# Eigen values and vectors

Theorem: If  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is symmetric matrix (meaning  $X^T = X$ ), then, there exist real numbers  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n$  (the eigenvalues) and orthogonal, non-zero real vectors  $\phi_1, \phi_2, \ldots, \phi_n$  (the eigenvectors) such that for each  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ :

$$X\phi_i = \lambda_i \phi_i$$

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#### COVARIANCE

$$Cov(X, X) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X^2$$

assuming X is mean centered

$$Cov(X, X) = \frac{1}{n}XX^T$$

If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is symmetric matrix, then the  $m \times m$  matrix  $AA^T$  and the  $n \times n$  matrix  $A^TA$  are both symmetric

We can apply Spectral theorem to the matrices  $AA^T$  and  $A^TA$ 

Question: How are the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors of these matrices related?

Using Spectral theorem

$$(A^T A)\phi = \lambda \phi$$

Multiply both sides by X

$$A(A^T A)\phi = A\lambda\phi$$

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Very powerful, particularly if number of observations, n, and the number of features, m, are drastically different in size.

For PCA: 
$$Cov(A, A) = AA^T$$

#### SINGULAR VALUE DECOMPOSITION

Theorem : 
$$A_{mn} = U_{mm} \Sigma_{mn} V_{nn}^T$$

A - Rectangular matrix,  $m \times n$ 

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$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$V^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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