

### 3 Lecture 3: Jan 25

Last time

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Today

- Linear algebra: vector and vector space, rank of a matrix
- Column space and Nullspace (JM Appendix A)

Notations

$$\underset{n \times 1}{\mathbf{y}} = \underset{n \times p}{\mathbf{X}} \underset{p \times 1}{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \underset{n \times 1}{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1p} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{np} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- All vectors are column vector
- Write dimensions underneath as in  $\underset{n \times p}{\mathbf{X}}$  or as  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$
- Bold upper-case letters for Matrices. Bold lower-case letters for Vectors.

Vector and vector space

(from JM Appendix A)

- A set of vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$  are *linearly dependent* if there exist coefficients  $c_j$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^n c_j \mathbf{x}_j = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\|\mathbf{c}\|_2 = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j^2 > 0$ . They are *linearly independent* if  $\sum_{j=1}^n c_j \mathbf{x}_j = \mathbf{0}$  implies (i.e.  $\implies$ )  $c_j = 0$  for all  $j$ .
- Two vectors are *orthogonal* to each other, written  $\mathbf{x} \perp \mathbf{y}$ , if their inner product is 0, that is  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x} = \sum_j x_j y_j = 0$ .
- A set of vectors  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \mathbf{x}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}$  are mutually orthogonal iff  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)T} \mathbf{x}^{(j)} = 0$  for  $\forall i \neq j$ .
- The most common set of vectors that are mutually orthogonal are the *elementary* vectors  $\mathbf{e}^{(1)}, \mathbf{e}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{e}^{(n)}$ , which are all zero, except for one element equal to 1, so that  $\mathbf{e}_i^{(i)} = 1$  and  $\mathbf{e}_j^{(i)} = 0, \forall j \neq i$ .
- A *vector space*  $\mathcal{S}$  is a set of vectors that are closed under addition and scalar multiplication, that is
  - if  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  are in  $\mathcal{S}$ , then  $c_1 \mathbf{x}^{(1)} + c_2 \mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  is in  $\mathcal{S}$ .

- A vector space  $\mathcal{S}$  is *generated* or *spanned* by a set of vectors  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \mathbf{x}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}$ , written as  $\mathcal{S} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \mathbf{x}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}$ , if any vector  $\mathbf{x}$  in the vector space is a linear combination of  $\mathbf{x}_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .
- A set of linearly independent vectors that generate or span a space  $\mathcal{S}$  is called a *basis* of  $\mathcal{S}$ .

### Example A.1

Let

$$\mathbf{x}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{x}^{(3)} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  are linearly independent, but  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \mathbf{x}^{(2)}$ , and  $\mathbf{x}^{(3)}$  are linearly dependent since  $5\mathbf{x}^{(1)} - 2\mathbf{x}^{(2)} + \mathbf{x}^{(3)} = \mathbf{0}$

## Rank

Some matrix concepts arise from viewing columns or rows of the matrix as vectors. Assume  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$  is the maximum number of linearly independent rows or columns of a matrix.
- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) \leq \min\{m, n\}$ .
- A matrix is *full rank* if  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \min\{m, n\}$ . It is *full row rank* if  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = m$ . It is *full column rank* if  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$ .
- a square matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is *singular* if  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) < n$  and *non-singular* if  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$ .
- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T)$ . (Show this in HW.)
- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}) \leq \min\{\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}), \text{rank}(\mathbf{B})\}$ . (Hint: Columns of  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}$  are spanned by columns of  $\mathbf{A}$  and rows of  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}$  are spanned by rows of  $\mathbf{B}$ .)
- if  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}_m$  for some  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}_n$ , then  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) \leq n - 1$ .

## Column space

*Definition:* The column space of a matrix, denoted by  $C(\mathbf{A})$  is the vector space spanned by the columns of the matrix, that is,

$$C(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{x} : \text{there exists a vector } \mathbf{c} \text{ such that } \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{c}\}.$$

This means that if  $\mathbf{x} \in C(\mathbf{A})$ , we can find coefficients  $c_j$  such that

$$\mathbf{x} = \sum_j c_j \mathbf{a}^{(j)}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}^{(j)} = \mathbf{A}_{\cdot j}$  denotes the  $j^{th}$  column of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ .

- The column space of a matrix consists of all vectors formed by multiplying that matrix by any vector.
- The number of basis vectors for  $C(\mathbf{A})$  is then the number of linearly independent columns of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , and so,  $\dim(C(\mathbf{A})) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$ .
- The dimension of a space is the number of vectors in its basis.

Example A.2

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Show that  $\mathbf{Ac}$  is a linear combination of columns in  $\mathbf{A}$ .

Result A.1

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{AB}) \leq \min(\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}), \text{rank}(\mathbf{B})).$$

Result A.2

- (a) If  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{BC}$ , then  $C(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq C(\mathbf{B})$ .
- (b) If  $C(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq C(\mathbf{B})$ , then there exists a matrix  $\mathbf{C}$  such that  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{BC}$ .

## Null space

*Definition:* The null space of a matrix, denoted by  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$ , is  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{y} : \mathbf{Ay} = \mathbf{0}\}$ .

Result A.3

If  $\mathbf{A}$  has full-column rank, then  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ .

Theorem A.1

Assume  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , then  $\dim(C(\mathbf{A})) = r$  and  $\dim(\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})) = n - r$ , where  $r = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$ .

See JM Appendix Theorem A.1 for the proof.

Interpretation: “dimension of column space + dimension of null space = # columns”

*Mis-Interpretation:* Columns space and null space are orthogonal complement to each other. They are of different orders in general! Next result gives the correct statement.