

linear_transformation example with numpy



Certainly! Linear transformations are fundamental in linear algebra and can be efficiently implemented using NumPy. Let's go through a basic example of a linear transformation using NumPy:

Example: Linear Transformation

Suppose we want to perform a linear transformation on a set of 2D vectors. A common transformation is scaling and rotating vectors.

1. **Scaling Transformation:** A scaling transformation changes the size of a vector but not its direction. It can be represented by a diagonal matrix.
2. **Rotation Transformation:** A rotation transformation changes the direction of a vector but not its size. It can be represented by a rotation matrix.

Code Example

Let's use NumPy to perform both scaling and rotation on a 2D vector.

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import numpy as np

# Define a 2D vector
vector = np.array([1, 2])

# Define a scaling matrix (scaling by a factor of 2 in both directions)
scaling_matrix = np.array([[2, 0],
                           [0, 2]])

# Define a rotation matrix (rotating by 90 degrees counterclockwise)
theta = np.pi / 2 # 90 degrees in radians
rotation_matrix = np.array([[np.cos(theta), -np.sin(theta)],
                             [np.sin(theta), np.cos(theta)]])

# Apply scaling transformation
scaled_vector = np.dot(scaling_matrix, vector)
print("Scaled Vector:", scaled_vector)

# Apply rotation transformation
rotated_vector = np.dot(rotation_matrix, vector)
print("Rotated Vector:", rotated_vector)
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Explanation

1. Scaling Transformation:

- The scaling matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ scales the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ by a factor of 2 in both x and y directions.
- The result is $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

2. Rotation Transformation:

- The rotation matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ rotates the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ by 90 degrees counterclockwise.
- The result is $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

This example demonstrates how to use NumPy to apply linear transformations to vectors using matrices. You can modify the matrices to perform different transformations as needed.

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