

**FINAL EXAM STUDY GUIDE**

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## PRE-MIDTERM EXAM TOPICS

### §1.1: Introduction.

**Parallelogram Law for Vector Addition.** The sum of two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  that act at the same point  $P$  is the vector  $x+y$  beginning at  $P$  that is represented by the diagonal of a parallelogram having  $x$  and  $y$  as adjacent sides.

**§1.2: Vector Spaces.** We say that a triple  $(V, +, \cdot)$  is a *vector space over  $F$*  if we have a nonempty set  $V$ , an operation  $+: V \times V \rightarrow V$  called *vector addition*, and an operation  $\cdot: F \times V \rightarrow V$  called *scalar multiplication* satisfying the following eight axioms:

- (VS 1) *Commutativity of Vector Addition:* For all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $V$ , we have  $x + y = y + x$ .
- (VS 2) *Associativity of Vector Addition:* For all  $x, y$ , and  $z$  in  $V$ , we have  $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$ .
- (VS 3) *Vector Additive Identity:* There exists  $O$  in  $V$  such that  $x + O = x$  for each  $x$  in  $V$ . We call  $O = 0x$  the *zero element*.
- (VS 4) *Vector Additive Inverse:* For each  $x$  in  $V$ , there is a  $y$  in  $V$  such that  $x + y = O$ . Many times, we denote this element by  $-x = (-1)x$ .
- (VS 5) *Scalar Multiplicative Identity:* For each vector  $x$  we have  $x = 1x$ .
- (VS 6) *Associativity of Scalar Multiplication:* For all  $a$  and  $b$  in  $F$  as well as  $x$  in  $V$ , we have  $(ab)x = a(bx)$ .
- (VS 7) *Distributivity for Vector Addition:* For all  $a$  in  $F$  as well as  $x$  and  $y$  in  $V$ , we have  $a(x + y) = ax + ay$ .
- (VS 8) *Distributivity for Scalar Multiplication:* For all  $a$  in  $F$  and  $b$  as well as  $x$  in  $V$ , we have  $(a + b)x = ax + bx$ .

### §1.3: Subspaces.

**Theorem 1.3.** Assume that  $(V, +, \cdot)$  is a vector space over a field  $F$ . The following are equivalent for a subset  $W \subseteq V$ .

- i.  $(W, +, \cdot)$  a vector space over  $F$ .
- ii. The following three conditions hold for the operations “vector addition”  $+$  and “scalar multiplication”  $\cdot$  defined on  $V$ :
  - (a) *Zero Element:*  $O \in W$ .
  - (b) *Closure under Vector Addition:*  $x + y \in W$  whenever  $x \in W$  and  $y \in W$ .
  - (c) *Closure under Scalar Multiplication:*  $cx \in W$  whenever  $c \in F$  and  $x \in W$ .

Any subset  $W \subseteq V$  satisfying either of the equivalent statements above is called a *subspace of  $V$* .

**§1.4: Linear Combinations and Systems of Linear Equations.** Let  $(V, +, \cdot)$  is a vector space over a field  $F$ , and choose a finite subset  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  of  $V$ . For any scalars  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$ , we call the vector

$$v = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_n u_n \in V$$

a *linear combination of vectors from  $S$*  and the  $a_i$  are called the *coefficients*.

**Theorem 1.5.** Let  $(V, +, \cdot)$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ , and choose a finite subset  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  of  $V$ . The collection of linear combinations of vectors from  $S$ , namely the subset

$$W = \left\{ v \in V \mid v = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_n u_n \text{ for some } a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F \right\}$$

is a subspace of  $V$ .

We often define  $W = \text{span}(S)$  as the *span* of  $S$ . When  $S = \emptyset$  has no elements, we define  $\text{span}(S) = \{O\}$  as the zero subspace. We say that  $S$  *generates*  $W$ .

**§1.5: Linear Dependence and Linear Independence.** Let  $(V, +, \cdot)$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ , and choose a finite subset  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  of  $V$ . We say that  $S$  is a *linearly dependent set* if there exist scalars  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$  not all zero such that  $a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_n u_n = O$ . Such an equation is called a *nontrivial expression of the zero vector*  $O$ . Otherwise, we say that  $S$  is a *linearly independent set*.

**Theorem 1.7.** Let  $T = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be a subset of a vector space  $V$  which is linearly independent. Choose a vector  $v \in V$  such that  $v \notin T$ , and denote  $W = \text{span}(T \cup \{v\})$  as the span of the set  $S = T \cup \{v\}$ . Then  $v \in \text{span}(T)$  if and only if  $S$  is a linearly dependent set.

## §1.6: Bases and Dimension.

**Theorem 1.8.** Let  $(V, +, \cdot)$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ . Given a finite subset  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\} \subseteq V$ , the following are equivalent:

- i. We have the two properties
  - a.  $V = \text{span}(\beta)$ , that is,  $\beta$  spans  $V$ ; and
  - b.  $\beta$  is a linearly independent set.
- ii. Each  $v \in V$  can be uniquely expressed as a linear combination of vectors from  $\beta$ , that is,  $v = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_n u_n$  for some unique scalars  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$ .

If either of these properties are true, we say that  $\beta$  is a *basis* for  $V$ .

**Theorem 1.9.** Let  $(V, +, \cdot)$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ . Assume that  $V = \text{span}(S)$  for some finite set  $S$ .

- $V$  has a finite basis  $\beta$  contained in  $S$ .
- Every basis  $\beta$  of  $V$  has the same number of elements.

For any basis  $\beta$  of  $V$ , we call  $\dim(V) = |\beta|$  the *dimension* of  $V$ .

- Let  $V = \{O\}$  denote the zero space. Then  $\beta = \emptyset$  is a basis for  $V$ , so that  $\dim(V) = 0$ .
- Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  denote the real plane. For any  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  not both zero, and denote the two vectors

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2\}$  is a basis for  $V$ , so that  $\dim(V) = 2$ .

- Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$  denote three space. For any  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a$  and  $b$  are not both zero, and denote the three vectors

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix},$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$u_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -ac \\ -bc \\ a^2 + b^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is a basis for  $V$ , so that  $\dim(V) = 3$ .

- Consider the collection  $V = F^m$  of  $m$ -dimensional vectors over a field  $F$ . Then  $\beta = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_m\}$  is a basis for  $V = F^m$ , where  $e_i$  is that  $m$ -dimensional vector whose only nonzero entry is a 1 on the  $i$ th row. In particular,  $\dim(F^m) = m$ .
- Consider the collection  $V = M_{m \times n}(F)$  of  $m \times n$  matrices over a field  $F$ . Then  $\beta = \{E^{ij} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  is a basis for  $V = M_{m \times n}(F)$ , where  $E^{ij}$  is that  $m \times n$  matrix whose only nonzero entry is a 1 in the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column. In particular,  $\dim(M_{m \times n}(F)) = mn$ .

### §1.7: Maximal Linearly Independent Subsets.

**Theorems 1.11, 1.12.** Let  $(V, +, \cdot)$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ , and let  $W \subseteq V$  be a subspace. Assume that  $V = \text{span}(\beta)$  for some basis  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ .

- $W = \text{span}(T)$  has a finite basis  $T$ .
- $\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$ .
- $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$  if and only if  $W = V$ .

**§2.1: Linear Transformations, Null Spaces, and Ranges.** Let  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$  and  $(W, \boxplus, \boxdot)$  be two vector spaces over a common field  $F$ . We say that a map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is *well-defined* if  $T(x_1) = T(x_2)$  in  $W$  whenever  $x_1 = x_2$  in  $V$ . In this case, we say that  $V$  is the *domain* and  $W$  is the *codomain*.

**Proposition.** Given a well-defined map  $T : V \rightarrow W$ , the following are equivalent.

- i. For all  $x, y \in V$  and  $c \in F$  we have
  - (a) *Preserves Vector Addition:*  $T(x \oplus y) = T(x) \boxplus T(y)$ , and
  - (b) *Preserves Scalar Multiplication:*  $T(c \odot x) = c \boxtimes T(x)$ .
- ii. For any collection  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \in V$  and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} T((a_1 \odot v_1) \oplus (a_2 \odot v_2) \oplus \dots \oplus (a_n \odot v_n)) \\ = (a_1 \boxtimes T(v_1)) \boxplus (a_2 \boxtimes T(v_2)) \boxplus \dots \boxplus (a_n \boxtimes T(v_n)). \end{aligned}$$

A well-defined map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  satisfying either of these equivalent conditions is said to be a *linear transformation*.

**Theorem 2.1, 2.4.** Let  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$  and  $(W, \boxplus, \boxtimes)$  be two vector spaces over a common field  $F$ , and say that  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is a linear transformation.

- Let  $O_V \in V$  and  $O_W \in W$  denote the additive identity elements. Then  $T(O_V) = O_W$ .
- The subset  $N(T) = \left\{ x \in V \mid T(x) = O_W \right\}$  is a subspace of  $V$ . Moreover, the map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is one-to-one if and only if  $N(T) = \{O_V\}$  is the zero subspace.
- The subset  $R(T) = \left\{ u \in W \mid u = T(x) \text{ for some } x \in V \right\}$  is a subspace of  $W$ . Moreover, the map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is onto if and only if  $R(T) = W$  is the entire space.

The subset  $N(T) \subseteq V$  is called the *null space* or the *kernel* of  $T$ . The subset  $R(T) \subseteq W$  is called the *range* or the *image* of  $T$ . If  $V = \text{span}(\beta)$  and  $W = \text{span}(\gamma)$  have finite bases  $\beta \subseteq V$  and  $\gamma \subseteq W$ , then Theorems 1.11 and 1.12 say that both  $N(T) \subseteq V$  and  $R(T) \subseteq W$  also have finite bases. We define the *nullity* of  $T$  as the dimension of the null space, and the *rank* of  $T$  as the dimension of the range. That is,

$$\text{nullity}(T) = \dim N(T) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{rank}(T) = \dim R(T).$$

**Theorem 2.3 (Dimension Theorem).** Let  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$  and  $(W, \boxplus, \boxtimes)$  be two finite-dimensional vector spaces over a common field  $F$ . For any linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow W$ , we have the equality

$$\text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T) = \dim(V).$$

Some texts call this result the *Rank-Nullity Theorem*.

**§2.2: The Matrix Representation of a Linear Transformation.** Let  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis of a vector space  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$  over a field  $F$ . We will be concerned with the order of the elements  $v_i$  in  $\beta$ ; then we call  $\beta$  an *ordered basis*. For each  $x \in V$ , we can write

$$x = (a_1 \odot v_1) \oplus (a_2 \odot v_2) \oplus \dots \oplus (a_n \odot v_n)$$

for some  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$ . Theorem 1.8 asserts that this expression is *unique*. The *coordinate vector* of  $x$  relative to  $\beta$  is the well-defined  $n$ -dimensional vector

$$[x]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \in F^n.$$

**Theorem 2.14.** Let  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$  and  $(W, \boxplus, \boxdot)$  be two vector spaces over a common field  $F$  having bases  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$ , respectively. Say that  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is a linear transformation.

- Consider the map  $\phi_\beta : V \rightarrow F^n$  which sends  $x \mapsto [x]_\beta$ . Then  $\phi_\beta$  is a linear transformation.
- There is an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A = (A_{ij}) \in M_{m \times n}(F)$  which makes the following diagram commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{T} & W \\ \phi_\beta \downarrow & & \downarrow \phi_\gamma \\ F^n & \xrightarrow{A} & F^m \end{array}$$

The map  $\phi_\beta$  is called the *standard representation of  $V$  with respect to  $\beta$* . The matrix  $A = (A_{ij})$  is denoted by  $[T]_\beta^\gamma$ ; it is the *matrix representation of  $T$  in the ordered bases  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$* . Later, we will see that the nullity and rank of a linear transformation  $T$  are the same as the nullity and rank of the  $m \times n$  matrix  $[T]_\beta^\gamma$ .

**§2.3: Composition of Linear Transformations and Matrix Multiplication.** Say that we have two well-defined maps  $T : V \rightarrow W$  and  $U : W \rightarrow Z$ . Recall that the *composition*  $U \circ T : V \rightarrow Z$  is that map which sends  $x \in V$  to  $(U \circ T)(x) = U[T(x)] \in Z$ .

**Theorem 2.7, 2.9, 2.11.** Say that  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$ ,  $(W, \boxplus, \boxdot)$ , and  $(Z, +, \cdot)$  are three vector spaces over a common field  $F$ .

- Let  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  denote the collection of all linear transformations  $T : V \rightarrow W$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is a vector space over  $F$ .
- Say that  $T : V \rightarrow W$  and  $U : W \rightarrow Z$  are linear transformations. Then  $U \circ T : V \rightarrow Z$  is also a linear transformation.
- Say that  $V$ ,  $W$ , and  $Z$  have finite bases  $\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ ,  $\gamma = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$ , and  $\alpha = \{z_1, \dots, z_p\}$ . Then we have the matrix product

$$[U \circ T]_\beta^\alpha = [U]_\gamma^\alpha [T]_\beta^\gamma.$$

**§2.4: Invertibility and Isomorphisms.**

**Theorem 2.19.** Let  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$  and  $(W, \boxplus, \boxdot)$  be two vector spaces over a common field  $F$ . The following are equivalent for a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow W$ .

- i. There exists a unique function  $U : W \rightarrow V$  such that the composition  $T \circ U = I_W : W \rightarrow W$  is the identity map on  $W$  (that is,  $I_W(y) = y$  for all  $y \in W$ ) and the composition  $U \circ T = I_V : V \rightarrow V$  is the identity map on  $V$  (that is,  $I_V(x) = x$  for all  $x \in V$ ).
- ii.  $T$  is both one-to-one (that is,  $T(x_1) = T(x_2)$  in  $W$  only when  $x_1 = x_2$  in  $V$ ) and onto (that is, given  $y \in W$ , there exists  $x \in V$  such that  $y = T(x)$ ).
- iii.  $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(V) = \dim(W)$  (assuming that  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dimensional).

Any linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow W$  satisfying either of these equivalent properties is said to be *invertible* or an *isomorphism*. The function  $U : W \rightarrow V$  is called the *inverse of  $T$* , and we denote  $T^{-1} = U$ . In this case, we say that  $V$  and  $W$  are *isomorphic*, and we use the notation  $V \simeq W$ . The function  $U : W \rightarrow V$  is called the *inverse of  $T$* , and we denote  $T^{-1} = U$ .

**Theorem 2.17.**

- If  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is an isomorphism, so is its inverse  $T^{-1} : W \rightarrow V$ .
- The binary relation  $\simeq$  is an equivalence relation. That is,
  - *Reflexivity*:  $V \simeq V$ .
  - *Symmetry*:  $V \simeq W$  if and only if  $W \simeq V$ .
  - *Transitivity*: If  $V \simeq W$  and  $W \simeq Z$ , then  $V \simeq Z$ .

## §2.5: The Change of Coordinate Matrix.

**Theorem 2.18, 2.20.** Let  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$  and  $(W, \boxplus, \boxdot)$  be two finite dimensional vector spaces over a common field  $F$ , and denote their bases as  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$ , respectively.

- We have isomorphisms  $V \simeq F^n$ ,  $W \simeq F^m$ , and  $\mathcal{L}(V, W) \simeq M_{m \times n}(F)$ .
- Assume that there exists an isomorphism  $T : V \rightarrow W$ . Then  $[T^{-1}]_{\gamma}^{\beta}$  is the inverse of the matrix  $[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ .

**Theorem 2.22, 2.23.** Let  $(V, +, \cdot)$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over field  $F$ , and say that  $\beta = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  and  $\beta' = \{x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_n\}$  are two different bases for  $V$ . Denote the  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q = [I_V]_{\beta'}^{\beta}$ .

- The  $j$ th column of  $Q$  is the coordinate vector  $[x'_j]_{\beta}$ .
- $Q$  is invertible, and its inverse is the  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q^{-1} = [I_V]_{\beta}^{\beta'}$ .
- $[v]_{\beta} = Q [v]_{\beta'}$  for any  $v \in V$ .
- For any linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow V$ , there exist  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B = Q^{-1} A Q$  which make the following diagram make sense:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F^n & \xrightarrow{B} & F^n \\
 \phi_{\beta'} \uparrow & & \uparrow \phi_{\beta'} \\
 V & \xrightarrow{T} & V \\
 \phi_{\beta} \downarrow & & \downarrow \phi_{\beta} \\
 F^n & \xrightarrow{A} & F^n
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 A = [T]_{\beta} = [T]_{\beta}^{\beta} \\
 B = [T]_{\beta'} = [T]_{\beta'}^{\beta'} = Q^{-1} A Q
 \end{array}$$

Remember that  $\phi_{\beta} : V \rightarrow F^n$  is defined by  $\phi_{\beta}(x) = [x]_{\beta}$ ; it is the *standard representation of  $V$  with respect to  $\beta$* . The invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q$  is called the *change of coordinates matrix from the  $\beta'$ -coordinates to the  $\beta$ -coordinates*. Note that if  $V = F^n$  and  $\beta = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  is the standard basis, then we can express the vectors for any other basis  $\beta' = \{e'_1, e'_2, \dots, e'_n\}$  in the form

$$e'_j = [e'_j]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} Q_{1j} \\ Q_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ Q_{nj} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n \quad \implies \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} & \cdots & Q_{1n} \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} & \cdots & Q_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ Q_{n1} & Q_{n2} & \cdots & Q_{nn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

That is, the columns of  $Q$  are the vectors in  $\beta' = \{e'_1, e'_2, \dots, e'_n\}$ . If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices, we say that  $B$  is *similar* to  $A$  if there exists an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q$  such that  $B = Q^{-1} A Q$ . In this case, we write  $B \simeq A$ ; we state without proof that this is an equivalence relation.

**§3.1: Elementary Matrix Operations and Elementary Matrices.** Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix, that is, an array with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \cdots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \cdots & A_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where} \quad A_{ij} \in F.$$

There are three types of operations we can perform on the rows (columns, respectively) of  $A$ :

- *Type 1:* Interchanging any two rows (columns, respectively) of  $A$ .
- *Type 2:* Multiplying any row (column, respectively) of  $A$  by a nonzero scalar.
- *Type 3:* Adding a scalar multiple of a row (column, respectively) of  $A$  to another row (column, respectively).



These are called the *elementary row (column, respectively) operations*. An *elementary matrix* is an  $n \times n$  square matrix  $E$  which is obtained by performing exactly one of the three elementary operations on the  $n \times n$  identity matrix  $I_n$ .

**Theorems 3.1, 3.2.** Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ , and suppose that  $B$  is obtained from  $A$  by performing an elementary operation.

- If this was a row operation, then  $B = E A$  for some elementary  $m \times m$  matrix  $E$ . Conversely, if  $E$  is an elementary  $m \times m$  matrix, then  $E A$  is that matrix obtained from  $A$  by performing the same elementary row operation which produces  $E$  from  $I_m$ .
- If this was a column operation, then  $B = A E$  for some elementary  $n \times n$  matrix  $E$ . Conversely, if  $E$  is an elementary  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $A E$  is that matrix obtained from  $A$  by performing the same elementary column operation which produces  $E$  from  $I_n$ .
- Elementary matrices are invertible, and the inverse of an elementary matrix is of the same type.

**§3.2: The Rank of a Matrix and Matrix Inverses.** Let  $V = F^n$  and  $W = F^m$ , and denote  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  as the standard basis for these vector spaces. Given any  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ , we define the linear transformation  $L_A : F^n \rightarrow F^m$  as  $L_A(x) = Ax$ . Rather explicitly,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \cdots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \cdots & A_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \implies L_A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \\ \vdots \\ A_{m1} \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \\ \vdots \\ A_{m2} \end{pmatrix} + \cdots + x_n \begin{pmatrix} A_{1n} \\ A_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ A_{mn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

This linear transformation is called the *left-multiplication transformation*. Observe that  $A = [L_A]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ . We define the *rank* of the  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  as  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(L_A)$ .

**Theorems 3.3, 3.4.** Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix.

- $A$  is invertible if and only if both  $m = n$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ .
- Say that  $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$  for some linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow W$  between finite-dimensional vector spaces having bases  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ . Then  $\text{rank}(T) = \text{rank}(A)$ .
- Denote  $B = P A Q$  for some invertible  $m \times m$  matrix  $P$  and invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q$ . Then  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B)$ . In particular,
  - Similar matrices have the same rank.
  - Elementary operations on a matrix are rank preserving.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix of rank  $r$ .

- $r \leq m$  and  $r \leq n$ .
- There exist invertible  $m \times m$  and  $n \times n$  matrices  $B$  and  $C$ , respectively, so that

$$D = B A C = \begin{pmatrix} I_r & O_1 \\ O_2 & O_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $I_r$  is the  $r \times r$  identity matrix; while  $O_1$  is an  $r \times (n - r)$  matrix,  $O_2$  is an  $(m - r) \times r$  matrix, and  $O_3$  is an  $(m - r) \times (n - r)$  matrix consisting of all 0's.

- Both  $A$  and its transpose  $A^t$  have the same rank, that is,  $\text{rank}(A^t) = \text{rank}(A)$ .

**Theorem 3.7.**

- Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $B$  be an  $p \times n$  matrix. Then  $\text{rank}(B A) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}(B A) \leq \text{rank}(B)$ .
- Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  and  $U : W \rightarrow Z$  be linear transformations between finite dimensional vector spaces. Then  $\text{rank}(U \circ T) \leq \text{rank}(T)$  and  $\text{rank}(U \circ T) \leq \text{rank}(U)$ .

**§3.3: Systems of Linear Equations – Theoretical Aspects.** Say that we have a system of  $m$  linear equations in  $n$  unknowns:

$$(S) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} A_{11} x_1 & + & A_{12} x_2 & + & \cdots & + & A_{1n} x_n & = & b_1 \\ A_{21} x_1 & + & A_{22} x_2 & + & \cdots & + & A_{2n} x_n & = & b_2 \\ & & & & & & & & \vdots \\ A_{m1} x_1 & + & A_{m2} x_2 & + & \cdots & + & A_{mn} x_n & = & b_m \end{array}$$

We can write  $(S)$  in the single equation  $Ax = b$  in we invoke the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \cdots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \cdots & A_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{m \times n}(F), \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in F^n, \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix} \in F^m.$$

We make a few definitions about the system of linear equations  $(S)$ .

- A vector  $s \in F^n$  is said to be a *solution* to the system  $(S)$  if  $As = b$ . The collection of all solutions  $s \in F^n$  is called the *solution set* to the system  $(S)$ .
- We say that  $(S)$  is *consistent* if there exists a vector  $s \in F^n$  such that  $As = b$ . Otherwise, we say that  $(S)$  is *inconsistent* if no such vector  $s$  exists.
- We say that  $(S)$  is *homogeneous* if  $b = O$  is the zero vector in  $F^m$ . Otherwise, we say that  $(S)$  is *inhomogeneous* if  $b \neq O$ .

**Theorems 3.8, 3.9, 3.10.** Say that  $(S)$  is a system of linear equations  $Ax = b$  consisting of  $m$  linear equations in  $n$  unknowns. Denote  $V = F^n$  and  $W = F^m$ .

- Let  $K_H = \{s \in V \mid As = O_W\}$  denote the set of solutions  $s$  to the homogeneous system  $Ax = O_W$ . Then  $K_H = N(L_A)$  is the null space for the linear transformation  $L_A : V \rightarrow W$ . In particular,  $K_H$  is a subspace of  $V$  with  $\dim(K_H) = n - \text{rank}(A)$ .
- Say that  $m < n$ . Then there is a nonzero solution  $s \neq O_V$  to the homogeneous system  $Ax = O_W$ .
- Let  $K = \{s \in V \mid As = b\}$  denote the set of solutions  $s$  to the system  $(S)$ . Say that  $(S)$  is consistent, and denote  $s_0$  as one solution. Then all solutions to  $(S)$  are in the form  $s = s_0 + k$  for some  $k \in K_H$ . That is,

$$K = \{s_0\} + K_H = \{s_0 + k \in V \mid k \in K_H\}.$$

- Say that  $m = n$ . The system  $(S)$  has exactly one solution  $s_0 \in V$  if and only if  $A$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix.

**§3.4: Systems of Linear Equations – Computational Aspects.** A matrix is in *reduced row-echelon form* (*rref*) if it satisfies all of the following conditions:

- If a row has nonzero entries, then the first nonzero entry is 1, called the *pivot* in this row. The variables corresponding to the pivots are called *leading variables*, and the other variables are called *free variables*.
- If a column contains a pivot, then all other entries in that column are zero.
- If a row contains a pivot, then each row above contains a pivot further to the left.

Given a matrix  $A$ , here is a series of steps to arrive at a matrix  $B$  that is in reduced row-echelon form:

- *Step 1:* If the cursor entry is zero, swap the row with a row below having a nonzero entry in that column. This is a Type 1 operation.
- *Step 2:* Divide the cursor row with the nonzero entry to make the nonzero entry equal to 1. This is a Type 2 operation.
- *Step 3:* Eliminate all other entries in the cursor column by subtracting suitable multiples of the cursor row. This is a Type 3 operation.
- *Step 4:* Move the cursor down one row, and over to the right. If all the entries below are zero, continue to move to the right.

We denote  $B = \text{rref}(A)$  as its reduced row echelon form. This algorithm is known as *Gaussian Elimination*.

**Theorem 3.16.** Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Denote  $B = \text{rref}(A)$  as its reduced row echelon form, and let  $S$  denote the collection of pivot columns of  $B$ .

- $S$  is a basis for  $R(L_A) = R(L_B)$ .
- $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B) = |S|$  is the number of nonzero rows of  $B$ .
- Say that  $m = n$ . Then  $A$  is invertible if and only if  $\text{rref}(A) = I_n$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

**§4.1: Determinants of Order 2.**

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $A$  be a  $2 \times 2$  matrix. Then  $A$  is invertible if and only if  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

**Proposition.**

- Let  $S = \{u, v\}$  be a collection of two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and let  $A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  be that matrix having  $u$  and  $v$  as its columns. Then the parallelogram determined by  $S$ , namely the set

$$\mathcal{P} = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \begin{array}{l} x = a u + b v \text{ for some real numbers} \\ \text{satisfying } 0 \leq a \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq b \leq 1 \end{array} \right\},$$

has area  $|\det(A)|$ . In particular,  $\det(A) = 0$  if and only if its columns  $u$  and  $v$  are parallel.

- For any  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$ , we have the identity

$$(A_{11} A_{12} + A_{21} A_{22})^2 + (A_{11} A_{22} - A_{12} A_{21})^2 = (A_{11}^2 + A_{21}^2) (A_{12}^2 + A_{22}^2).$$

The second statement is often called Lagrange's Identity.

**§4.2: Determinants of Order  $n$ .** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Denote  $\tilde{A}_{ij}$  as that  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  matrix obtained from  $A$  by deleting the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column. We define the determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  recursively as follows:

- If  $n = 1$ , then  $\det(A) = A_{11}$ .
- If  $n \geq 2$ , then  $\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{1+j} A_{1j} \cdot \det(\tilde{A}_{1j})$ .

The  $n \times n$  matrix  $\text{cof}(A)$ , the cofactor of  $A$ , is that matrix with entries

$$(\text{cof}(A))_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(\tilde{A}_{ij}) \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ 1 \leq j \leq n. \end{array}$$

The  $n \times n$  matrix  $\text{adj}(A)$ , the adjugate of  $A$  or the , is that matrix with entries

$$(\text{adj}(A))_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(\tilde{A}_{ji}) \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ 1 \leq j \leq n. \end{array}$$

Observe that the cofactor and classical adjoint are transposes of each other:

$$\text{adj}(A) = \text{cof}(A)^T.$$

Here are some examples.

- Let  $n = 2$ . Let's cross out the row and column where  $A_{11}$  and  $A_{12}$  appear:



This diagram says “ $A_{11} \cdot |A_{22}|$ ” and “ $A_{12} \cdot |A_{21}|$ ”, respectively. We take the alternating sum of these two in order to compute the determinant:

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= (-1)^{1+1} A_{11} \det(\tilde{A}_{11}) + (-1)^{1+2} A_{12} \det(\tilde{A}_{12}) \\ &= A_{11} A_{22} - A_{12} A_{21}. \end{aligned}$$

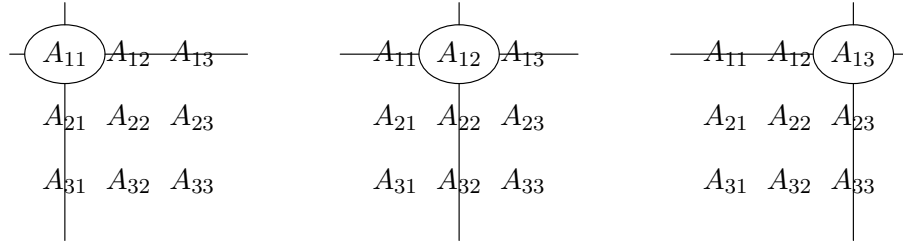
The cofactor matrix is

$$\text{cof}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} (-1)^{1+1} \det(\tilde{A}_{11}) & (-1)^{1+2} \det(\tilde{A}_{12}) \\ (-1)^{2+1} \det(\tilde{A}_{21}) & (-1)^{2+2} \det(\tilde{A}_{22}) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{22} & -A_{21} \\ -A_{12} & A_{11} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The classical adjoint is the transpose of this matrix, that is,  $\text{adj}(A) = \text{cof}(A)^T$ . If  $\det(A) \neq 0$ , then  $A$  has inverse

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{A_{11} A_{22} - A_{12} A_{21}} \begin{pmatrix} A_{22} & -A_{12} \\ -A_{21} & A_{11} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A).$$

- Let  $n = 3$ . Let's cross out the row and column where  $A_{11}$ ,  $A_{12}$  and  $A_{13}$  appear:

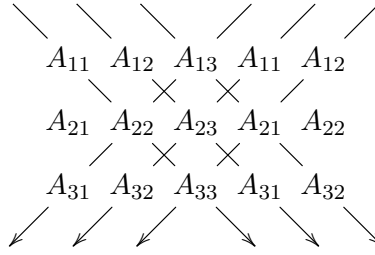


This diagram says “ $A_{11} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix}$ ”, “ $A_{12} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} A_{21} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix}$ ”, and “ $A_{13} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} A_{21} & A_{22} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} \end{vmatrix}$ ”, respectively.

We take the alternating sum of these three in order to compute the determinant:

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= (-1)^{1+1} A_{11} \det(\tilde{A}_{11}) + (-1)^{1+2} A_{12} \det(\tilde{A}_{12}) + (-1)^{1+3} A_{13} \det(\tilde{A}_{13}) \\ &= A_{11} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix} - A_{12} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} A_{21} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix} + A_{13} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} A_{21} & A_{22} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= A_{11} (A_{22} A_{33} - A_{23} A_{32}) - A_{12} (A_{21} A_{33} - A_{23} A_{31}) + A_{13} (A_{21} A_{32} - A_{22} A_{31}) \\ &= (A_{11} A_{22} A_{33} + A_{12} A_{23} A_{31} + A_{13} A_{21} A_{32}) \\ &\quad - (A_{11} A_{23} A_{32} + A_{12} A_{21} A_{33} + A_{13} A_{22} A_{31}). \end{aligned}$$

We can also express this formula using the following diagram:



Recall that the arrows mean “multiply all of these numbers together”, where right-ward arrows correspond to “+” and the left-ward arrows correspond to “−”. The adjugate matrix is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cof}(A) &= \begin{pmatrix} (-1)^{1+1} \det(\tilde{A}_{11}) & (-1)^{1+2} \det(\tilde{A}_{12}) & (-1)^{1+3} \det(\tilde{A}_{13}) \\ (-1)^{2+1} \det(\tilde{A}_{21}) & (-1)^{2+2} \det(\tilde{A}_{22}) & (-1)^{2+3} \det(\tilde{A}_{23}) \\ (-1)^{3+1} \det(\tilde{A}_{31}) & (-1)^{3+2} \det(\tilde{A}_{32}) & (-1)^{3+3} \det(\tilde{A}_{33}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} A_{21} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} A_{21} & A_{22} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} \end{vmatrix} \\ - \begin{vmatrix} A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & A_{13} \\ A_{31} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} \end{vmatrix} \\ + \begin{vmatrix} A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{22} & A_{23} \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{23} \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{vmatrix} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

The classical adjoint is the transpose of this matrix, that is,  $\text{adj}(A) = \text{cof}(A)^T$ . If  $\det(A) \neq 0$ , then  $A$  has inverse

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A). \quad \text{use cofactor to calculate A inverse}$$

**Theorem 4.3.** Let  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  denote the rows of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ . For each integer  $r$  satisfying  $1 \leq r \leq n$ , define the function  $T_r : F^n \rightarrow F^1$  by  $T_r(x) = \det(B)$  where  $B$  is that  $n \times n$  matrix obtained from  $A$  by replacing row  $r$ , namely  $a_r$ , with  $x$ :

$$B_{ij} = \begin{cases} A_{ij} & \text{if } i \neq r, \\ x_j & \text{if } i = r; \end{cases} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{matrix} 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ 1 \leq j \leq n. \end{matrix}$$

Then  $T_r$  is a linear transformation. That is, the determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix is a linear function of each row when the remaining rows are held fixed.

### §4.3: Properties of Determinants.

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix.

- For any row  $i$ , we have the expression

$$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} A_{ij} \cdot \det(\tilde{A}_{ij}).$$

cofactor get  $\det(A)$

That is, the determinant of a square matrix can be evaluated by cofactor expansion along any row.

- $\det(A) = 0$  whenever  $A$  has a row of zeroes.
- $\det(A) = 0$  whenever  $A$  has two identical rows.

$\det(A) = 0$  的情况

Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix, that is, an array with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \cdots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \cdots & A_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where} \quad A_{ij} \in F.$$

There are three types of operations we can perform on the rows (columns, respectively) of  $A$ :

- *Type 1:* Interchanging any two rows (columns, respectively) of  $A$ .
- *Type 2:* Multiplying any row (column, respectively) of  $A$  by a nonzero scalar.
- *Type 3:* Adding a scalar multiple of a row (column, respectively) of  $A$  to another row (column, respectively).

These are called the *elementary row (column, respectively) operations*. An *elementary matrix* is an  $n \times n$  square matrix  $E$  which is obtained by performing exactly one of the three elementary operations on the  $n \times n$  identity matrix  $I_n$ .

**Theorem 4.5, 4.6.** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  square matrix.

$\det(A)$  self operation

- Let  $B$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix obtained from  $A$  by interchanging two distinct rows. Then  $\det(B) = -\det(A)$ .
- Let  $B$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix obtained from  $A$  multiplying one row of  $A$  by a (nonzero) scalar  $k$ . Then  $\det(B) = k \det(A)$ .
- Let  $B$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix obtained from  $A$  adding a multiple of one row of  $A$  to another row of  $A$ . Then  $\det(B) = +\det(A)$ .

**Corollary** Let  $E$  be an  $n \times n$  elementary matrix, and let  $I_n$  be the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

- Let  $E$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix obtained from  $I_n$  by interchanging two distinct rows. Then  $\det(E) = -1$ .
- Let  $E$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix obtained from  $I_n$  multiplying one row of  $I_n$  by a nonzero scalar  $k$ . Then  $\det(E) = k$ .
- Let  $E$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix obtained from  $I_n$  adding a multiple of one row of  $I_n$  to another row of  $I_n$ . Then  $\det(E) = 1$ .

#### §4.4: Summary – Important Facts about Determinants.

det(AB) multiplication

**Theorem 4.7.** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix.

- For any  $n \times n$  matrix  $B$ , we have  $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$ .
- $A$  is invertible if and only if  $\det(A) \neq 0$ . In particular,  $\det(A^{-1}) = \det(A)^{-1}$ .
- $\det(A^t) = \det(A)$ .

det(a) != 0 <=> A invertible  
inverse determinant property

**Theorem 4.9 (Cramer's Rule).** Say that we have a system of  $n$  linear equations in  $n$  unknowns:

$$(S) \quad \begin{aligned} A_{11}x_1 + A_{12}x_2 + \cdots + A_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ A_{21}x_1 + A_{22}x_2 + \cdots + A_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\ &\vdots \\ A_{n1}x_1 + A_{n2}x_2 + \cdots + A_{nn}x_n &= b_n \end{aligned}$$

which we write as the single equation  $Ax = b$  in terms of the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \cdots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & A_{n2} & \cdots & A_{nn} \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

det(A) != 0  
adjugate = transpose of cof

Assume that  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

- $A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{\det(A)}$  in terms of the classical adjoint of  $A$ .
- The system  $(S)$  has a unique solution  $s_0 \in \mathbb{F}^n$ , namely

$$s_0 = \frac{\text{adj}(A)b}{\det(A)}, \quad \text{that is,} \quad x_k = \frac{\det(M_k)}{\det(A)} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n$$

where  $M_k$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix obtained from  $A$  by replacing column  $k$  by  $b$ .

1. get inverse  
2. get solution

Here is an example when  $n = 2$ . Consider a system of linear equations in the form

$$(S) \quad \begin{aligned} A_{11}x_1 + A_{12}x_2 &= b_1 \\ A_{21}x_1 + A_{22}x_2 &= b_2 \end{aligned}$$

We can express the system of linear equations  $(S)$  in the form  $Ax = b$  in terms of the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Assuming that  $\det(A) = A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21} \neq 0$ , we can find the desired solution as

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1}b = \frac{1}{A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21}} \begin{pmatrix} +A_{22}b_1 - A_{12}b_2 \\ -A_{21}b_1 + A_{11}b_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$



in other words,

$$x_1 = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & A_{12} \\ b_2 & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}}{\det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}} \quad \text{and} \quad x_2 = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & b_1 \\ A_{21} & b_2 \end{pmatrix}}{\det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}}.$$

### §5.1: Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors.

**A is a diagonal matrix**

- We say that  $T$  is *diagonalizable* if there is an ordered basis  $\beta$  such that  $[T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$  is a diagonal matrix, that is, if we can write

$$(A_{ij}) = \text{matrix } A = [T]_{\beta}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \iff \begin{array}{l} \text{T is linear transformation of } V_j \\ T(v_j) = \lambda_j v_j \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n. \end{array} = \text{sum}(A_{ij} \cdot v_i)$$

- A square matrix  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$  is said to be *diagonalizable* if the linear transformation “left multiplication by  $A$ ,” namely  $L_A : F^n \rightarrow F^n$  defined by  $x \mapsto Ax$ , is diagonalizable. To be more precise, let  $\gamma = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  denote the standard basis of  $V = F^n$ ; Theorem 2.15 asserts that,  $A = [L_A]_{\gamma}^{\gamma}$ . For any other basis  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ , Theorem 2.11 asserts that

$$\begin{aligned} [L_A]_{\gamma}^{\gamma} [I_V]_{\beta}^{\gamma} &= [L_A \circ I_V]_{\beta}^{\gamma} \\ &= [L_A]_{\beta}^{\gamma} \\ &= [I_V \circ L_A]_{\beta}^{\gamma} \\ &= [I_V]_{\beta}^{\gamma} [L_A]_{\beta}^{\beta} \end{aligned} \implies Q^{-1} A Q = [L_A]_{\beta}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $Q = [I_V]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$  is that invertible  $n \times n$  matrix whose column  $j$  is the vector  $v_j$ .

**dnf: eigenvalue, eigenvector**

- Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation on a finite dimensional vector space  $V$ . A nonzero vector  $v \in V$  is called an *eigenvector* of  $T$  if there exists a scalar  $\lambda \in F$  such that  $T(v) = \lambda v$ . The scalar  $\lambda$  is called the *eigenvalue* associated to the eigenvector  $v$ .
- Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ . A vector  $x \in F^n$  is called an *eigenvector* of  $A$  if there exists a scalar  $\lambda \in F$  such that  $Ax = \lambda x$ . The scalar  $\lambda$  is called the *eigenvalue* associated to the eigenvector  $x$ .

**Theorem 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4.** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space over a field  $F$  with basis  $\beta$ . Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation, and denote  $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$  as its matrix representation.

- $T$  is diagonalizable if and only if there exists an ordered basis  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  consisting of eigenvectors  $v_j$  of  $T$ . Furthermore, if  $T$  is diagonalizable, then  $A$  is a diagonal matrix and  $A_{jj} = \lambda_j$  is the eigenvalue associated to  $v_j$  for  $1 \leq j \leq n$ .
- The following are equivalent for  $\lambda \in F$ :
  - $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for  $T$ .
  - $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for  $A$ .
  - $\det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0$ . = characteristic polynomial of  $T$
  - There exists  $v \neq 0_V$  such that  $v \in E_{\lambda} = N(T - \lambda I_V)$ .
- For any variable  $t$ , the  $n \times n$  determinant

$$f(t) = \det(A - t I_n) = \det(A) + \dots + (-1)^n t^n$$

is a polynomial of degree  $n$  which is independent of choice of basis  $\beta$ .  
In particular,  $T$  has at most  $n$  distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda$ .

A diagonal matrix:

We use this result to compute the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  of a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow V$  as follows.

- #1. Choose a basis  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  of  $V$ .
- #2. Compute the  $n \times n$  matrix  $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$ .
- #3. Compute the degree  $n$  polynomial  $f(t) = \det(A - t I_n) = \det(A) + \dots + (-1)^n t^n$ .
- #4. Compute the roots  $\lambda$  of the equation  $f(\lambda) = 0$ . These roots  $\lambda$  are the eigenvalues of  $T$ .

The polynomial  $f(t)$  is called the *characteristic polynomial of  $T$* .

## §5.2: Diagonalizability.

**Theorem 5.5.** Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation for an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$ .

- Assume that  $T$  has  $k \leq n$  distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ . If  $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  is a collection of nonzero vectors such that  $T(v_j) = \lambda_j v_j$  for  $1 \leq j \leq k$ , then  $S$  is a linearly independent set.
- If  $T$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues, then  $T$  is diagonalizable.

- If  $T$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues, then a collection  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  of eigenvectors is a basis. For example, the reflection  $T : V \rightarrow V$  about the line  $y = mx$  in  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  has  $n = 2$  distinct eigenvalues, namely  $\lambda_1 = +1$  and  $\lambda_2 = -1$ . We have seen that its eigenvectors

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+m^2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+m^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -m \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad [T]_{\beta}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} +1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

form a basis  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2\}$  for  $V$ .

- If  $T$  has  $k \neq n$  distinct eigenvalues, then  $T$  may still be diagonalizable – and its eigenvectors may still form a basis. For example, the identity map  $I_V : V \rightarrow V$  on  $V = F^2$  has just  $k = 1$

eigenvalue, namely  $\lambda_1 = 1$ . We have seen that its eigenvectors

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \implies \quad [I_V]_\gamma^\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

form the standard basis  $\gamma = \{e_1, e_2\}$  for  $V$ .

Let  $V$  be a  $n$ -dimensional vector space over a field  $F$  with basis  $\beta$ . Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation, and denote  $A = [T]_\beta^\beta$  as its matrix representation. Assume that  $T$  has  $k \leq n$  distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ . Then we have the characteristic polynomial

$$f(t) = \det(A - tI_n) = \det(A) + \dots + (-1)^n t^n = (-1)^n (t - \lambda_1)^{m_1} (t - \lambda_2)^{m_2} \dots (t - \lambda_k)^{m_k}$$

for some exponents  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k$ . We say that  $m_j$  is the (*algebraic*) *multiplicity* of  $\lambda_j$ . Observe that the sum of the multiplicities must be the dimension of the vector space:

$$m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_k = \deg(f) = n = \dim(V).$$

Recall that Theorem 5.4 asserts that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$  if and only if there exists  $v \neq O_V$  contained in the null space

$$\text{eigenspace} = E_\lambda = N(T - \lambda I_V) = \left\{ v \in V \mid T(v) = \lambda v \right\}.$$

We call this subspace the *eigenspace of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$* .

distinct eigenvalues property

**Theorem 5.7, 5.8, 5.9.** Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation for an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$ . Assume that  $T$  has  $k \leq n$  distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ , where each  $\lambda_i$  has multiplicity  $m_i$ .

- $1 \leq \dim(E_{\lambda_i}) \leq m_i$ .
- $E_{\lambda_i} \cap E_{\lambda_j} = \{O_V\}$  whenever  $i \neq j$ .
- Let  $S_i$  be a linearly independent subset of  $E_{\lambda_i}$ . Then the union  $S = S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \dots \cup S_k$  is a linearly independent subset of  $V$ .
- $T$  is diagonalizable if and only if  $\dim(E_{\lambda_i}) = m_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$ . If  $T$  is indeed diagonalizable, let  $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \dots \cup \beta_k$  denote the union of bases  $\beta_i$  for  $E_{\lambda_i}$ . Then  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is an ordered basis for  $V$  consisting of eigenvectors  $v_j$  for  $T$ .

distinct eigenvalues with diagonal

**§5.3: Matrix Limits.** Denote  $F = \mathbb{C}$  as the collection of complex numbers. Following Appendix D in the text, denote the *absolute value* or the *modulus* of a complex number  $z = a + bi$  as the real number  $|z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ . Fix an extended number  $p$  satisfying  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . For any  $n$ -dimensional vector define the  $p$ -norm as the real number

$$\|x\|_p = \begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j| & \text{when } p = 1, \\ \left( \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j|^p \right)^{1/p} & \text{when } 1 < p < \infty, \text{ and} \\ \max\{|x_1|, |x_2|, \dots, |x_n|\} & \text{when } p = \infty; \end{cases} \quad \text{where} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

When  $p = 1$  this is called the *city block distance*, the *Manhattan distance*, or the *Manhattan length*; when  $p = 2$ , this is called the *Euclidean norm*; and when  $p = \infty$  this is called the *maximum norm*, the *uniform norm*, or the *Chebyshev distance*.

**Proposition.** Fix two extended numbers  $p$  and  $q$  satisfying

$$1 \leq p \leq \infty, \quad 1 \leq q \leq \infty, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1.$$

For  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , the  $p$ -norm satisfies the following properties.

- *Positivity:*  $\|x\|_p \geq 0$ .
- *Non-degeneracy:*  $\|x\|_p = 0$  if and only if  $x$  is the zero vector.
- *Multiplicativity:*  $\|cx\|_p = |c| \|x\|_p$ .
- *Hölder's Inequality:*  $\sum_{j=1}^n |x_j y_j| \leq \|x\|_p \|y\|_q$ .
- *Minkowski's Inequality:*  $\|x + y\|_p \leq \|x\|_p + \|y\|_p$ .

Note that when  $p = 1$  we have  $q = \infty$ ; and when  $p = 2$  we have  $q = 2$ . When  $p = q = 2$ , Hölder's Inequality is the same as the *Cauchy-Bunyakovsky-Schwarz (CBS) Inequality*, and Minkowski's Inequality is the same as the *Triangle Inequality*:

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \overline{y_j} \right| \leq \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n |x_j|^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n |y_j|^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n |x_j + y_j|^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n |x_j|^2} + \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n |y_j|^2}.$$

Now that we have the concept of a  $p$ -norm on vectors  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ , we can extend this to the concept of a  $p$ -norm on matrices. For any  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  in  $\mathbf{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$ , define the  $p$ -norm or the *induced norm* or the *operator norm* as the real number

$$\|A\|_p = \sup \left\{ \frac{\|Ax\|_p}{\|x\|_p} \mid x \in \mathbb{C}^n, x \neq (0, 0, \dots, 0) \right\}.$$

If  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is not the zero vector, then we found above that  $\|x\|_p \neq 0$ , so that the ratio  $\|Ax\|_p/\|x\|_p$  is a well-defined nonnegative real number. The quantity  $\|A\|_p$  is the supremum over all such ratios: you can think of this  $p$ -norm as the largest value that the ratio  $\|Ax\|_p/\|x\|_p$  can get. Observe by definition that

$$\|Ax\|_p \leq \|A\|_p \|x\|_p \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{C}^n.$$

This norm has properties similar to those above.

**Proposition.** Fix an extended number  $p$  satisfying  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . For  $A, B \in \mathbf{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  and  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , the  $p$ -norm satisfies the following properties.

- *Positivity:*  $\|A\|_p \geq 0$ .
- *Non-degeneracy:*  $\|A\|_p = 0$  if and only if  $A$  is the  $m \times n$  zero matrix.
- *Multiplicativity:*  $\|cA\|_p = |c| \|A\|_p$ .
- *Minkowski's Inequality:*  $\|A + B\|_p \leq \|A\|_p + \|B\|_p$ .
- We have the values

$$\rho(A) = \max \left\{ \rho_i(A) \mid 1 \leq i \leq m \right\} = \|A\|_\infty, \quad \rho_i(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{ij}|;$$

$$\nu(A) = \max \left\{ \nu_j(A) \mid 1 \leq j \leq n \right\} = \|A\|_1, \quad \nu_j(A) = \sum_{i=1}^m |A_{ij}|.$$

- If  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then

$$|\lambda| \leq \inf \left\{ \|A\|_p \mid 1 \leq p \leq \infty \right\} \leq \min \{ \rho(A), \nu(A) \}.$$

Observe that  $\rho_i(A)$  is the sum over the entries in row  $i$ , while  $\nu_j(A)$  is the sum over the entries in column  $j$ . We call  $\rho(A)$  the *row sum of  $A$* , and  $\nu(A)$  the *column sum of  $A$* . Note that they are special cases of  $\|A\|_p$  of the operator norm for  $p = \infty$  and  $p = 1$ , respectively.

Let  $A \in \mathbf{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  be an  $n \times n$  square matrix. Recall that an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  is a root of the characteristic polynomial

$$f(t) = \det(A - tI_n) = \det(A) + \cdots + (-1)^n t^n.$$

We wish to give an algorithm to approximate these eigenvalues using the row sum above.

**Theorem 5.16 (Gerschgorin's Disk Theorem).** Let  $A \in \mathbf{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$ . For each row  $i$  of  $A$ , define the region

$$C_i = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - A_{ii}| \leq \rho_i(A) - |A_{ii}| \right\} \quad \text{where} \quad \rho_i(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{ij}|$$

as a disk of radius  $\rho_i(A) - |A_{ii}|$  centered around the  $i$ th diagonal entry  $A_{ii}$ . Then each eigenvalue  $\lambda \in C_i$  for some  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

The  $C_i$ 's are sometimes called *Gerschgorin Disks*. Observe that if  $0 \notin C_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , then each eigenvalue  $\lambda \neq 0$ . Since the characteristic polynomial factors as

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \det(A - tI_n) \\ &= (-1)^n (t - \lambda_1)^{m_1} (t - \lambda_2)^{m_2} \cdots (t - \lambda_k)^{m_k} \implies \det(A) = f(0) = \lambda_1^{m_1} \lambda_2^{m_2} \cdots \lambda_k^{m_k} \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

The Corollary to Theorem 4.7 asserts that  $A$  is an invertible matrix. Hence Gerschgorin Disks give a computational way to determine whether a matrix is invertible.

Consider a sequence  $\{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k, \dots\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  of complex numbers. The expression

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} z_k = z_\infty$$

for some complex number  $z_\infty$  means, given a real number  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can find a real number  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|z_k - z_\infty| < \epsilon$  whenever  $k > \delta$ . We also say that the sequence “converges to a limit  $\ell$ ”.

Similarly, the expression

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} z_k = \infty$$

means, given a real number  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can find a real number  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|z_k| > \epsilon$  whenever  $k > \delta$ . We also say that the sequence “increases without bound.”

**Proposition.** Let  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k, \dots\} \subseteq M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  be a sequence of  $m \times n$  matrices with complex entries. Then the following are equivalent for an  $m \times n$  matrix  $L$ :

- For each extended number  $p$  satisfying  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , we can find a  $\delta > 0$  such that for any given  $\epsilon > 0$  we have  $\|A_k - L\|_p < \epsilon$  whenever  $k > \delta$ .
- For some extended number  $p_0$  satisfying  $1 \leq p_0 \leq \infty$ , we can find a  $\delta > 0$  such that for any given  $\epsilon > 0$  we have  $\|A_k - L\|_{p_0} < \epsilon$  whenever  $k > \delta$ .
- We have the  $m \times n$  limits

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (A_k)_{ij} = L_{ij} \quad \text{for all} \quad \begin{matrix} 1 \leq i \leq m, \\ 1 \leq j \leq n. \end{matrix}$$

each entry has a limit

If any of these equivalent statements is true, then we write “ $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A_k = L$ ” and we say that the sequence “converges to a limit  $L$ ”.

complex matrix limitation thm

**Theorem 5.12.** Let  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k, \dots\} \subseteq M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  be a sequence of  $m \times n$  matrices with complex entries which converges to a limit  $L$ .

- Let  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then the sequence  $\{\dots, c A_k, \dots\} \subseteq M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  tends to the limit  $c L$ .
- Let  $P \in M_{q \times m}(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the sequence  $\{\dots, P A_k, \dots\} \subseteq M_{q \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  tends to the limit  $P L$ .
- Let  $Q \in M_{n \times q}(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the sequence  $\{\dots, A_k Q, \dots\} \subseteq M_{m \times q}(\mathbb{C})$  tends to the limit  $L Q$ .
- Assume that each  $A_k = A^k \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  are powers of a square matrix, and let  $Q \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  be invertible. Then the sequence  $\{\dots, Q^{-1} A^k Q, \dots\} \subseteq M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  tends to the limit  $Q^{-1} L Q$ .

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} Q^{-1} A^k Q = Q^{-1} L Q$$

**§6.1: Inner Products and Norms.** Denote  $V = \mathbb{C}^n$ . The length of a vector  $x \in V$  is the scalar

$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{|a_1|^2 + |a_2|^2 + \dots + |a_n|^2}.$$

We use this to motivate the following: We define a map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by

complex conjugate

$$\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 \overline{b_1} + a_2 \overline{b_2} + \dots + a_n \overline{b_n} \implies \langle x, x \rangle = |a_1|^2 + |a_2|^2 + \dots + |a_n|^2 = \|x\|_2^2.$$

This is known as the standard inner product.

**Proposition.** For  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , the standard inner product has the following properties.

- *Linearity:*  $\langle cx + z, y \rangle = c \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$ .
- *Symmetry:*  $\overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle$ .
- *Positivity:*  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$ .
- *Non-degeneracy:*  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $x$  is the zero vector.
- *Lagrange's Identity:*

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \overline{b_k} \right|^2 + \left( \sum_{i < j} |a_i b_j - a_j b_i|^2 \right) = \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|^2 \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |b_k|^2 \right).$$

In particular,  $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\|_2 \|y\|_2$ .

We wish to extend the concept of the standard inner product on  $V = \mathbb{C}^n$  to something similar for  $V = M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$ . In general, let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F = \mathbb{C}$ . We say that a map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an *inner product* if the following properties hold for all  $x, y, z \in V$  and  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ :

- *Linearity:*  $\langle cx + z, y \rangle = c \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$ .
- *Symmetry:*  $\overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle$ .
- *Positivity:*  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$ .
- *Non-degeneracy:*  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $x = O_V$ .

Here are some examples.

- Let  $V = \mathbb{C}^n$ . We have seen that the standard inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 \overline{b_1} + a_2 \overline{b_2} + \cdots + a_n \overline{b_n} \quad \text{where} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

is an example of an inner product. More generally, choose  $n$  positive real numbers  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n$ , and consider the new map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle' : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$\langle x, y \rangle' = r_1 a_1 \overline{b_1} + r_2 a_2 \overline{b_2} + \cdots + r_n a_n \overline{b_n}.$$

This is also an inner product.

- Let  $V = M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  denote the collection of  $m \times n$  matrices. If  $B \in V$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, define its *adjoint*  $B^* \in M_{n \times m}(\mathbb{C})$  as that  $n \times m$  matrix found by computing the transpose of the complex conjugate of  $B$ . That is,

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} & \cdots & B_{1n} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} & \cdots & B_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m1} & B_{m2} & \cdots & B_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad B^* = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{B_{11}} & \overline{B_{21}} & \cdots & \overline{B_{m1}} \\ \overline{B_{12}} & \overline{B_{22}} & \cdots & \overline{B_{m2}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \overline{B_{1n}} & \overline{B_{2n}} & \cdots & \overline{B_{mn}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Define the map  $V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which takes a pair  $A$  and  $B$  of  $m \times n$  matrices to the trace of the  $n \times n$  matrix  $B^* A$ :

$$\text{tr}(B^* A) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} \overline{B_{ij}}.$$

This called the **Frobenius inner product**. Note that this reduces to the standard inner product when either  $m = 1$  or  $n = 1$ . More generally, choose  $mn$  positive real numbers  $r_{11}, r_{12}, \dots, r_{mn}$ , and consider the map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n r_{ij} A_{ij} \overline{B_{ij}}.$$

This is always an inner product.

Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and say that a map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an inner product. Since  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$ , we define  $\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$  as the **norm** of  $x \in V$ .

Norm defn and property

**Theorem 6.2.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and say that a map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an inner product. Then for all  $x, y \in V$  and  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , the map  $\|\cdot\| : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$  has the following properties.

- **Positivity:**  $\|x\| \geq 0$ .
- **Non-degeneracy:**  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x$  is the zero vector.
- **Multiplicativity:**  $\|cx\| = |c| \|x\|$ .
- **Cauchy-Bunyakovsky-Schwarz (CBS) Inequality:**  $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$ .
- **Triangle Inequality:**  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$ .

Any map  $\|\cdot\| : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with the properties is called a **norm**. Observe that if  $V$  has an inner product, then it has a norm – but not all norms come from inner products! Indeed, we have  $p$ -norms  $\|\cdot\|_p$  on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  for any extended number  $p$  satisfying  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , but it only comes from an inner product if  $p = 2$ . A vector space  $V$  with a norm is called a **Banach Space**, while a vector space with an inner product is called an **Inner Product Space**.

## §6.2: The Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process and Orthogonal Complements.

Let  $V$  be an  $n$ -dimensional linear space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ . Fix an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ . We say that a subset  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  of  $V$  is an **orthonormal basis** if

- **Span:** Given any  $x \in V$ , we can find scalars  $a_i$  such that  $x = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_n u_n$ .
- **Linear Independence:** The only scalars  $a_i \in F$  which satisfy  $a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_n u_n = 0_V$  are  $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 0$ .
- **Orthogonality:** Any pair  $u_i, u_j \in \beta$  has the inner product  $\langle u_i, u_j \rangle = 1$  whenever  $i = j$ .
- **Normalized:** Each vector in  $u_j \in \beta$  has norm  $\|u_j\| = \sqrt{\langle u_j, u_j \rangle} = 1$ .

Orthonormal property

Here are some examples.

- Let  $V = F^2$ , and choose  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$  as the standard inner product. Recall that

$$\gamma = \{e_1, e_2\} \quad \text{in terms of} \quad e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



is the standard basis for  $V$ . We give a much more general statement: let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  be any scalars not both zero, and denote the two vectors

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \end{pmatrix}.$$

(We recover  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  when  $a = 1$  and  $b = 0$ .) Then  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $V$ . In particular,  $\gamma$  is an orthonormal basis for  $V$ , and there are infinitely many orthonormal bases for  $V$ .

- Let  $V = F^3$ , and choose  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$  as the standard inner product. Recall that

$$\gamma = \{e_1, e_2\} \quad \text{in terms of} \quad e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is the standard basis for  $V$ . We give a much more general statement: let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  be any scalars such that  $a$  and  $b$  are not both zero, and denote the three vectors

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}, \\ v_2 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ v_3 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -a c \\ -b c \\ a^2 + b^2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

(We recover  $e_1, e_2$ , and  $e_3$  when  $a = 1, b = 0$ , and  $c = 0$ .) Then  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $V$ . In particular (like above),  $\gamma$  is an orthonormal basis for  $V$ , and there are infinitely many orthonormal bases for  $V$ .

Any finite dimensional inner product space  $V$  has an orthonormal basis

**Theorem 6.3, 6.4, 6.5.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and fix an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ .

- Let  $W = \text{span}(S)$  be the span of a linearly independent subset  $S = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k\}$  of  $V$ . Define  $S' = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  by

$$v_i = \begin{cases} w_1 & \text{for } i = 1, \\ w_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \frac{\langle w_i, v_j \rangle}{\|v_j\|^2} v_j & \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq k. \end{cases}$$

Then  $S'$  is an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors such that  $W = \text{span}(S')$ .

- Let  $W = \text{span}(S')$  be the span of an orthogonal subset  $S' = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  of  $V$  consisting of nonzero vectors, that is,  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = 0$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $v_i \neq O_V$ . Then  $S'$  is a linearly independent set. Moreover, each  $y \in W$  can uniquely expressed in the form

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\langle y, v_i \rangle}{\|v_i\|^2} v_i.$$

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- Let  $W = \text{span}(S'')$  be the span of an orthonormal subset  $S'' = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  of  $V$ . Then  $S''$  is a basis for  $W$ . Moreover, each  $y \in W$  can uniquely expressed in the form

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^k \langle y, u_i \rangle u_i.$$

The act of turning a linearly independent set  $S = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k\}$  into an orthogonal set  $S' = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  without zero vectors is called the *Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process*. In particular, if  $V$  is a finite-dimensional vector space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , then  $V$  has an orthonormal basis  $\beta$  with respect to any given an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ . The construction goes as follows:

- #1. Choose a basis  $\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$  for  $V$ .
- #2. Construct an orthogonal basis  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  for  $V$  via the Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process:

$$v_i = \begin{cases} w_1 & \text{for } i = 1, \\ w_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \frac{\langle w_i, v_j \rangle}{\|v_j\|^2} v_j & \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq n. \end{cases}$$

- #3. Construct an orthonormal basis  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  for  $V$  via Normalizing:

$$u_i = \frac{1}{\|v_i\|} v_i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Let  $V$  be a vector space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and fix an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ . Given a subset  $S \subseteq V$ , we define the *orthogonal complement* of  $S$  as the subset

$$S^\perp = \left\{ x \in V \mid \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } y \in S \right\}.$$

The symbol “ $S^\perp$ ” is read as “ $S$  perp(pendicular)”.

**Theorem 6.6, 6.7.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and fix an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ . Let  $W$  be a finite-dimensional subspace.

- $W^\perp$  is a subspace of  $V$ .
- $W \cap W^\perp = \{0_V\}$ .
- For each  $y \in V$ , there exist unique  $u \in W$  and  $z \in W^\perp$  such that  $y = u + z$ . Moreover, the vector  $u$  is the unique vector in  $W$  that is “closest” to  $y$ ; that is, for any  $x \in W$  we have the inequality  $\|y - x\| \geq \|y - u\|$ , with equality if and only if  $x = u$ .
- If  $V$  is finite-dimensional, then  $\dim(W) + \dim(W^\perp) = \dim(V)$ .

There exists a linear transformation  $\text{proj}_W : V \rightarrow V$  which sends  $y \mapsto u$ . It is easy to see that  $R(\text{proj}_W) = W$  is the image of such a map, while  $N(\text{proj}_W) = W^\perp$  is the null space of such a map. Observe that

$$\|y - x\| \geq \|y - \text{proj}_W(y)\| \quad \text{for any } x \in W \text{ and } y \in V.$$

Here is an example. Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  denote the real plane along with the standard inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Recall that  $V$  has an orthonormal basis  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2\}$  in terms of the vectors

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \end{pmatrix}.$$

Theorem 6.5 asserts that any vector  $v \in V$  can be expressed in the form  $v = v^\perp + v^\parallel$ , where

$$v^\perp = \langle v, u_1 \rangle u_1 = \frac{ax + by}{a^2 + b^2} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v^\parallel = \langle v, u_2 \rangle u_2 = \frac{ay - bx}{a^2 + b^2} \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \end{pmatrix}.$$

We give a geometric interpretation of this expression. Consider the line

$$W = \text{span}\{u_2\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid ax + by = 0 \right\}$$

going through the origin. We have the perpendicular line

$$W^\perp = \text{span}\{u_1\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid bx - ay = 0 \right\}.$$

We can use this to define a linear transformation  $\text{proj}_W : V \rightarrow V$  as the map  $\text{proj}_W(v) = v^\parallel$  which is the orthogonal projection onto  $W$ . Observe that  $R(\text{proj}_W) = W$  is the image of such a map, while  $N(\text{proj}_W) = W^\perp$  is the null space of such a map.

### §6.3: The Adjoint of a Linear Operator.

**Theorem 6.8, 6.9.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and fix an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ .

- For each  $y \in V$ , let  $g : V \rightarrow F$  be the map which sends  $x \mapsto \langle x, y \rangle$ . Then  $g$  is a linear transformation. Conversely, let  $g : V \rightarrow F$  be a linear transformation. Then there exists a unique  $y \in V$  such that  $g(x) = \langle x, y \rangle$  for all  $x \in V$ .
- Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation. There exists a unique linear transformation  $T^* : V \rightarrow V$  such that  $\langle T(x), y \rangle = \langle x, T^*(y) \rangle$  for all  $x, y \in V$ .

In other words, linear transformations  $\mathbf{g} : \mathbf{V} \rightarrow F$  are in one-to-one correspondence with vectors  $y \in \mathbf{V}$ . The linear transformation  $\mathbf{T}^* : \mathbf{V} \rightarrow \mathbf{V}$  is called the *adjoint* of  $\mathbf{T}$ . The symbol “ $\mathbf{T}^*$ ” is read as “ $\mathbf{T}$ -star.”

Conjugate transpose

**Theorem 6.10, 6.11.** Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a vector space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and fix an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{V} \rightarrow F$ . Let  $\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{U} : \mathbf{V} \rightarrow \mathbf{V}$  be linear transformations and  $c \in F$  be a scalar.

- Let  $\beta$  be an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbf{V}$ . Then the adjoint of  $A = [\mathbf{T}]_{\beta}^{\beta}$  is the matrix  $A^* = [\mathbf{T}^*]_{\beta}^{\beta}$  as the **complex conjugate** of the transpose of  $A$ .
- We have the following three properties:
  - $(c\mathbf{T} + \mathbf{U})^* = \bar{c}\mathbf{T}^* + \mathbf{U}^*$
  - $(\mathbf{T} \circ \mathbf{U})^* = \mathbf{U}^* \circ \mathbf{T}^*$
  - $(\mathbf{T}^*)^* = \mathbf{T}$ .

Given an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A \in \mathbf{M}_{n \times n}(F)$ , the  $n \times n$  matrix  $A^*$  which is the complex conjugate of the transpose of  $A$  is called the *adjoint* of  $A$ . This should not be confused with the *classical adjoint* of  $A$ : this is that  $n \times n$  matrix  $\text{adj}(A)$ , also called the *adjugate* of  $A$ , with entries

$$(\text{adj}(A))_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(\tilde{A}_{ji}) \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ 1 \leq j \leq n; \end{array}$$

where  $\tilde{A}_{ij}$  is that  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  matrix obtained from  $A$  by deleting the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column. For example when  $n = 2$  we have the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{implies} \quad A^* = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{a} & \bar{c} \\ \bar{b} & \bar{d} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{but} \quad \text{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} d & -c \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}.$$

Consider the special case where  $\mathbf{V} = F^n$ . The standard inner product on  $\mathbf{V}$  can be expressed in terms of the adjoint as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, y \rangle &= x_1 \bar{y}_1 + x_2 \bar{y}_2 + \cdots + x_n \bar{y}_n \\ &= y^* x \end{aligned} \quad \text{for all} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbf{V}.$$

It is easy to see that the standard basis  $\beta = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis with respect to the standard inner product on  $\mathbf{V}$ . Observe that

$$[\mathbf{L}_A]_{\beta}^{\beta} = A \quad \implies \quad [(\mathbf{L}_A)^*]_{\beta}^{\beta} = A^* = [\mathbf{L}_{A^*}]_{\beta}^{\beta} \quad \implies \quad (\mathbf{L}_A)^* = \mathbf{L}_{A^*}.$$

Say that in an experiment we have the following data:

Time	$t_1$	$t_2$	$t_3$	$\cdots$	$t_m$
Value	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$\cdots$	$y_m$

The “least squares best linear fit”  $y(t) = ct + d$  has coefficients

$$\begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^m t_i^2 & \sum_{i=1}^m t_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^m t_i & \sum_{i=1}^m 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^m t_i y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \end{pmatrix}.$$

This is part of a general phenomenon.

**Theorem 6.12.** Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$  and  $y \in F^n$  for either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ . The vector  $x_0 = (A^* A)^{-1}(A^* y)$  in  $F^n$  satisfies  $\|A x_0 - y\| \leq \|A x - y\|$  for all  $x \in F^n$ .

The expression  $(A^* A) x_0 = (A^* y)$  is called the *normal equation*.

**§6.4: Self-Adjoint Operators.** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and fix an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ . A linear operator  $T : V \rightarrow V$  is said to be *normal* if  $T T^* = T^* T$ .

**Theorem 6.15.** Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a normal linear operator on a finite dimensional inner product space  $V$ .

- $\|T(x)\| = \|T^*(x)\|$  for all  $x \in V$ .
- $T - cI_V$  is normal for any scalar  $c \in F$ .
- Say that  $x \in V$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda \in F$ , that is,  $T(x) = \lambda x$ . Then  $x$  is also an eigenvector of  $T^*$  but with eigenvalue the complex conjugate of  $\lambda$ , that is,  $T^*(x) = \bar{\lambda}x$ .
- Say that  $x_1, x_2 \in V$  are eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in F$ . Then  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are orthogonal.

**Theorem 6.14, 6.16.** Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator on a  $n$ -dimensional inner product space  $V$ .

- (Issai Schur) Assume that the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  splits over  $F$ , that is, the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \det \left( [T]_{\beta}^{\beta} - t I_n \right) = \det(T) + \cdots + (-1)^n t^n \\ &= (-1)^n \cdot (t - \lambda_1)^{m_1} (t - \lambda_2)^{m_2} \cdots (t - \lambda_k)^{m_k} \end{aligned}$$

has linear factors with each eigenvalue  $\lambda_k \in F$ . Then there exists an orthonormal basis  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  for  $V$  such that the matrix  $[T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$  is upper triangular.

- Assume that  $V$  is a vector space over  $F = \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $T$  is normal if and only if there exists an orthonormal basis  $\beta$  for  $V$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ .

Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space over either  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , and fix an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ . A linear operator  $T : V \rightarrow V$  is said to be *self-adjoint* or *Hermitian* if  $T = T^*$ .

In practice, we choose  $F = \mathbb{R}$ , so that a self-adjoint operator  $\mathsf{T}$  corresponds to a symmetric matrix  $A = [\mathsf{T}]_{\beta}^{\beta}$ , that is,  $A = A^t$ .

**Theorem 6.17.** Let  $\mathsf{T} : \mathsf{V} \rightarrow \mathsf{V}$  be a linear operator on a  $n$ -dimensional inner product space  $\mathsf{V}$ .

- $\mathsf{T}$  is normal.
- Every eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $\mathsf{T}$  is a real number, that is,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- The characteristic polynomial of  $\mathsf{T}$  splits, that is, the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \det \left( [\mathsf{T}]_{\beta}^{\beta} - t I_n \right) = \det(\mathsf{T}) + \cdots + (-1)^n t^n \\ &= (-1)^n \cdot (t - \lambda_1)^{m_1} (t - \lambda_2)^{m_2} \cdots (t - \lambda_k)^{m_k} \end{aligned}$$

has linear factors.

- Assume that  $\mathsf{V}$  is a vector space over  $F = \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $\mathsf{T}$  is self-adjoint if and only if there exists an orthonormal basis  $\beta$  for  $\mathsf{V}$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $\mathsf{T}$ .