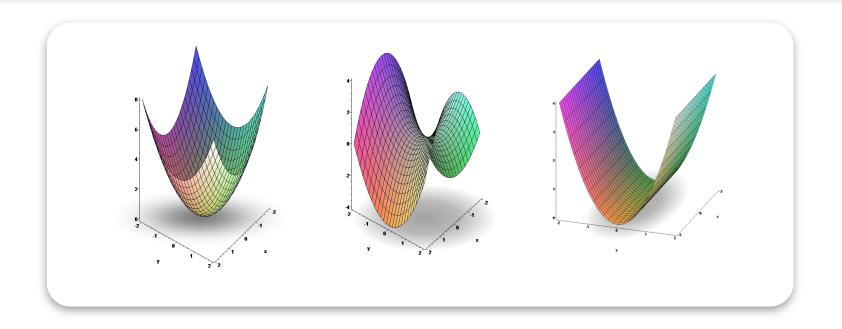
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LECTURE 11Quadratic Functions

"Non-Linear Linear Algebra" Quadratic Forms

Multivariate Polynomials

Multi-variate polynomial of total degree d

- Polynomial function $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$
- Any 1D section $f(\mathbf{x}_0 + t \cdot \mathbf{r})$ of degree $\leq d$ in t.
- Sum of degrees must be $\leq d$

Examples:

- f(x,y) := x + xy + y has total degree 2. (diagonal!)
- General quadratic polynomial in two variables:

$$f(x,y) \coloneqq c_{20}x^2 + c_{11}xy + c_{02}y^2 + c_{10}x + c_{01}y + c_{00}$$

Quadratic Polynomials

General Quadratic Polynomial

- $\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}$
- A is an $n \times n$ matrix, b is an n-dim. vector, c is a number

Example

$$f\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x \ y \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} x \ y \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1x & 2y \\ 3x & 4y \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= 1x^2 + (3+2)xy + 4y^2$$
$$= 1x^2 + 5xy + 4y^2$$

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Normalization / Symmetry

- Matrix A can always be chosen to be symmetric
- If it isn't, we can substitute by $0.5 \cdot (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{T}})$, not changing the polynomial

Example

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$$f\begin{pmatrix} \binom{x}{y} \end{pmatrix} = [x \ y] \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$= 1x^2 + (2.5 + 2.5)xy + 4y^2$$

$$= [x \ y] \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2.5 \\ 2.5 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{x}$$
$$= \mathbf{x}^T \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{M}^T + \mathbf{M}) \mathbf{x}$$

Shapes of Quadrics

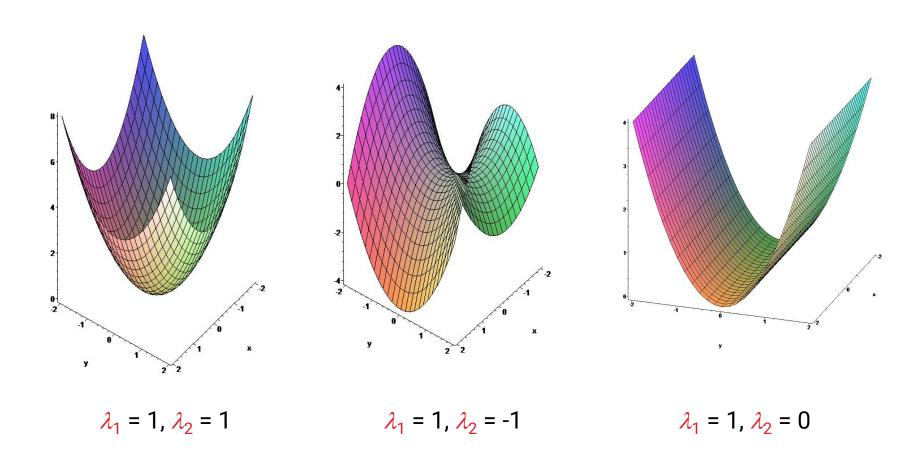
Shape analysis

- $\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}$
- A is symmetric
- A can be diagonalized with orthogonal eigenvectors

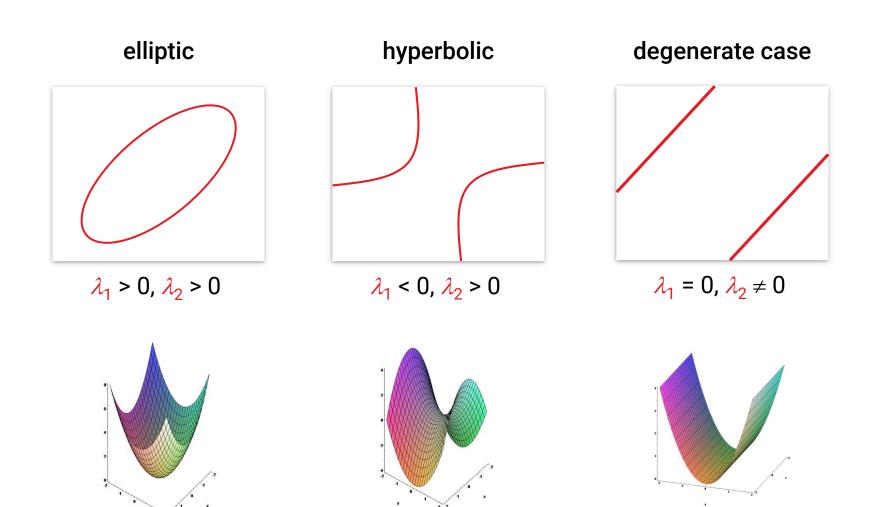
$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{U}\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

- U contains principal axes
- D gives speeds of growth and up/down direction

Shapes of Quadratic Polynomials



The Iso-Lines: Quadrics



"Quadratics"

Quadrics

- Zero level set of a quadratic polynomial: "quadric"
- Shape depends on eigenvalues of A
- b shifts the object in space
- c sets the level

Quadratic Polynomials

Specifying quadratic polynomials:

- Polynomial: $\mathbf{x}^{T}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{T}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}$
- b: shifts the function in space
 - Assuming full rank A

$$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{\mu})^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A}' (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{\mu}) + c'$$

$$= \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A}' \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{\mu}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A}' \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A}' \mathbf{\mu} + \mathbf{\mu}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A}' \mathbf{\mu} + c'$$

$$= \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A}' \mathbf{x} + (-2\mathbf{A}' \mathbf{\mu}) \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{\mu}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A}' \mathbf{\mu} + c'$$

$$\stackrel{\leftarrow}{\mathbf{A}} \qquad \stackrel{\leftarrow}{\mathbf{b}} \qquad \stackrel{\leftarrow}{\mathbf{c}} \qquad \stackrel{\leftarrow}{\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x} + c$$

c: additive constant

Some Properties

Important properties

- Multivariate polynomials of fixed degree form a vector space
- We can add them component-wise:

$$2x^{2} + 4xy + 3y^{2} + 2x + 2y + 4$$

$$+ 3x^{2} + 1xy + 2y^{2} + 5x + 5y + 5$$

$$= 5x^{2} + 5xy + 5y^{2} + 7x + 7y + 9$$

Some Properties

Closed Space

Vector notation:

$$\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}_{1}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_{1}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + c_{1}$$

$$+ \gamma(\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}_{2}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_{2}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + c_{2})$$

$$= \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}(\mathbf{A}_{1} + \gamma \mathbf{A}_{2})\mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{b}_{1} + \gamma \mathbf{b}_{2})^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + (c_{1} + \gamma c_{2})$$

Quadratic Optimization

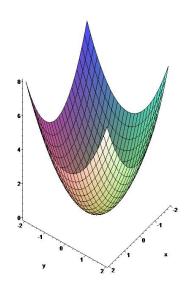
Quadratic Optimization

Minimize quadratic objective function

$$\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}$$

- Required: A > 0 (all eigenvalues positive)
 - It's a paraboloid with a unique minimum
 - The vertex (critical point) can be determined by simply solving a linear system
- Necessary and sufficient condition

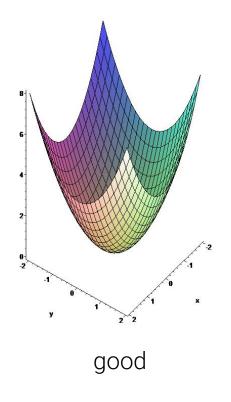
$$2\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{b}$$

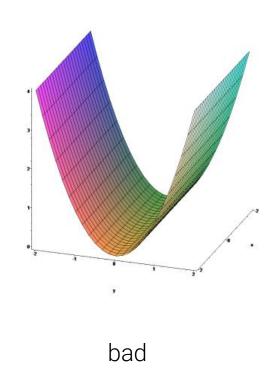


Condition Number

How stable is the solution?

Depends on Matrix A





Regularization

Regularization

- Sums of positive semi-definite matrices are positive semi-definite
 - "Valleys can only get steeper"
- Add regularizing quadric
 - "Fill in the valleys"
 - Bias in the solution



Example

- Original: $x^TAx + b^Tx + c$
- Regularized: $\mathbf{x}^{T}(\mathbf{A} + \epsilon \mathbf{I})\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{T}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}$

Constraint Optimization

(the other way round)

Rayleigh Quotient

Relation to eigenvalues:

Min/max eigenvalues of a symmetric A

$$\lambda_{\min} = \min \frac{\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}} = \min_{\|\mathbf{x}\|=1} \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$$
 $\lambda_{\max} = \max \frac{\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}} = \max_{\|\mathbf{x}\|=1} \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$

- The other way round
 - Eigenvalues solve a special constraint optimization problem
 - Hyper-sphere domain
 - "Non-convex"

Coordinate Transformations

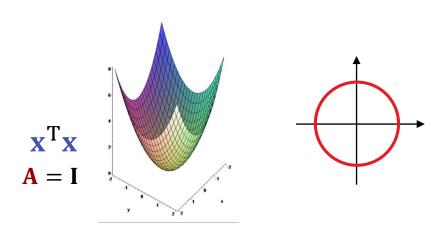
One more interesting property:

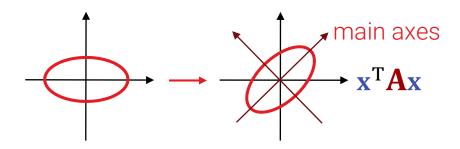
- Symmetric positive definite ("SPD") matrix A
 - Symmetric
 - All eigenvalues positive
- A can be written as square of another matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}} = \left(\mathbf{U}\sqrt{\mathbf{D}}\right) \cdot \left(\sqrt{\mathbf{D}}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}}\right)$$

$$"\sqrt{\mathbf{D}}" = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sqrt{\lambda_1} \end{pmatrix}$$

SPD Quadrics





$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}} = \left(\mathbf{U}\sqrt{\mathbf{D}}\right)^{2}$$
$$\mathbf{x} \to \left(\mathbf{U}\sqrt{\mathbf{D}}\right)\mathbf{x}$$

Interpretation

- Start with unit quadric x^Tx.
 - Scale the main axis (diagonal of D)
 - Rotate to a different coordinate system (columns of U)
- Recovering main axis from A: "principal component analysis" (PCA)