

## 1 Vectors

### Vectors

- An ordered finite list of numbers.
- Block or stacked vectors ( $a = [b, c, d]$ ), Subvectors ( $a_{r:s} = (a_r, \dots, a_s)$ ), Zero vectors (all elements equal to zero), Unit vectors ( $(e_i = 1)$ ), Ones vector ( $1_n$ ) & Sparsity ( $\text{nnz}(x)$ )

### Vector addition

- Commutative:  $a + b = b + a$
- Associative:  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$
- $a + 0 = 0 + a = a$
- $a - a = 0$

### 1.1 Scalar-vector multiplication

$$(-2)(1, 9, 6) = (-2, -18, -12)$$

- Commutative:  $\alpha a = a\alpha$
- Left-distributive:  $(\beta + \gamma)a = \beta a + \gamma a$
- Right-distributive:  $a(\beta + \gamma) = \beta a + \gamma a$

Linear combinations:  $\beta_1 a_1 + \dots + \beta_m a_m$

- With Unit vectors:  $b = b_1 e_1 + \dots + b_n e_n$
- If  $\beta_1 + \dots + \beta_m = 1$ , linear combination is said to be *affine combination*

### 1.2 Inner product

$a^T b = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n$  **Properties:**

- Commutativity:  $a^T b = b^T a$
- Scalar multiplication Associativity:  $(\gamma a)^T b = \gamma(a^T b)$
- Vector addition Distributivity:  $(a + b)^T c = a^T c + b^T c$

### General examples:

- Unit vector:  $e_i^T a = a_i$
- Sum:  $1^T a = a_1 + \dots + a_n$
- Average:  $(1/n)^T a = (a_1 + \dots + a_n)/n$
- Sum of squares:  $a^T a = a_1^2 + \dots + a_n^2$
- Selective sum: If  $b_i = 1$  or 0,  $b^T a$  is the sum of elements for which  $b_i = 1$ ,

### Block vectors

$$a^T b = a_1^T b_1 + \dots + a_k^T b_k$$

### 1.3 Complexity of vector computations

Space:  $8n$  bytes

Complexity of vector operations:  $x^T y = 2n - 1$  flops ( $n$  scalar multiplications and  $n - 1$  scalar additions)

### 2 Linear functions

#### 2.1 Linear functions

$f: R^n \rightarrow R$  means  $f$  is a function mapping  $n$ -vectors to numbers

Superposition & linearity:  $f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$

$$f(\alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k) = \alpha_1 f(x_1) + \dots + \alpha_k f(x_k)$$

A function that satisfies superposition is called *linear*

#### Linear function satisfies

- Homogeneity: For any  $n$ -vector  $x$  and any scalar  $\alpha$ ,  $f(\alpha x) = \alpha f(x)$

$a^T b = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \|a\| \|b\| \cos(\angle(a, b))$

**Affine functions**  $f: R_n \rightarrow R$  is affine if and only if it can be expressed as  $f(x) = a^T x + b$  for some  $n$ -vector  $a$  and scalar  $b$ , which is sometimes called the *offset*. Any affine scalar-valued function satisfies the following variation on the superposition property:  $f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$ , where  $\alpha + \beta = 1$

### 2.2 Taylor approximation

The (first-order) Taylor approximation of  $f$  near (or at) the point  $z$ :

$$\hat{f}(x) = f(z) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(z)(x_1 - z_1) + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(z)(x_n - z_n)$$

Alternatively,  $\hat{f}(x) = f(z) + \nabla f(z)^T (x - z)$

### 2.3 Regression model

Regression model is (the affine function of  $x$ )  $\hat{y} = x^T \beta + v$

### 3 Norm and distance

#### 3.1 Norm

Euclidean norm (or just norm) is

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2} = \sqrt{x^T x}$$

#### Properties

- homogeneity:  $\|\beta x\| = |\beta| \|x\|$
- triangle inequality:  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$
- non negativity:  $\|x\| \geq 0$
- definiteness:  $\|x\| = 0$  only if  $x = 0$

positive definiteness = non negativity + definiteness

$$\text{rms}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}{n}} = \frac{\|x\|}{\sqrt{n}}$$

#### • Norm of a sum:

$$\|a + b\|^2 = (x + y)^T (x + y) = \|x\|^2 + 2x^T y + \|y\|^2$$

**Norm of block vectors**  $\|(a, b, c)\| = \sqrt{\|a\|^2 + \|b\|^2 + \|c\|^2} = \sqrt{(\|a\|, \|b\|, \|c\|)^T}$

**Chebyshev inequality**  $k$  of its entries satisfy  $|x_i| \geq a$ , then  $\frac{k}{n} \leq (\frac{\text{rms}(x)}{a})^2$

### 3.2 Distance

$\text{dist}(a, b) = \|a - b\|$

Triangle Inequality:  $\|a - c\| \leq \|(a - b) + (b - c)\| \leq \|a - b\| + \|b - c\|$

$z_j$  is the nearest neighbor of  $x$  if  $\|x - z_j\| \leq \|x - z_i\|, i = 1, \dots, m$

### 3.3 Standard Deviation

de-meanned vector:  $\tilde{x} = x - \text{avg}(x)1$

$$\text{standard deviation: } \text{std}(x) = \text{rms}(\tilde{x}) = \frac{\|x - (\frac{1}{n} \sum x_i)1\|}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\text{rms}(x)^2 = \text{avg}(x)^2 + \text{std}(x)^2$$

By Chebyshev inequality,  $|x_i - \text{avg}(x)| \geq \alpha \text{std}(x)$  is no more than  $1/\alpha^2$  (for  $\alpha > 1$ )

**Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:**  $|a^T b| \leq \|a\| \|b\|$

### 3.4 Angle

angle between two nonzero vectors  $a, b$  defined as

$$\angle(a, b) = \arccos(\frac{a^T b}{\|a\| \|b\|})$$

$a^T b = \|a\| \|b\| \cos(\angle(a, b))$

### Classification of angles

$$\theta = \pi/2: a \perp b$$

$$\theta = 0: a^T b = \|a\| \|b\|$$

$$\theta = \pi = 180^\circ: a^T b = -\|a\| \|b\|$$

$$\theta \leq \pi/2 = 90^\circ: a^T b \geq 0$$

$$\theta \geq \pi/2 = 90^\circ: a^T b \leq 0$$

$$\text{Correlation Coefficient } \rho = \frac{a^T \tilde{b}}{\|a\| \|b\|}$$

With  $u = \tilde{a}/\text{std}(a)$  &  $v = \tilde{b}/\text{std}(b)$ ,

$$\rho = u^T v / n \text{ where } \|u\| = \|v\| = n$$

### 3.5 Complexity

- norm:  $2n$
- rms:  $2n$
- dist( $a, b$ ):  $3n$
- $\angle(a, b)$ :  $6n$

## 4 Clustering

### 4.1 Clustering

### 4.2 A clustering Objective

$G_j = \{i | c_i = j\}$  where  $G_j$  is set of all indices  $i$  for which  $c_i = j$

Group representatives: We want each rep to be close to the vectors, i.e.  $\|x_i - z_{c_i}\|$  where  $x_i$  is in group  $j = c_i$  so  $z_{c_i}$  is the representative vector associated with data vector  $x_i$

$$J^{\text{clust}} = (\|x_1 - z_{c_1}\|^2 + \dots + \|x_N - z_{c_N}\|^2) / N$$

Partitioning vectors with representatives fixed:  $\|x_i - z_{c_i}\| = \min_{j=1, \dots, k} \|x_i - z_j\|$

$$J^{\text{clust}} = \left( \min_{j=1, \dots, k} \|x_1 - z_j\|^2 + \dots + \min_{j=1, \dots, k} \|x_N - z_j\|^2 \right) / N$$

Optimizing group representatives with assignment fixed:  $J^{\text{clust}} = J_1 + \dots + J_k$  where  $J_j = (1/N) \sum_{i \in G_j} \|x_i - z_j\|^2$

To minimize mean square distance  $z_j = (1/|G_j|) \sum_{i \in G_j} x_i$  where  $|G_j|$  is standard notation for number of elements in set  $G_j$

### 4.3 The k-means algorithm

### 4.4 Examples

### 4.5 Applications

### 5 Linear Independence

$(a_1, \dots, a_k)$  is linearly dependent if  $\beta_1 a_1 + \dots + \beta_k a_k = 0$ , for some  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k$ , that are not all zero

### 5.1 Linear Independence

$(a_1, \dots, a_k)$  is linearly independent if  $\beta_1 a_1 + \dots + \beta_k a_k = 0$  &  $\beta_1 = \dots = \beta_k = 0$

• Adding vector to linearly dependent makes new vector linearly dependent

• Removing vector from linearly dependent makes new vector linearly

independent

### 5.2 Basis

**basis:** A collection of  $n$  linearly independent (maximum possible size)  $n$ -vectors

**Independence-dimension inequality** • A linearly independent set of  $n$ -vectors can have at most  $n$  elements

• any set of  $n + 1$  or more  $n$ -vectors is linearly dependent

### 5.3 Orthonormal Vectors

$a_1, \dots, a_k$  are (mutually) orthogonal if  $a_i \perp a_j$  for  $i \neq j$

They are *normalized* if  $\|a_i\| = 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$

• orthonormal if orthogonal & normalized

• can be expressed using inner products

$$a_i^T a_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = j \\ 0, & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

• orthonormal sets of vectors are linearly independent

•  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  is an orthonormal basis, we have for any  $n$ -vector  $x = (a_1^T x) a_1 + \dots + (a_n^T x) a_n$

### 5.4 Gram-Schmidt(orthogonalization)

An algorithm to check if  $a_1, \dots, a_k$  are linearly independent

given  $n$ -vectors  $a_1, \dots, a_n$

for  $i = 1, \dots, k$

1. Orthogonalization:

$$\tilde{q}_i = a_i - (q_1^T a_i) q_1 - \dots - (q_{i-1}^T a_i) q_{i-1}$$

2. Test for linear dependence:

if  $\tilde{q}_i = 0$ , quit

3. Normalization:  $q_i = \tilde{q}_i / \|\tilde{q}_i\|$

• if G-S does not stop early (in step 2),  $a_1, \dots, a_k$  are linearly independent

• if G-S stops early in iteration  $i = j$ , then  $a_j$  is a linear combination of  $a_1, \dots, a_{j-1}$  (so  $a_1, \dots, a_k$  are linearly dependent)

**Complexity:**  $2nk^2$

## 6 Matrices

### 6.1 Matrices

The set of real  $m \times n$  matrices is denoted  $R^{m \times n}$

### 6.2 Zero and identity matrices

- Zero: All elements equals 0.
- Identity: All elements equals 0 and diagonal element equals 1.
- Sparse: If many entries are 0
- Diagonal: off-diagonal entries are zero
- Triangular: upper triangular if  $A_{ij} = 0$  for  $i > j$ , and it is lower triangular if  $A_{ij} = 0$  for  $i < j$

### 6.3 Transpose, addition and norm

Block matrix Transpose

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} A^T & C^T \\ B^T & D^T \end{bmatrix}$$

**Symmetric matrix:**  $A = A^T$

**Properties of matrix addition**

- Commutativity:  $A + B = B + A$
- Associativity:  $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$
- Addition with zero matrix:  $A + 0 = 0 + A = A$
- Transpose of sum:  $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$

If  $A$  is a matrix and  $\beta, \gamma$  are scalars

$$(\beta + \gamma)A = \beta A + \gamma A, (\beta \gamma)A = \beta(\gamma A)$$

**Matrix norm**  $\|A\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m A_{ij}^2}$  matrix norm satisfies the properties of any norm

### 6.4 Matrix-vector multiplication

$A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $x$  is an  $n$ -vector, then the matrix-vector product  $y = Ax$

$$y_i = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik} x_k = A_{i1} x_1 + \dots + A_{in} x_n \text{ for } i = 1 \dots m$$

• Row and column interpretations.

$y = Ax$  can be expressed as  $y_i = b_i^T x, i = 1, \dots, m$  where  $b_1^T, \dots, b_m^T$  are rows of  $A$

•  $y = Ax$  could also be expressed in terms of column  $y = x_1 a_1 + x_2 a_2 + \dots + x_n a_n$

### 6.5 Complexity

addition:  $mn$

vector multiplication:  $m(2n - 1) \approx 2mn$

## 7 Matrix examples

### 7.1 Geometric transformations

• Scaling:  $y = Ax$  with  $A = aI$  stretches a vector by the factor  $|a|$  (or shrinks it when  $|a| < 1$ ), and it flips the vector (reverses its direction) if  $a < 0$

• Dilation:  $y = Dx$ , where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix,  $D = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2)$ . Stretches the vector  $x$  by different factors along the two different axes. (Or shrinks, if  $|d_i| < 1$ , and flips, if  $d_i < 0$ .)

• Rotation Matrix:  $y = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} x$

• Reflection Suppose that  $y$  is the vector obtained by reflecting  $x$  through the line that passes through the origin, inclined  $\theta$  radians with respect to horizontal.

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\theta) & \sin(2\theta) \\ \sin(2\theta) & -\cos(2\theta) \end{bmatrix} x$$

• Projection into a line Projection of point  $x$  onto a set is the point in the set that is closest to  $x$ .

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} (1/2)(1 + \cos(2\theta)) & (1/2)\sin(2\theta) \\ (1/2)\sin(2\theta) & (1/2)(1 - \cos(2\theta)) \end{bmatrix} x$$

### 7.2 Selectors

An  $m \times n$  selector matrix  $A$  is one in which each row is a unit vector (transposed):

$$\begin{bmatrix} e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_m}^T \end{bmatrix}$$

When it multiplies a vector, it simply copies the  $k_i$ th entry of  $x$  into the  $i$ th entry of  $y = Ax$ :

$$y = (x_{k_1}, x_{k_2}, \dots, x_{k_m})$$

### 7.3 Incidence matrix

**Directed graph:** A *directed graph* consists of a set of *vertices* (or nodes), labeled  $1, \dots, n$ , and a set of *directed edges* (or branches), labeled  $1, \dots, m$ .

$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{edge } j \text{ points to node } i \\ -1, & \text{edge } j \text{ points from node } i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### 7.4 Convolution

## 8 Linear equations

### 8.1 Linear and affine functions

Superposition condition:  $f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$

Such an  $f$  is called Linear

Matrix vector product function:  $A$  is  $m \times n$  matrix such that  $f(x) = Ax$  and  $f$  is linear

$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = A(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$$

Converse is true: If  $f : R^n \mapsto R^m$  is linear, then  $f(x) = f(x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + \dots x_n e_n)$

$$= x_1 f(e_1) + x_2 f(e_2) + \dots x_n f(e_n) \\ = Ax \text{ with } A = [f(e_1) + f(e_2) + \dots f(e_n)]$$

Affine Functions:  $f : R^n \mapsto R^m$  is affine if it is a linear function plus a constant i.e  $f(x) = Ax + b$  same as  $f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$  holds for all  $x, y$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 1$

$A$  and  $B$  can be calculated as

$$A = [f(e_1) - f(0) \quad f(e_2) - f(0) \dots f(e_n) - f(0)]; b = f(0)$$

Affine functions sometimes incorrectly called linear functions

### 8.2 Linear function models

Price elasticity of demand  $\delta_i^{price} = (p_i^{new} - p_i)/p_i$ : fractional changes in prices

$\delta_i^{dem} = (d_i^{new} - d_i)/d_i$ : fractional change in demand  
Price demand elasticity model:  $\delta^{dem} = E \delta^{price}$

Taylor series approximation  
Regression model

### 8.3 Systems of linear equations

## 9 Linear dynamical systems

### 9.1 Linear dynamical systems

### 9.2 Population dynamics

### 9.3 Epidemic dynamics

### 9.4 Motion of a mass

### 9.5 Supply chain dynamics

