 \\ 3x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 4x_1^2 + 3x_2^2$$

↑  $0x_1x_2$

Handwritten calculation for B:

$$Q_B(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

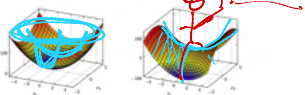
$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4x_1 + x_2 \\ x_1 - 3x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 4x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_1x_2 - 3x_2^2$$

$$= 4x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 3x_2^2$$

### Example 1 - Surface Plots

The surfaces for Example 1 are shown below.



Students are not expected to be able to sketch quadratic surfaces, but it is helpful to see what they look like.

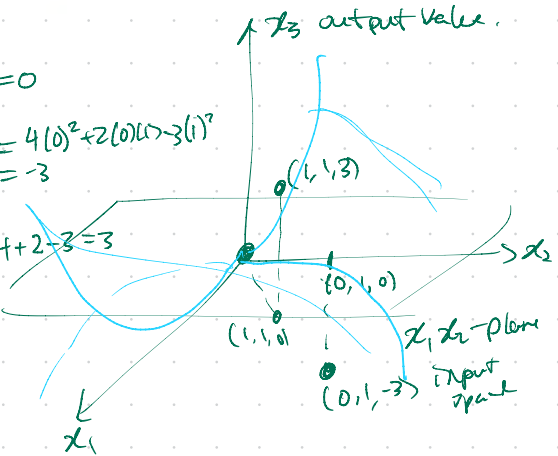


Handwritten calculations for surface values:

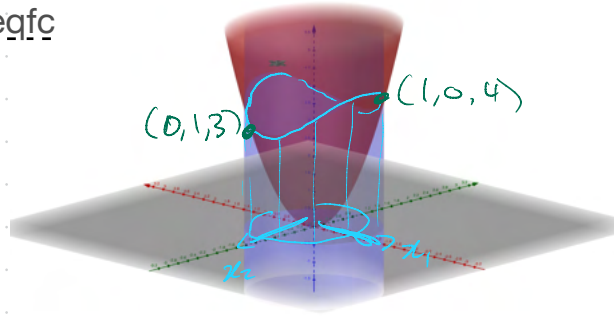
$$Q_B(0, 0) = 0$$

$$Q_B(0, 1) = 4(0)^2 + 2(0)(1) - 3(1)^2 = -3$$

$$Q_B(1, 1) = 4 + 2 - 3 = 3$$



$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = 4x_1^2 + 3x_2^2$$



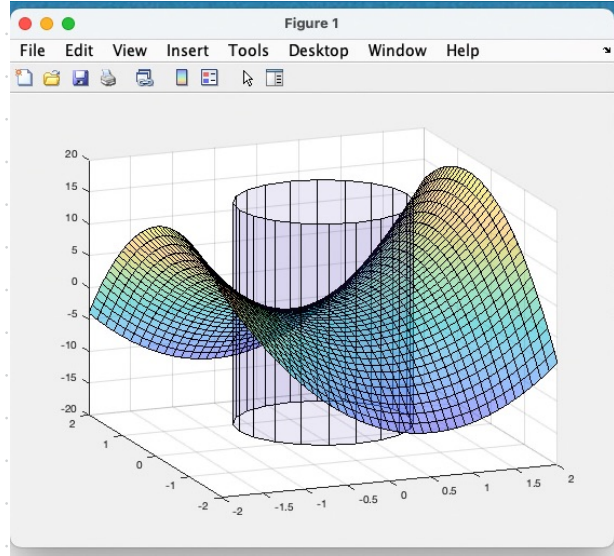
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%% example 1a
[X,Y]=meshgrid(-2:.1:2);
Z=4.*X.^2+3.*Y.^2;
[X1,Y1,Z1]=cylinder(1);
%s=surf(X,Y,Z,'FaceAlpha',0.5); hold on

%% example 1b
Z=4.*X.^2+2.*X.*Y-3.*Y.^2;
%s=surf(X,Y,Z,'FaceAlpha',0.5); hold on

%% example 6
[X,Y]=meshgrid(-2:.2:2);
Z=X.^2-6.*X.*Y+9.*Y.^2;
s=surf(X,Y,Z,'FaceAlpha',0.5); hold on
[P,D]=eig([1 -3 ; -3 9])
A=P*D*inv(P)
rref(A-10*eye(2))

%% plots cylinder
h=max(Z(:));
Z1=Z1+h;
%Z1(1,:)-=Z1(2,:);
c=surf(X1,Y1,Z1,'FaceAlpha',0.1); hold on
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%% no errors check
1+1
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$$Q(\vec{x}) = 4x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 3x_2^2$$


### Example 2

Write  $Q$  in the form  $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$  for  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$Q(\vec{x}) = 5x_1^2 - x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 6x_1x_3 - 12x_2x_3$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

A size 3x3.

### Change of Variable

If  $\vec{x}$  is a variable vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then a change of variable can be represented as

$$\vec{x} = P\vec{y}, \text{ or } \vec{y} = P^{-1}\vec{x}$$

With this change of variable, the quadratic form  $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$  becomes:

$$Q(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 5x_1^2 - x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 6x_1x_3 - 12x_2x_3$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3) \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = (x_1, x_2, x_3) \begin{bmatrix} 5x_1 + 3x_3 \\ -x_2 - 6x_3 \\ 3x_1 - 6x_2 + 3x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 5x_1^2 + 3x_1x_3 - x_2^2 - 6x_2x_3 + 3x_1x_3 - 6x_2x_3 + 3x_3^2$$

$$= 5x_1^2 + 6x_1x_3 - x_2^2 - 12x_2x_3 + 3x_3^2$$

$$= C_1 y_1^2 + C_2 y_2^2 + C_3 y_3^2$$

Same.

harder to understand

easier to understand

### Example 3

Make a change of variable  $\vec{x} = P\vec{y}$  that transforms  $Q = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$  so that it does not have cross terms. The orthogonal decomposition of  $A$  is given.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = PDP^T$$

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P\vec{y} = \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = P^T \vec{x}$$

$$P^T \vec{x} = \vec{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow P P^T \vec{x} = P \vec{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x} = P \vec{y}$$

$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = 3x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 6x_2^2$$

$$Q_D(\vec{y}) = \vec{y}^T D \vec{y} = 2y_1^2 + 7y_2^2$$

Same after change of variables.

replace  $A$  w/  $PDP^T = A$ .

$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = \vec{x}^T (PDP^T) \vec{x}$$

$$= (\vec{x}^T P) D (P^T \vec{x}) = (P^T \vec{x})^T D P^T \vec{x}$$

$$\vec{x}^T (P^T)^T = \vec{x}^T P$$

Make a change of variable  $x = T y$  that transforms  $Q = x^T A x$  so that it does not have cross terms. The orthogonal decomposition of  $A$  is given.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = P D P^T$$

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= P^T x \\ x &= P y \end{aligned}$$

formula

$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = x^T A x = 3x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 6x_2^2$$

$$Q_D(\vec{y}) = y^T D y = 2y_1^2 + 7y_2^2$$

Inputs for  $\vec{x}$  vs.  $\vec{y}$ .  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  plug into  $Q_D(\vec{y})$ .

$$Q_D(1, -1) = 2(1)^2 + 7(-1)^2 = 2 + 7 = 9$$

$$P \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{5} \\ 1/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_A \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right) &= 3 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right)^2 + 4 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right) \left( \frac{-3}{\sqrt{5}} \right) + 6 \left( \frac{-3}{\sqrt{5}} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{3}{5} - \frac{12}{5} + \frac{54}{5} = \frac{45}{5} = 9 \end{aligned}$$

$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = Q_D(\vec{y}) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} y = P^T x \\ x = P y \end{cases}$$

# Principle Axes Theorem

## Theorem

If  $A$  is a  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix then there exists an orthogonal change of variable  $\vec{x} = P\vec{y}$  that transforms  $\vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$  to  $\vec{y}^T D \vec{y}$  with no cross-product terms.



### Example 3

Make a change of variable  $\vec{x} = P\vec{y}$  that transforms  $Q = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$  so that it does not have cross terms. The orthogonal decomposition of  $A$  is given.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = P D P^T$$

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $A$  symmetric then

$$A = P D P^T \quad 7.1$$

$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = Q_0(\vec{y})$$

7.2

← quadratic forms.

↑  
cross terms

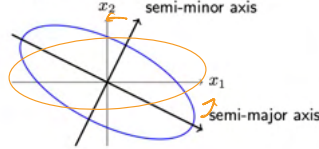
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no cross terms

Change of vars.

$$\begin{cases} P^T \vec{x} = \vec{y} \\ \vec{y} = \vec{x} \end{cases}$$

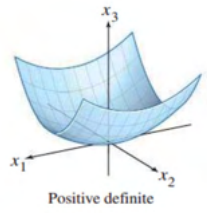
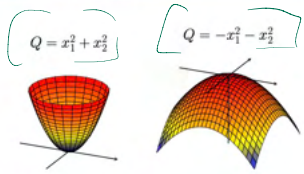
### Example 5

Compute the quadratic form  $Q = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$  for  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ , and find a change of variable that removes the cross-product term. A sketch of  $Q$  is below.

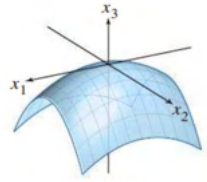


$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = Q_0(\vec{y}) \quad \text{but w/ } \begin{cases} \|\vec{x}\| = 1 \\ \|\vec{y}\| = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{constrained optimization}$$

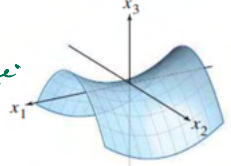
# Classifying Quadratic Forms



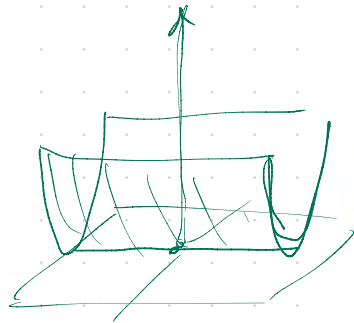
Positive definite



Negative definite



Indefinite



PSD  
Positive semi-definite

**Definition**  
A quadratic form  $Q$  is

1. **positive definite** if  $Q(\vec{x}) > 0$  for all  $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$ .
2. **negative definite** if  $Q(\vec{x}) < 0$  for all  $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$ .
3. **positive semidefinite** if  $Q(\vec{x}) \geq 0$  for all  $\vec{x}$ .
4. **negative semidefinite** if  $Q(\vec{x}) \leq 0$  for all  $\vec{x}$ .
5. **indefinite** if sometimes positive  
or sometimes negative.

## Quadratic Forms and Eigenvalues

**Theorem**  
If  $A$  is a Symmetric matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ , then  $Q = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$  is

1. **positive definite** iff  $\lambda_i > 0$
2. **negative definite** iff  $\lambda_i < 0$
3. **indefinite** iff  $\lambda_i$  some positive  
or some negative.

PSD  $Q_A(\vec{x})$  iff  $d_i \geq 0$   
NSD  $Q_A(\vec{x})$  iff  $d_i \leq 0$

if and only if

$P \not\equiv Q$       $Q \Rightarrow P$   
 $P \text{ only if } Q$       $P \Rightarrow Q$

### Example 6

We can now return to our motivating question (from first slide): does this inequality hold for all  $x, y$ ?

$$x^2 - 6xy + 9y^2 \geq 0$$

↑ T/F?

- Q1: What is  $A$ ?
- Q2: Is  $Q_A(\vec{x})$  PSD, NSD, PD, ND, Indefinite?
- Q3: What are eigenvalues of  $A$ ?

PSD yes     PD no  
NSD no     ND no

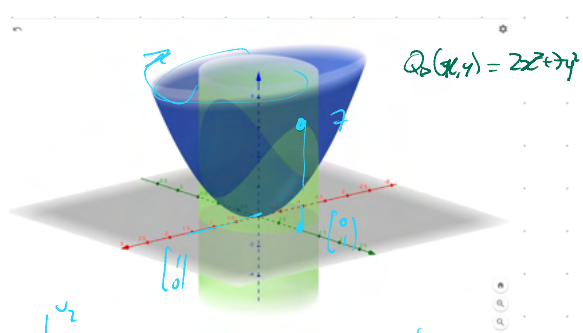
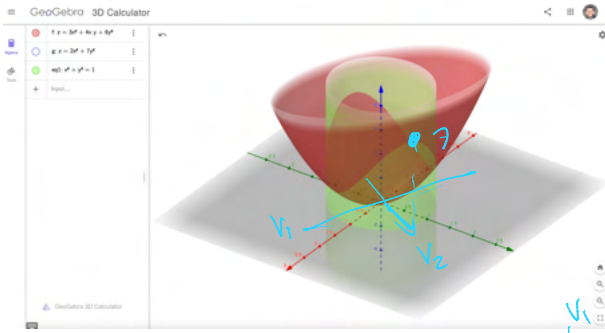
Q1:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

Q3:  $P(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - 10\lambda = \lambda(\lambda - 10)$   
 $\lambda_1 = 0$       $\lambda_2 = 10$

### Example 6 (BONUS!)

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$       $d_1 = 2$       $d_2 = 7$

PSD yes     PD yes  
NSD no     ND no



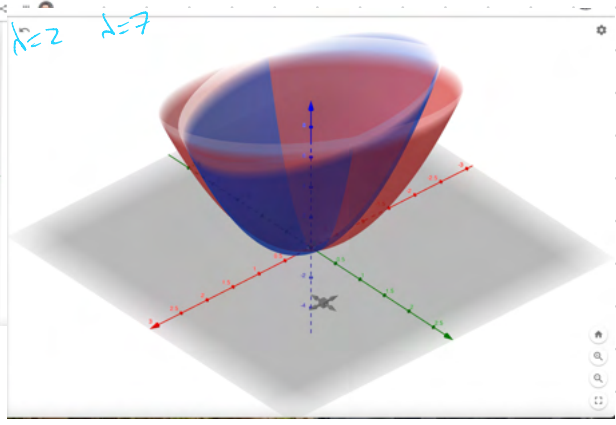
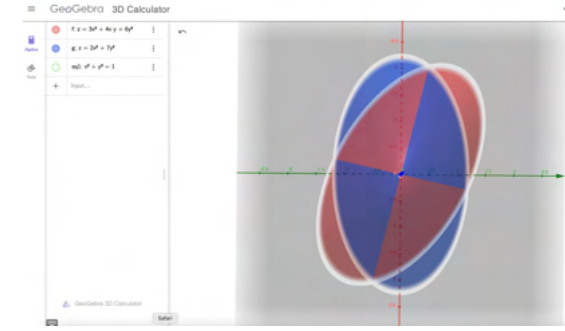
$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} * \\ x \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} * \\ x \end{pmatrix}$$

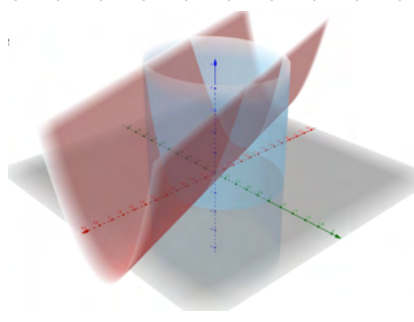
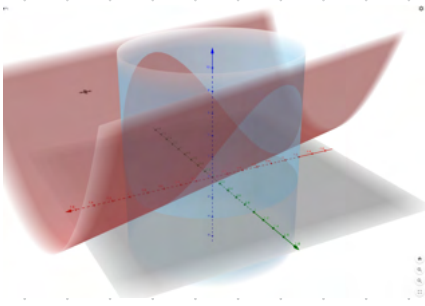
$$\lambda = 2 \quad \lambda = 7$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} |0|, |0| \end{pmatrix}$$

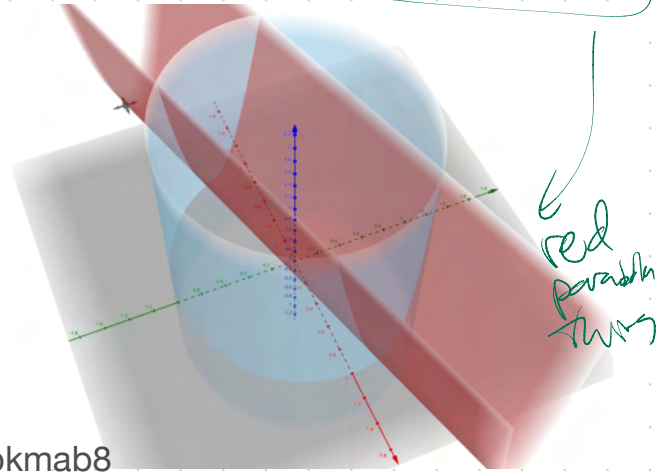
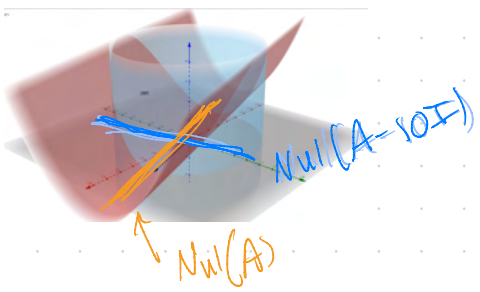


<https://www.geogebra.org/m/c6yg2agh>



$f: z = x^2 - 6xy + 9y^2$   
 $eq1: x^2 + y^2 = 1$   
 $u = \text{Vector}\left(\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}\right)\right)$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 0.95 \\ 0.32 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$



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%% example 1a
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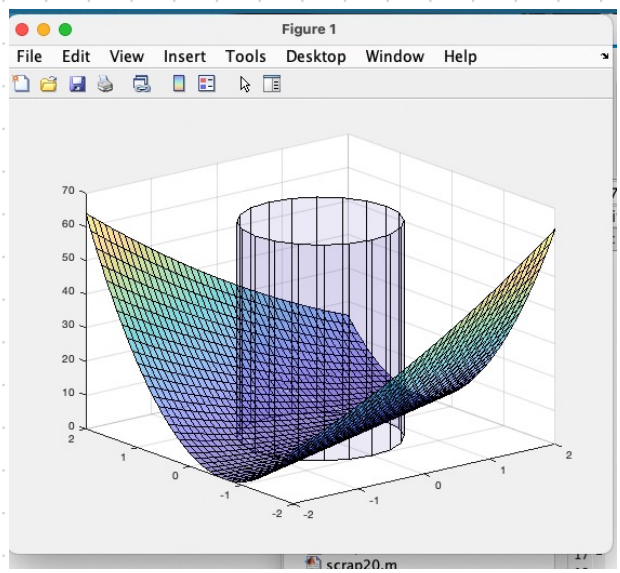
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Z=4.*X.^2+2.*X.*Y-3.*Y.^2;
% s=surf(X,Y,Z,'FaceAlpha',0.5); hold on

%% example 6
[X,Y]=meshgrid(-2:.2:2);
Z=x.^2-6.*x.*y+9.*y.^2;
s=surf(X,Y,Z,'FaceAlpha',0.5); hold on
[P,D]=eig([1 -3 ; -3 9]);
A=P*D*inv(P)
rref(A-10*eye(2))

%% plots cylinder
h=max(Z(:));
Z1=Z1*h;
% Z1(1,:)=Z1(2,:);
c=surf(X1,Y1,Z1,'FaceAlpha',0.1); hold on

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| Exam (Exam1)               | 50.0         | 0.15   | 7.50   |
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| 42                      | 43                  | 28                  |

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| Exam (Mid)                 | 80.0         | 0.2    | 16.00  |
| Exam (Exam1)               | 50.0         | 0.15   | 7.50   |
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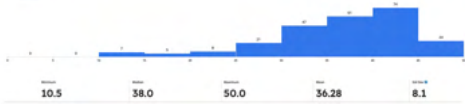
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| <b>Final Letter Grade:</b> | <b>B+</b>    |        |        |

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| <b>Total Exploration Points</b>             | <b>82/42</b>     |
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| <b>MGE additional</b>                       | <b>70.5</b>      |
| <b>Final Exam 2% Bonus? (CCS incentive)</b> | <b>True</b>      |
| <b>MGE Bonus</b>                            | <b>1.525</b>     |
| <b>Total Final Exam Bonus</b>               | <b>5.525</b>     |



1(a)iii VerA / 1(a)i VerB

true false

If  $A$  is  $n \times n$  and  $A$  has  $n$  distinct real eigenvectors, then  $A$  is diagonalizable.

*Handwritten:* true *used*  
*Red circle:* "it's 'or and'"

*Handwritten:*  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

1(a)viii VerA / 1(a)v VerB

If  $A$  has QR-factorization  $A = QR$ , then  $\text{Nul}(A^T) = \text{Nul}(Q^T)$ .

*Handwritten:*  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

1(b)iii VerA / 1(b)ii VerB

A  $3 \times 3$  matrix in RREF that has exactly one pivot and is not diagonalizable.

*Handwritten:*  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots$

1(c) Version B shown

(c) (2 points) Which of the following are examples of a matrix  $A$  which satisfy the following property. The matrix  $A$  is not diagonalizable while the matrix  $A^2$  is diagonalizable. Select all that apply.

- $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  100%
- $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  100%
- $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  100%
- $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  100%

Midterm 3 (B). Your initials: \_\_\_\_\_

You do not need to justify your reasoning for questions on this page.

2. (5 points) Consider  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Sketch (a) the vector  $\vec{a}$  and (b) the vector  $A\vec{a}$ . Then, fill in the blanks for the following statements to make the statements true.

*Handwritten:*  $r = \sqrt{2}$   
 $\theta = \tan^{-1}(1/1) = 45^\circ$



(c) The transformation defined by  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is a rotation-dilation where the rotation is through  $3 \times 45^\circ$  (degrees or radians counter-clockwise) and the scaling factor is  $\sqrt{2}$ .

*Handwritten:*  $-45^\circ, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{8}, \text{ or } 315^\circ$  all acceptable

(d) An eigenvector associated to the eigenvalue  $\lambda = 1 - i$  of  $A$  is the vector  $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

*Handwritten:*  $A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1 \\ -1 & i \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = c \begin{pmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

3. (3 points) Fill in the blanks so that the following statements are true. Let  $A = PDP^{-1}$  where

$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(a) An eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda = 2$  is  $\vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ . 100%

(b) The vector  $\vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda = \underline{1}$ . 100%

(c) The dimension of the  $\lambda = 1$  eigenspace of  $A$  is equal to  $\underline{2}$ . 100%

## 7.2 EXERCISES

1. Compute the quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ , when  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
and  
a.  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$  b.  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  c.  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

2. Compute the quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ , for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
and

5. Find the matrix of the quadratic form. Assume  $\mathbf{x}$  is in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .  
a.  $3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 5x_3^2 - 6x_1x_2 + 8x_1x_3 - 4x_2x_3$   
b.  $6x_1x_2 + 4x_1x_3 - 10x_2x_3$
6. Find the matrix of the quadratic form. Assume  $\mathbf{x}$  is in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .  
a.  $3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 - 6x_1x_3$   
b.  $4x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2 + 4x_2x_3$
7. Make a change of variable,  $\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{y}$ , that transforms the quadratic form  $x_1^2 + 10x_1x_2 + x_2^2$  into a quadratic form with no cross-product term. Give  $P$  and the new quadratic form.
8. Let  $A$  be the matrix of the quadratic form

$$9x_1^2 + 7x_2^2 + 11x_3^2 - 8x_1x_2 + 8x_1x_3$$

It can be shown that the eigenvalues of  $A$  are 3, 9, and 15. Find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  such that the change of variable  $\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{y}$  transforms  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  into a quadratic form with no cross-product term. Give  $P$  and the new quadratic form.

Classify the quadratic forms in Exercises 9–18. Then make a change of variable,  $\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{y}$ , that transforms the quadratic form into one with no cross-product term. Write the new quadratic form. Construct  $P$  using the methods of Section 7.1.

9.  $4x_1^2 - 4x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$       10.  $2x_1^2 + 6x_1x_2 - 6x_2^2$   
11.  $2x_1^2 - 4x_1x_2 - x_2^2$       12.  $-x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 - x_2^2$   
13.  $x_1^2 - 6x_1x_2 + 9x_2^2$       14.  $3x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2$   
15. [M]  $-3x_1^2 - 7x_2^2 - 10x_3^2 - 10x_4^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 4x_1x_3 + 4x_1x_4 + 6x_3x_4$   
16. [M]  $4x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + 4x_3^2 + 4x_4^2 + 8x_1x_2 + 8x_3x_4 - 6x_1x_4 + 6x_2x_3$   
17. [M]  $11x_1^2 + 11x_2^2 + 11x_3^2 + 11x_4^2 + 16x_1x_2 - 12x_1x_4 + 12x_2x_3 + 16x_3x_4$   
18. [M]  $2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 6x_1x_2 - 6x_1x_3 - 6x_1x_4 - 6x_2x_3 - 6x_2x_4 - 2x_3x_4$   
19. What is the largest possible value of the quadratic form  $5x_1^2 + 8x_2^2$  if  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$ , that is, if  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$ ? (Try some examples of  $\mathbf{x}$ .)  
20. What is the largest value of the quadratic form  $5x_1^2 - 3x_2^2$  if  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$ ?

$$\text{a. } \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{b. } \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{c. } \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Find the matrix of the quadratic form. Assume  $\mathbf{x}$  is in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .  
a.  $3x_1^2 - 4x_1x_2 + 5x_2^2$       b.  $3x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2$
4. Find the matrix of the quadratic form. Assume  $\mathbf{x}$  is in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .  
a.  $5x_1^2 + 16x_1x_2 - 5x_2^2$       b.  $2x_1x_2$
- d. A positive definite quadratic form  $Q$  satisfies  $Q(\mathbf{x}) > 0$  for all  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  
e. If the eigenvalues of a symmetric matrix  $A$  are all positive, then the quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  is positive definite.  
f. A Cholesky factorization of a symmetric matrix  $A$  has the form  $A = R^T R$ , for an upper triangular matrix  $R$  with positive diagonal entries.
22. a. The expression  $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2$  is not a quadratic form.  
b. If  $A$  is symmetric and  $P$  is an orthogonal matrix, then the change of variable  $\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{y}$  transforms  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  into a quadratic form with no cross-product term.  
c. If  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  symmetric matrix, then the set of  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} = c$  (for a constant  $c$ ) corresponds to either a circle, an ellipse, or a hyperbola.  
d. An indefinite quadratic form is neither positive semidefinite nor negative semidefinite.  
e. If  $A$  is symmetric and the quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  has only negative values for  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$ , then the eigenvalues of  $A$  are all positive.

Exercises 23 and 24 show how to classify a quadratic form  $Q(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ , when  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\det A \neq 0$ , without finding the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

23. If  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$ , then the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  can be written in two ways:  $\det(A - \lambda I)$  and  $(\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2)$ . Use this fact to show that  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = a + d$  (the diagonal entries of  $A$ ) and  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \det A$ .  
24. Verify the following statements.  
a.  $Q$  is positive definite if  $\det A > 0$  and  $a > 0$ .  
b.  $Q$  is negative definite if  $\det A > 0$  and  $a < 0$ .  
c.  $Q$  is indefinite if  $\det A < 0$ .  
25. Show that if  $B$  is  $m \times n$ , then  $B^T B$  is positive semidefinite; and if  $B$  is  $n \times n$  and invertible, then  $B^T B$  is positive definite.  
26. Show that if an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is positive definite, then there exists a positive definite matrix  $B$  such that  $A = B^T B$ . [Hint: Write  $A = PDP^T$ , with  $P^T = P^{-1}$ . Produce a diagonal matrix  $C$  such that  $D = C^T C$ , and let  $B = PCP^T$ . Show that  $B$  works.]

In Exercises 21 and 22, matrices are  $n \times n$  and vectors are in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

21. a. The matrix of a quadratic form is a symmetric matrix.  
b. A quadratic form has no cross-product terms if and only if the matrix of the quadratic form is a diagonal matrix.  
c. The principal axes of a quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  are eigenvectors of  $A$ .

27. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be symmetric  $n \times n$  matrices whose eigenvalues are all positive. Show that the eigenvalues of  $A + B$  are all positive. [Hint: Consider quadratic forms.]  
28. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  invertible symmetric matrix. Show that if the quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  is positive definite, then so is the quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A^{-1} \mathbf{x}$ . [Hint: Consider eigenvalues.]

$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = Q_D(\vec{y})$$

old part

$$w / \|\vec{x}\| = 1$$

new part

## Section 7.3 : Constrained Optimization

$$Q(x) = 3x_1^2 + 7x_2^2$$

### Chapter 7: Orthogonality and Least Squares

### Math 1554 Linear Algebra

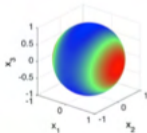
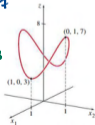
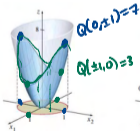


FIGURE 1  $z = 3x_1^2 + 7x_2^2$ .

FIGURE 2 The intersection of  $z = 3x_1^2 + 7x_2^2$  and the cylinder  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$ .

# Section 7.3 : Constrained Optimization

Chapter 7: Orthogonality and Least Squares  
Math 1554 Linear Algebra

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| 12 | 3/25 - 3/29 | 6.4  | WS6.3       | 6.4,6.5        | WS6.4     | 6.5      |
| 13 | 4/1 - 4/5   | 6.6  | WS6.5,6.6   | Exam 3, Review | Cancelled | PageRank |
| 14 | 4/8 - 4/12  | 7.1  | WSPagerank  | 7.2            | WS7.1,7.2 | 7.3      |
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## Topics and Objectives

### Topics

1. Constrained optimization as an eigenvalue problem
2. Distance and orthogonality constraints

### Learning Objectives

1. Apply eigenvalues and eigenvectors to solve optimization problems that are subject to distance and orthogonality constraints.

## Example 1

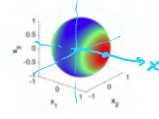
The surface of a unit sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is given by

$$1 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = \|\vec{x}\|^2$$

$Q$  is a quantity we want to optimize

$$Q(\vec{x}) = 9x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + 3x_3^2$$

Find the largest and smallest values of  $Q$  on the surface of the sphere.



unit vectors.

$$\vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q(1, 0, 0) = 9(1)^2 + 4(0)^2 + 3(0)^2 = 9$$

$$Q(0, 0, 1) = 9(0)^2 + 4(0)^2 + 3(1)^2 = 3$$

$$Q\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 9\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + 4(0)^2 + 3\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 = \frac{9+0+3}{2} = \frac{12}{2} = 6$$

$$Q\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 9\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + 3\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 = \frac{9(1) + 4(4) + 3(4)}{3} = \frac{37}{3} \approx 12.33$$

Ex. Find the largest output  $z$ -value with restricted input  $\|x\|=1$  where  $z$  is given by:

$$z = 3x_1^2 + 7x_2^2.$$

$$Q_A(\pm 1, 0) = 3 \quad \text{MIN}$$

$$Q_B(0, \pm 1) = 7 \quad \text{MAX}$$

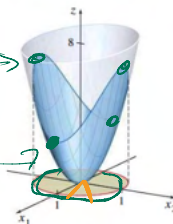


FIGURE 1  $z = 3x_1^2 + 7x_2^2$ .

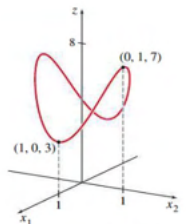


FIGURE 2 The intersection of  $z = 3x_1^2 + 7x_2^2$  and the cylinder  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$ .

**EXAMPLE 3** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the maximum value of the quadratic

form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  subject to the constraint  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$ , and find a unit vector at which this maximum value is attained.

**SOLUTION** By Theorem 6, the desired maximum value is the greatest eigenvalue of  $A$ . The characteristic equation turns out to be

$$0 = -\lambda^3 + 10\lambda^2 - 27\lambda + 18 = -(\lambda - 6)(\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 1)$$

The greatest eigenvalue is 6.

$$Q_D(\vec{y}) = 6y_1^2 + 3y_2^2 + y_3^2$$

MAX is 6 @ (1, 0, 0)

$\lambda = 6, 3, 1$  MIN is 3 @ (0, 0, 1)

$$Q_A(\vec{x}) = 3x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 4x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3$$

please tell me min value?  
subject to  $\|\vec{x}\|=1$ ?

PD

(is PSD)

last col of P

give me an  $\vec{x}$  input which attains this minimum output value?

$$P \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

unit length eigenvector of A

If we know  $Q_D(0, 0, 1) = 1$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{y}$  attains the MIN VALUE of  $Q_D$ , then

correspondingly  $P\vec{y} = \vec{x}$   $\vec{x}$  attains same value for  $Q_A$ .

$$X = S \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$$

$$A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q_A\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0\right) = 3\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + 3\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + 4(0)^2 + 4\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 0 + 0$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{4}{2} = 3 - 2 = \boxed{1}$$

**EXAMPLE 5** Let  $A$  be the matrix in Example 3 and let  $\mathbf{u}_1$  be a unit eigenvector corresponding to the greatest eigenvalue of  $A$ . Find the maximum value of  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  subject to the conditions

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1, \quad \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{u}_1 = 0 \quad (4)$$

Suppose  $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v} \Leftrightarrow Q_A(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$   
quadratic form.

What is the value of

$$\begin{aligned} Q_A(\vec{v}) &= \vec{v}^T A \vec{v} \\ &= \vec{v}^T \lambda \vec{v} \\ &= \lambda \vec{v}^T \vec{v} \\ &= \lambda \vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} \\ &= \lambda \|\vec{v}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

number.

If you plug in a unit length eigenvector?

$\Rightarrow$  output is  $\lambda$ !

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$$A \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} P D P^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} &\stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \vec{x}^T P D P^T \vec{x} \\ &= (P^T \vec{x})^T D (P^T \vec{x}) \end{aligned}$$

$$*^T D *$$

$$\underbrace{(\vec{x}^T A)}_{\text{M.T.}} \vec{x} = \vec{x}^T \underbrace{(A \vec{x})}_{\text{M.V.}}$$

# A Symmetric

$$Q(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} \quad \text{a number}$$

If  $\vec{x}$  is an eigenvector  
(of any length)

$$Q(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x} = \vec{x}^T \lambda \vec{x} = \lambda \vec{x}^T \vec{x}$$

$$= \lambda \|\vec{x}\|^2$$

## A Constrained Optimization Problem

Suppose we wish to find the maximum or minimum values of

$$Q(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$$

subject to

$$\|\vec{x}\| = 1$$

That is, we want to find

$$m = \min\{Q(\vec{x}) : \|\vec{x}\| = 1\}$$

$$M = \max\{Q(\vec{x}) : \|\vec{x}\| = 1\}$$

This is an example of a **constrained optimization** problem. Note that we may also want to know where these extreme values are obtained.

## Constrained Optimization and Eigenvalues

### Theorem

If  $Q = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ ,  $A$  is a real  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix, with eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$$

and associated normalized eigenvectors

$$\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_n$$

Then, subject to the constraint  $\|\vec{x}\| = 1$ ,

- the **maximum** value of  $Q(\vec{x}) = \lambda_1$ , attained at  $\vec{x} = \pm \vec{u}_1$ .
- the **minimum** value of  $Q(\vec{x}) = \lambda_n$ , attained at  $\vec{x} = \pm \vec{u}_n$ .

If  $\|\vec{x}\| = 1$  and  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
then  $\lambda_{\text{small}} \leq Q(\vec{x}) \leq \lambda_{\text{big}}$

$\lambda_{\text{small}}$  = "smallest eigenvalue of A"  
 $\lambda_{\text{big}}$  = "BIGGEST eigenvalue of A"

## Example 2

Calculate the maximum and minimum values of  $Q(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ ,  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , subject to  $\|\vec{x}\| = 1$ , and identify points where these values are obtained.

$$Q(\vec{x}) = x_1^2 + 2x_2x_3$$

Q1: Give me A? ✓

Q2:  $\lambda$ 's for A?

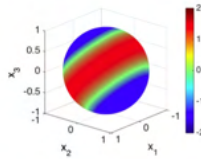
Q3: corresponding unit eigenvector for each  $\lambda$ ?

Q4: MAX/MIN value of  $Q(\vec{x})$ ,  
subject to  $\|\vec{x}\| = 1$ , also  
a vector where the MIN & MAX occur.

Q5: characterize  $Q(\vec{x})$  as PD/NB/PSD/NSD/none

## Example 2

The image below is the unit sphere whose surface is colored according to the quadratic from the previous example. Notice the agreement between our solution and the image.



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



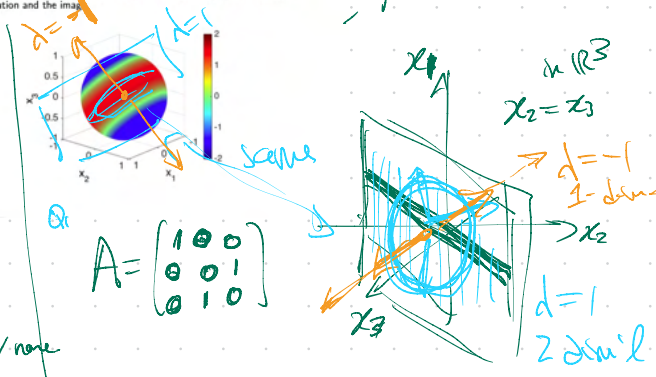
Example 2

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Q2:  $\lambda$ 's for A?

Q3: corresponding unit eigenvector for each  $\lambda$ ?

Q4: Max/Min value of  $Q(\vec{x})$ .  
Subject to  $\|\vec{x}\|=1$ , also  
a vector where the Min & Max occur.

Q5: characterize  $Q(\vec{x})$  as PD/ND/PSD/NSSD/none

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

$$Q2: p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2 - 1) = -(\lambda-1)(\lambda-1)(\lambda+1)$$

Q3:  $\text{Null}(A - \lambda I)$   $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1$

$\lambda = 1$

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

$$\vec{x} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

✓ ✓ ✓

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$s=1, t=0$     $s=0, t=1/\sqrt{2}$     $s=1/3, t=2/3$

to many choices

$\lambda_2 = -1$

$$A + I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

✓ ✓

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Q4: Max value of  $Q(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 + 2x_2x_3$   
subject to  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = 1$  is  $\boxed{1}$  @ e.g.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Min value " " is  $\boxed{-1}$  @  $\pm \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$

only two choices!

$$Q\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{9} + \frac{8}{9} = 1$$

$$Q\left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 0 + 2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = -1 \checkmark$$

## An Orthogonality Constraint

### Theorem

Suppose  $Q = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ ,  $A$  is a real  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix, with eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$$

and associated eigenvectors

$$\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_n$$

Subject to the constraints  $\|\vec{x}\| = 1$  and  $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}_1 = 0$ ,

- The maximum value of  $Q(\vec{x}) = \lambda_2$ , attained at  $\vec{x} = \vec{u}_2$ .
  - The minimum value of  $Q(\vec{x}) = \lambda_n$ , attained at  $\vec{x} = \vec{u}_n$ .
- Note that  $\lambda_2$  is the second largest eigenvalue of  $A$ .

## Example 3

Calculate the maximum value of  $Q(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ ,  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , subject to  $\|\vec{x}\| = 1$  and to  $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}_1 = 0$ , and identify a point where this maximum is obtained.

$$Q(\vec{x}) = x_1^2 + 2x_2x_3, \quad \vec{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Answer pick a vector in the

$\lambda=1$  eigenspace orthogonal to  $u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

## Example 4 (if time permits)

Calculate the maximum value of  $Q(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$ ,  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , subject to  $\|\vec{x}\| = 6$ , and identify a point where this maximum is obtained.

$$Q(\vec{x}) = x_1^2 + 2x_2x_3$$

## 7.3 EXERCISES

In Exercises 1 and 2, find the change of variable  $\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{y}$  that transforms the quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  into  $\mathbf{y}^T D \mathbf{y}$  as shown.

- $5x_1^2 + 6x_2^2 + 7x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 - 4x_2x_3 = 9y_1^2 + 6y_2^2 + 3y_3^2$
- $3x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 + 6x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 = 7y_1^2 + 4y_2^2$

*Hint:*  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  must have the same number of coordinates, so the quadratic form shown here must have a coefficient of zero for  $y_3^2$ .

In Exercises 3–6, find (a) the maximum value of  $Q(\mathbf{x})$  subject to the constraint  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$ , (b) a unit vector  $\mathbf{u}$  where this maximum is attained, and (c) the maximum of  $Q(\mathbf{x})$  subject to the constraints  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$  and  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{u} = 0$ .

- $Q(\mathbf{x}) = 5x_1^2 + 6x_2^2 + 7x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 - 4x_2x_3$   
(See Exercise 1.)

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- $Q(\mathbf{x}) = 3x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 + 6x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3$  (See Exercise 2.)
- $Q(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 10x_1x_2$
- $Q(\mathbf{x}) = 3x_1^2 + 9x_2^2 + 8x_1x_2$
- Let  $Q(\mathbf{x}) = -2x_1^2 - x_2^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 4x_2x_3$ . Find a unit vector  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  at which  $Q(\mathbf{x})$  is maximized, subject to  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$ . [*Hint:* The eigenvalues of the matrix of the quadratic form  $Q$  are 2, -1, and -4.]
- Let  $Q(\mathbf{x}) = 7x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 7x_3^2 - 8x_1x_2 - 4x_1x_3 - 8x_2x_3$ . Find a unit vector  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  at which  $Q(\mathbf{x})$  is maximized, subject to  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$ . [*Hint:* The eigenvalues of the matrix of the quadratic form  $Q$  are 9 and -3.]
- Find the maximum value of  $Q(\mathbf{x}) = 7x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 - 2x_1x_2$ , subject to the constraint  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$ . (Do not go on to find a vector where the maximum is attained.)
- Find the maximum value of  $Q(\mathbf{x}) = -3x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 - 2x_1x_2$ , subject to the constraint  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$ . (Do not go on to find a vector where the maximum is attained.)
- Suppose  $\mathbf{x}$  is a unit eigenvector of a matrix  $A$  corresponding to an eigenvalue 3. What is the value of  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ ?

- Let  $\lambda$  be any eigenvalue of a symmetric matrix  $A$ . Justify the statement made in this section that  $m \leq \lambda \leq M$ , where  $m$  and  $M$  are defined as in (2). [*Hint:* Find an  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $\lambda = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ .]
- Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix, let  $M$  and  $m$  denote the maximum and minimum values of the quadratic form  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ , where  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$ , and denote corresponding unit eigenvectors by  $\mathbf{u}_1$  and  $\mathbf{u}_n$ . The following calculations show that given any number  $t$  between  $M$  and  $m$ , there is a unit vector  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $t = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ . Verify that  $t = (1 - \alpha)m + \alpha M$  for some number  $\alpha$  between 0 and 1. Then let  $\mathbf{x} = \sqrt{1 - \alpha} \mathbf{u}_n + \sqrt{\alpha} \mathbf{u}_1$ , and show that  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$  and  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} = t$ .

[M] In Exercises 14–17, follow the instructions given for Exercises 3–6.

- $3x_1x_2 + 5x_1x_3 + 7x_1x_4 + 7x_2x_3 + 5x_2x_4 + 3x_3x_4$
- $4x_1^2 - 6x_1x_2 - 10x_1x_3 - 10x_1x_4 - 6x_2x_3 - 6x_2x_4 - 2x_3x_4$
- $-6x_1^2 - 10x_2^2 - 13x_3^2 - 13x_4^2 - 4x_1x_2 - 4x_1x_3 - 4x_1x_4 + 6x_3x_4$
- $x_1x_2 + 3x_1x_3 + 30x_1x_4 + 30x_2x_3 + 3x_2x_4 + x_3x_4$