

# Essence of Linear Algebra

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- ▶ An abstract  $\vec{v}$

# Vectors

Abstract view<sup>1</sup>

Associative property of vector addition

$$\vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w}$$

Commutative Property of vector addition

$$\vec{v} + \vec{w} = \vec{w} + \vec{v}$$

There is a zero vector  $\vec{0}$  such that  $\vec{0} + \vec{v} = \vec{v}$  for all  $\vec{v}$ . For every vector  $\vec{v}$  there is a vector  $-\vec{v}$  so that  $\vec{v} + (-\vec{v}) = \vec{0}$ .

Associative of scalar multiplication

$$a(\vec{b}\vec{v}) = (ab)\vec{v} \quad 1\vec{v} = \vec{v}$$

Distributive property of scalar multiplication

$$a(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = a\vec{v} + a\vec{w}$$

$$(a + b)\vec{v} = a\vec{v} + b\vec{v}$$

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<sup>1</sup>Abstract vector spaces — Essence of Linear Algebra, Chapter 11 ↗

# Basis Vectors

These are the vectors which can define the entire coordinate space.

- Do you recognize this special vector?

$$v = x \mathbf{i} + y \mathbf{j} + z \mathbf{k}$$

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- ▶ Also, have you seen this?

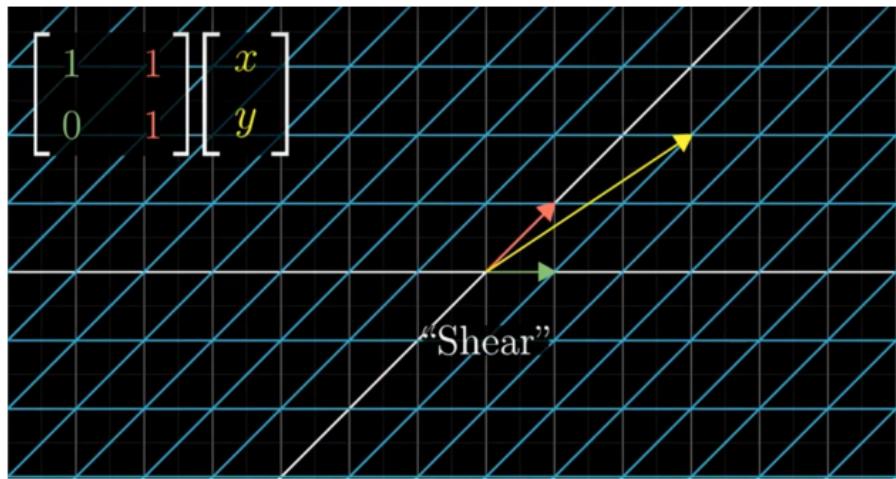
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is a special matrix called Shear matrix.

# Basis vectors

## Example

The image<sup>2</sup> below shows the basis vectors of a Shear matrix.



<sup>2</sup>Essence of Linear Algebra, Chapter 3

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## Linear combinations

### Additivity

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{w}$$

### Scaling

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad 2\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{(2v)}$$

### Hybrid

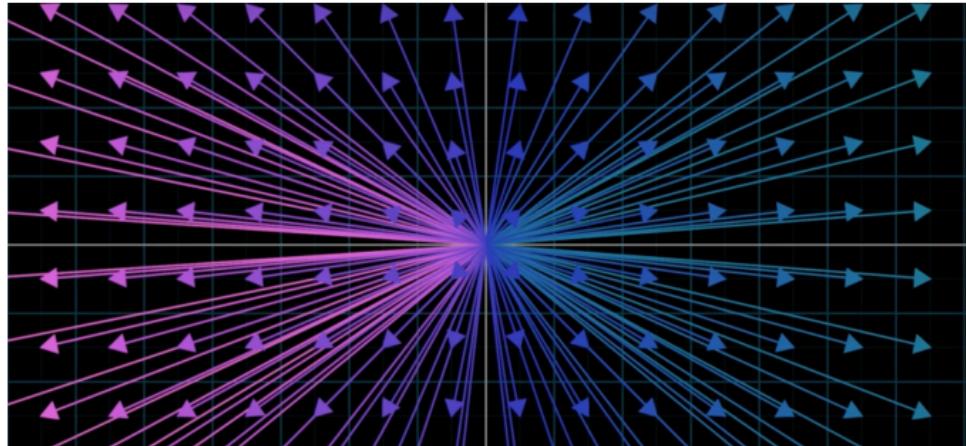
$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix} \quad a\vec{u} + b\vec{v} = \vec{w}$$

# Span

The **span** of a set of vectors is the collection of all possible linear combinations of those vectors.

## Example

The image<sup>3</sup> below shows how two vectors can span the 2D space.



<sup>3</sup>Essence of Linear Algebra, Chapter 2

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# Elimination

## Gauss-Jordan Elimination

A method of solving a linear system of equations. This is done by transforming the system's augmented matrix into reduced row-echelon form (rref) by means of row operations.

Types of row Operations:

Type 1: Swap the positions of two rows.

Type 2: Multiply a row by a nonzero scalar.

Type 3: Add to one row a scalar multiple of another.

## Example

$$\text{RREF} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Elimination using Multiplication

## Example

$$x + 2y + z = 2$$

$$3x + 8y + z = 12$$

$$4y + z = 2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}A = U$$

$$A = LU$$

### Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$EA = U$$

$$A = (E_{32}E_{31}E_{21})^{-1}U$$

$$A = E_{21}^{-1}E_{31}^{-1}E_{32}^{-1}U$$

$$A = LU$$

So,  $A = E^{-1}U$ . Therefore,  $L = E^{-1}$

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# Cool Video

## Definition Cool

The phrase "cool" is very relaxed, never goes out of style, and people will never laugh at you for using it.

## Definition Video

Make a video recording of (something broadcast on television). YouTube nowadays.

## Theorem

*Cool + Video = JUST START PLAYING THE VIDEO!*

## Example

Here You Go: HUGO

## Cool Video

0000 0018 6674 7970 6d70 3432 0000 0000 6973 6f6d 6d70  
3432 0003 34bf 6d6f 6f76 0000 006c 6d76 6864 0000 0000  
d42c 59a6 d42c 59a6 0000 0258 0006 06bf 0001 0000 0100  
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206d 6468 6400 0000 0000 0000 00d4 2c59 aa00 0075 3001  
2d40 0355 c400 0000 0000 2d68 646c 7200 0000 0000 0000  
0076 6964 6500 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0056 6964 656f  
4861 6e64 6c65 7200 0001 5120 6d69 6e66 0000 0014

# The Determinant

## Block Title

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- ▶ The determinant can tell us whether or not a given transformation associated with that matrix squishes everything into a smaller dimension.
- ▶ Also, if the value of determinant is negative then the transformation is equivalent to inverting the orientation of space.

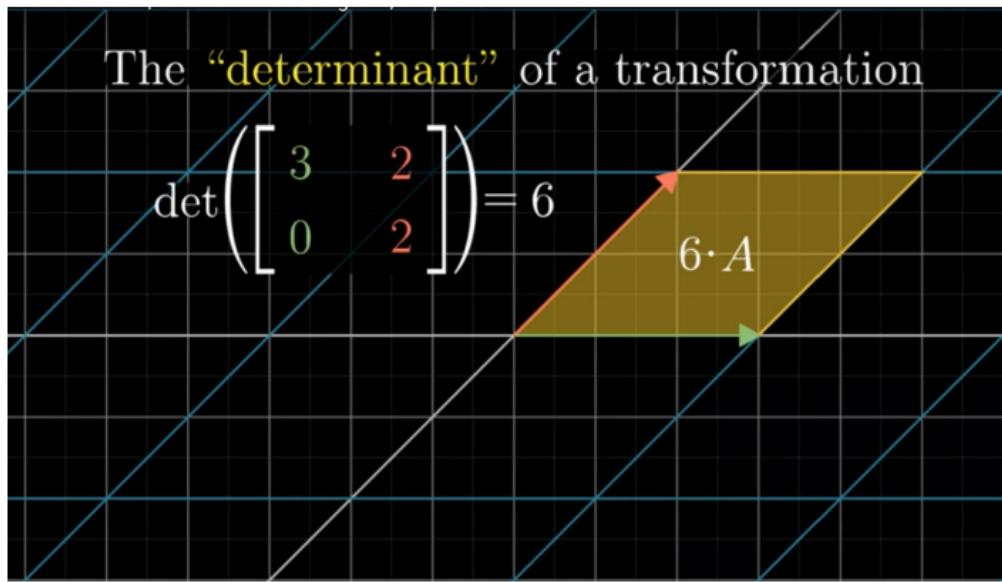
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# The Determinant

## Example

The image<sup>5</sup> below shows the significance of calculating the Determinant of a matrix.

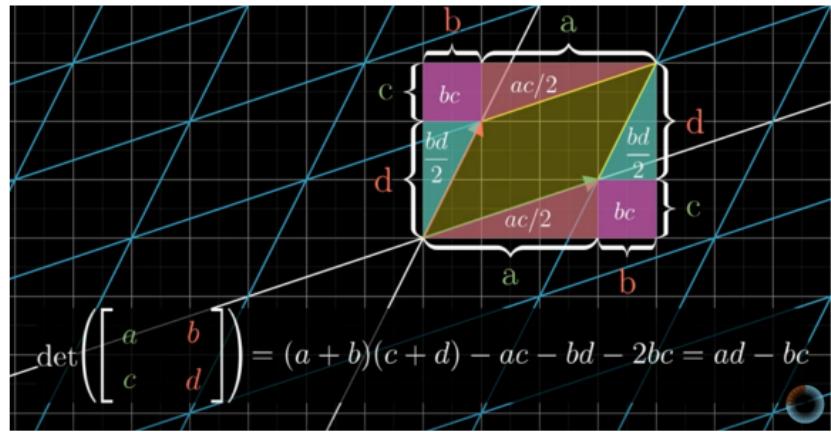


<sup>5</sup>The Determinant — Essence of Linear Algebra, Chapter 5

# The Determinant

## Example

The image<sup>6</sup> below shows how to calculate the Determinant of a 2D matrix.



<sup>6</sup>The Determinant — Essence of Linear Algebra, Chapter 5

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# Column space and Null space

## Column space: C(A)

The column space of a matrix A is the vector space generated by all the linear combinations of the column vectors.

## Null space: N(A)

The set of all vectors  $\vec{v}$  such that

$$A\vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

### Example

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow N(A) = c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Inverse of a matrix A

$$\text{Inverse of } A = A^{-1}$$

In terms of transformation, the matrix that undoes all the transformations made by matrix A is called as inverse of matrix A ( $A^{-1}$ ).

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

$$Ax = b \Rightarrow A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}b \Rightarrow x = A^{-1}b$$

## Example

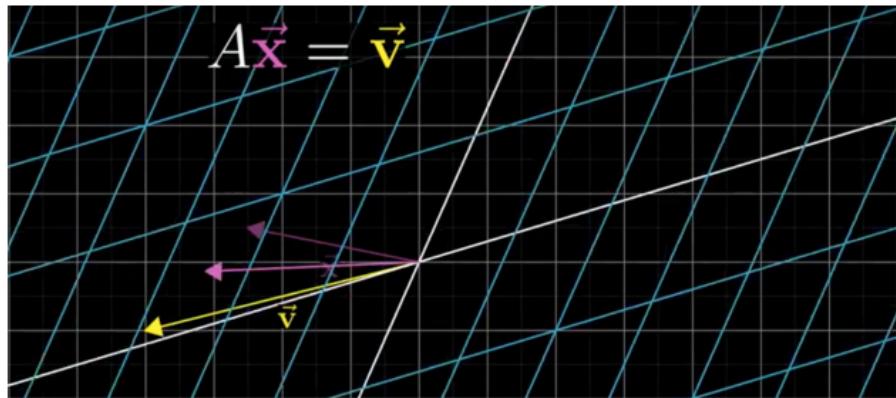
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ -3 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = A^{-1}b \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 8 & -5 \\ 3 & -11 & 7 \\ 9 & -34 & 21 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Inverse of A

## Example

The image<sup>7</sup> below shows how two vectors are linked to each other via Inverse transformation.



<sup>7</sup>Essence of Linear Algebra, Chapter 6

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# Find Mr. Rank

What is the rank of the following matrix?

Be Quick!<sup>8</sup>

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 15 & 14 & 19 & 13 & 21 & 05 & 07 & 41 & 51 \\ 22 & 26 & 26 & 32 & 27 & 36 & 21 & 24 & 59 & 70 \\ 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 & 17 & 18 & 19 \\ 24 & 30 & 28 & 38 & 26 & 42 & 10 & 14 & 82 & 102 \\ 30 & 33 & 36 & 39 & 42 & 45 & 48 & 51 & 54 & 57 \\ 15 & 16.5 & 18 & 19.5 & 21 & 22.5 & 24 & 25.5 & 27 & 28.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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<sup>8</sup>You'll be given choc!

# The Rank

## Solution concept provided by The Rank

The Rank tells you everything about  
the number of solutions to a given system of linear equations.<sup>9</sup>

Matrix A with dimensions $m \times n$ , rank $r$ and $\text{rref}(A) = R$			
$r = m = n$	$r = n < m$	$r = m < n$	$r < m, r < n$
$R = I$	$R = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$R = [I \quad F]$	$R = \begin{bmatrix} I & F \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
1	0 or 1	1 or $\infty$	0 or $\infty$

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## Eigen values and vectors

An Eigen vector of a linear transformation is a non-zero vector whose direction does not change when that linear transformation is applied to it. More formally, if  $T$  is a linear transformation from a vector space  $\mathbf{V}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is a vector in  $\mathbf{V}$  that is not the zero vector, then  $\vec{v}$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  if  $T(\vec{v})$  is a scalar multiple of  $\vec{v}$ . This condition can be written as the equation

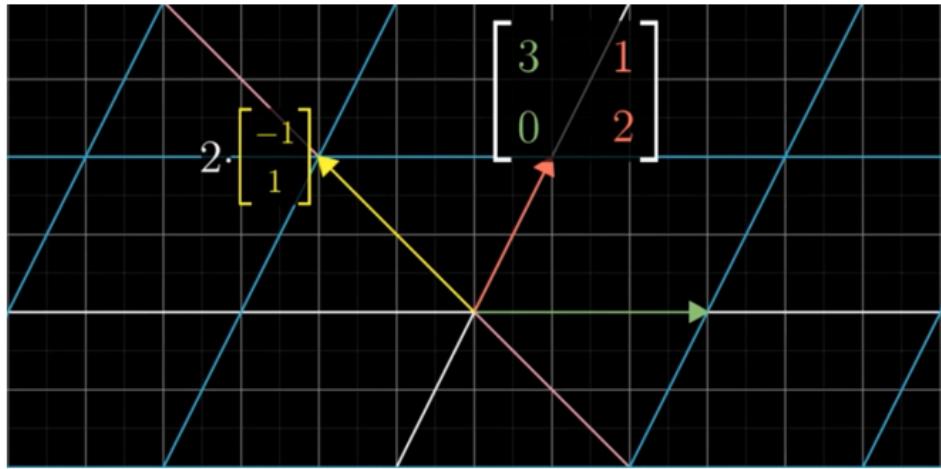
$$T(\vec{v}) = \lambda \vec{v}$$

where  $\lambda$  is a scalar known as the eigenvalue, characteristic value or root associated with the eigenvector  $\vec{v}$ .

# Eigen values and vectors

## Example

The image<sup>10</sup> below shows how the eigenvector does not change it's direction after applying a linear transformation.

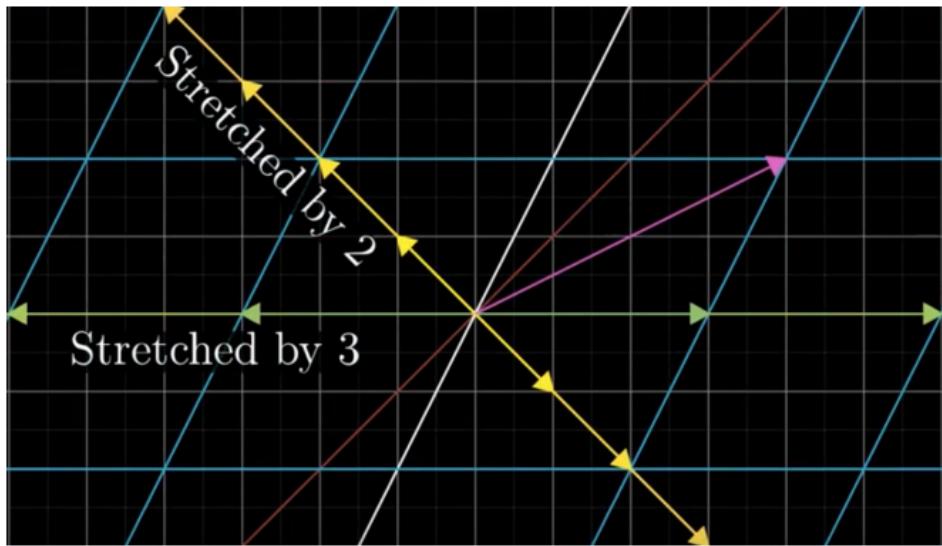


<sup>10</sup>Eigenvectors and eigenvalues, Essence of linear algebra, chapter 10

# Eigen values and vectors

## Example

The image<sup>11</sup> below shows how the eigenvector gets scaled after applying a linear transformation.



<sup>11</sup>Eigenvectors and eigenvalues, Essence of linear algebra, chapter 10 ↗

# Change of Basis

New coordinates to Old coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (2) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Old coordinates to New coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 \\ -1/3 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 \\ -1/3 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Change of Basis

## Transformation

Let  $\vec{v}$  be a vector in the New coordinates i.e. change of Basis vectors, A be the matrix representing the transformation: Change of Basis, and M be the transformation in Old coordinate system and T be the final transformation in the New coordinate system.

$$A^{-1}MA\vec{v} = T\vec{v}$$

## Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & -2/3 \\ 5/3 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix} \vec{v}$$

## Summary

How do you possibly hope to *summarize the whole talk?*

Like the OLD MAN said: **TOGETHER!**

# For Further Learning I

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<https://tinyurl.com/gt7dy36>  
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-  Grant Sanderson  
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*Essence of linear algebra, YouTube channel*  
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-  Think Different  
You can always find more to learn... If you want to ;-)