

Quadratic forms

A function $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ of n real variables

x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n is defined to be quadratic form if

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{22}x_2^2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n^2 + \\ 2a_{12}x_1x_2 + 2a_{13}x_1x_3 + \dots + 2a_{1n}x_1x_n + \dots + 2a_{(n-1)n}x_{n-1}x_n$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j = \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} \rightarrow \text{scalar}$$

The symmetric matrix A is defined to be the matrix of $(Q.F)$ where $A = \{a_{ij}\}_{i,j=1,2,\dots,n}$

Note The quadratic form $Q = \underline{Y}' A \underline{Y}$ is called positive definite if $q > 0$ for all elements in \underline{Y} .

and is semi-positive definite if $y \geq 0 \forall \text{ element}$

$$\text{in } Y \text{ , } g = \sum_i d_i y_i^2$$

Theorems

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 - I A is p.d. matrix iff all leading principle minor determinants are positive "المحددات المقدمة كلها موجبة"
 - II A is s.p.d. matrix iff the first r leading principle minor determinants are positive and the remaining n-r are zero, then $r(A) = r$

$$P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} q_{11} & q_{12} \\ q_{21} & q_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} q_{11} & q_{13} \\ q_{21} & q_{23} \\ q_{31} & q_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

Symmetric

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 9_{11} & 9_{12} & 9_{13} \\ 9_{21} & 9_{22} & 9_{23} \\ 9_{31} & 9_{32} & 9_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$