

Math Methods in Physics I

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Eigendecomposition

orthogonal matrices: preserve vector length

$$Ar = v \quad |r| = |v| \Rightarrow r^T r = v^T v$$

Property of orthogonal matrix $AA^T = I \quad \therefore A^T = A^{-1}$

$$Ar = v \quad |r| = |v|$$

$$(Ar)(Ar) = v \cdot v$$

$$(Ar)^T (Ar) = v^T v$$

Product of the transpose: $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

$$A = A_{ij}$$

$$B = B_{ij}$$

$$C_{ij} = (AB)_{ij} = \sum_k A_{ik} B_{kj}$$

$$C_{ji} = (AB)_{ji} = \sum_k B_{jk} A_{ki}$$

$$AB = A_{ik} B_{kj} = C_{ij}$$

$$(AB)^T = D_{ij} = C_{ji} = \sum_k A_{jk} B_{ki} = B_{ik}^T A_{kj}^T = B^T A^T$$

so

$$r^T A^T A r = v^T v$$

for $r^T r = v^T v$; we must have $A^T A = I$

$$A^T A = I \Leftrightarrow A^T = A^{-1}$$

$$(AB)^T_{ik} = (AB)_{ki} = \sum_j A_{kj} B_{ji} = \sum_j A_{jk}^T B_{ij}^T = \sum_j B_{ij}^T A_{jk}^T = (B^T A^T)_{ik}$$

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

This is similar to the product of inverses. That leads to an interesting parallel with the same problem for inverse of matrices

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} A^{-1}$$

The order matter. To revert AB , you need to first undo B , then undo A . B : 2 steps forward, A turn left.

To revert $(AB)^{-1}$: 2 steps forward, then turn left, you must do: turn right, then walk 2 steps backward.

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} A^{-1}$$

Coincidences are suspicious... The transpose has something to do with the inverse...

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Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues (next page)

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

(self-value and self-vector), "characteristic values"

$$r' = \lambda r, \text{ or}$$

$Mr = \lambda r$ a matrix that doesn't change the vector orientation.

what is the matrix that doesn't change the vector

$$Mr = r \quad (\text{eigen-value of } 1)$$

In general we will have

$$Mr = \lambda r$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{vmatrix} 5-\lambda & -2 \\ -2 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(M - \lambda) r = 0$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

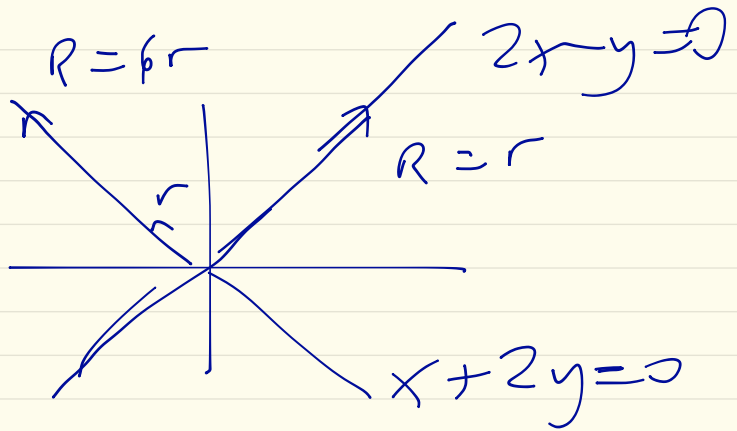
$$\lambda = 6$$

So, substituting λ_1

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x - y = 0 \quad \text{for } \lambda = 1 \\ x + y = 0 \quad \text{for } \lambda = 6 \end{array}$$

These vectors are the eigenvectors

$$\begin{aligned} 2x - y &= 0 & \lambda &= 1 \\ x + 2y &= 0 & \lambda &= 6 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} 5x_1 - 2y_1 &= x_1 & 5x_2 - 2y_2 &= 6x_2 \\ -2x_1 + 2y_1 &= y_1 & -2x_2 + 2y_2 &= 6y_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

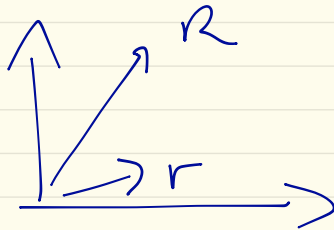
Make $r_1 = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $r_2 = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$ unit vectors : $x_1 = 1/\sqrt{5}$; $y_1 = 2/\sqrt{5}$; $x_2 = -2/\sqrt{5}$; $y_2 = 1/\sqrt{5}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{5} & -2/\sqrt{5} \\ 2/\sqrt{5} & 1/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{5} & -2/\sqrt{5} \\ 2/\sqrt{5} & 1/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Rotation Deformation

$$MC = CD$$

$$M = CDC^{-1}$$



Works only for square matrices.

$$Mr = CDC^{-1}r$$

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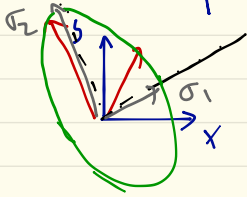
Rotate clockwise ($C^{-1}r$)

Stretch $D(C^{-1}r)$

Rotate counterclockwise to xy ($CDC^{-1}r$)

Mr

show examples in python



Rotate to align with principle components

Meaning of transpose:

$$A = CDC^{-1}$$

$$A^T = (CDC^{-1})^T = (C^{-1})^T D^T C^T$$

C and C^{-1} are rotations. Transpose of rotation is its inverse: $C^T = C^{-1}$
 D is diagonal, so $D^T = D$

$$A^T = C^{-1} D^T C^T = C D C^{-1}$$

$$A^T A = C D^2 C^{-1}$$

$$M^T = V \Sigma U^T$$

$$M^T M = V \Sigma U^T U \Sigma V^T = V \Sigma^2 V^T \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{inverts rotation} \\ \text{keeps scaling} \end{array}$$

In general, if M is not square,

$$M = U \Sigma V^T$$

M is $m \times n$

U is $m \times m$

Σ is diagonal $m \times n$

V^T is $n \times n$

For any matrix A , $A^T A$ is square $\sum A_{ik} A_{ki} = A^T A$ ($n \times n$)

Also symmetric

$$(A^T A)^T = A^T (A^T)^T = A^T A$$

Symmetric matrix: eigenvectors are orthogonal

V = matrix of eigenvectors x_i of $A^T A$

Σ = diagonal matrix with eigenvalues σ_i of $A^T A$

U = normalize

$$C = A^T A \quad Cx = \sigma x \quad r_i = \frac{Ax_i}{\sigma}$$

U has columns r_i

V has columns x

Σ has diagonal σ

$$\Sigma V^T = \sigma x$$

$$U \Sigma V^T = \frac{Ax_i}{\sigma} \cancel{\sigma} x_i = A$$

$$\Sigma V^T = \sigma x$$

$$U \Sigma V^T = Ax \cancel{\sigma} x \Rightarrow x \cdot x = 1$$

$$U = \frac{Ax}{\sigma} = r$$

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Matrices in Complex space

In Complex space, what is the equivalent of the orthogonal matrix, that preserves length?

The orthogonal matrix preserves length.

$$|Av| = |v|$$

Does the same apply in the complex plane? What kind of matrix preserves the norm?

$$|Av| = |v|$$

if A allows complex numbers. Let's see with $v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{tn, } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix} \text{ length } \sqrt{2}$$

so

$$U = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix}$$

check if $UU^T = I$ as in orthogonal matrices.

$$UU^T = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -i \\ 1 & i \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

hm, close but no cigar. The last one is negative. We had

$$(-i)(-i) + (i)(i)$$

If we make both negative, it would work. We need to swap the sign of one of the factors in each term. That is, we need the conjugate.

$$UU^T = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -i \\ 1 & i \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, multiply by

$$U(U^T)^*$$

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

The important $(A^T)^*$ matrix is the transpose conjugate.
and denoted by

$$A^\dagger \text{ (dagger)}$$

In this case the all-important matrix that preserves the norm has

$$|Uv| = |v|$$

has property

$$UU^\dagger = \underline{I} \quad \therefore \quad U^\dagger = U^{-1}$$

Notice that in the real plane this becomes again simply the orthogonal matrix

$$OO^T = \underline{I} \quad \therefore \quad O^T = O^{-1}$$

Is this general? The norm in ^{the} complex plane is

$$|v| = (a+bi)(c-bi) = (a^2+b^2)^{1/2} = v \cdot v^*$$

So,

$$|Uv| = |v| \quad ; \quad |r| = |v|$$

In matrix form $|v| = \text{inner product}$: one has to be transposed
 $= [v^*]^T [v] = v^T v^*$

So $|Uv| = |v|$ means

$$[Uv]^*]^T Uv = [v^*]^T [v]$$

while $\dagger = *^T$

$$[Uv]^\dagger Uv = v^\dagger v \Rightarrow v^\dagger U^\dagger Uv = v^\dagger v \quad \therefore U^\dagger U = I$$

The all-important unitary matrix that preserves the norm of a vector in the complex plane has thus the property

$$|Uv| = |v|$$

$$UU^\dagger = I \quad \therefore U^\dagger = U^{-1}$$

Notice that in the real plane this becomes again simply the orthogonal matrix

$$OO^T = I \quad \therefore O^T = O^{-1}$$

The symmetric matrix $S^T = S$ has as counterpart in \mathbb{C} the Hermitian matrix

$$H^T = H$$

Real

Symmetric $S^T = S$
Orthogonal $O^T = O^{-1}$

Complex

Hermitian $H^T = H$
Unitary $U^T = U^{-1}$

For symmetric matrices the eigenvectors are orthogonal

$$A_{ij} x_j = \lambda^1 x_i \quad A_{ij} x_j^2 = \lambda^2 x_i^2$$

$$\sigma_1 v_1 \cdot \sigma_2 v_2 = \sigma_1 \sigma_2 v_1^T v_2 = 0$$

Diagonalize Hermitian matrices

$$\text{In real space } H = C D C^{-1} \quad H C = C D \quad D = C^{-1} H C$$

$$H r = \lambda r$$

$$\text{Complex conjugate } (H r)^T = (\lambda r)^T$$

$$r^T H = \lambda^* r^T$$

$$r^T H r = \lambda^* r^T r$$

$$r^T \lambda r = \lambda^* r^T r \quad \dots \quad \lambda = \lambda^*$$

A Hermitian matrix has real eigenvalues

Eigenvalues of symmetric matrix are orthogonal

$$S r_1 = \lambda_1 r_1 \quad S r_2 = \lambda_2 r_2 \quad S = S^T$$

$$(r_2) \cdot (S r_1) = (S r_1) \cdot r_2$$

$$\lambda_1 r_2^T \cdot r_1 = (S r_1)^T r_2 = r_1^T S^T r_2 = r_1^T \lambda_2 r_2 = \lambda_2 r_1^T \cdot r_2$$

$$\therefore \lambda_1 r_1 \cdot r_2 = \lambda_2 r_1 \cdot r_2$$

Unless $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$, one must have $r_1 \cdot r_2 = 0$ r_1 and r_2 orthogonal.

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Hermitian matrices too

$$H r_1 = \lambda_1 r_1 \quad ; \quad H r_2 = \lambda_2 r_2$$

$$\vec{r}_2 \cdot H \vec{r}_1 = r_2^\dagger \lambda_1 r_1 = \lambda_1 r_2^\dagger r_1$$

$$= (H \vec{r}_1)^\dagger r_2 = r_1^\dagger H r_2 = \lambda_2 r_1^\dagger r_2 \quad r_1 = r_2$$

$$r_1 \cdot r_2 = r_2 r_1 \Rightarrow r_1^\dagger r_2 = r_2^\dagger r_1$$

So, eigenvalues are real $D = D^\dagger$

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$$D = U M U$$

$$D^\dagger = U^\dagger M^\dagger U^{-\dagger} = U^{-1} M^\dagger U$$

// M must be Hermitian

For general matrices,
 $A = U \Sigma V^T$

→ Gram-Schmidt method for finding orthonormal bases

A B C → Normalize A → \hat{a}

Subtract B from \hat{a} → $b = B - K\hat{a}$

Normalize b → \hat{b}

Subtract C from \hat{a} and \hat{b} → $c = C - K_1\hat{a} - K_2\hat{b}$

Normalize c → \hat{c}

Complex roots of polynomials with real coefficients come in pairs

The conjugate is a solution

Consider

$$P(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots + a_n z^n$$

Where all a_n are real

Suppose some complex number $\zeta = a + bi$ is a root of P

$$P(\zeta) = 0$$

We want to show that

$P(\bar{\zeta}) = 0$ as well, where $\bar{\zeta} = a - bi$ is the conjugate

$$a_0 + a_1 \zeta + a_2 \zeta^2 + \dots + a_n \zeta^n = 0$$

$$\sum a_n \zeta^n = 0$$

$$P(\bar{\zeta}) = \sum a_n (\bar{\zeta})^n = \sum a_n (\bar{\zeta}^n) = \sum \overline{a_n \zeta^n} = \overline{\sum a_n \zeta^n} = \overline{0} = 0$$

Thus $\bar{\zeta}$ is also a solution

$$\overline{z_1 z_2} = \bar{z}_1 \bar{z}_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 z_2 &= (a+bi)(c+di) = ac - bd + i(ad+bc) \\ \overline{z_1 z_2} &= (ac - bd) - i(ad+bc) \end{aligned}$$

$$z_1 z_2 = (a+bi)(c+di) = ac - bd + i(ad+bc)$$

$$\overline{z_1 z_2} = (ac - bd) - i(ad + bc)$$

$$\overline{z_1} \overline{z_2} = (a-bi)(c-di) = (ac - bd) - i(ad + bc)$$

By induction, then $\overline{z}^n = \overline{z^n}$