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Last time: All inner products on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  have the form

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \vec{x}^T K \vec{y} \quad \text{where}$$

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} \langle e_1, e_1 \rangle & \langle e_1, e_2 \rangle & \dots & \underline{\langle e_1, e_n \rangle} \\ \vdots & \cdot & \ddots & \cdot \\ \underline{\langle e_n, e_n \rangle} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

in particular if  $k_{ij} = \langle e_i, e_j \rangle$

$$\text{then } \langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \sum_{i,j} k_{ij} x_i y_j$$

all inner products on  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
look like this!

If all inner products have the form  $\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \underline{x^T K y}$ ,  
which symmetric matrices  $K$  yield an inner product?

If  $K = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  the corresponding inner product is  
the dot product!

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &\longrightarrow \langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = x^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y && \vec{x} = (x_1, x_2) \\ &= (x_1, x_2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} && \vec{y} = (y_1, y_2) \\ &= (x_1, x_2) \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

The  $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  yields an inner product!

Def We say  $K$  is positive definite if  $H$  is symmetric

$$\boxed{x^T K x > 0} \text{ for all } \vec{x} \neq 0.$$

Often  $q(\vec{x}) = x^T K x$  is called the quadratic form associated to  $K$ .

Claim: If  $K$  is positive definite, then

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \boxed{x^T K y} \text{ is an inner product.}$$

If  $K$  is not positive def, it's not an inner product.

- Bilinearity
- Symmetry
- positivity

$x^T K y$  satisfies these properties only when  $K$  is pos def.

$$1) \langle c\vec{x} + d\vec{y}, \vec{z} \rangle$$

$$= (cx + dy)^T K z$$

$$= (cx^T + dy^T) K z$$

Bilinearity

$$= (cx^T K + dy^T K) z$$

$$= cx^T K z + dy^T K z = c \langle \vec{x}, \vec{z} \rangle + d \langle \vec{y}, \vec{z} \rangle$$

2) Symmetry,  $K$  is a symmetric matrix,  $K^T = K$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T K y = x^T K^T y = \underline{(Kx)^T} y$$

$$\underbrace{\langle y, x \rangle}_{\mapsto \mathbb{R}} = y^T K x = \underbrace{(y^T K x)^T}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ |x| \\ \text{matrix}}} = (K x)^T y^T = \underline{(K x)^T y}$$

$$(x^T K x)^T = x^T K x$$

So  $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$

3) Positivity if  $K$  is a positive definite matrix, by def  $\underline{x^T K x > 0}$ ; for all  $x \neq 0$ .

Positivity axiom!

$\underline{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle = x^T K x > 0}$  for all  $x \neq 0$

same! ✓

So  $K$  being pos def is exactly saying that  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^T K y$  satisfies positivity axiom  $\square$

Ex Are  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  positive definite?

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Are  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^T \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} y$  and  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} y$  inner products?

$x^T K x > 0$  ?

$$q(x) = x^T K x = (x_1 \ x_2) \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{4} & -2 \\ -2 & \boxed{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$x_1^2$        $x_1 x_2$   
 $x_2^2$

$$= (x_1 \ x_2) \begin{pmatrix} 4x_1 - 2x_2 \\ -2x_1 + 3x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \underline{4x_1^2} - \underline{4x_1x_2} + \underline{3x_2^2} \quad \textcircled{>0}?$$

$$= (4x_1^2 - 4x_1x_2 + x_2^2) + 2x_2^2$$

$$= (2x_1 - x_2)^2 + 2x_2^2$$

$$> 0 \quad \text{if } x_1, x_2 \neq 0!$$

Completing  
the square  
strategy.

only way this can be 0 is if

$$2x_1 - x_2 = 0$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

$$2x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow (x_1, x_2) = 0$$

So  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  is positive definite!

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} y \quad \text{is an inner product!}$$

$$= \underline{4x_1y_1 - 2x_2y_1 - 2x_1y_2 + 3x_2y_2}$$



$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is not positive definite.

$$q(x) = x^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x = x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + x_2^2 > 0$$

when  $(x_1, x_2) \neq (0, 0)$  ?

If  $(x_1, x_2) = (-1, 1)$

$$\Rightarrow q(-1, 1) = 1^2 + 4(-1)(1) + 1^2 = 2 - 4 = -2 < 0$$

So  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is not positive definite and

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} y = x_1y_1 + 2x_1y_2 + 2x_2y_1 + x_2y_2$$

is not an inner product.

Proposition

A  $2 \times 2$  symmetric matrix is positive definite

if and only if  $a > 0$

$$ac - b^2 > 0$$

"  
det K

"alternate definition"

where

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\rightsquigarrow$

$$4 > 0$$

$$\det = 4 \cdot 3 - (-2)^2 = 12 - 4 = 8 > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  positive def.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\rightsquigarrow$

$$1 > 0$$

$$1 \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot 2 = -3 < 0$$

not positive def.

Proof Friday ...

Gram matrices let  $V$  be any vector space w/ an inner product  
 $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . let  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k \in V$ .

Define the Gram matrix  $G$  of  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  to be

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} \langle v_1, v_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle v_1, v_k \rangle \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle v_k, v_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle v_k, v_k \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} k \times k \\ \text{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

Thm  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  are independent iff  $K$  is positive definite.

*abstract vectors*  
*no row reduction necessary*

*actual matrix*

Proof also on Friday!

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} \langle v_1, v_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle v_1, v_k \rangle \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle v_1, v_k \rangle & \dots & \langle v_k, v_k \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} k \times k \\ \text{matrix} \end{array}$$

Thm  $\underbrace{v_1, \dots, v_k}$  are independent iff  $K$  is positive definite.

Ex Show that  $\cos(x), \cos(2x), \cos(3x)$  are independent functions on  $C^0[0, 2\pi]$ . There's no trig identity between these functions.

Define  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x)g(x) dx$   $L^2$  inner product on  $C^0$ .

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} \langle \cos x, \cos x \rangle & \underline{\langle \cos x, \cos(2x) \rangle} & \langle \cos(x), \cos(3x) \rangle \\ \langle \cos x, \cos 2x \rangle & \langle \cos 2x, \cos 2x \rangle & \langle \cos(2x), \cos(3x) \rangle \\ \langle \cos x, \cos 3x \rangle & \langle \cos 2x, \cos 3x \rangle & \langle \cos 3x, \cos 3x \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} 3 \times 3 \\ \text{matrix?} \end{array}$$

$$\langle \cos x, \cos x \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(x) \cos(x) dx = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2(x) dx = \pi$$

$$\langle \cos 2x, \cos 2x \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 2x dx = \pi = \langle \cos(3x), \cos(3x) \rangle$$

$$\langle \cos x, \cos 2x \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(x) \cos(2x) dx = 0$$

$$\langle \cos x, \cos 3x \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(x) \cos(3x) dx = 0$$

$$\langle \cos 2x, \cos 3x \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(2x) \cos(3x) dx = 0$$

$\cos x, \cos 2x,$   
 $\cos 3x$  are  
 inde when

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} \pi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \pi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \pi \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive def.

$K$  is in fact positive definite!

$K$  is pos def since  $q(x) = x^T K x$

$$(x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3) \begin{pmatrix} \pi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \pi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \pi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \pi x_1^2 + \pi x_2^2 + \pi x_3^2 > 0. \\ !!$$

$\implies \cos x, \cos 2x, \cos 3x$  are independent functions!

by the theorem.

Thm  $K = \begin{pmatrix} k_{11} & k_{12} & \dots \\ k_{21} & k_{22} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & k_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$

Define  $K_i$  to be top left  $i \times i$  submatrix

$$K_2 = \begin{pmatrix} k_{11} & k_{12} \\ k_{21} & k_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ K \end{matrix}$$

then  $K$  is pos def iff all  $\det(K_i) > 0$ .

Pf LU decomposition

$$H(f) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

at a critical pt  
 $(x_0, y_0)$

then it's a min when  
 $H(f)$  is pos def.

Is this an inner product?

$$\langle v, w \rangle_1 = \frac{1}{4} \left( \|v+w\|_1 - \|v-w\|_1 \right) \quad *$$

where  $\| \cdot \|_1$  is the  $L^1$  norm.

$$\|v\|_1 = \sum |v_i| = |v_1| + \dots + |v_n|$$

Is there an inner product  $\langle -, - \rangle_1$  such that  $\|v\|_1 = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$  ?

(a) If  $\langle -, - \rangle_1$  were to exist, it have to have

