

Sec 1.1 Basic Linear Algebra

1. Matrix * Vector Multiplication:

$A = (a_{ij})$ is $m \times n$ matrix,
 m rows, n columns

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times 1}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$$

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

• Familiar Definition:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j}x_j \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^n a_{mj}x_j \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix} = \vec{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow b_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j, \quad i=1, \dots, m$$

We can consider A as a linear mapping. \vec{x} is input, $A\vec{x}$ is output \vec{b} .

The map $x \mapsto Ax$ is linear: $A(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = A\vec{x} + A\vec{y}$

$$A(\alpha \vec{x}) = \alpha \cdot A\vec{x}$$

• Another way to understand this:

$$A = \left(\vec{a}_1 \mid \vec{a}_2 \mid \dots \mid \vec{a}_n \right), \quad \text{eg. } \vec{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{x} = \left[\vec{a}_1 \mid \vec{a}_2 \mid \dots \mid \vec{a}_n \right] \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \dots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

\vec{b} is a linear combination of columns of A

The coefficients are from \vec{x}

2. Matrix * Matrix Multiplication:

$A = (a_{ik})$ is $l \times m$, $C = (c_{kj})$ is $m \times n \Rightarrow B = AC$ is $l \times n$

$$B = (b_{ij}), \quad b_{ij} = (i^{\text{th}} \text{ row of } A) \cdot (j^{\text{th}} \text{ column of } C) = \sum_{k=1}^m a_{ik} c_{kj}$$

Another way to understand this:

$$B = AC = A \left[\vec{c}_1 \mid \vec{c}_2 \mid \dots \mid \vec{c}_n \right] = \left[A\vec{c}_1 \mid A\vec{c}_2 \mid \dots \mid A\vec{c}_n \right] = \left[\vec{b}_1 \mid \vec{b}_2 \mid \dots \mid \vec{b}_n \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b}_j = A \vec{c}_j = [\vec{a}_1 | \vec{a}_2 | \dots | \vec{a}_m] \begin{bmatrix} c_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ c_{mj} \end{bmatrix} = \vec{a}_1 \cdot c_{1j} + \dots + \vec{a}_m \cdot c_{mj} = \sum_{k=1}^m c_{kj} \vec{a}_k$$

The column \vec{b}_j is a linear combination of the columns of A with coefficients from \vec{c}_j

eg. (Outer product)

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad m \times 1, \quad \vec{v} = [v_1, \dots, v_n], \quad 1 \times n$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{u} \vec{v} = \vec{u} [v_1, \dots, v_n] = [\vec{v}_1 \vec{u} | \dots | \vec{v}_n \vec{u}] = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 u_1 & \dots & v_n u_1 \\ v_1 u_2 & \dots & v_n u_2 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ v_1 u_m & \dots & v_n u_m \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Range and Nullspace of A :

range(A) = the set of all vectors that can be expressed as $A\vec{x}$ for some \vec{x}
 = all linear combinations of columns of A
 = the space spanned by columns of A .

null(A) = the set of all vectors \vec{x} that satisfy $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$
 = coefficients x_1, \dots, x_n such that the linear combination $x_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{a}_n = \vec{0}$

4. Rank

dimension of a space = number of elements in a basis.

column rank of A = dimension of the column space of A
 = dimension of range(A)

row rank of A = dimension of the space spanned by rows of A

* rank of A = column rank of A = row rank of A

If $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ has the maximal possible rank, i.e. rank(A) = min(m, n)

then A is of full rank.

5. Inverse matrix.

A is nonsingular or invertible $\Leftrightarrow A$ is a square matrix of full rank.

\Leftrightarrow There is a unique matrix A^{-1} such that

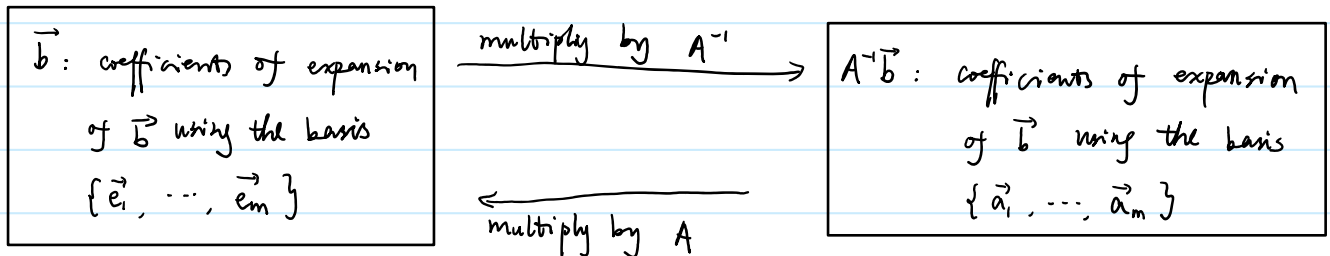
$$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I \leftarrow \text{identity matrix } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$$

6. Matrix Inverse \times vector multiplication:

$$\vec{x} = A^{-1} \vec{b} = \text{solution to } A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

= the vector of coefficients when expanding \vec{b} using the basis of columns of A .



Multiplication by A^{-1} is a change of basis operation!