

# APS1070

Foundations of Data Analytics and  
Machine Learning

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## Week 5:

- *Linear Algebra*
- *Analytical Geometry*
- *Example Questions*

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# News

- Midterm quiz next week (no lecture) – Tuesday, Oct 13, 18:00 to Wednesday, Oct 14, 23:59

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# **Linear Algebra**

## **[Chapter 2 – MML book]**

# Systems of Linear Equations

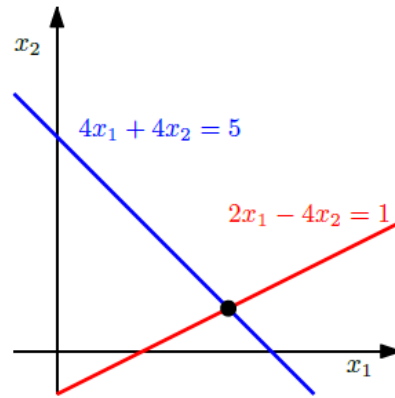
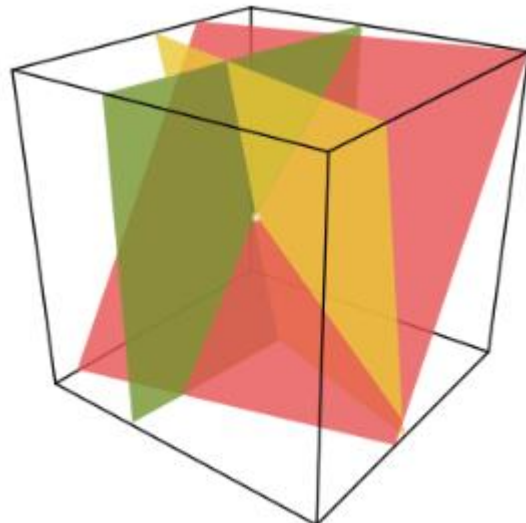
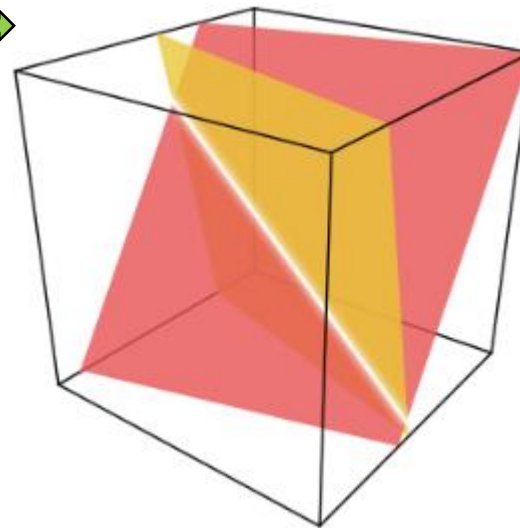


Figure 2.3 The solution space of a system of two linear equations with two variables can be geometrically interpreted as the intersection of two lines. Every linear equation represents a line.



System in three variables –  
solution is at intersection



With 2 equations and 3 variables –  
solution is typically a line

# Matrices

- To solve systems of linear equations more systematically
- This compact notation collects coefficients into vectors, and vectors into matrices.

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \cdots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.9)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.10)$$

# Matrices

- Matrices can compactly represent systems of linear equations, and also linear functions (mappings)

**Definition 2.1** (Matrix). With  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  a real-valued  $(m, n)$  matrix  $A$  is an  $m \cdot n$ -tuple of elements  $a_{ij}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , which is ordered according to a rectangular scheme consisting of  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (2.11)$$

- By convention  $(1; n)$ -matrices are called **rows** and  $(m; 1)$ -matrices are called **columns**. These special matrices are also called *row/column vectors*.

# Matrices

The sum of two matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is defined as the element-wise sum, i.e.,

$$A + B := \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}. \quad (2.12)$$

For matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$  the elements  $c_{ij}$  of the product  $C = AB \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$  are defined as

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^n a_{il} b_{lj}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad j = 1, \dots, k. \quad (2.13)$$

$$[m \times n] * [n \times k] = [m \times k]$$



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$$c_{ij} = a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} + a_{13}b_{31} = (1)(0) + (2)(1) + (3)(0) = 2$$

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## Example 2.3

For  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 3}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$ , we obtain

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}, \quad (2.15)$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}. \quad (2.16)$$

Not commutative!  $AB \neq BA$

# Matrices

**Definition 2.2** (Identity Matrix). In  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , we define the *identity matrix*

$$\mathbf{I}_n := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \quad (2.17)$$

# Matrices

## A few properties...

- *Associativity:*

$$\forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}, C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q} : (AB)C = A(BC) \quad (2.18)$$

- *Distributivity:*

$$\forall A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, C, D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} : (A + B)C = AC + BC \quad (2.19a)$$

$$A(C + D) = AC + AD \quad (2.19b)$$

- *Multiplication with the identity matrix:*

$$\forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} : I_m A = A I_n = A \quad (2.20)$$

Note that  $I_m \neq I_n$  for  $m \neq n$ .

# Matrices

**Definition 2.3** (Inverse). Consider a square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Let matrix  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  have the property that  $AB = I_n = BA$ .  $B$  is called the *inverse* of  $A$  and denoted by  $A^{-1}$ .

## Example 2.4 (Inverse Matrix)

The matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -7 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 4 & 5 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.25)$$

are inverse to each other since  $AB = I = BA$ .

We'll look at how to calculate the inverse later

# Matrices

**Definition 2.4** (Transpose). For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  the matrix  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  with  $b_{ij} = a_{ji}$  is called the *transpose* of  $A$ . We write  $B = A^\top$ .

$$AA^{-1} = I = A^{-1}A \quad (2.26)$$

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1} \quad (2.27)$$

$$(A + B)^{-1} \neq A^{-1} + B^{-1} \quad (2.28)$$

$$(A^\top)^\top = A \quad (2.29)$$

$$(A + B)^\top = A^\top + B^\top \quad (2.30)$$

$$(AB)^\top = B^\top A^\top \quad (2.31)$$

**Definition 2.5** (Symmetric Matrix). A matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is *symmetric* if  $A = A^\top$ .

# Matrices

Let us look at what happens to matrices when they are multiplied by a scalar  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $\lambda \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{K}$ ,  $K_{ij} = \lambda a_{ij}$ . Practically,  $\lambda$  scales each element of  $\mathbf{A}$ . For  $\lambda, \psi \in \mathbb{R}$ , the following holds:

- *Associativity:*

$$(\lambda\psi)\mathbf{C} = \lambda(\psi\mathbf{C}), \quad \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$$\lambda(\mathbf{BC}) = (\lambda\mathbf{B})\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{B}(\lambda\mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{BC})\lambda, \quad \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}.$$

Note that this allows us to move scalar values around.

- $(\lambda\mathbf{C})^\top = \mathbf{C}^\top \lambda^\top = \mathbf{C}^\top \lambda = \lambda \mathbf{C}^\top$  since  $\lambda = \lambda^\top$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- *Distributivity:*

$$(\lambda + \psi)\mathbf{C} = \lambda\mathbf{C} + \psi\mathbf{C}, \quad \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$$\lambda(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \lambda\mathbf{B} + \lambda\mathbf{C}, \quad \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

# Solving Systems of Linear Equations

Key to solving a system of linear equations are *elementary transformations* that keep the solution set the same, but that transform the equation system into a simpler form:

- Exchange of two equations (rows in the matrix representing the system of equations)
- Multiplication of an equation (row) with a constant  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$
- Addition of two equations (rows)



### Example 2.9 (Calculating an Inverse Matrix by Gaussian Elimination)

To determine the inverse of

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.57)$$

we write down the augmented matrix

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

and use Gaussian elimination to bring it into reduced row-echelon form

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right],$$

such that the desired inverse is given as its right-hand side:

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.58)$$

We can verify that (2.58) is indeed the inverse by performing the multiplication  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  and observing that we recover  $\mathbf{I}_4$ .



# Linear independence

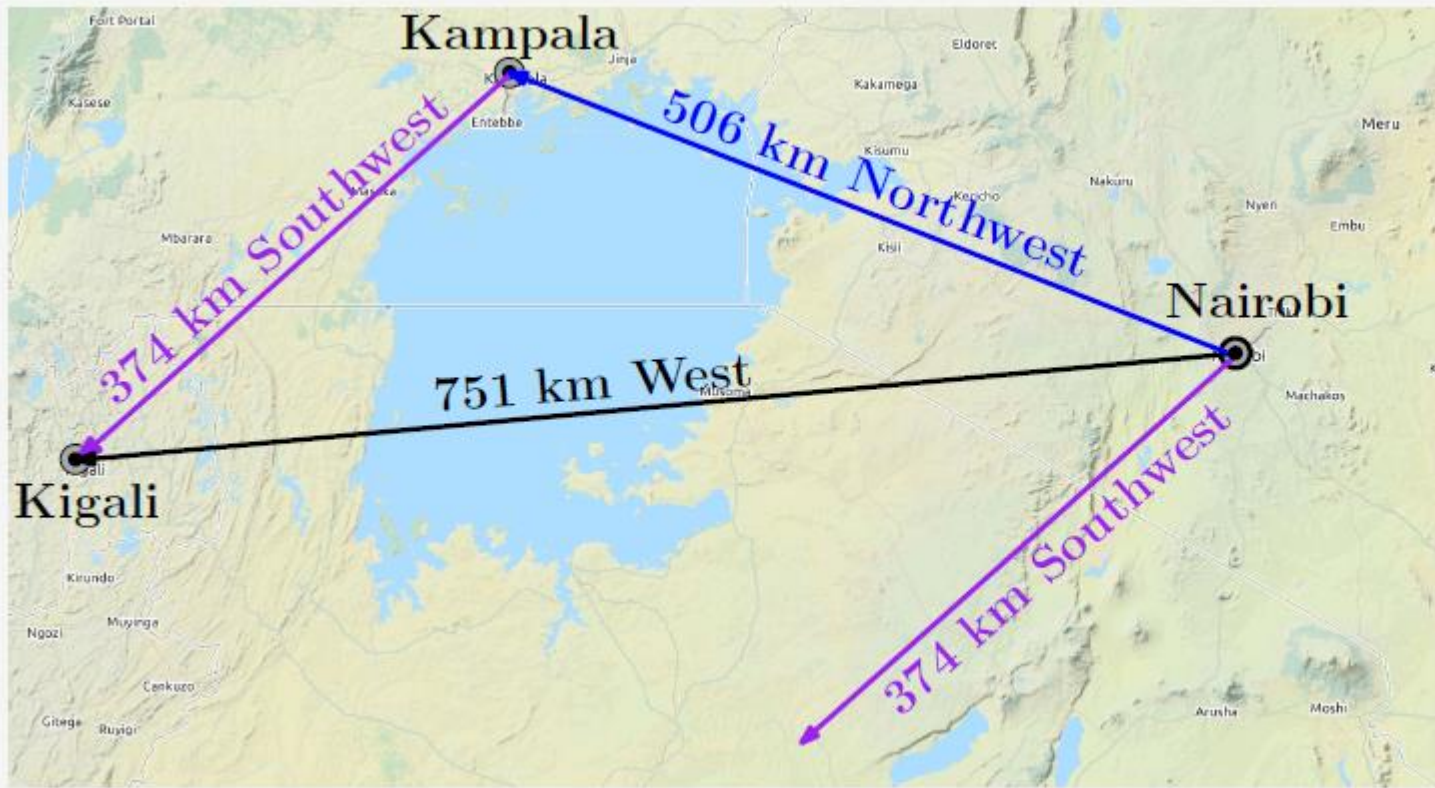


Figure 2.7  
Geographic example  
(with crude  
approximations to  
cardinal directions)  
of linearly  
dependent vectors  
in a  
two-dimensional  
space (plane).

# Linear independence

- $k$  vectors are either linearly dependent or linearly independent. There is no third option.
- If at least one of the vectors  $x_1, \dots, x_k$  is  $\mathbf{0}$  then they are linearly dependent. The same holds if two vectors are identical.
- The vectors  $\{x_1, \dots, x_k : x_i \neq \mathbf{0}, i = 1, \dots, k\}$ ,  $k \geq 2$ , are linearly dependent if and only if (at least) one of them is a linear combination of the others. In particular, if one vector is a multiple of another vector, i.e.,  $x_i = \lambda x_j$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  then the set  $\{x_1, \dots, x_k : x_i \neq \mathbf{0}, i = 1, \dots, k\}$  is linearly dependent.

# Linear independence

- A practical way of checking whether vectors  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in V$  are linearly independent is to use Gaussian elimination: Write all vectors as columns of a matrix  $A$  and perform Gaussian elimination until the matrix is in row echelon form (the reduced row-echelon form is unnecessary here):
  - The pivot columns indicate the vectors, which are linearly independent of the vectors on the left. Note that there is an ordering of vectors when the matrix is built.
  - The non-pivot columns can be expressed as linear combinations of the pivot columns on their left. For instance, the row-echelon form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.66)$$

tells us that the first and third columns are pivot columns. The second column is a non-pivot column because it is three times the first column.

All column vectors are linearly independent if and only if all columns are pivot columns. If there is at least one non-pivot column, the columns (and, therefore, the corresponding vectors) are linearly dependent.

# Linear independence

## Example 2.14

Consider  $\mathbb{R}^4$  with

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.67)$$

To check whether they are linearly dependent, we follow the general approach and solve

$$\lambda_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \lambda_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + \lambda_3 \mathbf{x}_3 = \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \quad (2.68)$$

for  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_3$ . We write the vectors  $\mathbf{x}_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , as the columns of a matrix and apply elementary row operations until we identify the pivot columns:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \dots \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.69)$$

Here, every column of the matrix is a pivot column. Therefore, there is no non-trivial solution, and we require  $\lambda_1 = 0$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 0$ ,  $\lambda_3 = 0$  to solve the equation system. Hence, the vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3$  are linearly independent.

# Basis

**Definition 2.13** (Generating Set and Span). Consider a vector space  $V = (\mathcal{V}, +, \cdot)$  and set of vectors  $\mathcal{A} = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$ . If every vector  $v \in \mathcal{V}$  can be expressed as a linear combination of  $x_1, \dots, x_k$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a *generating set* of  $V$ . The set of all linear combinations of vectors in  $\mathcal{A}$  is called the *span* of  $\mathcal{A}$ . If  $\mathcal{A}$  spans the vector space  $V$ , we write  $V = \text{span}[\mathcal{A}]$  or  $V = \text{span}[x_1, \dots, x_k]$ .

**Definition 2.14** (Basis). Consider a vector space  $V = (\mathcal{V}, +, \cdot)$  and  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$ . A generating set  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $V$  is called *minimal* if there exists no smaller set  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}} \subseteq \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$  that spans  $V$ . Every linearly independent generating set of  $V$  is minimal and is called a *basis* of  $V$ .

# Basis

## Example 2.16

- In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , the *canonical/standard basis* is

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}. \quad (2.78)$$

- Different bases in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are

$$\mathcal{B}_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \mathcal{B}_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1.8 \\ 0.3 \\ 0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2.2 \\ -1.3 \\ 3.5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}. \quad (2.79)$$

- The set

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (2.80)$$

is linearly independent, but not a generating set (and no basis) of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ : For instance, the vector  $[1, 0, 0, 0]^\top$  cannot be obtained by a linear combination of elements in  $\mathcal{A}$ .



# Linear mapping

- Mappings on vector spaces that preserve their structure
- Earlier, we saw that vectors are objects that can be added together and multiplied by a scalar, and the resulting object is still a vector
- Now, we do the same for vector spaces

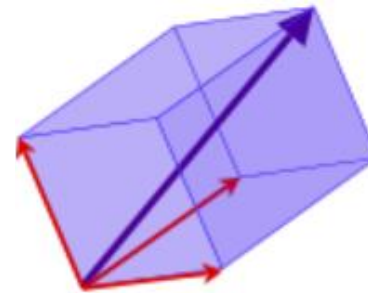
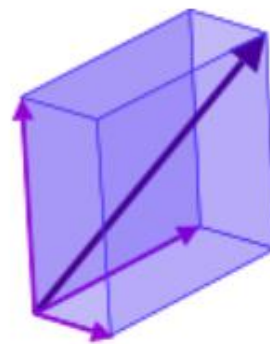
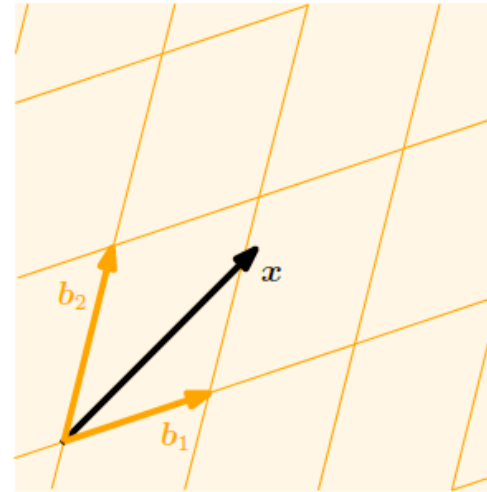
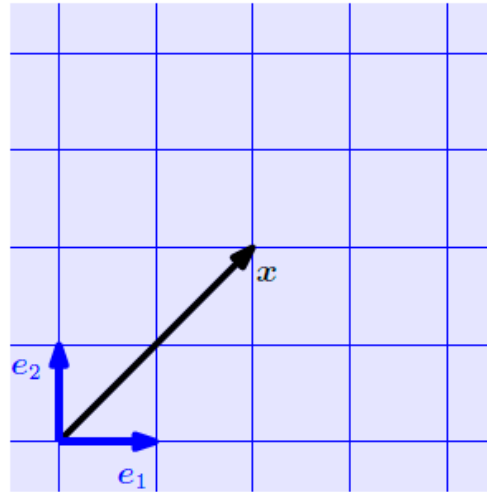
**Definition 2.15** (Linear Mapping). For vector spaces  $V, W$ , a mapping  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$  is called a *linear mapping* (or *vector space homomorphism*/*linear transformation*) if

$$\forall x, y \in V \forall \lambda, \psi \in \mathbb{R} : \Phi(\lambda x + \psi y) = \lambda \Phi(x) + \psi \Phi(y). \quad (2.87)$$

It turns out that we can represent linear mappings as matrices (Section 2.7.1). Recall that we can also collect a set of vectors as columns of a matrix. When working with matrices, we have to keep in mind what the matrix represents: a linear mapping or a collection of vectors.

# Linear mapping

Figure 2.8 Two different coordinate systems defined by two sets of basis vectors. A vector  $x$  has different coordinate representations depending on which coordinate system is chosen.



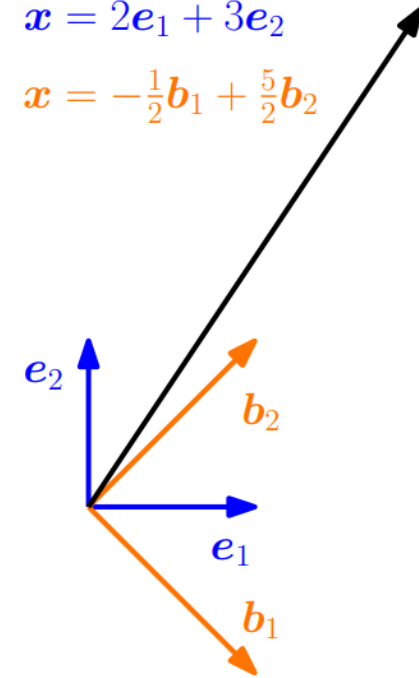
The same vector can be represented in two different bases (purple and red arrows).

**Figure 2.9**

Different coordinate representations of a vector  $x$ , depending on the choice of basis.

$$x = 2e_1 + 3e_2$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}b_1 + \frac{5}{2}b_2$$

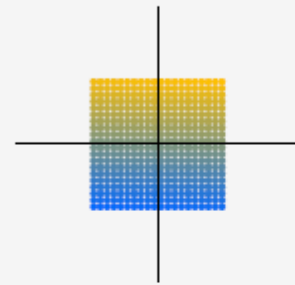




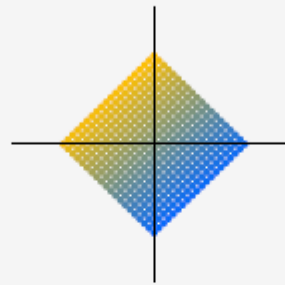
# Linear mapping

## Example 2.22 (Linear Transformations of Vectors)

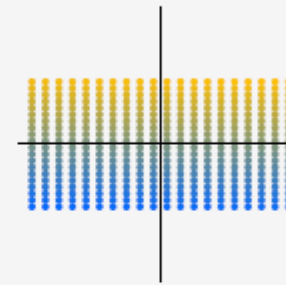
Figure 2.10 Three examples of linear transformations of the vectors shown as dots in (a); (b) Rotation by  $45^\circ$ ; (c) Stretching of the horizontal coordinates by 2; (d) Combination of reflection, rotation and stretching.



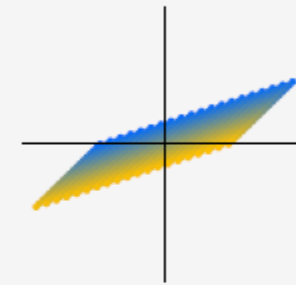
(a) Original data.



(b) Rotation by  $45^\circ$ .



(c) Stretch along the horizontal axis.



(d) General linear mapping.

We consider three linear transformations of a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the transformation matrices

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) & -\sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) \\ \sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) & \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.97)$$

**Example 2.21 (Transformation Matrix)**

Consider a homomorphism  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$  and ordered bases  $B = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_3)$  of  $V$  and  $C = (\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_4)$  of  $W$ . With

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(\mathbf{b}_1) &= \mathbf{c}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2 + 3\mathbf{c}_3 - \mathbf{c}_4 \\ \Phi(\mathbf{b}_2) &= 2\mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2 + 7\mathbf{c}_3 + 2\mathbf{c}_4 \\ \Phi(\mathbf{b}_3) &= 3\mathbf{c}_2 + \mathbf{c}_3 + 4\mathbf{c}_4\end{aligned}\tag{2.95}$$

the transformation matrix  $\mathbf{A}_\Phi$  with respect to  $B$  and  $C$  satisfies  $\Phi(\mathbf{b}_k) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \alpha_{ik} \mathbf{c}_i$  for  $k = 1, \dots, 3$  and is given as

$$\mathbf{A}_\Phi = [\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{2.96}$$

where the  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, 3$ , are the coordinate vectors of  $\Phi(\mathbf{b}_j)$  with respect to  $C$ .

# Mapping

- Change of basis
- <https://www.mathsisfun.com/algebra/matrix-transform.html>
- <https://eli.thegreenplace.net/2015/change-of-basis-in-linear-algebra/>



# **Analytical Geometry**

## **[Chapter 3 – MML book]**

# Norms

## Example 3.2 (Euclidean Norm)

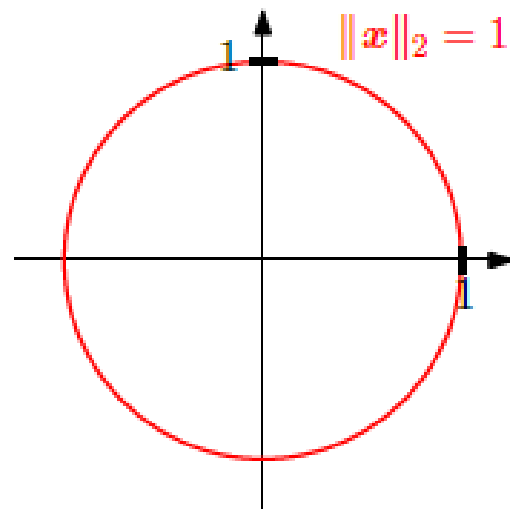
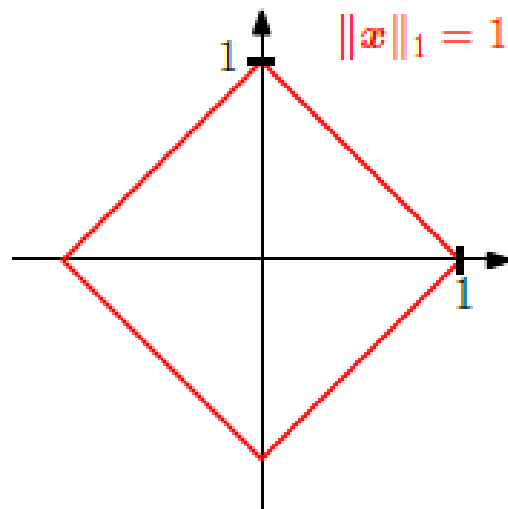
The *Euclidean norm* of  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is defined as

$$\|x\|_2 := \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} = \sqrt{x^\top x} \quad (3.4)$$

and computes the *Euclidean distance* of  $x$  from the origin.

*Euclidian norm = L2 norm*

# Norms



**Figure 3.3** For different norms, the red lines indicate the set of vectors with norm 1. Left: Manhattan norm; Right: Euclidean distance.

# Dot Product

(type of inner product)

Scalar product/dot product

$$\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i. \quad (3.5)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = (1 \cdot 3) + (7 \cdot 5) = 38$$

Commonly, the dot product between two vectors  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  is denoted by  $\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{b}$  or  $\langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \rangle$ .

```
[11] import numpy as np
      x = np.array([1, 2, 3])
      y = np.array([4, 5, 6])
      print(x,y)
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↳ [1 2 3] [4 5 6]
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[12] product = x.T * y
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[16] product.sum()
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↳ 32
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[17] np.dot(x, y)
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↳ 32
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# Lengths and Distances

**Definition 3.6** (Distance and Metric). Consider an inner product space  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ . Then

$$d(x, y) := \|x - y\| = \sqrt{\langle x - y, x - y \rangle} \quad (3.21)$$

is called the *distance* between  $x$  and  $y$  for  $x, y \in V$ . If we use the dot product as the inner product, then the distance is called *Euclidean distance*.

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[21] import numpy as np
      from numpy import linalg as LA
      x = np.array([1, 0, 1])
      y = np.array([0, 1, 1])
      print(x,y)
```

```
↳ [1 0 1] [0 1 1]
```

```
[22] np.linalg.norm(x-y)
```

```
↳ 1.4142135623730951
```





# Angles and Orthogonality

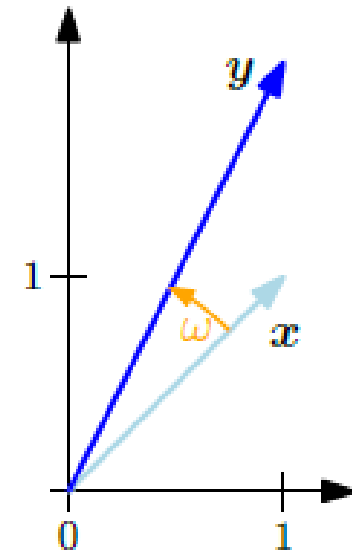
## Example 3.6 (Angle between Vectors)

Let us compute the angle between  $x = [1, 1]^\top \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $y = [1, 2]^\top \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ; see Figure 3.5, where we use the dot product as the inner product. Then we get

$$\cos \omega = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle \langle y, y \rangle}} = \frac{x^\top y}{\sqrt{x^\top x y^\top y}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}, \quad (3.26)$$

and the angle between the two vectors is  $\arccos(\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}) \approx 0.32$  rad, which corresponds to about  $18^\circ$ .

Figure 3.5 The angle  $\omega$  between two vectors  $x, y$  is computed using the inner product.



# Angles and Orthogonality

```
[37] import numpy as np
      from numpy import linalg as LA
      x = np.array([2, 0])
      y = np.array([0, 2])
      print(x,y)
```

Checking if orthogonal

↳  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

```
[38] np.dot(x, x)
```

↳ 4

```
[39] np.dot(x,y)
```

↳ 0

# Angles and Orthogonality

Orthonormal = orthogonal and unit vectors

**Definition 3.8** (Orthogonal Matrix). A square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is an *orthogonal matrix* if and only if its columns are orthonormal so that

$$AA^{\top} = I = A^{\top}A, \quad (3.29)$$

which implies that

$$A^{-1} = A^{\top}, \quad (3.30)$$

i.e., the inverse is obtained by simply transposing the matrix.

# Orthonormal Basis

- In  $n$ -dimensional space, we need  $n$  basis vectors that are linearly independent
- If these vectors are orthogonal, and each has length 1, it's a special case: ***orthonormal basis***

**Definition 3.9** (Orthonormal Basis). Consider an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$  and a basis  $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$  of  $V$ . If

$$\langle b_i, b_j \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for } i \neq j \quad (3.33)$$

$$\langle b_i, b_i \rangle = 1 \quad (3.34)$$

for all  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$  then the basis is called an *orthonormal basis* (ONB). If only (3.33) is satisfied, then the basis is called an *orthogonal basis*. Note that (3.34) implies that every basis vector has length/norm 1.

# Orthonormal Basis

## Example 3.8 (Orthonormal Basis)

The canonical/standard basis for a Euclidean vector space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an orthonormal basis, where the inner product is the dot product of vectors.

In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , the vectors

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.35)$$

form an orthonormal basis since  $b_1^\top b_2 = 0$  and  $\|b_1\| = 1 = \|b_2\|$ .



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  - If one feature has higher variance than the others, it will be treated as more important. This is problematic if the features have arbitrary scales, since the importance of a feature would depend on the unit used. Normalizing to unit variance fixes this problem.



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(a) I would split data into training/validation (80%) and testing (20%) groups. Within the training/validation group, I would allocate 25% to validation and the rest to training and rotate through during a cross-validation cycle (such that each data point is used once for validation, and three times for testing).

(b) I would perform hyperparameter optimization by rotating the validation set within the training/validation group as described above. For a given cycle, I would use a set of hyperparameters. I would eventually choose the set of hyperparameters with the greatest validation accuracy (averaged over corresponding cross-validation cycles).

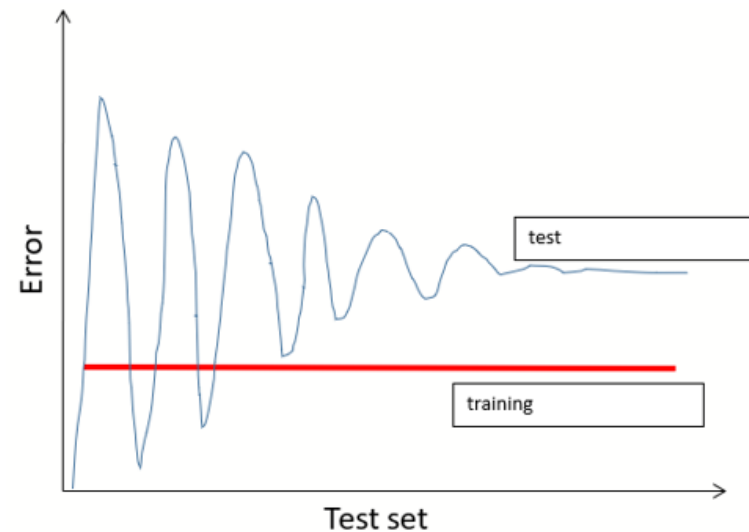
(c) The model would then be applied to the test set, and we'd report the testing accuracy.

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The training error will not change if the training set is fixed. The test error will fluctuate initially, for a small number of points, then converge to a value above that of training.