

Lecture 1. Vectors, matrices, and derivatives.

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1. Notations

Scalar: x (single number). lower-case name.

$x \in \mathbb{R}$ (x is a real value $\in (-\infty, +\infty)$)

$x \in \mathbb{N}$ (x is a natural value)

$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$.

Vectors: array of numbers

\mathbf{x} (lower-case, bold typeface)

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

: all vectors are column vector in default.

$\mathbf{x}^T = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
row vector.

matrix: 2D array of numbers.

A (upper case, bld typeface)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \cdots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \cdots & A_{mn} \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

A_{ij} : element at the i th row and j th column.

$A_{i:} \Rightarrow$ All elements in the i th row.

$A{:}j \Rightarrow$ All elements in the j th column.

2. Operations.

1) inner and outer product.

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad (x \text{ is a vector of } n \text{ values}) \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

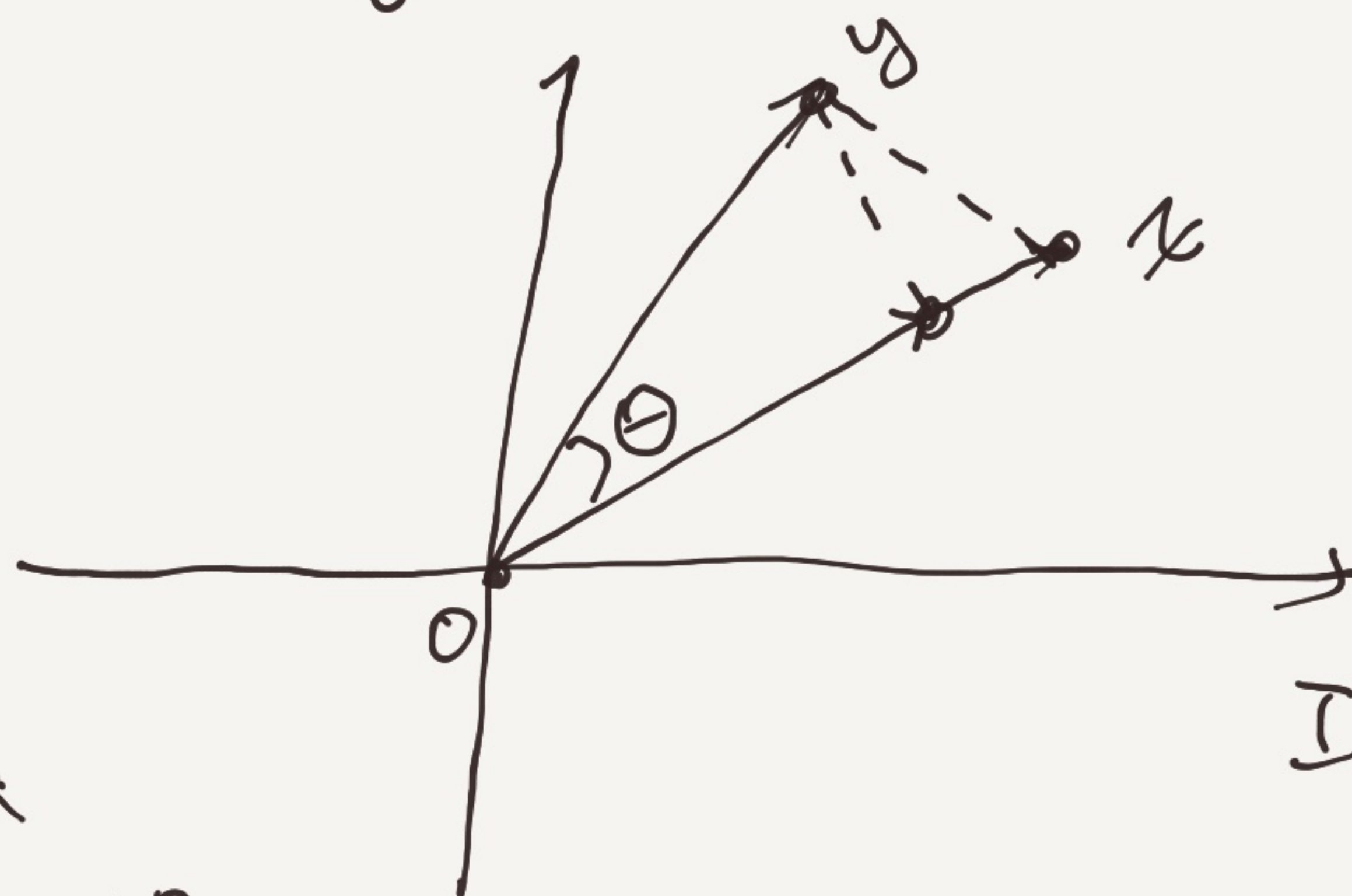
$$y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Inner product between x and y :

$$x^T \cdot y = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]_{1 \times n} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}_{n \times 1} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot y_i$$

$$= \|x\|_2 \cdot [\|y\|_2 \cdot \cos \theta]$$



$$\text{If } \theta = 0, \quad x^T y = \|x\|_2 \cdot \|y\|_2 \cdot 1$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad x^T y = 0$$



outer product.

$$x \otimes y = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 y_1, x_1 y_2, \dots, x_1 y_n \\ \vdots \\ x_n y_1, x_n y_2, \dots, x_n y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Calculus

1) Derivatives: D of a function f of an input variable.

measures the sensitivity of function values to the changes of its input variable.

$$\textcircled{1} f(x): \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$Df(x) = \frac{df(x)}{dx}$$

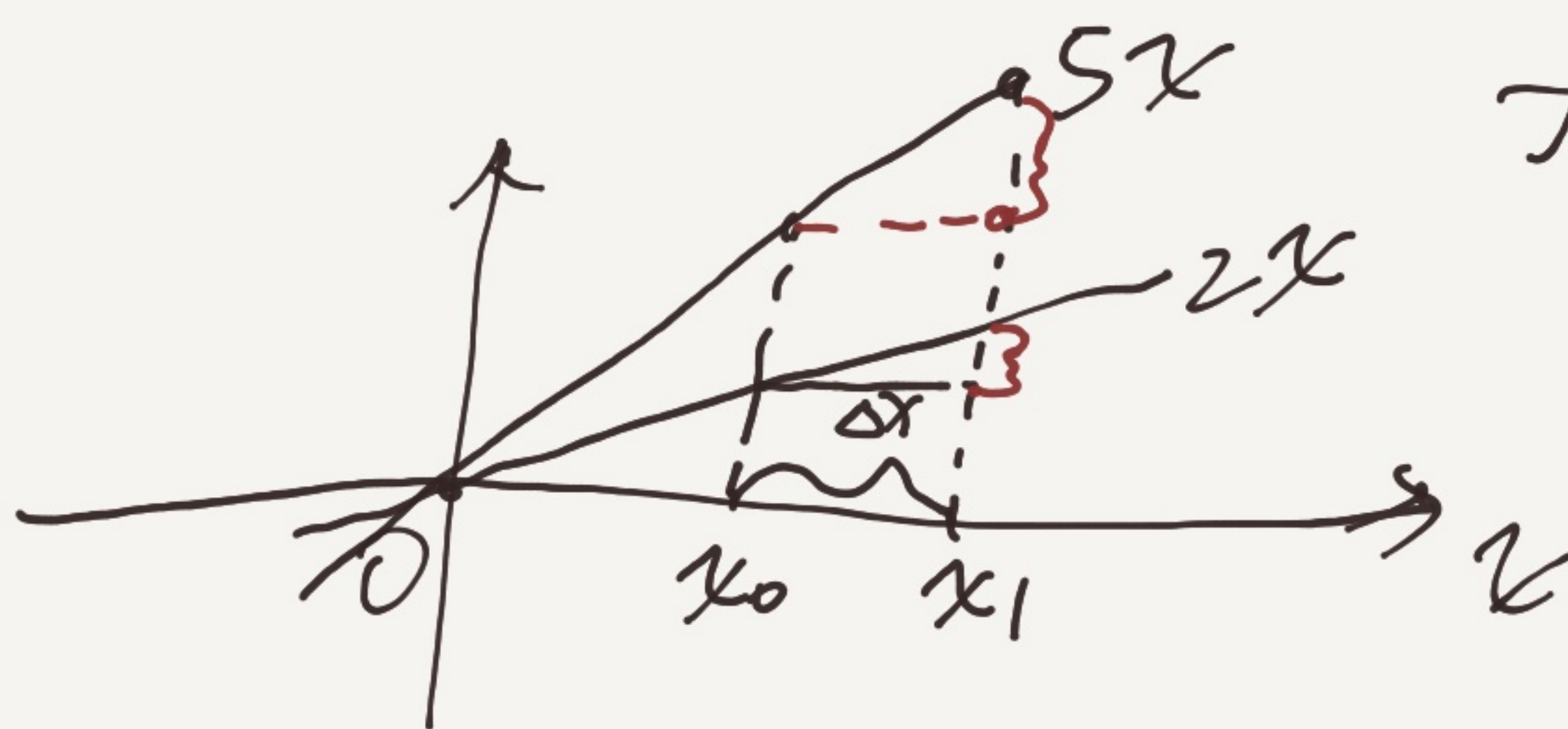
$$\text{if } f(x) = 5x, \Rightarrow Df(x) = 5$$

$$f(x) = 2x \Rightarrow Df(x) = 2$$

$$f(x) = nx$$

$$Df(x) = n = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5\Delta x}{\Delta x} = 5$$



$$\textcircled{2} f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \mathbf{x} \in \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$Df(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right) \quad \text{row vector.}$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = \underline{x_1^2} + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2$$

$$Df(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} = 2x_1, 2x_2, \dots, 2x_n \right) = 2\mathbf{x}^T$$

$$\text{Gradient: } \nabla \quad \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = (Df(\mathbf{x}))^T$$

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = 2\mathbf{x}$$

$$\textcircled{3} f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \quad x \in \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad y \in \begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Df(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

④ Examples: $f(x), x \in \mathbb{R}$

Function

Derivatives

$$f(x) = a \text{ (constant)}$$

$$Df(x) = 0$$

$$f(x) = ax$$

$$Df(x) = a$$

$$f(x) = x^n$$

$$Df(x) = n \cdot x^{n-1}$$

$$* f(x) = e^x$$

$$Df(x) = e^x$$

$$* f(x) = \log x$$

$$Df(x) = 1/x$$

