

# Linear System of Equations

- (lowkey review of MATH 221)
- linear system of equation

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\ &\vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n &= b_m \end{aligned}$$

- $x_j$  are variables and we want to solve for them; while  $a_j$  are coefficients
- each eq above is a linear eq (nothing is squared)
- we want to solve for a set of sols (if any exists) for  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  such that all  $m$  equations are satisfied
- writing the system in matrix form

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}}_x = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}}_b$$

$Ax = b$

- $A = (m \times n), x = (n \times 1), b = (m \times 1)$
- fact: every linear system with  $m$  equations,  $n$  unknowns (all real values) can be expressed as a matrix equations  $Ax = b$  where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}^m$
- **Gaussian Elimination (GE)**: how we solve for linear equations

1. Form the "augmented matrix" from  $Ax = b$

$$[A \mid b]$$

2. Do row reduction using elementary row operations until the augmented matrix is in row echelon form (REF)

- elementary row operations:

1. add multiple of a row to another
2. multiply a row by a non-zero scalar
3. interchange two rows

- row echelon form

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & \blacksquare & x & x & x & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \blacksquare & x & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \blacksquare & b_3 \end{array} \right]$$

- all non-zero rows at the bottom
- first non-zero entry (called a pivot) in any row is to the right of the pivot in any row above it
- note: if all pivot entries are 1 and all entries above the pivot are 0, then we have a matrix in reduced row echelon form (RREF)
- example: TODO (maybe)
- **rank** (of a matrix): the number of non-zero rows in REF of a matrix
  - this number is unique to the matrix
  - can also be defined as the number of linearly independent rows OR the number of pivots
  - **theorems**
    1. The system  $Ax = b$  has no solutions (the system is inconsistent) when  $\text{rank}(A) < \text{rank}([A \mid b])$

2. Suppose  $A$  is  $(m \times n)$ , then  $Ax = b$  has a unique solution iff  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}([A \mid b]) = n$  (number of columns/variables)
3. If  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}([A \mid b]) < n$ , then there are  $n - \text{rank}(A)$  free variables and the system has  $\infty$  solutions

- special case: square matrix

- suppose  $A$  is a  $(n \times n)$  matrix and  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ , then  $Ax = b$  has a unique solution regardless of  $b$
- in fancier terms: the map  $f : x \in \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow Ax \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is an invertible function (or: linear transformation)
  - $\rightarrow$  i.e for every  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there exists  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $Ax = y$
- so, we define the inverse of  $A$  as:  $y = Ax \rightarrow x = A^{-1}y$
- facts about this inverse
  1.  $A^{-1}$  is also an  $(n \times n)$  matrix
  2.  $(A^{-1})^{-1}$  exists and is equal to  $A$
  3. for square matrices w/ non-zero determinant, you can find its inverse

- recall: the identity matrix

$$I_n = (n \times n) \text{ Identity Matrix} \\ = \text{matrix w/ 0s everywhere, 1s on the diagonal}$$

- $I_n$  takes on the role of "the number one" in matrix computation, that is

$$\begin{aligned} I_n \times x &= x & x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ I_n \times A &= A & A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \\ A \times A^{-1} &= I_n & (\text{only if } A \text{ is square-invertible}) \end{aligned}$$

- theorem: Suppose  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = n$  (full rank), then

1.  $A^{-1}$  exists is an  $(n \times n)$  matrix
2.  $A(A^{-1}) = (A^{-1})A = I_n$

- points is: when solving linear system  $Ax = b$  w/ an invertible  $A$ , solution given by  $x = A^{-1}b$

- **Finding the Inverse**: typically do  $[A \mid I_n]$  then do GE to REF which gives  $[I_n \mid A^{-1}]$

- (so reduce until you get  $I_n$  on the LHS, whatever on the RHS is the inverse)
- example: TODO

## LU Decomposition

- computational motivation: suppose we want to solve many large linear system  $Ax = b; Ax = c; Ax = d, \dots$  where  $A$  is a common (the same) but the RHS  $b, c, d, \dots$  are different
  - for each linear system, we need to do GE to get to REF

$$\begin{aligned} [A \mid b] &\rightarrow \dots \\ [A \mid c] &\rightarrow \dots \\ [A \mid d] &\rightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

however, the **steps** to do GE to get to REF only depend on  $A$

- goal: record the steps of GE and use it repeatedly with however many different RHS we have (this is what LU aims to do)

- What is LU decomposition? It is a factorization of  $A$  in the form

$$A = LU$$

$$U = \text{REF}(A)$$

$L$  = matrix that encodes steps of GE

- $L$  is a unit lower triangular matrix and  $U$  is called an upper triangular matrix (see below)

- definitions

1. Lower triangular matrix: all entries above the main diagonal are 0

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & 0 \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & 0 & * \\ * & * & * & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} * & 0 \\ * & * \\ * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

- in other words  $a_{ij} = 0 \forall i < j$
- the stars can be anything

2. Unit lower triangular matrix: it's a square lower triangular matrix with all ones on the main diagonal

- stars can still be anything

3. Upper triangular & unit upper triangular matrix: same as lower but just opposite

- row operation matrices: matrices that perform row operations when multiplied with another matrix

1. Swapping Rows: you take the identity matrix, then you apply the row operation **to the identity matrix**

- ex. swap row 2 and 3 for the matrix  $A$  below

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(we swapped row 2 and 3 of the identity matrix)

2. Multiply row  $i$  by a scalar  $s$ : we have  $A \rightarrow DA$  where  $D$  is  $I_n$  where the  $i$ -th diagonal entry is replaced with  $s$

3. Add  $c$  times row  $j$  to row  $i$  ( $i \neq j$ ): replace the entry in the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column with the value  $c$

- we basically do  $A[i][j] = c$
- example: TODO
- note: for this matrix, its matrix is particularly easy to get, just flip the  $c$  entry to  $-c$

- want: compute the  $LU$  decomposition of a matrix (if it exists)

- solution: do Gaussian Elimination

- that is:

$$A \rightarrow E_1(A) \rightarrow E_2(E_1(A)) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \text{REF}(A)$$

$$\therefore \underbrace{\text{REF}(A)}_U = E_j \cdot E_{j-1} \cdot \dots \cdot E_2 \cdot E_1 \cdot A$$

$$U = (E_j \dots E_2 E_1) A$$

$$\therefore A = (E_j \dots E_2 E_1)^{-1} U$$

$$= \underbrace{(E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \dots E_j^{-1})}_L U$$

- example: find the  $LU$  decomposition of

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-3R_1+R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1+R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{REF}(A) = U$$

thus we have

$$E_1 = -3R_1 + R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_2 = R_1 + R_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U = E_1 E_2 A$$

$$\therefore A = E_2^{-1} E_1^{-1} U$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{E_1^{-1}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{E_2^{-1}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_U$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = LU$$

- the steps above is general and can be stated as a theorem

- **theorem**: if a matrix  $A$  can be reduced to REF by GE without swapping rows, then  $A$  has an  $LU$  decomposition

- def: we say  $A$  has an  $LU$  decomposition if  $A = LU$  where  $L$  is unit lower triangular and  $U$  is upper triangular.

- using LU decomposition to solve linear systems: the usual set up is that we have the same  $A$  but multiple different  $b$ 's - currently we have

$$Ax = b \implies (LU)x = b$$

1. Let  $Ux = y$ , so we solve  $Ly = b$  for  $y \rightarrow$  should be easy bc  $L$  is a lower unit triangular matrix (use forward sub)

2. Solve  $y = Ux$  for  $x \rightarrow$  can do backward sub

- example: let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3/2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{no work shown})$$

1. Let  $LUx = b$ , set  $Ux = y$  and solve  $Ly = b$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3/2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving, we can see that  $y = [y_1, y_2, y_3] = [2, 3, 9]$

2. Solve  $Ux = y$  for  $x$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving, we can get  $x = [1, -2, 6]$

- other useful facts about  $LU$

- $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(U)$

- if  $A$  is square,  $\det(A) = \det(U) = \text{product of diag entry of } U$

# Error Analysis

## Vector Norms

- norms of vectors: norms on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  assigns a magnitude (size) to vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ 
  - ex.  $n = 1$ : in  $\mathbb{R}$  the absolute value of  $x$ ,  $|x|$  does the job
  - ex.  $n = 2$ : let  $\vec{x} = \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle$ , the typical norm is the Euclidean norm (aka 2-norm)

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

→ note that the 2-norm can be used in  $n$ -dimension

- definition: a function  $\|\cdot\| : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a norm iff
  1.  $\|x\| > 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
  2.  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = \vec{0}$  (the zero-vector)
  3.  $\|cx\| = |c| \cdot \|x\|, \forall c \in \mathbb{R}, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
  4.  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$  (known as the triangle inequality)
- examples of other norms
  - 1-norm: it's the sum of all the absolute value of the components (aka Manhattan Distance)

$$\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_n|$$

$$\|x\|_p := \left( \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

→ note: when  $p = 2$  that's the Euclidean norm and  $p = 1$  then it's the 1-norm

- $\infty$ -norm:
- $$\|x\|_\infty = \max\{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\}$$
- remark: with any given norm, we can define the "distance" between 2 points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (say  $x$  and  $y$ ) as

$$\text{dist}(x, y) := \|x - y\|_t \quad \text{where } t \text{ can be any norm}$$

- different norms can have different "geometry"
  - in  $n = 2$  (we're in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ), we can def the unit circle in 2 ways

$$\begin{aligned} S_2 &:= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : x^2 + y^2 = 1, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|x\|_2 = 1\} \\ &= \text{all vector } \vec{x} \text{ such that the 2-norm of } \vec{x} \text{ is 1} \end{aligned}$$

- now if we wanted to define the "unit circle" as a 1-norm

$$S_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|x\|_1 = 1\}$$

- so here "circle" no longer has the same geometric representation that we usually think of, instead we can define it as  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|x\|_p = 1$  for any norm  $p$

## Matrix Norms

- want: measure the magnitude (size) of a matrix in meaningful way
- definition of a norm is the same as before - they need to satisfy the 4 properties

- Frobenius (or Hilbert-Schmidt) Norm: like the 2-norm for vectors

$$\text{let } A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|A\|_F = \|A\|_S = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m |a_{ij}|^2}$$

- Operator Norm: intuitively, it's calculating the maximum "stretching" capability of the matrix across all possible non-zero vectors
  - when you multiply a matrix and vector, you transform the vector - you stretch it by some factor

$$\|A\|_{\text{op}} = \|A\| = \max \left\{ \frac{\|Ax\|_2}{\|x\|_2} \right\}$$

- we can also re-write the definition in another manner

$$\begin{aligned} \|A\|_{\text{op}} &= \max_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\| \\ \|A^{-1}\|_{\text{op}} &= \frac{1}{\min_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\|_2} \end{aligned}$$

- so  $\|A\|$  is the maximum stretch of a unit vector by the linear transformation  $A$  while  $\|A^{-1}\|$  is the reciprocal of the minimum stretch of a unit vector by the linear transformation  $A$
- operator norms have some special properties
  1.  $\|A\| > 0$
  2.  $\|A\| = 0$  iff  $A$  is a non-zero matrix
  3.  $\|cA\| = |c| \|A\|$
  4.  $\|A + B\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\|$
  5.  $\|AB\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|B\|$  (new)
  6.  $\|Ax\|_2 \leq \|A\|_{\text{op}} \cdot \|x\|$

- solving operator norm: we will cover general case later, for now we'll only cover special cases

- diagonal matrices: let  $D$  be a diagonal matrix, then the norm is the max magnitude of the diagonal entries

$$\|D\| = \max\{|d_{jj}|\}$$

- permutation matrices: let  $P$  be the perm matrix (matrix obtained by shuffling rows of I)

$$\begin{aligned} \|P\| &= 1 && \text{for any permutation matrix} \\ \|PA\| &= \|A\| && \text{if } P \text{ is a permutation matrix} \end{aligned}$$

## Condition Number

- we want to answer the question "how stable" is the solution with respect to small changes in  $b$
- **definition**: the condition of a nonsingular (invertible) square matrix  $A$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cond}(A) &= \|A\| \times \|A^{-1}\| \\ &= \frac{\text{max stretch of a unit vector}}{\text{min stretch of a unit vector}} \end{aligned}$$

if  $A$  is singular, we have  $\text{cond}(A) = \infty$

- **definition**: given a vector  $b$  and a small change  $\Delta b$ , the relative change (or relative error) is  $\frac{\|\Delta b\|}{\|b\|}$

- **theorem:** Let  $A$  be a nonsingular matrix and consider the linear system  $Ax = b$ . If a small change  $\Delta b$  corresponds to a change  $\Delta x$  in the sense that  $A(x + \Delta x) = (b + \Delta b)$  - we define the error bound

$$\frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x\|} \leq \text{cond}(A) \frac{\|\Delta b\|}{\|b\|}$$

- this means that if  $A$  has a large condition number, then small changes in  $b$  may result in very large changes in  $x$  (solution  $x$  is sensitive to errors in  $\Delta b$ )
- for permutation matrix  $P$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{cond}(P) &= 1 \\ \text{cond}(PA) &= \text{cond}(A)\end{aligned}$$

## Interpolation

- interpolating function provides information about values between points and beyond the range of the data
  - note that there are infinitely many different ways to interpolate a set of data
- **definition:** given data  $[(t_0, y_0), \dots, (t_d, y_d)]$ , an interpolating function (or interpolant) is a function  $f(t)$  such that  $f(t_k) = y_k$  for  $k = 0, \dots, d$

### Polynomial Interpolation

- a polynomial of degree (at most)  $d$  is a function of the form

$$p(t) = c_0 + c_1 t + \dots + c_d t^d, \quad c_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

- note that there are  $d + 1$  variables (because of  $c_0$  as well)
- we want to solve for  $c_i$
- we have  $d + 1$  variables to solve for  $\rightarrow$  every data point gives an equation

$$P(t_j) = y_j$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{i.e.} \quad P(t_0) &= c_0 + c_1 t_0 + \dots + c_d (t_0)^d = y_0 \\ P(t_1) &= c_0 + c_1 t_1 + \dots + c_d (t_1)^d = y_1 \\ &\vdots \\ P(t_d) &= c_0 + c_1 t_d + \dots + c_d (t_d)^d = y_d\end{aligned}$$

- re-write above into matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_0 & (t_0)^2 & \dots & (t_0)^d \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ (t_d)^0 & (t_d)^1 & (t_d)^2 & \dots & (t_d)^d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_d \end{bmatrix}$$

- problem of interpolation: **solve  $\mathbf{Ac} = \mathbf{y}$  for  $\mathbf{c}$**
- sidenote: Vandermonde matrix
  - the matrix  $A$  above is a Vandermonde matrix, generated by  $t_0, t_1, \dots, t_d$
  - ex. Vandermonde matrix generated by  $-2, 3, 5$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (-2)^0 & (-2)^1 & (-2)^2 \\ (3)^0 & (3)^1 & (3)^2 \\ (5)^0 & (5)^1 & (5)^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **theorem:** let  $A$  be the Vandermonde matrix, then

$$\det(A) = \prod_{0 \leq i < j \leq d} (t_j - t_i)$$

in simple terms: for a Vandermonde matrix constructed from numbers  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ , the determinant of the matrix, the determinant is the product of the differences between each pair of these numbers

- in terms of interpolation: if the determinant of the Vandermonde matrix is zero, it implies that at least two  $x$ -coordinates used to construct the matrix are the same, this means generating a interpolant is impossible
- note: while invertible, the condition number of the Vandermonde matrix gets very large as  $d$  increases
  - as  $d$  increases, poly interpolation is not numerically stable
  - intuitively: more data = higher degree polynomial = very sensitive and oscillating function  $\rightarrow$  not very useful

### Cubic Spline Interpolation

- general idea: between every pair of adjacent points  $(t_i, t_{i+1})$ , we want to fit a cubic function then glue them together
- **definition:** consider  $N + 1$  points  $(t_0, y_0), \dots, (t_N, y_N)$ , a **cubic spline** is a function  $p(t)$  defined piecewise (made up of many parts) by  $N$  cubic polynomials  $p_1(t), \dots, p_N(t)$  where

$$p_k(t) = a_k(t - t_{k-1})^3 + b_k(t - t_{k-1})^2 + c_k(t - t_{k-1}) + d_k$$

- we need to solve for  $(a_j, b_j, c_j, d_j)$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, N \rightarrow$  we require  $4N$  unknowns, thus we have to impose conditions to get  $4N$  equations

1. Interpolation at left endpoints (yield  $N$  equations)

$$p_k(t_{k-1}) = y_{k-1}, \quad k = 1, \dots, N$$

(basically saying left endpoint of this polynomial need to match the data)

2. Interpolation at right endpoints (yield  $N$  equations)

$$p_k(t_k) = y_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, N$$

3. Continuity of  $p'(t)$  (yield  $N - 1$  equations)

$$p'_k(t_k) = p'_{k+1}(t_k), \quad k = 1, \dots, N - 1$$

4. Continuity of  $p''$  (yield  $N - 1$  equations)

$$p''_k(t_k) = p''_{k+1}(t_k), \quad k = 1, \dots, N - 1$$

5. Natural spline condition (yield 2 equations)

$$p''_1(t_0) = p''_N(t_N) = 0$$

note: there are different choices to get these extra 2 equations (i.e “not-a-knot” condition)

- **theorem:** for  $N + 1$  points  $(t_0, y_0), \dots, (t_N, y_N)$  where  $t_i \neq t_j$  for all  $i \neq j$ , a unique “natural” cubic spline  $p(t)$  that interpolates these points can be constructed

- term “natural” here means second derivatives of the spline at the endpoints are zero
- can represent the cubic spline  $p(t)$  by the coefficient matrix

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_N \\ b_1 & b_2 & \dots & b_N \\ c_1 & c_2 & \dots & c_N \\ d_1 & d_2 & \dots & d_N \end{bmatrix}$$

where the  $k$ -th column of  $C$  consists of the coefficients for the  $k$  cubic polynomial in the spline, i.e

$$p_k(t) = a_k(t - t_{k-1})^3 + b_k(t - t_{k-1})^2 + c_k(t - t_{k-1}) + d_k$$

- turns out that we get the solutions to the first set of equations for free

$$d_k = y_{k-1} \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, N$$

- the coefficients  $a_1, b_1, c_1, \dots, a_N, b_N, c_N$  are the solutions to the linear system

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} A(L_1) & B & & & \\ & A(L_2) & B & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & A(L_{N-1}) & B \\ T & & & & V \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \\ b_N \\ c_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - y_0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ y_N - y_{N-1} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $L_k = t_k - t_{k-1}$  = the length of the sub-interval  $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$  and

$$A(L) = \begin{bmatrix} L^3 & L^2 & L \\ 3L^2 & 2L & 1 \\ 6L & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad V = \begin{bmatrix} L_N^3 & L_N^2 & L_N \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 6L_N & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- note: condition number of the matrix for constructing the natural cubic spline does not increase as drastically with the number of points like Vandermonde

## Subspaces

- note: term vector refers to elements of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and scalar  $s$  refers to elements in  $\mathbb{R}$

- **definition:** a subset  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace iff  $\forall u, v \in S, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

1.  $u + v \in S$  ( $S$  is closed under addition)
2.  $a \times u \in S$  ( $S$  is closed under scalar multiplication)

another way to write this is (equiv to both statements above)

$$\forall u, v \in S, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}, \quad au + bv \in S$$

- remark: if  $S$  is a subspace, then  $\vec{0}$  must be in  $S$

- **definition:** given  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \in \mathbb{R}^n, c_j \in \mathbb{R}$

- the sum  $\sum_{j=1}^k c_j v_j$  is a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_k$
- the set of all linear combination of  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is its span

$$\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^k c_j v_j, \quad c_j \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

→ in other words, it is the set of all vectors that can be obtained by scaling and adding these vectors together

→ for any  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is a subspace

- $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is linearly dependent if there exists a case where  $\sum_{j=1}^k c_j v_j = 0$  but not all  $c_j$  are 0

→ equivalently: at least 1  $v_j$  can be expressed as linear combo of other vectors

- $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is linearly independent if it is not linearly dependent

→ equivalently:  $\sum_{j=1}^k c_j v_j = \vec{0} \iff c_j = 0$  for all  $j$

- note: we can write linear combination as matrix multiplication (put each vector  $v_i$  as column of  $V$ )

$$\sum_{j=1}^k c_j v_j = \underbrace{[v_1 \mid v_2 \mid \dots \mid v_k]}_V \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_k \end{bmatrix}}_c$$

- this means that you can use the rank to check for linear independence

- example: check if  $\{[1, 1, 1]^T, [1, 1, 0]^T, [1, 0, 0]^T\}$  is linearly independent

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This matrix has full rank so it is linearly independent (if less then it's dependent) - note that we could have done REF instead of RREF

- **definition:** a set  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq S$  is a basis of  $S$  if

1.  $\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = S$  (the set of vector spans  $S$ )
2.  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is linearly independent

- in other words, the vectors in the basis can generate (or span) the entire space by linear combinations

- so any vector in the vector space can be expressed as a unique linear combination of the basis vectors

- remark: if  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is linearly independent, then it is a basis for its span

- equivalently: a set  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq S$  is a basis of  $S$  iff

1.  $\forall u \in S, \exists c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t  $u = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j v_j$  (basically the span requirement above)
2. the choice of  $c_j$  in 1) is unique (i.e only 1 way of expressing any vector)

- remarks

1. given a subspace, the choice of a basis is not unique
2. however, given a subspace  $S$ , the number of vector in any basis of  $S$  must be the same - this number of vectors is called the dimension of  $S$
3. **theorem:** in a  $k$ -dim subspace  $S$ , any  $k$  linearly independent vectors for a basis for  $S$

Example: Find a basis and the dimension of  $S = \text{span}(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4)$

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad u_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**important:** the pivot columns indicates which  $u_i$  is indep.

Let  $U = [u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3 \ u_4]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -5 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2/5 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So we can say that  $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is the basis for  $S$  and thus  $\dim(S) = 3$

- if we found out that  $U = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  has dimension  $d$ , then any  $d$  linearly independent vector from the set  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  will form the basis for  $U$

## Null Spaces & Ranges

- recall: a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  can be interpreted as a linear map (function transformation) from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$

$$A : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \quad \text{or} \quad A : x \in \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow Ax \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

- note:  $A$  is linear iff  $\forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n, \forall s_1, s_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$A(sx_1 + sx_2) = s_1Ax_2 + s_2Ax_2$$

- definition: null spaces** of  $A$

$$N(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = \vec{0}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

= solution set of  $Ax = 0$

- fact:  $N(A)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- example: given  $A$ , find basis of  $N(A) \rightarrow$  means solve  $Ax = 0$  (technically, want to solve for the basis of  $N(A)$ )

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 10 \\ 2 & 6 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_1, x_3$  are pivots and  $x_2, x_4$  are free variables

let  $x_2 = s, x_3 = t \rightarrow x_3 = -3t, x_1 = -3s - t$

$$\therefore N(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3s - t \\ s \\ -3t \\ t \end{bmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ s \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is the basis of } N(A)$$

- geometrically, think of it as the “directions” or “vectors” that get mapped to zero by  $A$  when you apply it
- it represents the subspace of vectors that get “collapsed” or “squished” to the origin when applied to  $A$

- definition: range of  $A$**  - assume that  $A$  is  $m \times n$

$$R(A) := \{Ax : x \in \mathbb{R}^n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$= \text{span}\{a_1, \dots, a_k\}$$

= set of all possible linear combinations of its col

$$= \text{col}(A) = \text{“column space” of } A$$

- fact:  $R(A)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

- some important facts: let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

- $\text{rank}(A) = \# \text{ of pivots} \leq \min(m, n)$
  - $\dim(R(A)) = \# \text{ of pivots} = \text{rank}(A)$  (because the number linearly independent columns gives the basis)
  - $\dim(N(A)) = \# \text{ of free variable} = n - \text{rank}(A)$
- all things above lead to **Rank-Nullity Theorem**: For any  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ ,  $\dim(R(A)) + \dim(N(A)) = n$

- special case: if we have the LU decomposition of  $A$  and we want to find  $R(A)$  and  $N(A)$

- theorem**: let  $A = LU$  be the LU decomposition of  $A$  and let  $\text{rank}(A) = r$ , then the first  $r$  columns of  $L$  forms the basis for  $R(A) \rightarrow$  that is,  $R(A) = \text{span}\{\vec{l}_1, \dots, \vec{l}_r\}$

- and since  $L$  is invertible, we have

$$N(A) = N(LU) = N(U)$$

so we just have to find  $N(U)$  (meaning solve for  $Ux = \vec{0}$ )

$\rightarrow$  proposition: suppose  $B$  is invertible  $m \times n$  and  $A$  is any  $m \times n$  matrix, then  $N(BA) = N(A)$

- some remarks on  $A^T$

$$A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n} \quad A^T = [a_{ji}]_{n \times m} \quad (\text{rows} \rightarrow \text{columns})$$

- $R(A^T) = R(U^T) =$  the first  $r$  rows of  $U$

## Orthogonality

- definition: the inner product** (dot product) of two vectors  $x = [x_1, \dots, x_n]^T$  and  $y = [y_1, \dots, y_n]^T$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is

$$\langle x, y \rangle := x \cdot y = x_1y_1 + x_2y_2 + \dots + x_ny_n$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n x_iy_i$$

- important properties

- we can express it in matrix notation

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T y = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$  (only true for real numbers)
- $\langle x, cy + dz \rangle = c \langle x, y \rangle + d \langle x, z \rangle$  where  $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- $\langle x, Ay \rangle = \langle A^T x, y \rangle$  (memorize, always true for reals and any matrix  $A$ )
- the inner product induces the 2-norm (can write the 2-norm as inner product)

$$\langle x, x \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = \|x\|_2^2$$

- $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\|_2 \cdot \|y\|_2$  (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality)
- $\langle x, y \rangle = \|x\|_2 \cdot \|y\|_2 \cdot \cos \theta$  where  $\theta$  is angle b/t  $x$  &  $y$

- some more definitions**

- two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are said to be orthogonal iff  $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$  (because  $\cos(\pi/2) = 0$ )
- vector set  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are said to be orthogonal if  $\langle x_i, x_j \rangle = 0 \forall i \neq j$ 
  - if in addition to being orthogonal, these vectors also have  $\|x_j\|_2 = 1$ , then they are called orthonormal
  - in other words, they are orthonormal if

$$\langle x_i, x_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases} =: \delta_{ij}$$

- ex. the set of standard basis in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  are orthonormal (i.e  $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ )

- if  $x, y$  are orthogonal, we write  $x \perp y$

- Pythagorean theorem**: let  $x_1, \dots, x_k$  be orthogonal in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then

$$\|x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n\|^2 = \|x_1\|^2 + \|x_2\|^2 + \dots + \|x_n\|^2$$

## Orthogonal Subspaces

- **definition:** 2 subspaces  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are orthogonal iff

$$\forall u \in S_1, \forall v \in S_2, \langle u, v \rangle = 0$$

- ex. in 3D space, imagine each subspace as a plane, 2 subspaces can be perpendicular if they intersect at a right angle, forming an “L” shape (hyper-planes in higher dims)
- geometrically, this implies that these subspaces don't share any common directionality, they span different dimensions of the overall vector space
- **theorem:** 2 subspaces  $S_1$  &  $S_2$  are orthogonal iff there exists a basis  $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_k\}$  for  $S_1$  and  $C = \{c_1, \dots, c_l\}$  for  $S_2$  that's mutually orthogonal; i.e

$$\langle b_i, c_j \rangle = 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, k \\ \forall j = 1, \dots, l$$

- note: if one such pair of basis exist, then any basis for each subspace will also satisfy this property
- example: the following will work as  $B \perp C$

$$S_1 = \text{span}\{e_1, e_2\} \quad S_2 = \text{span}\{e_3\} \\ B = \{e_1, e_2\} \quad C = \{e_3\}$$

- note: the property above is equivalent to

$$B^T C = \vec{0} \quad \text{where } B = [b_1 | \dots | b_k] \text{ \& } C = [c_1 | \dots | c_l]$$

- **definition:** let  $U$  be a subspace of a vector space  $W$  (i.e  $U \subseteq W$ ), we define the orthogonal complement of  $U$  as

$$U^\perp = \{x \in W : x \perp U\}$$

- (all vectors that are orthogonal to every vector in  $U$ )
- note:  $U^\perp$  is the largest subspace that is orthogonal to  $U$
- intuitively, it consists of all vectors that do not “point into” or “lie within” the subspace  $U$
- ex. let  $U = \text{span}\{e_1, e_3, e_4\}$ , then  $U^\perp = \text{span}\{e_2, e_5\}$  as  $e_2, e_5 \perp U$
- remarks

1. given subspace  $U \subseteq W$ , we have

$$\dim(U) + \dim(U^\perp) = \dim(W)$$

2.  $(U^\perp)^\perp = U$
3. if  $B$  is a basis for  $U$  and  $C$  is a basis for  $U^\perp$ , then  $B \cup C$  is a basis for  $W$
4. given  $U, U^\perp \subseteq W$  and  $x \in W$ , we can express

$$x = x_u + x_{u^\perp} \quad x_u \in U, x_{u^\perp} \in U^\perp$$

- this is called an orthogonal decomposition
- further: given  $x$ , the choice is  $x_u$  and  $x_{u^\perp}$  is unique
- say  $x_u$  is the orthogonal projection of  $x$  onto  $U$
- so any vector  $x \in W$  can be uniquely decomposed into its project onto  $U$  and its projection onto  $U^\perp$

- **theorem:** let  $A$  be a  $m \times n$  matrix, then

1.  $N(A) = [R(A^T)]^\perp$
2.  $N(A^T) = [R(A)]^\perp$

## Orthogonal Projections

- **definition:** projection of vector  $x$  onto a vector  $u$  is

$$\text{proj}_u v = \frac{\langle x, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} u$$

- it is the vector that represents the component of  $x$  that lies on in the direction of  $v$
- geometrically, the projection of  $x$  onto  $v$  is the point along the direction of  $v$  where the shadow of  $x$  falls
- remarks
  1.  $\text{proj}_u(x) = \langle \hat{u}, x \rangle \cdot \hat{u}$  where  $\hat{u} = \frac{u}{\|u\|}$  = unit projection of  $u$
  2. using matrix notation

$$\text{proj}_u(x) = \frac{uu^T}{\|u\|^2} x \\ = P_u x$$

call  $P_v$  the orthogonal projection matrix onto span  $v$

- example: Let  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $P_v$  and the projection of  $x$  onto  $v$

$$P_v = \frac{vv^T}{\|v\|^2} \quad \|v\|^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + 0^2 = 5 \\ = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{proj}_v(x) = P_v x = \begin{bmatrix} 1/5 & 2/5 & 0 \\ 2/5 & 4/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} 19/5 \\ 2/5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- properties of  $P_v$ 
  1.  $P_v(P_v x) = P_v(x)$  (additional projections doesn't do anything,  $(P_v)^k = P_v$ )
  2.  $(P_v)^T = P_v$
- additionally: let  $P_v = P$  for notation purposes

1.  $\langle x, Py \rangle = \langle Px, y \rangle$
2.  $\langle Px, Py \rangle = \langle Px, y \rangle$
3.  $R(P) = \text{span}\{v\}$
4.  $N(P) = \text{span}\{v\}^\perp$

## Orthonormal Basis & Gram-Schmidt

- we say  $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$  is an orthonormal basis (ONB) for a subspace  $U$  if

1.  $\{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$  is a basis for  $U$
2.  $\{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$  is orthonormal

$$\text{i.e. } \langle w_i, w_j \rangle = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

- why is ONB important: let  $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$  be ONB for  $U$ , then for any  $x \in U$ , there exist a unique set of scalars  $\{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m\}$  s.t

1.  $x = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i w_i$  (this is nothing special, simply the basis definition - usually solve system of equations to find  $c_i$ )
2.  $c_j = \langle w_j, x \rangle$  (special to ONB)
3.  $\|x\|^2 = \sum |x_j|^2$  (Parseval Equality – holds for all basis)

- **Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Algorithm:** let  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis of a subspace  $U$ , we want to find the ONB

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= v_1 \\ u_2 &= v_2 - \frac{\langle v_2, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 \\ u_3 &= v_3 - \frac{\langle v_3, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 - \frac{\langle v_3, u_2 \rangle}{\langle u_2, u_2 \rangle} u_2 \\ &\vdots \\ u_n &= v_n - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\langle v_n, u_j \rangle}{\langle u_j, u_j \rangle} u_j \\ &= v_n - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} P_{v_j}(u_n) \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is an orthogonal basis of  $U$ .

If you normalize them, i.e.  $e_i = \frac{u_i}{\|u_i\|}$  then  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $U$

- example:

$$\text{Construct ONB for } U = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Apply GS:

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ v_2 &= u_2 - P_{u_1}(u_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{\langle v_1, u_2 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{4}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

After normalizing, we have

$$w_1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad w_2 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- note: can use GS even if given vec not linearly independent

## Projection onto Subspaces

- **definition:** let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be a subspace with ONB  $\{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_U(x) &:= \text{proj}_{w_1}(x) + \text{proj}_{w_2}(x) + \dots + \text{proj}_{w_m}(x) \\ &= (w_1 w_1^T + w_2 w_2^T + \dots + w_m w_m^T) x \\ &= P \times x \end{aligned}$$

- where  $P$  is the ortho projector onto  $U$  (it is a matrix)
- (second line works because  $w_j$  is a unit vector)

- properties of  $P$ :

1.  $P^2 = P$
2.  $P^T = P$

- **definition:** a matrix  $P$  is an ortho projection matrix iff  $(P^2 = P) \wedge (P^T = P)$

- **fact:** if  $P$  is an ortho projector onto  $U$ , then  $Q = I - P$  is the ortho projector onto  $U^\perp$

- while  $P$  projects any vector onto  $U$ ,  $Q$  projects any vector onto  $U^\perp$

- **fact:** let  $U \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a subspace, let  $P_U$  be the ortho projector onto  $U$

1.  $x - P_U(x) \in U^\perp$

- if you take any vector  $x$  and subtract its projection onto  $U$ , the result is a vector that is orthogonal to  $U$
- because the projection captures all of  $x$ 's components that are in  $U$ , so what remains must be orthogonal to  $U$

2.  $\|x - P_U(x)\| \leq \|x - y\| \quad \forall y \in U$

- basically saying the orthogonal projection of  $x$  onto  $U$  ( $P_U(x)$ ) is the closest point in  $U$  to  $x$

- **fact:** let  $U$  be a subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$  be an ONB for  $U$ , then we can express the ortho projector onto  $U$  in different ways

1.  $P_U = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i w_i^T$

2. define  $B = [w_1 \mid w_2 \mid \dots \mid w_m]$ , then  $P_U = B B^T$

## QR Decomposition

- big idea: If  $A$  is a  $m \times n$  matrix with  $\text{rank}(A)$ , then the decomposition  $A = QR$  provides orthonormal bases of both  $R(A)$  and  $R(A)^\perp$

- **definition:** a matrix  $A$  is called orthogonal if  $A^T A = A A^T = I$ , it has properties:

1.  $A$  is square and invertible ( $A^{-1} = A^T$ )
2.  $\|Ax\| = \|x\|$  (norm preserving or has norm of 1)
3. columns of  $A$  are orthonormal
4. rows of  $A$  are orthonormal

- some examples of orthogonal matrices

- $I_n$  is orthogonal matrix
- rotation matrices are orthogonal matrices
- reflection matrix wrt subspaces are orthogonal

→ reflection of  $x$  across  $U$   $\text{ref}_U(x) = (I - 2P_{U^\perp})x$

→ for any ortho projector  $P$ , the reflection matrix is  $I - 2P$  and it's also orthogonal

- **QR Decomposition:** Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with  $\text{rank}(A) = n$

1. Write  $A = [a_1 \mid \dots \mid a_n]$

2. Apply Gram-Schmidt to  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  and construct  $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$  that's an ONB for  $R(A)$

- recall that  $a_k \in \text{span}\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$  by construction

3. Rewrite to express each column  $a_j$  of  $A$  as linear combination of the ONB

$$\begin{aligned} A &= Q_1 R_1 \\ Q_1 &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} w_1 & \dots & w_n \end{bmatrix}}_{m \times n} \\ R_1 &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \langle w_1, a_1 \rangle & \langle w_1, a_2 \rangle & \dots & \langle w_1, a_n \rangle \\ & \langle w_2, a_2 \rangle & \dots & \langle w_2, a_n \rangle \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \langle w_n, a_n \rangle \end{bmatrix}}_{n \times n} \end{aligned}$$

(this is called the **thin QR decomposition** of  $A$ )



4. Obtain the full QR decomposition of  $A$  by writing

$$A = QR = [Q_1 \quad Q_2] \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $Q$  is an  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix and  $R$  is a  $m \times n$  upper triangular matrix

- $Q_2 = [w_{n+1} \quad w_{n+2} \quad \dots \quad w_m]$  where  $\{w_{n+1}, \dots, w_m\}$  is any ONB of the orthogonal complement  $R(A)^\perp$
- since  $R(A)^\perp = N(A^T)$ , we just solve  $A^T w = 0$  for  $Q_2$

• **theorem:** let  $A = QR$  be the full QR decomposition of the matrix  $A$  and let  $Q = [Q_1 \quad Q_2]$

1. the columns of  $Q_1$  form ONB for  $R(A)$
2. the columns of  $Q_2$  form ONB for  $R(A)^\perp$

$$\text{proj}_{R(A)}(x) = Q_1 Q_1^T x$$

$$Q_1 Q_1^T = \text{ortho projector onto } R(A)$$

$$\text{proj}_{R(A)^\perp} = Q_2 Q_2^T x$$

$$Q_2 Q_2^T = \text{ortho projector onto } R(A)^\perp$$

## Least Squares Approximation

• **theorem:** let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with  $m > n$  and  $\text{rank}(A) \geq n$  - the least squares approximation of the system  $Ax \approx b$  is the solution of the system

$$A^T A x^* = A^T b$$

$$x^* = x_{LS} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

The system is called the normal equations.

- the LSE (in our current set-up) always has a solution
- any solution  $u$  of LSE minimize  $\|Au - b\|_2$
- if  $A^T A$  is invertible then LSE has a unique sol (called  $x_{LS}$ )  
 $\rightarrow A^T A$  is invertible iff  $\text{rank}(A) = \# \text{ of col} = n$
- as an alternative to QR decomposition, we can find the ortho-projector onto  $R(A)$

$$A(x_{LS}) = \text{proj}_{R(A)}(b) \quad \text{by design}$$

$$A[(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b] = \text{proj}_{R(A)}(b)$$

$$A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T = \text{ortho projector onto } R(A)$$

- example: solve the following using LSE

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A x = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}}_b$$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 & 4 \\ 6 & 34 & -4 \\ 4 & -4 & 24 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 15 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A^T A)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & -0.1 & -0.1 \\ -0.1 & 0.05 & 0.025 \\ -0.1 & 0.025 & 0.0625 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_{LS} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 2.9 \\ -0.1 \\ -0.25 \end{bmatrix}$$

• solving LSE using QR decomp: using the same set-up as above and let  $A = Q_1 R_1$  be the thin QR decomposition

$$R_1 x = Q_1^T y$$

$$x_{LS} = R^{-1} Q_1^T y$$

further, the residual is given by

$$\|Ax - b\| = \|Q_2^T b\|$$

(note, most of the time, it's easier to solve  $R_1 x = Q_1^T y$  using augmented matrix - inverses are tricky)

- fitting models to data: suppose we have  $m$  points  $\{(t_1, y_1), (t_2, y_2), \dots, (t_m, y_m)\}$  and we want to find a line  $y = c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2$  that best fits the data (minimize SSE)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 & (t_1)^2 \\ 1 & t_2 & (t_2)^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_m & (t_m)^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad c = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix}$$

and we want to solve  $Ac \approx y$  using the LSE

- this generalize to any function on  $t$  that's defined in the best fit equation
- we assume  $m \geq n$  and the function  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  are linearly independent (so  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ )

## Eigenvalues

• **definition:** let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix, a scalar  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and a non-zero vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is called an eigenvalue/eigenvector pair if

$$Av = \lambda v$$

- how to find eigenvalues of a given matrix  $A$

$$Av = \lambda v$$

$$Av = \lambda I v$$

$$Av - \lambda I v = 0$$

$$(A - \lambda I)v = 0$$

- **def:**  $c_A(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$  is the characteristic polynomial of  $A$

- **theorem:** eigenvalues of  $A$  is the root of  $c_A(\lambda)$  (set  $c_A(\lambda) = 0$ )

$\rightarrow$  note: via fundamental theorem of algebra,  $c_A(\lambda)$  will have  $n$  roots (possible repeated, possibly complex)

- finding corresponding eigenvector: once we have eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$ , since  $v \in N(A - \lambda_j I)$  (see above)

$$\text{solve for } v: (A - \lambda_j I)v = 0$$

- any vector in the basis of  $N(A - \lambda_j I)$  is the corresponding eigenvector to  $\lambda_j$
- we defined  $E_{\lambda_j} := N(A - \lambda_j I)$  as the eigenspace of  $\lambda_j$

- example: find a eigenvalue/eigenvector pair for  $A$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & -7 \\ 1 & 8 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_A(\lambda) = \det(A) = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 6) =$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 2, 4, 6$$

for  $\lambda = 2$ , we can find the corresponding eigenvector

$$E_{\lambda_1} = N(A - 2I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & -7 \\ 1 & 6 & 5 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- **theorem:** if all eigenvalue of  $n \times n$  matrix is distinct, then the corresponding eigenvector are linearly independent and form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

- such a basis is called a eigenbasis

- multiplicity of eigenvalue: say  $c_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^2(\lambda - \lambda_2)^3(\lambda - \lambda_3)$  where  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \neq \lambda_3$

- algebraic multiplicity of  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$

$$m_1 = 2 \qquad m_2 = 3 \qquad m_3 = 1$$

- geometric multiplicity of  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$

$$d_j := \dim(E_{\lambda_j}) \qquad j = 1, 2, 3$$

→ note:  $1 \leq d_j \leq m_j$

→ when  $d_j < m_j$ , that's called a defective eigenvalue

- **theorem:** there exists an eigenbasis corresponding to  $A$  if  $d_j = m_j$  for each eigenvalue of  $A$

## Diagonalization

- setting for this section

- $A$  is  $n \times n$

- $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ : eigenvalues of  $A$

- $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ : eigenbasis of  $A$  such that  $Av_j = \lambda_j v_j$

- **definition:** A matrix is **diagonalizable** if there exists an invertible matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that

$$A = PDP^{-1}$$

- **theorem:** if  $A$  is diagonalizable, then we can construct  $P$  with the eigenvectors as the columns and  $D$  with the eigenvalues in the diagonal

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | & | \\ v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_n \\ | & | & | & | \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = PDP^{-1}$$

- **theorem:** if  $A$  has distinct eigenvalues, it is diagonalizable

- application of diagonalization: power of matrices

$$\text{Suppose we have } A = PDP^{-1}$$

$$A^k = PD^k P^{-1}$$

- the formula above also hold for negative  $k$  if all eigenvalues are non-zero

- equivalently, it holds for negative  $k$  if  $A$  is diagonalizable and invertible

- note:  $D^{-1} = 1/\lambda_j$  for all diagonal values

## Spectral Theorem

- **definition:** a square matrix  $A$  is symmetric if  $A^T = A$

- proposition: all eigenvalues of a real symmetric matrix  $A$  are real

- proposition: let  $A$  be a real symmetric matrix, and suppose  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are distinct eigenvalues with respective eigenvectors  $v_1, v_2$ ; then  $v_1 \perp v_2$

- **theorem:** let  $A$  be a real symmetric matrix, then there exists an orthogonal matrix  $P$  and diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = PDP^T$

- in other words,  $A$  is orthogonally diagonalizable

- note:  $P^{-1} = P^T$  for orthogonal matrices

- important remark: let  $A$  be any real  $m \times n$  matrix, then we have

1.  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  will both be real symmetric matrices (try transposing each of them and see)
2. both  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  are orthogonally diagonalizable (via Spectral theorem)

## Single Value Decomposition

- **theorem:** let  $A$  be a  $m \times n$  real matrix, then there exists an orthogonal matrix  $P$  ( $m \times m$ ),  $Q$  ( $n \times n$ ) and a “diagonal” matrix  $\Sigma$  such that  $A = P\Sigma Q^T$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- so the diagonal values only goes up until index  $r$ , after that you fill it with 0s

- the values  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \sigma_r > 0$  (they are ordered) and are the non-zero singular values of  $A$

- where  $r = \min(m, n)$

- some propositions/observations

1. if  $\lambda$  is a non-zero eigenvalue of  $AA^T$ ,  $\lambda$  is also the eigenvalue of  $A^T A$
2. all eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  (they are the same) are non-negative
3. if  $\lambda$  is a non-zero eigenvalue of  $AA^T$  (and thus of  $A^T A$ ), then  $\lambda$  has the same level of repetition in  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$ 
  - or  $\dim(N(AA^T - \lambda I)) = \dim(N(A^T A - \lambda I))$

- **theorem:** let  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \lambda_r > 0$  by the (ordered) non-zero eigenvalues of  $AA^T$  (or  $A^T A$ ), then the non-zero singular value of  $A$  is

$$\sigma_k = \sqrt{\lambda_k}$$

- SVD construction: let  $A$  be  $m \times n$  and real

1. Find singular value for  $\Sigma$  ( $m \times m$ ):

- (a) find eigenvalue of either  $A^T A$  or  $AA^T$ , order them

- (b) set  $\sigma_k = \sqrt{\lambda_k}$

2. Construct the matrix  $Q$  ( $n \times n$ )

- (a) set the corresponding eigenvectors as columns

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | & | \\ v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_n \\ | & | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) you also have to normalize the  $q_i$  such that  $\|q_k\|_2 = 1$

3. Construct the matrix  $P$  ( $m \times m$ )

- (a) let  $p_k$  be the columns of  $P$ , then we can take

$$p_k = \frac{1}{\sigma_k} Aq_k$$

this will give you the first  $r$  columns of  $P$

- (b) for the remaining  $m - r$  columns, complete  $p_1, \dots, p_m$  to an ONB (remember thin QR to full QR)

- application of SVD

1.  $\|A\|_{op} = \sigma_1$  (the largest singular value of  $A$ )

2.  $\|A\|_F = (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \dots + \sigma_r^2)^{1/2}$

3.  $\text{rank}(A) = r$  (number of non-zero singular value)

4. if  $A$  is  $n \times n$  and invertible, then all singular values of  $A$  is positive, thus  $\Sigma$  is invertible, and  $A^{-1}$

$$A = P\Sigma Q^T$$

$$A^{-1} = Q\Sigma^{-1}P^T \quad \text{because } Q, P \text{ are orthogonal}$$

$$\Sigma^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sigma_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/\sigma_2 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1/\sigma_R & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- note: this is not a SVD of  $A^{-1}$ , because the columns of  $\Sigma$  is not ordered, but if you reorder them (reverse the column order for all matrices), you'll get the SVD

5.  $\|A^{-1}\|_{op} = \frac{1}{\sigma_r}$
6.  $\text{cond}(A) = \|A\|_{op} \times \|A^{-1}\|_{op} = \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_r}$
7. assume  $P = [p_1 \ \cdots \ p_m]$  and  $Q = [q_1 \ \cdots \ q_n]$ , then
- $\{p_1, \dots, p_r\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $R(A)$
  - $\{p_{r+1}, \dots, p_m\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $N(A^T)$
  - $\{q_1, \dots, q_r\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $R(A^T)$
  - $\{q_{r+1}, \dots, q_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $N(A)$ .

## SVD Expansion

- theorem:** let  $A$  be a  $m \times n$  matrix such that  $\text{rank}(A) = r$  and  $A = P\Sigma Q^T$  is the SVD; then the SVD expansion of  $A$  is

$$A = \sum_{k=1}^r \sigma_k p_k q_k^T$$

where  $p_1, \dots, p_r$  are the first  $r$  columns of  $P$ , and  $q_1, \dots, q_r$  are the first  $r$  columns of  $Q$

- definition:** let  $A = P\Sigma Q^T$ , then truncated SVD expansion of rank  $s$  of  $A$  is

$$A_s = \sum_{k=1}^s \sigma_k p_k q_k^T$$

- $A_s$  is a rank  $s$  approximation of  $A$
- $A_s$  is the best rank  $s$  approximation of  $A$  wrt the Frobenius norm

## Principal Component Analysis

- problem: you're given  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}^P$ 
  - (can assume they are centered (i.e  $\sum x_k = 0$ ) but if not replace each points with  $\tilde{x}_k = x_k - \bar{x}$ )
  - we can form the data matrix that looks like

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^T \\ x_2^T \\ \vdots \\ x_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

- we want to find the unit vector  $w_1$  that maximizes  $\sum_{k=1}^n |\langle x_k, w_1 \rangle|$
- interpretation: the first weight vector  $w_1$  points in the direction which captures the most information (ie. the maximum variance) of the data, and the second weight vector  $w_2$  is orthogonal to  $w_1$
- theorem:** we can pick the weight vectors  $w_i$  as

$$w_i = q_i$$

where  $q_i$  is the  $k$ -th column of  $Q$  in SVD decomposition of  $X$

## Pseudoinverse

- fact:** if  $A$  is  $n \times n$  and invertible, then there's an  $n \times n$  matrix such that  $AA^{-1} = I$  and  $A^{-1}A = I$  (i.e right inverse and left inverse is the same)
  - we want to generalize the notion of inverse to some approximate sense to non-square matrices as well
- def:** let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with SVD  $A = P\Sigma Q^T$ , we define the pseudoinverse  $A^\dagger$

$$A^\dagger = Q\Sigma^\dagger P^T \quad \Sigma^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sigma_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/\sigma_2 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1/\sigma_R & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

### theorem:

- if  $A$  is invertible,  $A^\dagger = A^{-1}$
  - if  $A$  is  $m \times n$ ,  $m \leq n$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = m$  then  $AA^\dagger = I_m$  (right inverse)
  - if  $A$  is  $m \times n$ ,  $n \leq m$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = n$  then  $A^\dagger A = I_n$  (left inverse)
- general properties
    - $AA^\dagger A = A$  and  $A^\dagger AA^\dagger = A^\dagger$
    - $AA^\dagger$  is the projection matrix onto  $R(A)$  and  $A^\dagger A$  is the projection onto  $R(A^T)$
    - let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with  $\text{rank}(A) = n$  and let  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , the LSE approximation of  $Ax \approx b$  is given by

$$x = A^\dagger b \quad A^\dagger = \sum_{k=1}^r \frac{1}{\sigma_i} q_i p_i^T$$

## Discrete Fourier Transform

### Complex Vectors

- we define the symbol  $i$  such that

$$i^2 = -1 \quad i = \sqrt{-1}$$

- def:** a complex number is of the form

$$z = a + ib$$

- we say that  $\text{Re}(z) = a$  is the real part of  $z$ 
  - and say that  $\text{Im}(z) = b$  is the imaginary part of  $z$
- def:** polar form of a complex number  $z = a + ib$

$$z = re^{i\theta}$$

$$r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(b/a)$$

- Euler's formula:**  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$
- definition:** let  $z = a + ib$  and  $z = re^{i\theta}$  in polar form
  - the modulus of  $z$  is  $|z| = r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$
  - the angle (or argument) of  $z$  is  $\arg(z) = \theta = \tan^{-1}(b/a)$
  - the conjugate of  $z$  is  $\bar{z} = a - ib = re^{-i\theta}$ 
    - properties of conjugate
      - $\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2$
      - $\overline{z_1 z_2} = \bar{z}_1 \bar{z}_2$
      - $\overline{z_1 / z_2} = \bar{z}_1 / \bar{z}_2$

- properties of modulus
  1.  $|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$
  2.  $|cz| = |c| |z|$
  3.  $|z_1/z_2| = |z_1|/|z_2|$
- properties of  $e^{i\theta}$ 
  1.  $e^{i\theta_1} \times e^{i\theta_2} = e^{i(\theta_1+\theta_2)}$
  2.  $|e^{i\theta}|^2 = 1 \rightarrow |e^{i\theta}| = 1$
  3.  $(e^{i\theta})^n = e^{i\theta n}$
  4.  $e^{i\theta}$  is  $2\pi$  periodic meaning  $e^{i2\pi k} = 1$  for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$
- **def:** complex vector space
  - a complex vector space  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is the set of vectors of length  $n$  with complex entries  $v_1, \dots, v_n$
  - the conjugate of a vector  $v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is given by the conjugate of each entry  $\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n$
- **def:** the standard inner product of vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is
 
$$\langle u, v \rangle = u^T \bar{v} = u_1 \bar{v}_1 + \dots + u_n \bar{v}_n$$
  - properties: let  $u, v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and let  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ 
    1.  $\langle cu, v \rangle = c \langle u, v \rangle$
    2.  $\langle u, cv \rangle = \bar{c} \langle u, v \rangle$
    3.  $\langle u, v \rangle = \overline{\langle v, u \rangle}$
    4.  $\langle v, v \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $v$  and it's only 0 if  $v = \vec{0}$
- **def:** the norm of  $v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is
 
$$\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle} = \sqrt{|v_1|^2 + \dots + |v_n|^2}$$
- **def:** the complex vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  are orthogonal if  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$
- **def:** the conjugate transpose of a complex  $A$  is  $A^* = (\bar{A})^T$ 
  - we can note that  $\langle Au, v \rangle = \langle u, A^*v \rangle$
- **def:** A complex matrix  $A$  is hermitian if  $A = A^*$ , they have the following properties
  1.  $\langle Au, v \rangle = \langle u, Av \rangle$  for  $u, v \in \mathbb{C}^n$
  2.  $A$  has real eigenvalues
  3. diagonal entries of  $A$  are real
  - notice it's very similar to properties of a real symmetric matrix
- **def:** A complex matrix  $A$  is unitary if  $A^{-1} = A^*$ , unitary matrices have the following properties (to check see if  $AA^* \stackrel{?}{=} I$ )
  1. if  $A$  is real, then  $A$  is orthogonal
  2.  $\langle Ax, Ay \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle$
  3. their columns and rows are orthonormal
  - notice properties are the same as orthogonal, just generalize to complex too now
- **general spectral theorem:** every hermitian matrix is unitary diagonalizable

## Roots of Unity

- **def:** an  $N$ th root of unity is a complex number  $w$  such that  $w^N = 1$
- **proposition:** let  $w_N = e^{2\pi i/N}$ , then  $w_N$  is an  $N$ th root of unity
  - further,  $\{1, w_N, (w_N)^2, \dots, (w_N)^{N-1}\}$  are all  $N$ th roots of unity - that is  $\{w_N^k : 0 \leq k \leq N-1\}$
- **proposition:** let  $w_N = e^{2\pi i/N}$ 
  1.  $(w_N)^N = (w_N)^0 = 1$  (it repeats once you're past  $N-1$ )
  2.  $\bar{w}_N = (w_N)^{-1} = (w_N)^{N-1}$

- this means that  $(1, N-1), (2, N-2), (3, N-3), \dots$  are conjugate pairs of each other
- 3. let  $s$  be an integer such that  $0 < s < N$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (w_N^k)^s = 0$$

- this means that the sum of all  $N$ -th root of unity  $(w_N^k, 0 \leq k \leq N-1)$  raised to a power  $s$  is always 0

## The Fourier Basis

- first, we'll use 0-indexing now (like Python) going forward
- the standard basis of  $\mathbb{C}^N$  is  $\{e_0, \dots, e_{N-1}\}$  where  $e_k$  is the vector with all 0s except 1 in index  $k$ 
  - ex. for  $N = 3$

$$e_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **def:** let  $N$  be a positive integer and let  $w_N = e^{2\pi i/N}$ , the fourier basis of  $\mathbb{C}^N$  is  $\{f_0, \dots, f_{N-1}\}$

$$f_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ w_N^k \\ w_N^{2k} \\ \vdots \\ w_N^{(N-1)k} \end{bmatrix}$$

(all the  $N$ th root of unity raised to power of  $k$ )

- basically, they're a set of orthogonal functions that are used in the Fourier transform
- they are like standard basis (in a sense) - Fourier basis functions span the function space for periodic signals, just as the standard basis spans  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- example: for  $N = 3$ ,  $w_3 = e^{2\pi i/3} = (-1 + i\sqrt{3})/2$  and the Fourier basis of  $\mathbb{C}^3$  is

$$f_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad f_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ (-1 + i\sqrt{3})/2 \\ (-1 - i\sqrt{3})/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad f_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ (-1 - i\sqrt{3})/2 \\ (-1 + i\sqrt{3})/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- proposition:

1. the Fourier basis  $\{f_0, \dots, f_{N-1}\}$

$$\langle f_k, f_l \rangle = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } k = l \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

so the Fourier basis is an **orthogonal basis** of  $\mathbb{C}^N$

2.  $\|f_k\|_2 = \sqrt{N}$  (all of them have the same norm)
3. let  $0 < k < N$

$$\bar{f}_k = f_{N-k}$$

- example:  $N = 8$

$$f_7 = \bar{f}_1 \quad f_6 = \bar{f}_2 \quad f_5 = \bar{f}_3 \quad \dots$$

- you can see this kind of symmetry in the entries too (i.e.  $\bar{f}_k[i] = f_k[N-i]$ )
- if  $N$  is even, then  $f_{N/2}$  is a real vector

## Discrete Fourier Transform

- **def:** let  $x \in \mathbb{C}^N$ , the **discrete Fourier transform** of  $x$  is

$$\text{DFT}(x) = F_N(x)$$

where  $F_N$  is the **Fourier matrix**

$$F_N = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{f}_0^T \\ \bar{f}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \bar{f}_{N-1}^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & \bar{w}_N & \bar{w}_N^2 & \dots & \bar{w}_N^{N-1} \\ 1 & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \bar{w}_N^{N-1} & \bar{w}_N^{2(N-1)} & \dots & \bar{w}_N^{(N-1)^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

- DFT is a mathematical transformation used to analyze the frequency components of a discrete signal
- takes a signal represented in the time domain (as a sequence of samples) and transforms it into the frequency domain (as a set of frequencies and corresp amplitudes)
- ex. say you have a signal, such as a sound recording, the DFT tells you what notes (frequencies) are playing and how loud (amplitude) they are
- DFT decomposes the signal into its constituent sinusoidal waves, each with a certain frequency, amplitude, and phase
- note: you can also expand  $x$  in terms of the Fourier basis

$$x = \frac{1}{N} [f_0 \quad \dots \quad f_{N-1}] \begin{bmatrix} \bar{f}_0^T \\ \bar{f}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \bar{f}_{N-1}^T \end{bmatrix} x = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \bar{F}_N^T \cdot F_N x$$

- this means the  $\text{DFT}(x)$  is the vector of coefficients of  $x$  wrt the Fourier basis (up to multiplication of  $N$ )

$$\text{DFT}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \langle x, f_0 \rangle \\ \langle x, f_1 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle x, f_{N-1} \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

- notation: the DFT used to study signal (sound, image) that can be represented as vector  $x \in \mathbb{C}^N$  and we use the notation

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad x[n] = x_n \text{ (i.e indexing)}$$

- for a vector  $y$ , we define the inverse DFT of  $y$

$$\text{IDFT}(y) = \frac{1}{N} \bar{F}_N^T y$$

and this will invert the DFT of  $y$

- the process of taking a frequency domain signal and reconstructing the original time domain signal from it (reverse operation of the DFT)
- ex. the DFT is like breaking a song into individual notes, the IDFT is like putting those notes back together to recreate the original song

- proposition: let  $x$  be a real signal (that is  $x[k] \in \mathbb{R}$  for all  $k$ ) and let  $y = \text{DFT}(x)$

$$\overline{y[k]} = y[N - k]$$

- **def:** sinusoids

- let  $t = \left(0, \frac{1}{N}, \frac{2}{N}, \dots, \frac{N-1}{N}\right)^T$
- a sinusoids is a vector  $x \in \mathbb{C}^N$  of the form

$$x = A \cos(2\pi kt + \phi)$$

$A$  = amplitude

$k$  = frequency

$\phi$  = phase

- prop: we can say that for any sinusoids  $x$

$$x = A \cos(2\pi kt + \phi) \quad k \in \{1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$$

$$\text{DFT}(x) = \frac{AN}{2} (e^{i\phi} e_k + e^{-i\theta} e_{N-k})$$

→ note:  $e^{i\phi}$  is Euler's number,  $e_k$  is the standard basis (meaning we only care about certain entries)

→ equivalently, we can say

$$A \cos(2\pi kt + \phi) = \frac{A}{2} e^{i\phi} f_k + \frac{A}{2} e^{-i\phi} f_{N-k}$$

- Example: Find DFT of  $x$  if

$$x = 3 \cos\left(4\pi t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad t = [0, 1/8, \dots, 7/8]^T$$

- we can see that  $A = 3, k = 2, \phi = -\pi/2$
- because  $k = 2$ , we know that only index 2 and  $N - k = 6$  entries of the  $\text{DFT}(x)$  will be non-zero, i.e

$$\text{DFT}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{AN}{2} (e^{i\phi} e_k) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{AN}{2} (e^{-i\theta} e_{N-k}) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{3(8)}{2} e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}i} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{3(8)}{2} e^{\frac{\pi}{2}i} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Example: Calculate  $y = \text{IDFT}(Y)$  where

$$Y = [0, 0, 2, 3i, -3i, 2, 0]^T \in \mathbb{C}^7$$

- we can recognize that  $Y[k] = \overline{Y[N-k]}$  for all  $k$  and thus we can conclude that the signal is real
- we can think of  $Y$  as: (only care about non-zero pairs)

$$Y = Y_1 + Y_2$$

$$Y_1 = [0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0]^T$$

$$Y_2 = [0, 0, 0, 3i, -3i, 0, 0]^T$$

similarly, we can do the same for  $y$

$$y = y_1 + y_2$$

- finding  $y_1 = \text{IDFT}(Y_1)$ : we only have to focus on  $Y_1[2] = 2$  because the other is just the complex conjugate

$$k = 2 \quad \longrightarrow y_1 = A \cos(2\pi \times 2t + \phi)$$

$$Y_1[2] = 2 = \frac{AN}{2} e^{i\phi} \quad \longrightarrow A = \frac{4}{7}, \phi = 0$$

$$\therefore y_1 = \frac{4}{7} \cos(4\pi t)$$

(note: the second line came from the real part of the decomposition of the DFT above)

◦ finding  $y_2$

$$k = 3$$

$$Y_2[3] = 3i = \frac{AN}{2} e^{i\phi_2} \longrightarrow A = \frac{6}{7}, \phi_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\therefore y_2 = \frac{6}{7} \cos(6\pi t + \pi/2)$$

◦ and finally  $y = y_1 + y_2$