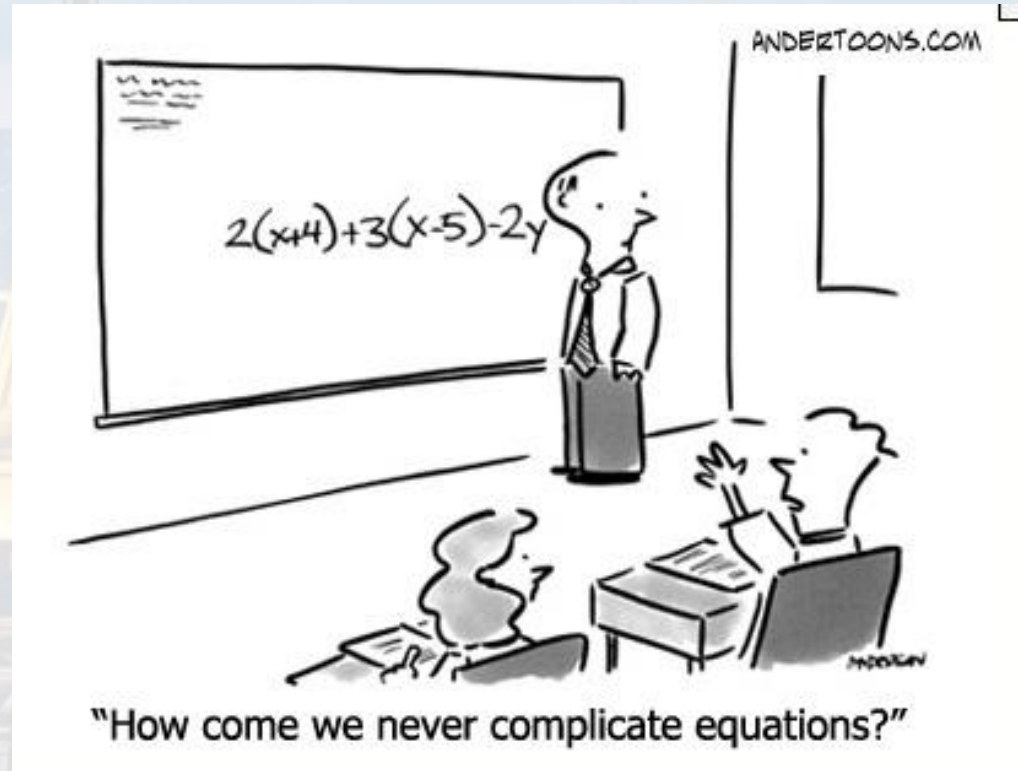


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Physics 77: Introduction to Computational Techniques in Physics



syllabus:

- Introduction to Unix & Python (week 1 - 2)
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- Visualization (week 5)
- Parsing, Data Processing and File I/O (week 6)
- Statistics and Probability, Interpreting Measurements (week 7 - 8)
- Random Numbers, Simulation (week 9)
- Numerical Integration and Differentiation (week 10)
- Root Finding, Interpolation (week 11)
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finding the intersection of **two lines**:

$$y_1 = a_1x_1 + c_1$$

$$y_2 = a_2x_2 + c_2$$

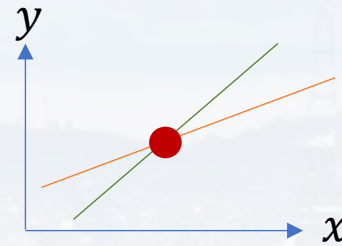
$$x_1 = x_2$$

$$y_1 = y_2$$

$$a_2x + c_2 = a_1x + c_1$$

$$x = \frac{c_2 - c_1}{a_1 - a_2}$$

$$y = a_1 \frac{c_2 - c_1}{a_1 - a_2} + c_1$$



finding the intersection of **three planes**:

$$y_1 = a_{11}x_{11} + a_{12}x_{12} + c_1$$

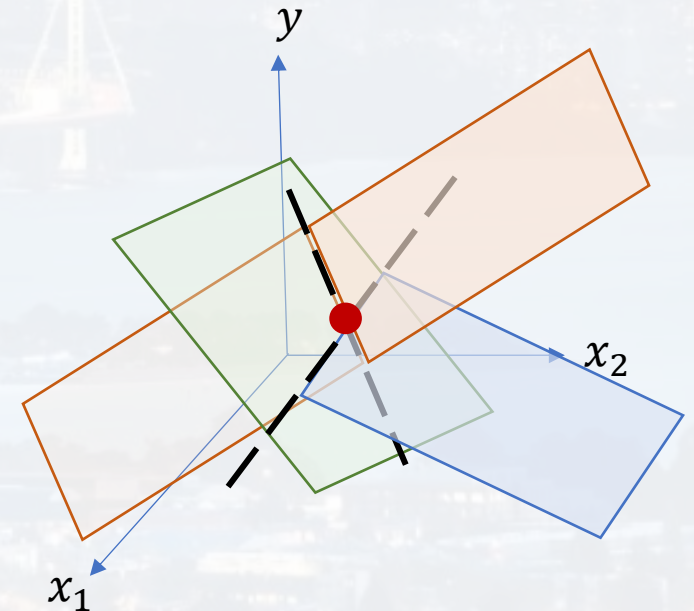
$$y_2 = a_{21}x_{21} + a_{22}x_{22} + c_2$$

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more general:

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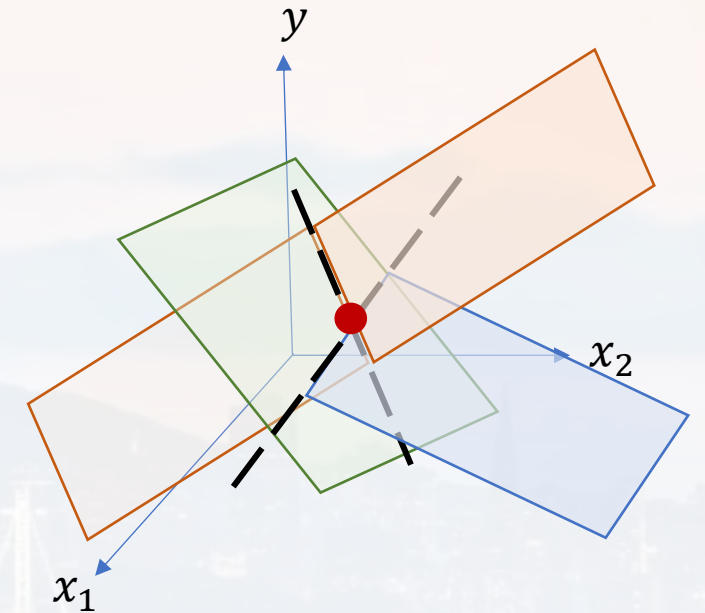
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...

$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + a_{m3}x_3 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = c_m$$

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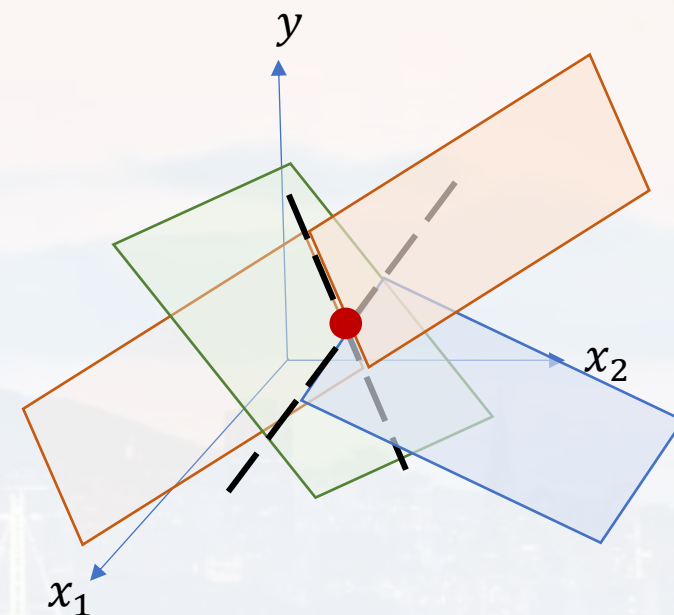
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$\underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{A} \quad \vec{x} \quad \vec{c}$

A

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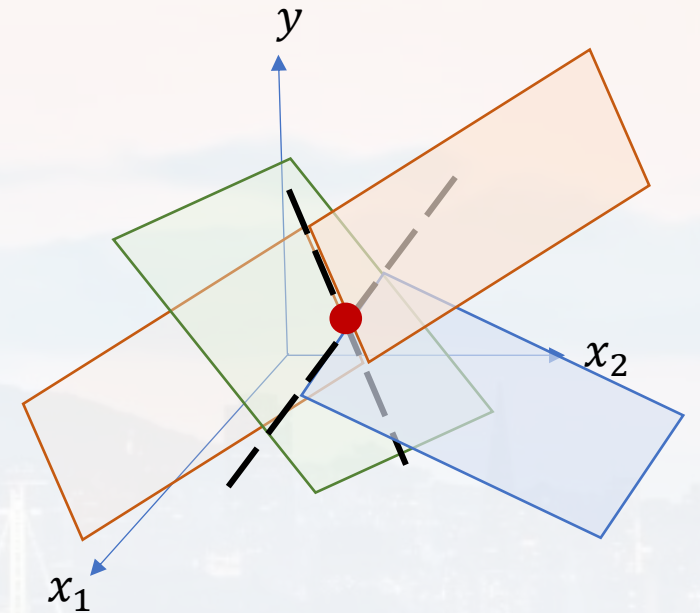


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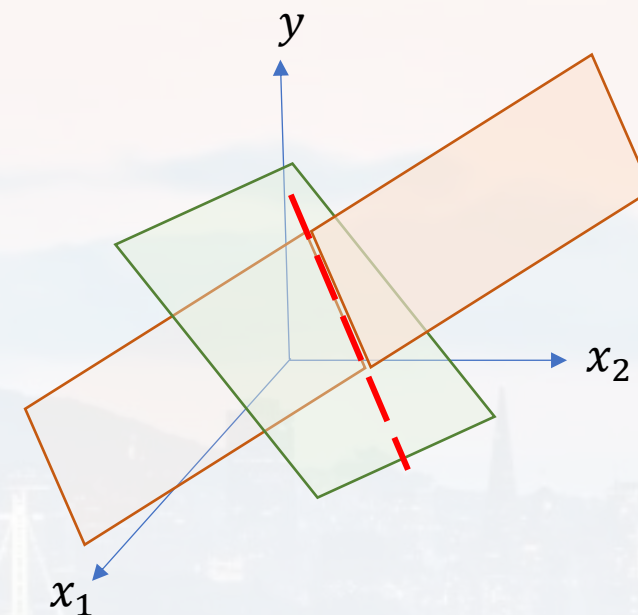


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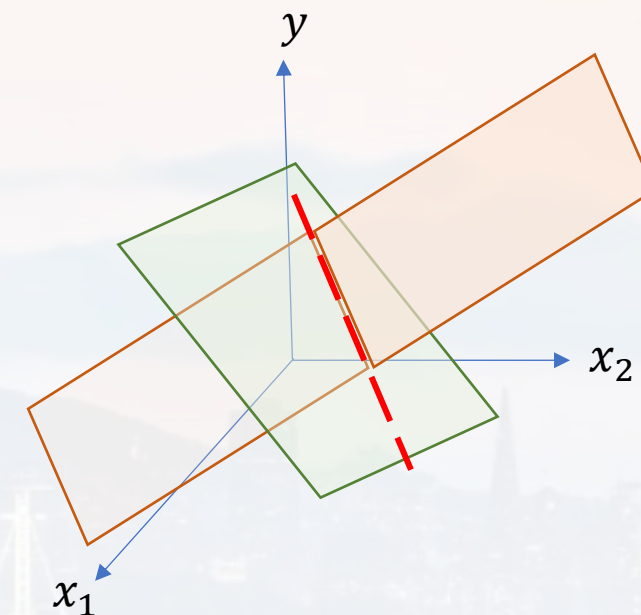


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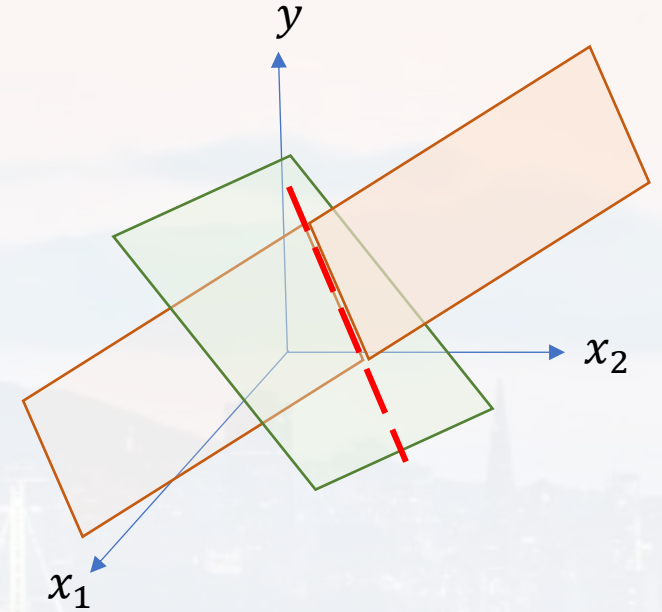


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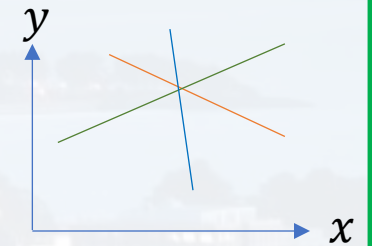
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$$A\vec{x} = \vec{c}$$

$$\vec{x} = ?$$

for $n = m$

$$A = [a_{ij}]$$

$$A^{-1}A\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{c}$$

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inverse:

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

identity:

$$I M = M$$

transpose:

$$[a_{ij}]^T = [a_{ji}]$$

symmetry:

$$[a_{ij}] = [a_{ji}]$$

conjugate transpose:

$$A^+$$

unitary:

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

idempotency:

$$AA = A \rightarrow A^n = A$$

normal:

$$A^+A = AA^+$$



solving for x:

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{c}$$

→ need to calculate A^{-1}

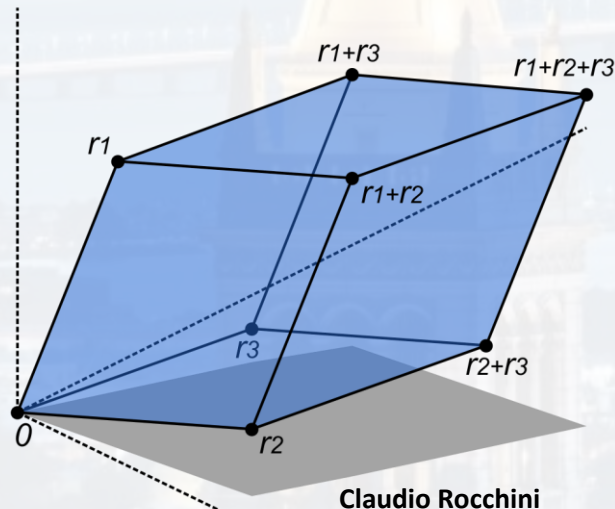
→ need to calculate a quantity called

determinant of A, $\det(A)$

$$A^{-1} \sim \frac{1}{\det(A)}$$

- if $\det(A) = 0 \rightarrow$ no solution

- $|\det(A)|$: volume spanned by the vectors in A



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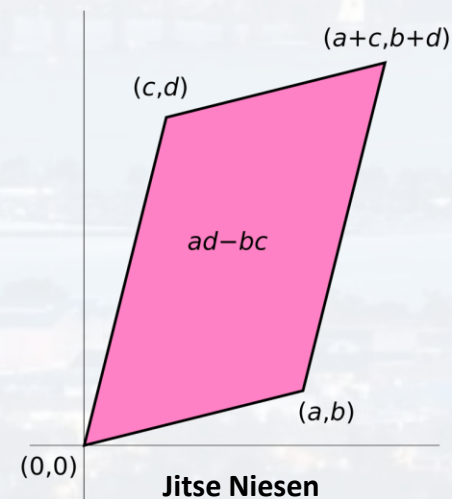
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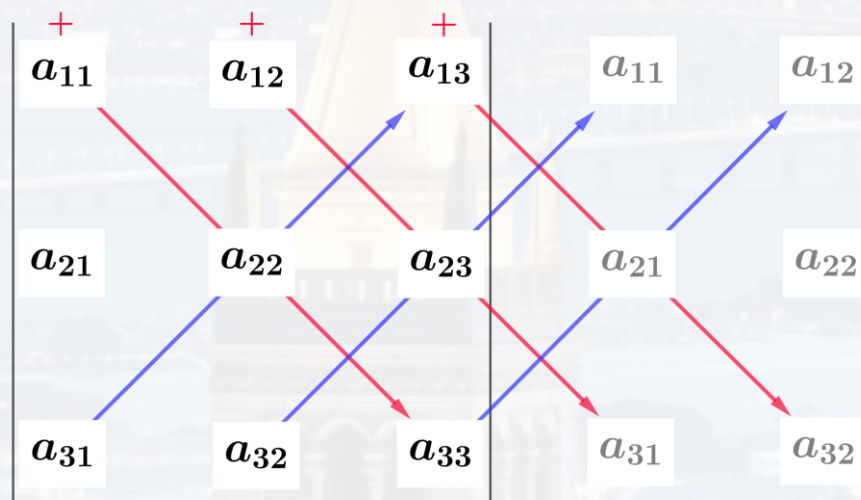
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N x N matrix:

$$\det(A) = \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n} \varepsilon_{i_1 \dots i_n} a_{1, i_1} \dots a_{n, i_n}$$

where

$$\varepsilon_{i_1 \dots i_n} = \prod_{1 \leq \mu < \vartheta \leq n} \text{sgn}(i_\vartheta - i_\mu)$$

(Levi-Civita symbol)

changing indices
does not change $|\det(A)|$

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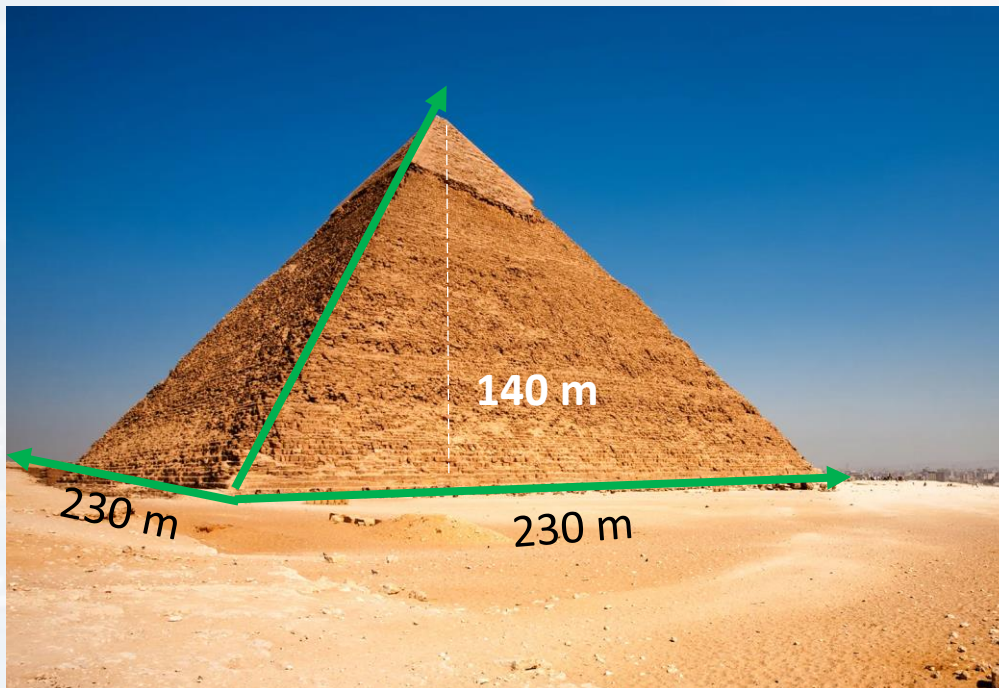
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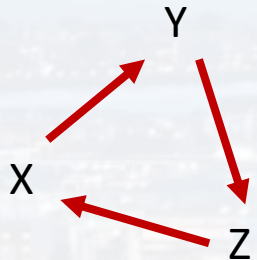
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depend on **where**
I put my **coord**
origin...

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...or how I **turn**
the object!

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eigen coordinates & eigenvalues

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A maps x to c

→ off-diagonal: turns x
→ diagonal: stretches x

→ goal: finding eigenvectors/values of A

→ trick: we assume, we have a set of eigenvectors \vec{v}_i

→ transforming A with $B = (\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_N)$ should turn A into a **diagonal matrix** D

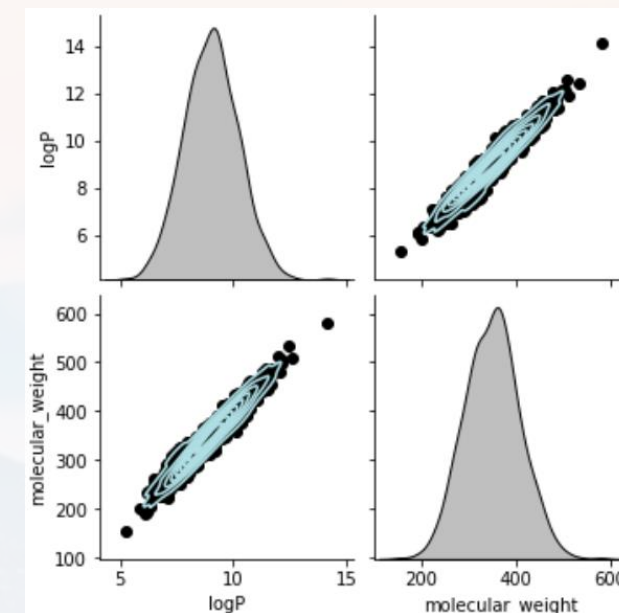
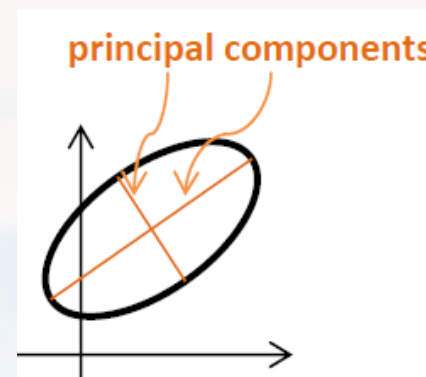
$$D = B^T A B$$

after some algebra:

$$A \vec{v}_i = \lambda_i \vec{v}_i$$

which can be solved with:

$$\det(A - \lambda_i I) = 0$$





eigen coordinates & eigenvalues

$$A\vec{v}_i = \lambda_i\vec{v}_i$$

characteristic equation

$$\det(A - \lambda_i I) = 0$$

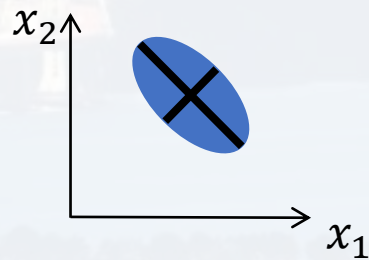
solves for eigenvalues λ_i

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simple example:

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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$



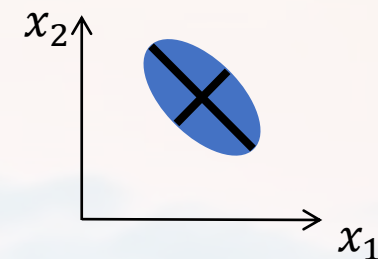
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eigen coordinates & eigenvalues

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$$= 3 - 4\lambda_i + \lambda_i^2 = 0$$

characteristic polynomial

N eigenvalues and N eigenvectors
for N coordinates

$$\lambda_1 = 1 \quad \lambda_2 = 3$$

calculating the eigenvectors:

$$(A - \lambda_i I) \vec{v}_i = 0$$



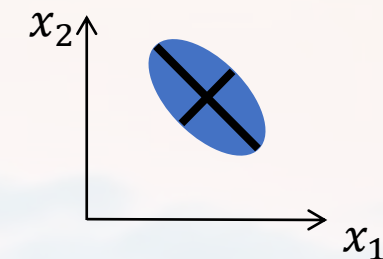
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for λ_1

$$\left[\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} v_{1x} \\ v_{1y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_{1x} & -v_{1y} \\ -v_{1x} & v_{1y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_{1x} = v_{1y}$$

e.g. $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

for λ_2

$$\left[\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} v_{2x} \\ v_{2y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -v_{2x} & -v_{2y} \\ -v_{2x} & -v_{2y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_{2x} = -v_{2y}$$

e.g. $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$



eigen coordinates & eigenvalues

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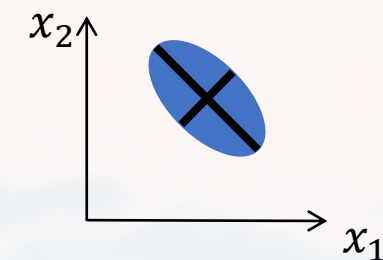
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$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



recall: $B = (\vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2)$ and $D = B^T A B$

$$\rightarrow A \text{ in the new coordinates is } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1 = 1$
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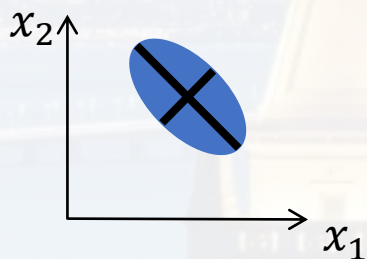
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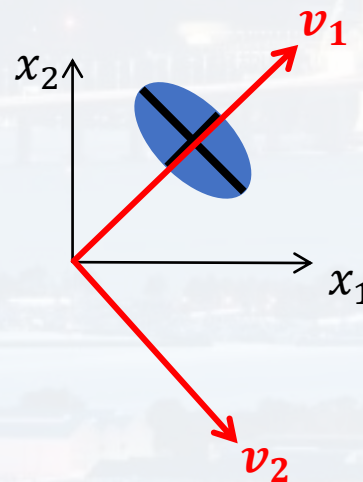
the old coordinates



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

the new coordinates



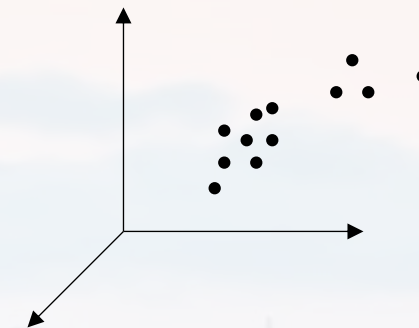
$$A_{new} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$



linear regression

idea: data point y_k in N dimensional space

$$\rightarrow y_k = f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \dots, x_N) + \epsilon \quad \text{for each data point } k$$

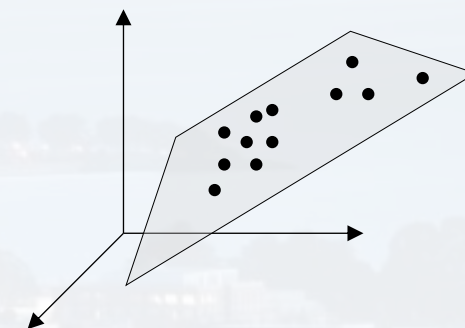


ansatz:

$$y_k = \beta_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N \beta_n x_n + \epsilon$$

linear combination

- y: response
- x: regressors (assumed to be independent)
- β : factors (how a regressor contributes to the response)
- β_0 : intercept
- ϵ : error (stochasticity of the data, assumed to be normally dist.)



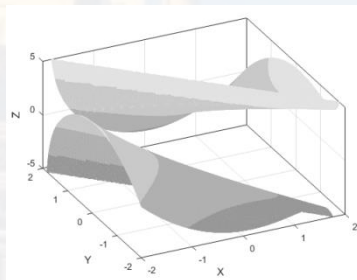
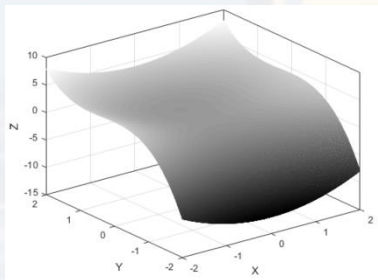


general: linear refers to the **factors**

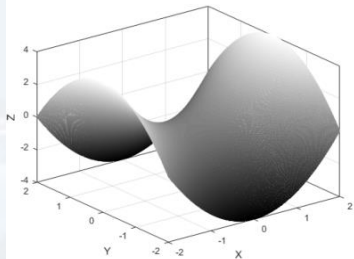
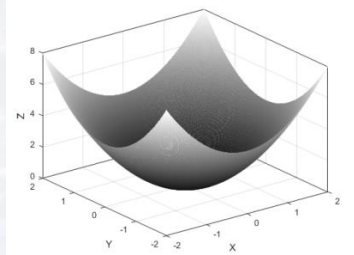
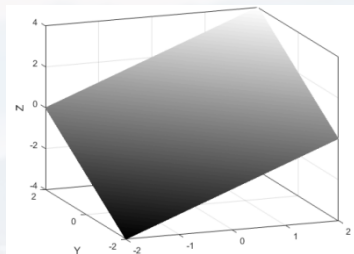
$$y_k = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 \quad 2D \text{ plane in } 3D \text{ space}$$

$$y_k = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1^2 + \beta_2 x_2^2 \quad 2D \text{ parabolic}$$

$$y_k = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1^2 - \beta_2 x_2^2 \quad 2D \text{ hyperbolic}$$



...and many more...



y:	response
x:	regressors
β:	factors
β_0:	intercept
ϵ:	error

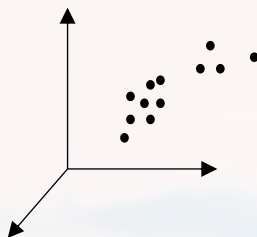
all linear

$$y_k = \beta_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N \beta_n x_n + \epsilon$$



for K data points in N dimensional space

$$y_k = \beta_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N \beta_n x_n + \epsilon$$



y :	response
x :	regressors
β :	factors
β_0 :	intercept
ϵ :	error

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \dots \\ y_k \\ \dots \\ y_K \end{pmatrix}}_Y = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} & \dots & x_{1N} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & & \dots & & \dots \\ 1 & x_{k1} & & & x_{kn} & & \\ \dots & \dots & & & \dots & & \\ 1 & \dots & & & \dots & & \\ 1 & x_{K1} & x_{K2} & \dots & x_{Kn} & \dots & x_{KN} \end{pmatrix}}_X \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \dots \\ \beta_n \\ \dots \\ \beta_N \end{pmatrix}}_{\beta} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \dots \\ \epsilon_k \\ \dots \\ \epsilon_K \end{pmatrix}}_{\epsilon}$$

$$Y = X\beta + \epsilon$$

fitting: finding the best β in terms of minimizing the errors

$$(Y - X\beta)^T (Y - X\beta) = \sum_k \epsilon_k^2$$

the model

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \sum_k \epsilon_k^2 = 0 \longrightarrow \beta_{best} = \hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y \longrightarrow \hat{Y} = X\hat{\beta} = X(X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$$

X and Y are all
observables

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Thank you for your attention!

