General Solution to a Linear System

If $\boldsymbol{b} \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A})$: $\boldsymbol{x}_g = \boldsymbol{x}_p + \boldsymbol{x}_n$ where $\boldsymbol{x}_p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\boldsymbol{x}_n \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$.

Minimum Norm Solution

$\boldsymbol{x}_r \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A}^\top)$ where $\boldsymbol{x}_r = \operatorname{proj}_{\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A}^\top)}(\boldsymbol{x}_g)$.

Least Squares (LS)

If $\boldsymbol{b} \notin \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A})$: $\boldsymbol{x} = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{x}^* \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\boldsymbol{b} - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{x}^*\|$.
$\boldsymbol{b} - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) \implies \mathbf{A}^\top(\boldsymbol{b} - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{x}) = \mathbf{0}$.

$$\mathbf{A}^\top\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{x} = \mathbf{A}^\top\boldsymbol{b} \quad \text{(Normal Equations)}$$

Orthogonal Projection

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{A}\left(\mathbf{A}^\top\mathbf{A}\right)^{-1}\mathbf{A}^\top$$

$$\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{b} = \operatorname{proj}_{\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A})}(\boldsymbol{b}) = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{x}$$

$\mathbf{P}$ is idempotent ($\mathbf{P}^2 = \mathbf{P}$) and $\mathbf{P}^\top = \mathbf{P}$.

Dependent Columns

If $\operatorname{nullity}(\mathbf{A}) > 0$, NE yields infinitely many solutions as $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}^\top\mathbf{A})$.

Orthogonal Complement Projections

Given $\mathbf{P} = \operatorname{proj}_V$: $\mathbf{Q} = \operatorname{proj}_{V^\perp} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}$

$$\boldsymbol{b} = \operatorname{proj}_V(\boldsymbol{b}) + \operatorname{proj}_{V^\perp}(\boldsymbol{b}) = \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{b} + \mathbf{Q}\boldsymbol{b}$$

$$(\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{b})^\top \mathbf{Q}\boldsymbol{b} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \text{(zero matrix)}$$

Change of Basis

Given the basis $W = \{\boldsymbol{w}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{w}_n\}$

$$\boldsymbol{b} = c_1\boldsymbol{w}_1 + \cdots + c_n\boldsymbol{w}_n$$

$$\boldsymbol{b} = \mathbf{W}\boldsymbol{c} \iff (\boldsymbol{b})_W = \boldsymbol{c}.$$

Orthonormal Basis

Normalised and orthogonal basis vectors. For $Q = \{\boldsymbol{q}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{q}_n\}$, $\boldsymbol{q}_i^\top\boldsymbol{q}_j = \delta_{ij}$, where

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & i = j \\ 0, & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}\boldsymbol{c} = \boldsymbol{b} \iff \mathbf{Q}^\top\boldsymbol{b} = \boldsymbol{c} = (\boldsymbol{b})_Q$$

Orthogonal Matrices

$$\mathbf{Q}^\top = \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \iff \mathbf{Q}^\top\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^\top = \mathbf{I}.$$

Projection onto a Vector

$$\operatorname{proj}_{\boldsymbol{a}}(\boldsymbol{b}) = \boldsymbol{a}\left(\boldsymbol{a}^\top\boldsymbol{a}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{a}^\top\boldsymbol{b} = \frac{\boldsymbol{a}}{\|\boldsymbol{a}\|^2}\boldsymbol{a}\cdot\boldsymbol{b}$$

Using a unit vector $\boldsymbol{q}$:

$$\operatorname{proj}_{\boldsymbol{q}}(\boldsymbol{b}) = \boldsymbol{q}(\boldsymbol{q}\cdot\boldsymbol{b})$$

Gram-Schmidt Process

Converts the basis W that spans $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A})$ to an orthonormal basis Q.

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{v}_1 &= \boldsymbol{w}_1 & \boldsymbol{q}_1 &= \hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{v}_2 &= \boldsymbol{w}_2 - \boldsymbol{q}_1(\boldsymbol{q}_1\cdot\boldsymbol{w}_2) & \boldsymbol{q}_2 &= \hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_2 \\ &\vdots & &\vdots \\ \boldsymbol{v}_i &= \boldsymbol{w}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1}\boldsymbol{q}_j(\boldsymbol{q}_j\cdot\boldsymbol{w}_i) & \boldsymbol{q}_i &= \hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_i \end{aligned}$$

V and Q span W, and V is orthogonal.

QR Decomposition

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}$$

where $\mathbf{Q}$ is orthogonal and $\mathbf{R}$ is upper triangular. $\mathbf{R}\boldsymbol{x} = \mathbf{Q}^\top\boldsymbol{b}$ solves LS.

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

$$\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{v} = \lambda\boldsymbol{v} \iff (\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\boldsymbol{v} = \mathbf{0} : \boldsymbol{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$$

Characteristic Polynomial

$$P(\lambda) = \det(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = 0.$$

Eigen Decomposition

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{D} \iff \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix}\boldsymbol{v}_1 & \cdots & \boldsymbol{v}_n\end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n).$$

Algebraic Multiplicity $\mu(\lambda_i)$

Multiplicity of λ_i in $P(\lambda)$, for $d \leq n$ distinct eigenvalues,

$$P(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{\mu(\lambda_1)} \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_d)^{\mu(\lambda_d)}.$$

In general

$$1 \leq \mu(\lambda_i) \leq n$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{d}\mu(\lambda_i) = n$$

If $\operatorname{nullity}(\mathbf{A}) > 0$

$$\exists k : \lambda_k = 0 : \mu(\lambda_k) = \operatorname{nullity}(\mathbf{A})$$

Geometric Multiplicity $\gamma(\lambda_i)$

Dimension of the eigenspace associated with λ_i.

$$\gamma(\lambda_i) = \operatorname{nullity}(\lambda_i\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}).$$

Given $d \leq n$ distinct eigenvalues,

$$1 \leq \gamma(\lambda_i) \leq \mu(\lambda_i) \leq n$$

$$d \leq \sum_{i=1}^{d}\gamma(\lambda_i) \leq n.$$

Eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are linearly dependent.

Defective Matrix

$\mathbf{A}$ lacks a complete eigenbasis:

$$\exists k : \gamma(\lambda_k) < \mu(\lambda_k)$$

Matrix Similarity

$\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$ are similar if

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}.$$

They share $P(\lambda)$, ranks, determinants, traces, and eigenvalues (also μ and γ).

Symmetric Matrices $\mathbf{S}^\top = \mathbf{S}$

$\mathbf{S}$ is always diagonalisable and has real eigenvalues with real orthogonal eigenvectors: $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{Q}^\top$.

Skew-Symmetric Matrices $\mathbf{K}^\top = -\mathbf{K}$

Eigenvalues are always purely imaginary.

Positive-Definite Matrices

$\mathbf{M}$ is (symmetric) positive definite if all its eigenvalues are positive. Also

$$\boldsymbol{x}^\top\mathbf{M}\boldsymbol{x} > 0 : \forall\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$$

Matrix Functions

Given a nondefective matrix:

$$f(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{V}f(\mathbf{D})\mathbf{V}^{-1} = \mathbf{V}\operatorname{diag}(f(\lambda_1), \dots, f(\lambda_n))\mathbf{V}^{-1}.$$

for an analytic function f.

Cayley-Hamilton Theorem

$$\forall\mathbf{A} : P(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{0} \qquad \text{(zero matrix)}$$

Singular Value Decomposition

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \iff \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^\top$$

$$\mathbf{V}^\top = \mathbf{V}^{-1}, \quad \mathbf{U}^\top = \mathbf{U}^{-1}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \operatorname{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r, 0, \dots, 0).$$

Left singular vectors $\boldsymbol{u}$: $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{m\times m}$

$$\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A}) = \operatorname{span}(\{\boldsymbol{u}_{i\leq r}\})$$

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}^\top) = \operatorname{span}(\{\boldsymbol{u}_{r<i\leq m}\})$$

Right singular vectors $\boldsymbol{v}$: $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{n\times n}$

$$\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A}^\top) = \operatorname{span}(\{\boldsymbol{v}_{i\leq r}\})$$

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \operatorname{span}(\{\boldsymbol{v}_{r<i\leq n}\})$$

Singular values σ_i: $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \in \mathbb{R}^{m\times n}$

The eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}^\top\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^\top$ are equal, $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^\top\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ and $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^\top$ have the same diagonal entries, and when $m = n$, $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^\top\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^\top = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2$. To find σ_i compute:

$$\mathbf{A}^\top\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{V}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^\top\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^\top$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^\top = \mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^\top\mathbf{U}^\top$$

so that $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$ where $\sigma_1 \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_r > 0$.

Reduced SVD

Ignores $m - n$ "0" rows in $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ so that $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{m\times n}$ and $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \in \mathbb{R}^{n\times n}$.

Pseudoinverse

Consider the inverse mapping $\boldsymbol{u}_i \mapsto \frac{1}{\sigma_i}\boldsymbol{v}_i$

$$\mathbf{A}^\dagger\boldsymbol{u}_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i}\boldsymbol{v}_i \iff \mathbf{A}^\dagger\boldsymbol{u}_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i}\boldsymbol{v}_i\boldsymbol{u}_i^\top\boldsymbol{u}_i$$

$$\mathbf{A}^\dagger = \sum_{i=1}^{r}\frac{1}{\sigma_i}\boldsymbol{v}_i\boldsymbol{u}_i^\top \iff \mathbf{A}^\dagger = \mathbf{V}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^\dagger\mathbf{U}^\top$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^\dagger = \operatorname{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r, 0, \dots, 0)$. $\boldsymbol{x} = \mathbf{A}^\dagger\boldsymbol{b}$ solves LS.

Truncated SVD

Express $\mathbf{A}$ as the sum of rank-1 matrices:

$$\mathbf{A} = \sum_{i=1}^{n}\sigma_i\boldsymbol{u}_i\boldsymbol{v}_i^\top$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \sum_{i=1}^{r}\sigma_i\boldsymbol{u}_i\boldsymbol{v}_i^\top \qquad (\sigma_{r<i\leq n} = 0)$$

Rank-ν approximation of $\mathbf{A}$:

$$\mathbf{A} \approx \tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \sum_{i=1}^{\nu}\sigma_i\boldsymbol{u}_i\boldsymbol{v}_i^\top.$$

General Vector Spaces

V is a vector space with vectors $\boldsymbol{v} \in V$ if the following 10 axioms are satisfied for $\forall\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \in V$ and $\forall k, m \in \mathbb{R}$, given an addition and scalar multiplication operation.

For the addition operation:

- Closure: $\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v} \in V$
- Commutativity: $\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v} = \boldsymbol{v} + \boldsymbol{u} \in V$
- Associativity:
$$\boldsymbol{u} + (\boldsymbol{v} + \boldsymbol{w}) = (\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v}) + \boldsymbol{w}$$
- Identity: $\exists\mathbf{0} \in V : \boldsymbol{u} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} + \boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{u}$
- Inverse: $\exists(-\boldsymbol{u}) \in V : \boldsymbol{u} + (-\boldsymbol{u}) = \mathbf{0}$

For the scalar multiplication operation:

- Closure: $k\boldsymbol{u} \in V$
- Distributivity: $k(\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v}) = k\boldsymbol{u} + k\boldsymbol{v}$
- Distributivity: $(k + m)\boldsymbol{u} = k\boldsymbol{u} + m\boldsymbol{u}$
- Associativity: $k(m\boldsymbol{u}) = (km)\boldsymbol{u}$
- Identity: $\exists 1 \in \mathbb{R} : 1\boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{u}$

Examples of Vector Spaces

The set of $m \times n$ matrices $\mathscr{M}_{mn}$ with matrix addition and scalar multiplication.
The set of functions $\mathscr{F}(\Omega) : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ with addition and scalar multiplication defined pointwise.

Subspaces

The subset $W \subset V$ is itself a vector space if it is closed under addition and scalar multiplication.

Examples of Subspaces

Subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^n$:

- Lines, planes and higher-dimensional analogues in $\mathbb{R}^n$ *passing through the origin*.

Subspaces of $\mathscr{M}_{nn}$:

- The set of all *symmetric* $n \times n$ matrices, denoted $\mathscr{S}_n \subset \mathscr{M}_{nn}$.
- The set of all *skew symmetric* $n \times n$ matrices, denoted $\mathscr{K}_n \subset \mathscr{M}_{nn}$.

Subspaces of $\mathscr{F}$:

- The set of all *polynomials* of degree n or less, denoted $\mathscr{P}_n(\Omega) \subset \mathscr{F}(\Omega)$.
- The set of all *continuous functions*, denoted $C(\Omega) \subset \mathscr{F}(\Omega)$.
- The set of all functions with *continuous nth derivatives*, denoted $C^n(\Omega) \subset C(\Omega)$.
- The set of all functions f defined on $[0, 1]$ satisfying $f(0) = f(1)$.

General Vector Space Terminology

Let $S = \{\boldsymbol{v}_1, \ldots, \boldsymbol{v}_k\}$ and $c_1, \ldots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$:

- The linear combination of S is a vector of the form $\boldsymbol{v} = c_1\boldsymbol{v}_1 + \cdots + c_k\boldsymbol{v}_k$.
- S is linearly independent iff $c_1\boldsymbol{v}_1 + \cdots + c_k\boldsymbol{v}_k = \mathbf{0}$ has the trivial solution.
- $\operatorname{span}(S)$ is the set of all linear combinations of S.

S is a *basis* for a vector space V if

- S is linearly independent.
- $\operatorname{span}(S) = V$.

The number of basis vectors denotes the dimension of V.
Not all vector spaces have a basis. Function spaces such as C are infinite dimensional.

Examples of Standard Bases

- $\mathscr{M}_{22}$: $\left\{\begin{bmatrix}1 & 0\\0 & 0\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}0 & 0\\1 & 0\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}0 & 1\\0 & 0\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}0 & 0\\0 & 1\end{bmatrix}\right\}$
- $\mathscr{S}_{22}$: $\left\{\begin{bmatrix}1 & 0\\0 & 0\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}0 & 1\\1 & 0\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}0 & 0\\0 & 1\end{bmatrix}\right\}$
- $\mathscr{K}_{22}$: $\left\{\begin{bmatrix}0 & 1\\-1 & 0\end{bmatrix}\right\}$
- $\mathscr{P}_3$: $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$

Linear Transformations

$T : V \to W$ satisfying

$$T(k\boldsymbol{u}) = kT(\boldsymbol{u})$$
$$T(\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v}) = T(\boldsymbol{u}) + T(\boldsymbol{v})$$