

$A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is an orthogonal matrix iff
columns of A are orthonormal.

$$\det(A) = \det(A^T) = \pm 1$$

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

Review: matrix for a linear transformation

Thm: $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is an central isometry iff
 $f(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ A is orthogonal

Proof: WLOG. assume $n=2$.

(\Rightarrow) $\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2 \mapsto f(\vec{e}_1), f(\vec{e}_2)$ orthonormal.

$\Rightarrow A$ is orthogonal.

(\Leftarrow) Sp. A is orthogonal. Let $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

Let $\vec{w} = \vec{u} - \vec{v}$.

$$\begin{aligned} |A\vec{w}|^2 &= (A\vec{w})^T (A\vec{w}) = \vec{w}^T A^T A \vec{w} \\ &= \vec{w}^T \vec{w} = |\vec{w}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{So } |A\vec{w}| = |\vec{w}| \quad \square$$

Central Isometries:

Thm 1: The matrix for p_θ : rotation by angle θ

is $R_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$. Find eigenvalues/
eigenvectors of R_θ

Proof: Let $P = (x, y)$ $x = r \cos \varphi$, $y = r \sin \varphi$