

Canonical Form:

The Reduction of an arbitrary quadratic form (by some non-singular linear transformation) to a sum of squares of the unknowns (or) to a form where all coefficient of product of distinct unknowns are zero is a special form of the quadratic form called as a canonical form.

i.e., A quadratic form $x^T A x$ in n unknowns, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n can be reduced (via a non-singular linear transformation) to the canonical form $d_1 y_1^2 + d_2 y_2^2 + \dots + d_n y_n^2$ where y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n are the new unknowns, but some of the coefficients d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n may of course be zeros.

Nature of the quadratic form:

If $Q = x^T A x$ is the quadratic form in 'n' variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . Then

(i) Rank: Number of non-zero Eigen Values.

(ii) Index: The number of positive square terms in the canonical form.

(iii) Signature: The difference of the number of positive and negative square terms in the canonical form.

(iv) Nature: Q is said to be

a) positive definite - if all the Eigen Values are positive numbers.

b) Negative definite - if all the Eigen Values are negative numbers.

c) positive semi-definite - if all the Eigen Values are positive and at least one E.V is zero

d) **Negative Semi-definite** - if all the Eigen Values are negative and atleast one Eigen Value is zero.

e) **Indefinite** - if the form has both positive and negative Eigen Values.

Problems:

1. Determine the nature of the following quadratic form $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$

Solution:

The matrix of the quadratic form is

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \text{coe. of } x_1^2 & \frac{1}{2} \text{ coe. of } x_1 x_2 & \frac{1}{2} \text{ coe. of } x_1 x_3 \\ \frac{1}{2} \text{ coe. of } x_1 x_2 & \text{coe. of } x_2^2 & \frac{1}{2} \text{ coe. of } x_2 x_3 \\ \frac{1}{2} \text{ coe. of } x_1 x_3 & \frac{1}{2} \text{ coe. of } x_2 x_3 & \text{coe. of } x_3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The Eigen Values are 1, 2 and 0.

Since all the Eigen Values are positive, and one E.V is zero, the nature of the quadratic form is **positive semi-definite**.

2. Find the rank, index, signature and nature for the following Canonical forms.

(i) $y_1^2 + 3y_2^2 + 4y_3^2$

(ii) $-y_1^2 + y_2^2 + 4y_3^2$

(iii) $3y_2^2 + 15y_3^2$

(i) Rank = no. of non-zero Eigen Values
= 3.

Index = number of positive square terms = 3.

Signature = Diff b/w positive and negative square terms = 3 - 0 = 3.

Nature - Positive Definite

(ii) Rank = 3

Index = 2

Signature = 2 - 1 = 1

Nature - Indefinite

(iii) Rank = 2

Index = 2

Signature = 2

Nature - positive Semidefinite.

Reduction of Quadratic form to Canonical form by orthogonal Transformation.

1) Reduce the given quadratic form

$x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3$ into canonical form by using orthogonal transformation. Find its nature.

Solution:

1) Given $Q = x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3$

Now the matrix of the quadratic form is

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

$$3x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3 + 2x_3x_1 - 2x_1x_2 \quad (2, 3, 6) \quad \text{pg: 1.17b}$$

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$$1) 2x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2$$

$$+ 2x_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 - 4x_2x_3$$

$$2) x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2$$

$$+ 2x_2x_3 \quad (0, 1, 3)$$

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Steps:

- 1) Write the matrix of the given quadratic form.
- 2) To find the characteristic Equation
- 3) To solve the characteristic Equation
- 4) To find the Eigenvectors orthogonal to each other.
- 5) Form Normalized matrix N .
- 6) Find N^T
- 7) Find AN
- 8) Find $D = N^T AN$
- 9) Canonical Form $[y_1 \ y_2 \ y_3] [D] \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}$.

2) c.E

The c.E. of a 3×3 matrix is given by

$$\lambda^3 - S_1 \lambda^2 + S_2 \lambda - S_3 = 0.$$

$$S_1 = 1+3+3 = 7 \quad ; \quad S_2 = 9-1+3+3 = 14; \quad S_3 = 8.$$

$$\therefore \text{The c.E is } \lambda^3 - 7\lambda^2 + 14\lambda - 8 = 0. \quad \textcircled{1}$$

3) solve c.E

$$\lambda^3 - 7\lambda^2 + 14\lambda - 8 = 0.$$

$$\lambda = 1, \text{ c.E} = 0.$$

$\lambda = 1$ is a root.

$$\begin{array}{r|cccc} 1 & 1 & -7 & 14 & -8 \\ & 0 & 1 & -6 & 8 \\ \hline & 1 & -6 & 8 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 8 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2, 4.$$

\therefore The Eigen Values are 1, 2 and 4.

1) Eigen Vector

$$(A - \lambda I)X = 0.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3-\lambda & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Case 1):

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 = 0$$

$$0x_1 + 2x_2 - 1x_3 = 0$$

$$0x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$$

Consider 2nd and 3rd row equations,

$$\begin{array}{cccc} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} & & & \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{x_2}{\begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{x_3}{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{4-1} = \frac{x_2}{0} = \frac{x_3}{0}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{3} = \frac{x_2}{0} = \frac{x_3}{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x_1}{1} = \frac{x_2}{0} = \frac{x_3}{0}$$

$$X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Case (ii): $\lambda = 2$.

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider first and second row in

$$-x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 = 0$$

$$0x_1 + 1x_2 - 1x_3 = 0$$

$$0x_1 - 1x_2 + 1x_3 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} & x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline x_1 & = & x_2 & = x_3 \\ \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{array} \right| & = & \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{array} \right| & = & \left| \begin{array}{cc} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right| \end{array}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{0} = \frac{x_2}{-1} = \frac{x_3}{-1}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{0} = \frac{x_2}{1} = \frac{x_3}{1}$$

$$X_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Case (iii) $\lambda = 4$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-3x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 = 0$$

$$0x_1 - 1x_2 - 1x_3 = 0$$

$$0x_1 - 1x_2 - 1x_3 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 & x_1 & & x_2 & & x_3 & & \\
 0 & & 0 & & -3 & & 0 & \\
 -1 & & -1 & & 0 & & -1 & \\
 \hline
 x_1 & & & & x_2 & & & & x_3 & \\
 \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \end{array} \right| & = & \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & -3 \\ -1 & 0 \end{array} \right| & = & \left| \begin{array}{cc} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{array} \right|
 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{0} = \frac{x_2}{-3} = \frac{x_3}{3}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{0} = \frac{x_2}{-1} = \frac{x_3}{1}$$

$$x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

*) Check: Orthogonal Property:

$$x_1^T x_2 = [1 \ 0 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = [0]$$

$$x_1^T x_3 = [1 \ 0 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = [0]$$

$$x_2^T x_3 = [0 \ 1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = [0 - 1 + 1] = [0]$$

∴ The Eigen Vectors satisfy the orthogonal Property.

*) Normalized ^{Modal} Matrix, N .

$$l = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2} = \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 0^2} = \sqrt{1} = 1 \text{ for } x_1$$

$$= \sqrt{0^2 + (-1)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2} \text{ for } x_2$$

$$= \sqrt{0^2 + (-1)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2} \text{ for } x_3$$

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

6) Find N^T

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

7) Find AN .

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

8) Find $D = N^T A N$.

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

9) Canonical Form:

$$Y^T D Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= y_1^2 + 2y_2^2 + 4y_3^2$$

10) Nature:

Index = 3

Rank = 3

Signature = 3 - 0 = 3

Nature is positive Definite.

Extra:

~~$6x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 - 4xy - 2yz + 4zx$~~