

Course covers topics in algebra and geometry with abstract/concrete approaches / conceptual/computational

- 1) Complex Numbers
- 2) Vectors in 3D index notation / summation convention
- 3) Vectors in general; \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{C}^n
- 4) Matrices and Linear Maps
- 5) Determinants and Inverses
- 6) Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors
- 7) Changing Bases, Canonical Forms and Symmetries

1) Complex Numbers

1.1 Definitions

Construct complex numbers \mathbb{C} from real numbers \mathbb{R} by adding an element i with $i^2 = -1$.

Any complex number $z \in \mathbb{C}$ has the form $z = x + iy$ with $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. $x = \text{Re}(z)$ $y = \text{Im}(z)$

So $\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$: \mathbb{R} is the subset consisting of $x = x + i0$.

For $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$ and $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$:

$$(i) \text{ Addition: } z_1 + z_2 = (x_1 + x_2) + i(y_1 + y_2)$$

$$(ii) \text{ Multiplication: } z_1 z_2 = (x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 + iy_2) \\ = (x_1 x_2 - y_1 y_2) + i(x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1)$$

For $z = x + iy$, we define

$$(iii) \text{ Complex conjugate } \bar{z} = z^* = x - iy \Rightarrow \text{Re}(z) = \frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z})$$

$$(iv) \text{ Modulus } r = |z|, \text{ real and } > 0 \quad \text{Im}(z) = \frac{1}{2}(z - \bar{z})$$

$$r^2 = |z|^2 = z\bar{z} = x^2 + y^2$$

$$(\bar{z}) = z$$

$$\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2$$

$$\overline{\bar{z}_1 z_2} = \bar{z}_1 \bar{z}_2$$

(v) Argument $\theta = \arg(z)$, real, $z \neq 0$ by
 $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ (polar form)

$$\Leftrightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{x}{(x^2+y^2)^{1/2}}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{y}{(x^2+y^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

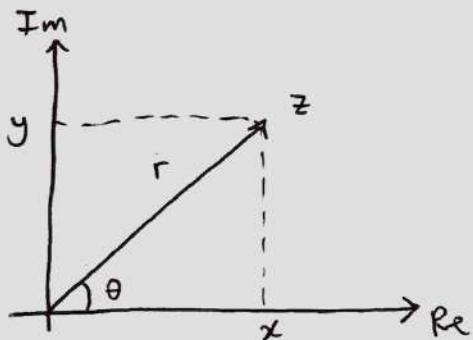
$\arg(z)$ is only determined "mod 2π " - can change,
 $\theta \rightarrow \theta + 2n\pi$ ($n \in \mathbb{Z}$) and $z \rightarrow z$: doesn't change.

To make θ unique, we can restrict the range

e.g. $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$ is the principal value.

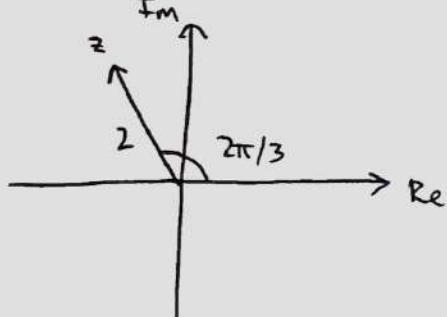
(vi) Argand diagram or Complex Plane

Plot $\operatorname{Re}(z)$ and $\operatorname{Im}(z)$ on orthogonal axes, then
 $r = |z|$ and $\arg(z) = \theta$ are the length and angle shown.



Example For $z = -1 + i\sqrt{3} = 2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$

we have $|z| = 2$, $\arg(z) = \frac{2\pi}{3} + 2n\pi$



$$\tan \theta = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{2\pi}{3} + 2n\pi$$

$$\text{or } \theta = -\frac{\pi}{3} + 2n\pi = \arg(-z)$$

Basic Properties / Consequences

(i) On \mathbb{C} the operations $+$ and \times are commutative and associative. Furthermore, $(\mathbb{C}, +)$ is an abelian group with identity $0 = 0+io$ with $z = x+iy$ having inverse $-x+(-y)$

$\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ under multiplication is also an abelian group: $e=1$

$$z = x+iy \neq 0 \text{ has inverse } z^{-1} = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} + \frac{iy}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = 1+io$$

Distributive laws hold:

$$z_1(z_2+z_3) = z_1z_2 + z_1z_3$$

\mathbb{C} is a field

(ii) Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

Aside: motivate definitions of number systems leading to \mathbb{C} by considering solns of eqns:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathbb{N} & x+3=0 \\ \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{+z} 5x+1=0 \\ \mathbb{Q} & \xrightarrow{+QK} x^2-2=(x-\sqrt{2})(x+\sqrt{2})=0 \\ \mathbb{R} & \xrightarrow{+R} x^2+4=(x-2i)(x+2i)=0 \\ \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{+C} \end{array}$$

FTA: A polynomial of degree n with coefficients in \mathbb{C} can be written as a product of n linear factors

$$\begin{aligned} p(z) &= c_n z^n + \dots + c_1 z + c_0 \quad \text{with } c_i \in \mathbb{C}, \\ &= c_n (z-\alpha_1)(z-\alpha_2) \dots (z-\alpha_n) \quad c_n \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

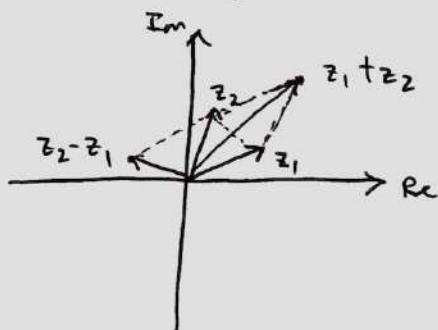
for some $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$.

So the "chain" in the aside stops at \mathbb{C} .

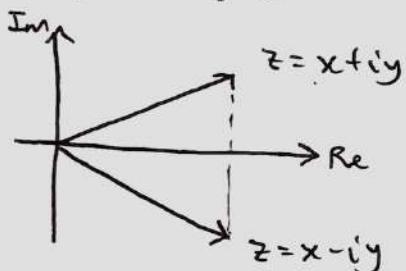
Hence $p(z) = 0$ for $n \geq 1$ has at least one solution and exactly n solutions α_i , counted with multiplicity.

(Not proved in course - see Part 1B Complex Methods / Analysis)

- (iii) Addition and subtraction correspond to parallelogram constructions shown



Complex conjugation is reflection in the real axis



Aside:
quaternions
(look up)

- (iv) Proposition Modulus / length obey

$$|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2| \quad (\text{composition property})$$

$$|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2| \quad (\text{triangle inequality})$$

Proof of composition property : compute square of each side and compare .

Proof of triangle inequality : compare squares of each side

$$\text{LHS}^2 = (z_1 + z_2)(\bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2) = |z_1|^2 + z_1 \bar{z}_2 + \bar{z}_1 z_2 + |z_2|^2$$

$$\text{RHS}^2 = |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 + 2|z_1||z_2|$$

$$\text{Note } z_1 \bar{z}_2 + \bar{z}_1 z_2 \leq 2|z_1||z_2|$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2}(z_1 \bar{z}_2 + (\bar{z}_1 \bar{\bar{z}}_2)) \leq |z_1||\bar{z}_2|$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Re}(z_1 \bar{z}_2) \leq |z_1 \bar{z}_2| \quad \text{which is true. } \square$$

Alternative form of A inequality:

$$|z_2 - z_1| \geq |z_2| - |z_1| \quad \text{by replacing } z_2 \text{ with } z_2 - z_1 \text{ in original form and rearranging}$$

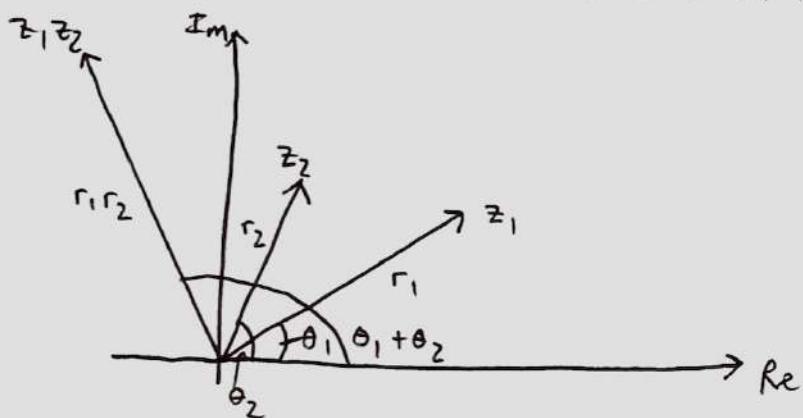
or $|z_2 - z_1| \geq |z_1| - |z_2|$

$$\text{So } \underline{|z_2 - z_1| \geq |z_2| - |z_1|}$$

$$(v) \quad \underline{\text{Proposition}} \quad z_1 = r_1(\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1) \quad (\text{P1.1})$$

$$z_2 = r_2(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 (\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2))$$



Proof just check,
use trig addition
formulas

$$\underline{\text{De Moivre's Theorem}} \quad (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta$$

for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

(For $z \neq 0$, (For $z \neq 0$, $z^0 = 1$, $z^{-n} = (z^{-1})^n$)

(prove by induction with P1.1) for $n \geq 0$

Base case $n = 0$ ✓ = 1

Inductive: if $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^k = \cos k\theta + i \sin k\theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{k+1} &= (\cos k\theta + i \sin k\theta)(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) \\ &= \cos(k+1)\theta + i \sin(k+1)\theta \\ &\quad \text{by trig addition formulae.} \end{aligned}$$

For $n = -m < 0$ we use $(z^{-m}) = (z^m)^{-1}$ with $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ then use the above result. □

$$(\cos m\theta + i \sin m\theta)^{-1} = \cos m\theta - i \sin m\theta.$$

1.3 - Exponential and Trigonometric Functions

Define \exp, \cos, \sin on \mathbb{C} by

$$\exp(z) = e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$\cos(z) = \frac{1}{2} (e^{iz} + e^{-iz}) = 1 - \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^4}{4!} - \dots$$

$$\sin(z) = \frac{1}{2i} (e^{iz} - e^{-iz}) = z - \frac{z^3}{3!} + \frac{z^5}{5!} - \dots$$

The series converge for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ - they can be multiplied, rearranged etc. (Proved in Analysis 1)

Proposition $e^z e^w = e^{z+w} \quad \forall z, w \in \mathbb{C}$

Corollary $e^z e^{-z} = e^0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad (e^z)^n = e^{nz} \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Proof Multiply series on LHS and find terms of degree n

$$\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{r!} z^r \frac{1}{(n-r)!} w^{n-r} = \underline{\frac{1}{n!} (z+w)^n} \quad \text{by Binomial theorem}$$

Definitions reduce to familiar ones for $z = x \in \mathbb{R}$. From series (differentiation allowed)

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\exp x) = \exp x$$

differentiating the series
term by term

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\cos x) = -\sin x$$

$$\exp(0) = 1, \cos(0) = 1, \sin(0) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sin x) = \cos x$$

give "boundary conditions"

These properties characterise these functions of the real variable x .

Lemma For $z = x+iy$

(i) $e^z = e^x(\cos y + i \sin y)$

(ii) exp on \mathbb{C} takes all values except 0

(iii) $e^z = 1 \Leftrightarrow z = 2n\pi i, n \in \mathbb{Z}.$

Proof (i) $e^{x+iy} = e^x e^{iy} = e^x (\cos y + i \sin y)$

(ii) $|e^z| = e^x$ (as $|e^{iy}| = 1$) and e^x takes all positive real values.

arg(e^z) = y and this takes all real values.

(iii) $e^z = 1 \Leftrightarrow e^x = 1$ and $\cos y = 1, \sin y = 0$
 $\Leftrightarrow x = 0, y = 2n\pi$ as required.

Now return to polar form and note it can be written

$$z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = re^{i\theta} \quad (r = |z|, \theta = \arg z)$$

Then De Moivre's Theorem follows immediately from the

$$e^z e^w = e^{z+w} \text{ result: } \underbrace{(e^{i\theta})^n}_{=} = e^{in\theta}.$$

Roots of Unity

z is an N^{th} root of unity if $z^N = 1$. To find all solutions

$$z = re^{i\theta} \text{ satisfies } z^N = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r^N e^{iN\theta} = 1 \Leftrightarrow r^N = 1 \text{ and } N\theta = 2n\pi \quad (n \in \mathbb{Z})$$

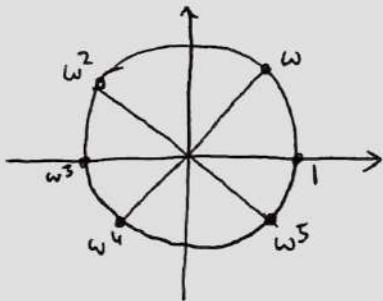
This gives N distinct solutions $z = \underline{e^{2\pi in/N}}$

with $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$.

$$\downarrow \\ z = \cos \frac{2\pi n}{N} + i \sin \frac{2\pi n}{N} = \omega^n$$

$$\Rightarrow (\omega = e^{2\pi i/N})$$

These solutions lie on the unit circle at the vertices of a regular N-gon e.g. $N = 6$



1.4 Logarithms and Complex Powers

Define $w = \log z$ $z \in \mathbb{C}, z \neq 0$

$$\text{by } e^w = e^{\log z} = z$$

i.e. \log is inverse of \exp , but \exp is many-to-one so \log is multi-valued.

$$z = re^{i\theta} = e^{\log r} e^{i\theta} \stackrel{r \text{ is real, } > 0}{=} e^{\log r + i\theta}$$

$$\text{so } \log z = \log r + i\theta = \boxed{\log|z| + i\arg z}.$$

Multivalued behaviour of \arg and \log are related:

$$\operatorname{Im}(\log z) = \arg z \quad \text{so} \quad \theta \rightarrow \theta + 2n\pi \rightarrow \log z \rightarrow \log z + 2n\pi i$$

To make them single valued we can restrict e.g. $(n \in \mathbb{Z})$.

$$\theta \leq \theta < 2\pi \quad \text{or} \quad -\pi < \theta \leq \pi.$$

$$\text{or } i(2n+1)\pi$$

$$\text{e.g. } z = -1 = e^{i\pi} \stackrel{\text{so}}{\Rightarrow} \log 1 + i\pi = \cancel{\log(-1)} \quad \Rightarrow \log(-1) = i(2n+1)\pi.$$

Complex Powers

$$\boxed{z^\alpha = e^{\alpha \times \log z}}$$

$$z \in \mathbb{C}, z \neq 0, \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$$

(contains \log - also multivalued)

$$\arg z \rightarrow \arg z + 2n\pi \rightarrow z^\alpha \rightarrow z^\alpha e^{2\pi i n \alpha} \quad (\text{exercise: check})$$

Can restrict $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$ for principal value for z^α .

If $\alpha = p \in \mathbb{Z}$ then $z^\alpha = \alpha z^p$ is unique because

$$e^{2\pi i np} = 1 \text{ so } z^p = z^p e^{2\pi i np} = z^p.$$

If $\alpha = \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q}$ then $z^\alpha = z^{p/q}$ takes finitely many values (as seen with roots of unity).

But generally there are infinitely many values.

Examples i^i $i = e^{i\pi/2}$, $\arg i = \frac{\pi}{2} + 2n\pi$
 $\log(i) = i\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + 2n\pi\right)$
so $i^i = e^{i\log i} = e^{-\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + 2n\pi\right)}$ $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$(1+i)^{1/2} \quad 1+i = \sqrt{2} e^{i\pi/4} = e^{\frac{1}{2}\log 2 + i\pi/4}$$

$$\text{so } \log(1+i) = \frac{1}{2}\log 2 + i\pi/4 + i2n\pi \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{so } (1+i)^{1/2} = e^{\frac{1}{2}\log(1+i)} = e^{\frac{1}{4}\log 2 + i\left(\frac{\pi}{8} + n\pi\right)}$$



- We can immediately extend standard quadratic formula to quadratics with complex coefficients.
- For $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x > 0$, we have unique real value of $\log x$ and hence a unique value of $x^\alpha = e^{\alpha \log x}$ ($\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$)
Then $x^\alpha x^\beta = x^{\alpha+\beta}$ and $(x^\alpha)^\beta = x^{\alpha\beta}$.
But for complex variables we must beware:
 $z^\alpha z^\beta$ and $z^{\alpha+\beta}$ each have sets of values which may not match.

1.5 Transformations, Lines and Circles

Consider the following transformations on \mathbb{C} .

$$z \mapsto z + a \quad (\text{translation by } a \in \mathbb{C})$$

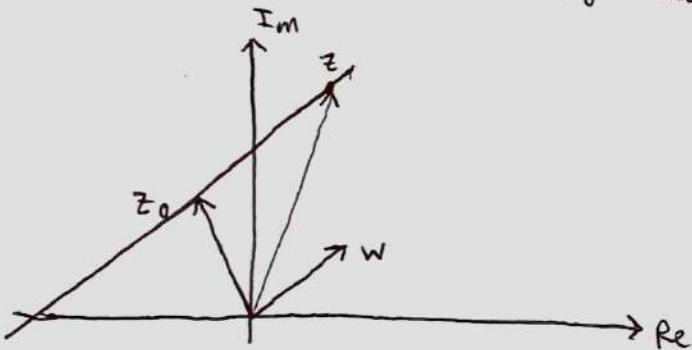
$$z \mapsto \lambda z \quad (\text{scaling by } \lambda \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$z \mapsto e^{ix} z \quad (\text{rotation by } x \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$z \mapsto \bar{z} \quad (\text{reflection in real axis})$$

$$z \mapsto \frac{1}{z} \quad (\text{inversion})$$

Use these ideas to find the general point on a line in \mathbb{C} through some fixed z_0 and parallel to $w \in \mathbb{C}$, $w \neq 0$.



General point is

$$\underline{z = z_0 + \lambda w} \quad (\lambda \in \mathbb{R})$$

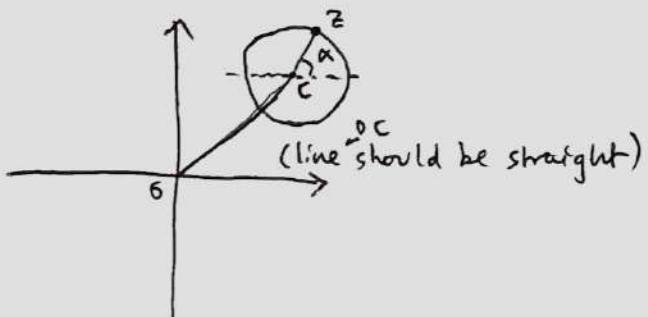
To eliminate λ , take conjugate

$$\bar{z} = \bar{z}_0 + \lambda \bar{w} \quad \text{and combine.}$$

Then eliminate λ to give

$$\underline{\bar{w}z - w\bar{z}} = \bar{w}z_0 - w\bar{z}_0.$$

Then consider circles: centre c , $c \in \mathbb{C}$, radius ρ (real, > 0)



$$z = c + \rho e^{ix}, \quad \text{with } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Equivalently

$$|z - c| = \rho \quad \text{as you'd expect:}$$

$$|z|^2 - \bar{c}z - c\bar{z} = \rho^2 - |c|^2$$

by squaring.

2. Vectors in 3D

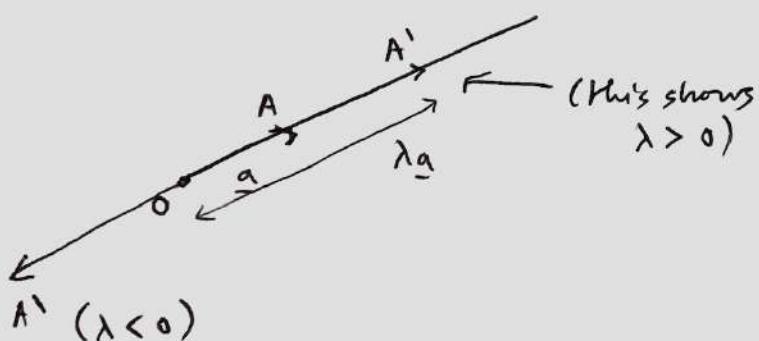
A vector is a quantity with magnitude and direction.

Take a geometrical approach and consider position vectors in 3D using standard (Euclidean) notions of points/lines/planes/lengths/angles.

Choose point O as origin, then points A, B, \dots are represented as displacements from O – position vectors $\underline{a} = \overrightarrow{OA}$ etc.

2.1 Vector Addition & Scalar Multiplication

(i) Scalar Multiplication Given \underline{a} (p.v. for point A) and scalar $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, we define $\lambda \underline{a}$ to be p.v. for A' on line OA with length $|\lambda \underline{a}| = |\overrightarrow{OA'}| = |\lambda| |\underline{a}|$, and direction as shown depending on sign of λ .

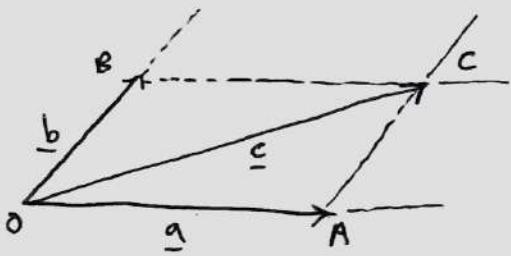


Definition $\text{span}\{\underline{a}\} = \{\lambda \underline{a} : \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$; if $\underline{a} \neq 0$ then this is line through O, A .

Define $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$ to be parallel ($\underline{a} \parallel \underline{b}$) iff $\underline{a} = \lambda \underline{b}$ or $\underline{b} = \lambda \underline{a}$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ (λ can be 0 so $\underline{a} = \lambda \underline{b} \Leftrightarrow \underline{b} = \lambda \underline{a}$)

This is a convenient usage for this course.

(ii) Vector Addition Given $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$ position vectors of A, B , if $\underline{a} \parallel \underline{b}$ then construct a parallelogram $OACB$ –



Then we define

$$\underline{a} + \underline{b} = \underline{c}$$

If $\underline{a} \parallel \underline{b}$ then $\underline{a} = \alpha \underline{u}$, $\underline{b} = \beta \underline{u}$ where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, \underline{u} is a unit vector of length 1. Then $\underline{a} + \underline{b} = (\alpha + \beta) \underline{u}$.

Given $\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \dots, \underline{c}$ we can form a linear combination
 $\alpha \underline{a} + \beta \underline{b} + \dots + \gamma \underline{c}$ for any $\alpha, \beta, \dots, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$.

Definition $\text{span}\{\underline{a}, \underline{b}\} = \{\alpha \underline{a} + \beta \underline{b} : \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}\}$

If $\underline{a} \nparallel \underline{b}$ (\Rightarrow neither 0) then this is the plane through $0, A, B$.

(iii) Properties For any $\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c}$ we have

$$\underline{a} + \underline{0} = \underline{0} + \underline{a} = \underline{a} \quad (\underline{0} \text{ is identity for } +)$$

$$\exists -\underline{a} : \underline{a} + (-\underline{a}) = (-\underline{a}) + \underline{a} = \underline{0} \quad (\text{inverse})$$

$$\underline{a} + \underline{b} = \underline{b} + \underline{a} \quad (\text{commutative})$$

$$(\underline{a} + \underline{b}) + \underline{c} = \underline{a} + (\underline{b} + \underline{c}) \quad (\text{associative})$$

Vectors under $+$ form an abelian group.

$$\text{Also } \lambda(\underline{a} + \underline{b}) = \lambda \underline{a} + \lambda \underline{b}$$

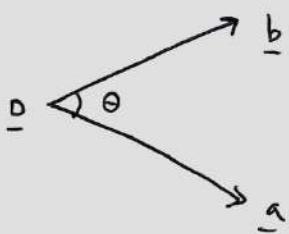
$$(\lambda + \mu) \underline{a} = \lambda \underline{a} + \mu \underline{a}$$

$$\lambda(\mu \underline{a}) = (\lambda \mu) \underline{a}$$

Note we can check associativity by constructing a parallelepiped. (see Aside screenshot)

2.2 Scalar or Dot Product

- (i) Definition Given vectors $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$, let θ be angle between them as shown



Then define

$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = |\underline{a}| |\underline{b}| \cos \theta$$

(scalar/dot product)

(θ defined unless \underline{a} or \underline{b} is 0 : in those cases $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = 0$)

\underline{a} and \underline{b} are orthogonal or perpendicular iff

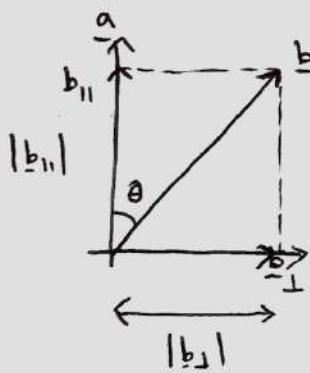
$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = 0, \text{ iff } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ mod } \pi \text{ when } \pi \text{ defined.}$$

Write $\underline{a} \perp \underline{b}$, allow \underline{a} or \underline{b} to be 0 so $\underline{0} \perp \underline{a} \forall \underline{a}$.

- (ii) Interpretation For $\underline{a} \neq \underline{0}$, $|\underline{b}| \cos \theta$ is component of \underline{b} along \underline{a}

$$= \frac{(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b})}{|\underline{a}|} = \text{proj } \hat{\underline{a}} \cdot \underline{b} \text{ where } \hat{\underline{a}} = \frac{\underline{a}}{|\underline{a}|}$$

$$= |\underline{b}_{\parallel}| \text{ where we resolve } \underline{b} = \underline{b}_{\parallel} + \underline{b}_{\perp}.$$



$$\text{Note } \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}_{\parallel}$$

- (iii) Properties

$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = \underline{b} \cdot \underline{a}$$

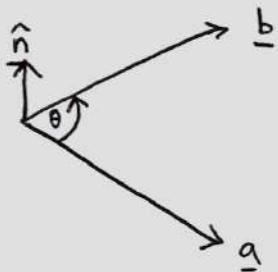
$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{a} = |\underline{a}|^2 > 0$$

$$(\lambda \underline{a}) \cdot \underline{b} = \lambda (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) = \underline{a} \cdot (\lambda \underline{b})$$

$$\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} + \underline{c}) = \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} + \underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}$$

2.3 Vector or Cross Product

(i) Definition Given $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$ let θ be angle between them measured in sense shown, wrt a unit vector \hat{n} normal to plane they span.



Define $\underline{a} \wedge \underline{b} = \underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \underline{|a||b| \sin \theta \hat{n}}$

If $\underline{a} \parallel \underline{b}$ then \hat{n} is defined up to a sign, but changing sign of \hat{n} changes θ to $2\pi - \theta$ and $\underline{a} \times \underline{b}$ is unchanged.

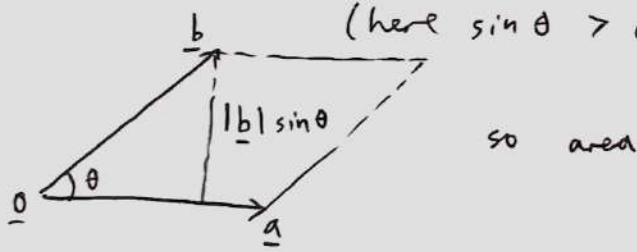
If $\underline{a} \parallel \underline{b}$ then \hat{n} is not defined

If $|\underline{a}| = 0$ or $|\underline{b}| = 0$ then θ is not defined

$$\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \underline{0}$$

(ii) Interpretations

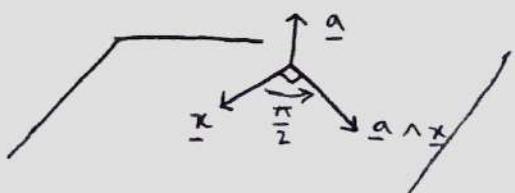
$\underline{a} \times \underline{b}$ is vector area of parallelogram



$$\text{so area} = \frac{|\underline{a}||\underline{b}| \sin \theta}{(\text{scalar area})}$$

Direction \hat{n} gives orientation in space (making sense of vector area).

Fix \underline{a} and consider $\underline{x} \perp \underline{a}$, then $\underline{x} \mapsto \underline{a} \wedge \underline{x}$
scales by $|\underline{a}|$, rotates by $\frac{\pi}{2}$ in plane \perp to \underline{a}



Note that if we resolve as in 2.2 (ii) and write $\underline{b} = \underline{b}_{\parallel} + \underline{b}_{\perp}$
then $\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \underline{a} \times \underline{b}_{\perp}$

Properties (iii)

$$\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = -\underline{b} \times \underline{a}$$

$$(\lambda \underline{a}) \times \underline{b} = \lambda (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) = \underline{a} \times (\lambda \underline{b})$$

$$\underline{a} \times (\underline{b} + \underline{c}) = \underline{a} \times \underline{b} + \underline{a} \times \underline{c}$$

$$\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \underline{0} \iff \underline{a} \parallel \underline{b} \quad (\text{allows } = \underline{0})$$

$$\underline{a} \times \underline{b} \perp \underline{a} \text{ and } \underline{b} \iff \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) = \underline{b} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) = 0.$$

2.4 Orthonormal Bases and Components

Choose vectors $\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \underline{e}_3$ that are orthonormal i.e. unit vectors all orthogonal to each other.

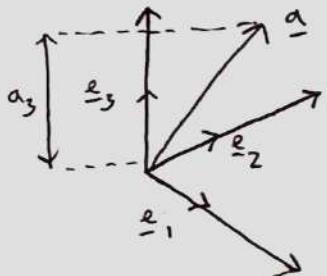
$$\underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases} \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3 \quad (*)$$

Equivalent to choosing Cartesian axes along these directions.

$\{\underline{e}_i\}$ is a basis. Any vector can be written

$$\underline{a} = \sum_i a_i \underline{e}_i = a_1 \underline{e}_1 + a_2 \underline{e}_2 + a_3 \underline{e}_3$$

Each component is uniquely determined by $a_i = \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{a}$.



Often identify vector \underline{a} with set of components

$$(a_1, a_2, a_3) \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Scalar product in components:

$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = (a_1 \underline{e}_1 + a_2 \underline{e}_2 + a_3 \underline{e}_3) \cdot (b_1 \underline{e}_1 + b_2 \underline{e}_2 + b_3 \underline{e}_3)$$

$$\text{By } (*) \text{ we have } \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$$

$$\text{When } \underline{a} = \underline{b}, \underline{a} \cdot \underline{a} = |\underline{a}|^2$$

Vector product in components

WLOG choose basis that is also right-handed: $\underline{e}_1 \times \underline{e}_2 = \underline{e}_3$,

$$-\underline{e}_2 \times \underline{e}_1 = \underline{e}_3$$

$$\underline{e}_2 \times \underline{e}_3 = \underline{e}_1 = -\underline{e}_3 \times \underline{e}_2$$

$$\underline{e}_3 \times \underline{e}_1 = \underline{e}_2 = -\underline{e}_1 \times \underline{e}_3$$

(One line implies the other two).

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{a} \times \underline{b} &= (a_1 \underline{e}_1 + a_2 \underline{e}_2 + a_3 \underline{e}_3) \times (b_1 \underline{e}_1 + b_2 \underline{e}_2 + b_3 \underline{e}_3) \\ &= (a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2) \underline{e}_1 + (a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3) \underline{e}_2 + (a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1) \underline{e}_3 \end{aligned}$$

Examples $\underline{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ $\underline{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$

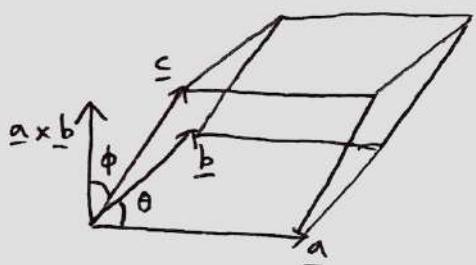
$$\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \times 5 - (-1)(-3) \\ 7(-1) - 2 \times 5 \\ 2(-3) - 0 \times 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -17 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Check with
 $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{a} \times \underline{b} = 0$
 $\underline{b} \cdot \underline{a} \times \underline{b} = 0$

2.5 Triple Products

(a) Scalar Triple Product : $\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) = \underline{b} \cdot (\underline{c} \times \underline{a}) = \underline{c} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b})$
 $= -\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{c} \times \underline{b}) = -\underline{b} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{c}) = -\underline{c} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{a})$
 $= [\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c}]$

Interpretation: $|\underline{c} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b})|$ = volume of parallelepiped as shown



Assume $\theta, \phi < \frac{\pi}{2}$
base $|\underline{a} \times \underline{b}|$
 $|\underline{c}| = |\underline{a} \times \underline{b}| \cos \phi = \underbrace{|\underline{a}| |\underline{b}| \sin \theta}_{\text{scalar area of base}} \underbrace{|\underline{c}| \cos \phi}_{\text{height}}$

$\underline{c} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b})$ is a signed volume :

If $\underline{c} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) > 0$ then $\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c}$ is a right-handed set

$\underline{c} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \neq 0$ iff $\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c}$ are coplanar

Example Recall $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -17 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$

If $\underline{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ then $\underline{c} \cdot \underline{a} \times \underline{b} = 0$ so \underline{c} is spanned by \underline{a} and \underline{b} - lie in their plane

$$\underline{c} = \underline{b} - 2\underline{a}$$

Scalar triple product in components

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \times \underline{c} &= a_1 b_2 c_3 - a_1 b_3 c_2 + a_2 b_3 c_1 - a_2 b_1 c_3 + a_3 b_1 c_2 \\ &\quad - a_3 b_2 c_1 \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \underline{b} \times \underline{c} \perp \underline{b} \text{ and } \underline{c} \\ \text{and } \underline{a} \times (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) \text{ is perp. to both} \\ \underline{a} \text{ and } \underline{b} \times \underline{c} \\ \text{so } \underline{a} \times (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) \text{ lies in the plane} \\ \text{spanned by } \underline{b} \text{ and } \underline{c} : \text{note} \\ (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) \underline{c} \in \text{span}\{\underline{b}, \underline{c}\} \end{array} \right.\end{aligned}$$

b) Vector Triple Product

$$\underline{a} \times (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) \quad \text{This is } \underline{\text{not associative}}$$

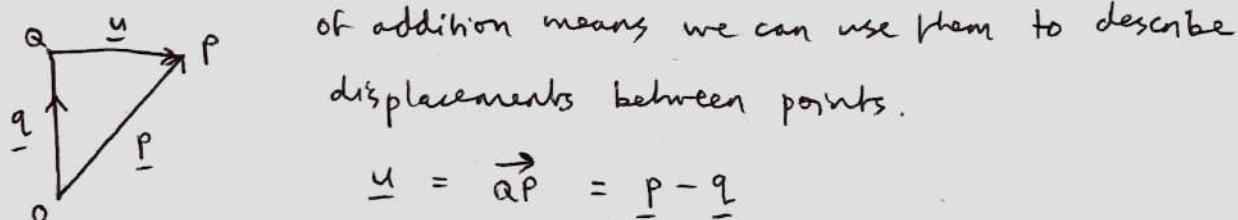
$$= (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) \underline{c}$$

$$(\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \times \underline{c} = (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} - (\underline{b} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{a}$$

(prove these by
index notation later)

2.6 Lines, Planes and Vector Equations

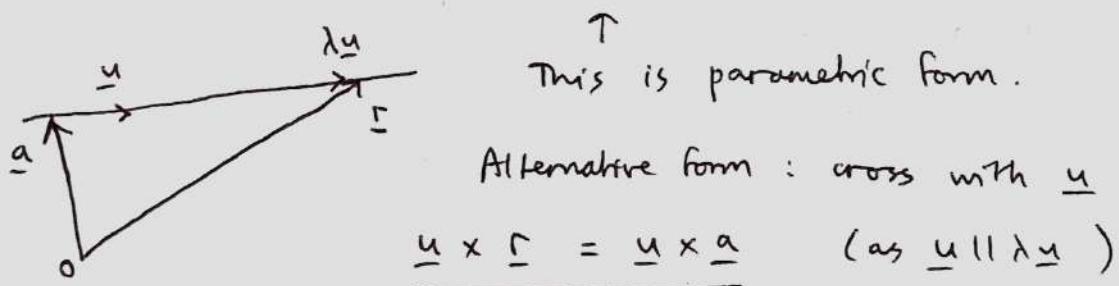
Vectors defined as position vectors from origin O but definition



of addition means we can use them to describe displacements between points.

$$\underline{u} = \overrightarrow{QP} = \underline{p} - \underline{q}$$

(a) General point on a line through \underline{a} with direction \underline{u}
has position vector $\underline{r} = \underline{a} + \lambda \underline{u}$ $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$



This is parametric form.

Alternative form: cross with \underline{u}

$$\underline{u} \times \underline{r} = \underline{u} \times \underline{a} \quad (\text{as } \underline{u} \parallel \lambda \underline{u})$$

Conversely $\underline{u} \times (\underline{r} - \underline{a}) = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{r} - \underline{a} = \lambda \underline{u}$: the same thing.
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 " \underline{u} parallel to $\underline{r} - \underline{a}$ "

Consider related eqn

$$\boxed{\underline{u} \times \underline{\Gamma} = \underline{c}} \quad \text{where } \underline{u}, \underline{c} \text{ are given vectors}$$

$$\underline{u} \cdot (\underline{u} \times \underline{\Gamma}) = \underline{u} \cdot \underline{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \underline{u} \cdot \underline{c}$$

\Rightarrow If $\underline{u} \cdot \underline{c} \neq 0$ then equation is inconsistent

If $\underline{u} \cdot \underline{c} = 0$ then note $\underline{u} \times (\underline{u} \times \underline{c}) = -|\underline{u}|^2 \underline{c}$
(by VTP)

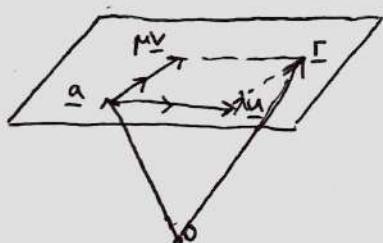
so $\underline{a} = -\frac{1}{|\underline{u}|^2} (\underline{u} \times \underline{c})$ is one solution.

and $\underline{\Gamma} = \underline{a} + \lambda \underline{u}$ is a general solution - a
line as before. (as $\underline{u} \times \underline{a} = \underline{u} \times (\underline{a} + \lambda \underline{u})$)

b) Planes

General point on a plane through \underline{a} with directions in plane
 $\underline{u}, \underline{v}$ ($\underline{u} \nparallel \underline{v}$) is

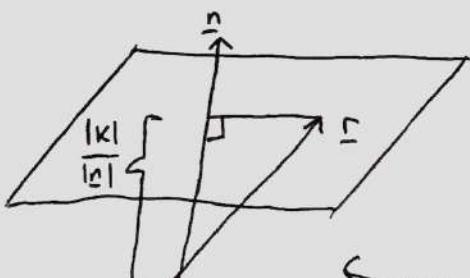
$$\underline{\Gamma} = \underline{a} + \lambda \underline{u} + \mu \underline{v} \quad \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$$



Alternatively ~~without~~ without parameters
Dot with $\underline{n} = \underline{u} \times \underline{v}$ (normal vector)
($\neq 0$ since $\underline{u} \nparallel \underline{v}$ but not necessarily unit)

Now

$$\boxed{\underline{n} \cdot \underline{\Gamma} = k = \underline{n} \cdot \underline{a}}$$



$$\frac{\underline{n} \cdot \underline{\Gamma}}{|\underline{n}|} = \frac{|k|}{|\underline{n}|}$$

is the component of $\underline{\Gamma}$ along \underline{n}
(see L3 definition for $\frac{\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}}{|\underline{a}|}$)

$\frac{|k|}{|\underline{n}|}$ is \perp distance from \underline{a}
to the plane.

(c) Other Vector Equations

* expand using dot product

Other equations with geometrical interpretation quadratic in \underline{r}

e.g. $\underline{|r|^2 + r \cdot a} = k$ for a constant:

Complete the square: $\underline{|r + \frac{1}{2}a|^2} = k + \frac{1}{4}|a|^2$ *

Equation of Sphere with centre $-\frac{1}{2}a$, radius $(k + \frac{1}{4}|a|^2)^{1/2}$
for $k > \frac{1}{4}|a|^2$.

Consider $\underline{r + a \times (b \times r)} = \underline{c} \leftarrow (a, b, c \text{ given})$

(1) $\Leftrightarrow \underline{r} + (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{r}) \underline{b} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) \underline{r} = \underline{c} \rightarrow (\text{by vTP})$

Dot with \underline{a} : $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{r} + (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{r})(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{r})(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) = \underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}$

$\Rightarrow \underline{a} \cdot \underline{r} = \underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}$: eqn of plane

Then we can sub this back in (1):

$$(1 - \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) \underline{r} = \underline{c} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} \quad (2)$$

then if $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \neq 1$ then there is a unique solution.

$$\underline{r} = \frac{1}{1 - \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}} (\underline{c} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b}), \text{ a point.}$$

If $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = 1$ and $\underline{c} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} \neq 0$ then (2) is inconsistent - no sol. to (1).

If $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = 1$ and $\underline{c} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} = 0$

then we can put into (1): $(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{r} - \underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} = 0$

giving the plane $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{r} = \underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}$ as the solution.

2.7 Index (suffix) notation and summation convention

(a) Components : s and ε

Write vectors $\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \dots$ in terms of components a_i, b_i, \dots wrt to an orthonormal right-handed basis e_i .

Indices i, j, k, l, p, q, \dots take values $1, 2, 3$

$$\text{If } \underline{s} = \alpha \underline{a} + \beta \underline{b}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s_i = [\alpha \underline{a} + \beta \underline{b}]_i = \alpha a_i + \beta b_i \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, 3$$

A free index can take any value.

$$\text{So } \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = \sum_i a_i b_i = \sum_j a_j b_j$$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{a} + (\underline{b} \cdot \underline{s}) \underline{d}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x_j = a_j + \left(\sum_k b_k c_k \right) d_j \quad \text{where } j \text{ is a free index.}$$

Definition (Kronecker delta) δ_{ij}

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases} \quad \delta_{ij} = \delta_{ji}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta_{11} & \delta_{12} & \delta_{13} \\ \delta_{21} & \delta_{22} & \delta_{23} \\ \delta_{31} & \delta_{32} & \delta_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = \left(\sum_i a_i \underline{e}_i \right) \cdot \left(\sum_j b_j \underline{e}_j \right)$$

$$= \sum_{ij} a_i b_j \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = \sum_{ij} a_i b_j \delta_{ij}$$

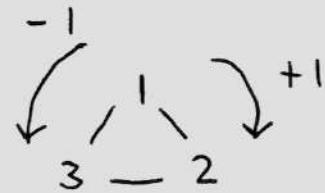
DefinitionLevi-Civita epsilon

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } (i, j, k) \text{ is even perm. of } (1, 2, 3) \\ -1 & \text{if } (i, j, k) \text{ is an odd perm. of } (1, 2, 3) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\epsilon_{123} = \epsilon_{231} = \epsilon_{312} = +1$$

$$\epsilon_{321} = \epsilon_{213} = \epsilon_{132} = -1$$

ϵ_{ijk} if i, j, k not all distinct.



ϵ_{ijk} is totally antisymmetric: exchanging any pair of indices changes the sign.

Then

$$\underline{e}_i \times \underline{e}_j = \sum_k \epsilon_{ijk} \underline{e}_k$$

$$\text{e.g. } \underline{e}_2 \times \underline{e}_1 = \sum_k \epsilon_{21k} \underline{e}_k \quad \text{but only } k=3 \text{ gives nonzero one:}$$

$$= \underline{e}_{213} \underline{e}_3 = -\underline{e}_3.$$

$$\text{And } \underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \left(\sum_i a_i \underline{e}_i \right) \times \left(\sum_j b_j \underline{e}_j \right)$$

$$= \sum_{ij} a_i b_j \underline{e}_i \times \underline{e}_j$$

$$= \sum_{ijk} a_i b_j \epsilon_{ijk} \underline{e}_k$$

which tells us a general component of $\underline{a} \times \underline{b}$.

$$(\underline{a} \times \underline{b})_k = \sum_{ij} \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j$$

$$\text{e.g. } (\underline{a} \times \underline{b})_3 = \sum_{ij} \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j = \epsilon_{123} a_1 b_2 + \epsilon_{213} a_2 b_1 \\ = a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1$$

(b) Summation convention

With component and index notation, indices that appear twice in any given term are usually summed over.

In summation convention, omit \sum for repeated indices.

Examples (i) $a_i \delta_{ij}$ is understood to be a sum over i

$$= a_1 \delta_{1j} + a_2 \delta_{2j} + a_3 \delta_{3j}$$

$$= \begin{cases} a_1 & \text{if } j=1 \\ a_2 & \text{if } j=2 \\ a_3 & \text{if } j=3 \end{cases} = a_j$$

$$(ii) \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = \delta_{ij} a_i b_j$$

$$(iii) (\underline{a} \times \underline{b})_i = \epsilon_{ijk} a_j b_k \quad \sum_{jk} \text{understood}$$

$$= \epsilon_{jki} a_j b_k$$

$$(iv) \cancel{(\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \times \underline{c}} \quad (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \times \underline{c}) = \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j c_k$$

\sum_{ijk} understood

(v) δ_{ii} means sum over

$$\text{so is } \delta_{11} + \delta_{22} + \delta_{33} = 3 \quad (\text{not just 1})$$

$$(vi) [(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) \underline{c}]_i$$

$$= (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) b_i - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) c_i$$

$$= a_j c_j b_i - a_j b_j c_i \quad \sum_j \text{understood}$$

Summation Convention Rules

- (i) An index occurring exactly once in any given term must appear once in every term in an equation.
It can take any value 1, 2, 3 - free index.
- (ii) An index occurring exactly twice in a given term is summed over - called a repeated / contracted / dummy index
- (iii) No index can occur more than twice in a given term.

Application Proof of vector triple product identity. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} [\underline{a} \times (\underline{b} \times \underline{c})]_i &= \epsilon_{ijk} a_j (\underline{b} \times \underline{c})_k \\ &= \epsilon_{ijk} a_j \epsilon_{kpq} b_p c_q \\ &= (\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pqk}) a_j b_p c_q \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now } \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pqk} = \delta_{ip} \delta_{jq} - \delta_{iq} \delta_{jp} \quad (*)$$

(see part c)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Using } (*) \quad [\underline{a} \times (\underline{b} \times \underline{c})]_i &= \underbrace{\delta_{ip} \delta_{jq} a_j b_p c_q}_{b_i} - \delta_{iq} \delta_{jp} a_j b_p c_q \\ &= (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) b_i - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) c_i \\ &= [(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) \underline{c}]_i \quad \text{as required.} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

c) $\epsilon \epsilon$ identities

$$\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pqk} = \delta_{ip} \delta_{jq} - \delta_{iq} \delta_{jp} = \epsilon_{kij} \epsilon_{kpq}. \quad (*)$$

Check: RHS and LHS are antisymmetric under $i \leftrightarrow j$ and $p \leftrightarrow q$ so when $i=j$ or $p=q$ we get 0.
Both vanish if i and j or p and q take same value.

Sufficient to check that e.g. $i=p=1 \quad j=q=2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \epsilon_{123} \epsilon_{123} = +1 \\ \text{RHS} &= \delta_{11} \delta_{22} - \delta_{12} \delta_{21} = +1 \end{aligned} \quad] \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{or } i=q=1, \quad j=p=2$$

$$\text{LHS} = \epsilon_{123} \epsilon_{213} = (+1)(-1) = -1$$

$$\text{RHS} = \delta_{12} \delta_{21} - \delta_{11} \delta_{22} = -1$$

All other index combinations which give nonzero results work similarly.

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$$\boxed{\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pjk} = \cancel{2 \epsilon_{ijp}}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{also important} \\ \text{can be derived from above} \end{array}$$

LHS of (*): set $q=j$ so

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pjk} &= \delta_{ip} \delta_{jj} - \delta_{ij} \delta_{jp} \\ &= 3\delta_{ip} - \delta_{ip} = \underline{2\delta_{ip}}. \end{aligned}$$

- $\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{ijk} = 6$ Use previous expression $i=p$.

$$\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{ijk} = 2\delta_{ii} = 6$$

~~Big mistake~~

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pqr} &= \delta_{ip} \delta_{jq} \delta_{kr} - \delta_{jp} \delta_{iq} \delta_{kr} + \delta_{jp} \delta_{kq} \delta_{ir} \\ &\quad - \delta_{kp} \delta_{jq} \delta_{ir} + \delta_{kp} \delta_{iq} \delta_{jr} - \delta_{ip} \delta_{kq} \delta_{jr}\end{aligned}\quad (*)$$

ϵ_{ijk} is completely antisymmetric in i, j, k

ϵ_{pqr} is completely antisymmetric in p, q, r

\Rightarrow LHS and RHS agree up to an overall factor

(as RHS is constructed to have that property).

To check factor is 1, consider $i = p = 1, j = q = 2, k = r = 3$

and find that $LHS = RHS = \underline{1}$.

Can derive (*) from (*). (Exercise).

3. Vectors in General : \mathbb{R}^n , \mathbb{C}^n

3.1 Vectors in \mathbb{R}^n

By regarding vectors as sets of components, it is easy to generalise from 3 to n dimensions. Let

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{ \underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_i \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

a) Define

$$\text{addition: } \underline{x} + \underline{y} = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$$

$$\text{scalar multiplication: } \lambda \underline{x} = (\lambda x_1, \dots, \lambda x_n) \text{ for any } \underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

As before, can form linear combinations $\lambda \underline{x} + \mu \underline{y}$ and we have a notion of parallel vectors: $\underline{x} \parallel \underline{y} \Leftrightarrow \underline{x} = \lambda \underline{y}$ or $\underline{y} = \lambda \underline{x}$.

Inner product (scalar product) on \mathbb{R}^n is defined by

$$\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = \sum_i x_i y_i = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n$$

Properties

$$(i) \text{ Symmetric } \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = \underline{y} \cdot \underline{x}$$

$$(ii) \text{ Bilinear } (\lambda \underline{x} + \lambda' \underline{x}') \cdot \underline{y} = \lambda (\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}) + \lambda' (\underline{x}' \cdot \underline{y})$$

$$\underline{x} \cdot (\mu \underline{y} + \mu' \underline{y}') = \mu (\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}) + \mu' (\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}')$$

$$(iii) \text{ Positive definite } \underline{x} \cdot \underline{x} = \sum_i x_i^2 \geq 0$$

and $= 0$ iff $\underline{x} = \underline{0}$.

Length or norm of a vector \underline{x} is $|\underline{x}| (> 0)$ with

$$|\underline{x}|^2 = \underline{x} \cdot \underline{x}$$

We have notion of orthogonal vectors: $\underline{x} \perp \underline{y}$ iff $\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = 0$.

The standard basis for \mathbb{R}^n is

$$\underline{e}_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0) \quad \underline{e}_2 = (0, 1, \dots, 0), \dots, \\ \underline{e}_n = (0, 0, \dots, 1)$$

$$\underline{x} = \sum_i x_i \underline{e}_i \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = \delta_{ij}$$

b) Cauchy-Schwarz and Triangle Inequalities

Proposition (Cauchy-Schwarz)

$$|\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}| \leq |\underline{x}| |\underline{y}|$$

with equality iff \underline{x} and \underline{y} are parallel

Geometrical deductions:

- (i) Setting $\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = |\underline{x}| |\underline{y}| \cos \theta$ allows us to define the angle θ between \underline{x} and \underline{y} in \mathbb{R}^n .
- (ii) A inequality holds: $|\underline{x} + \underline{y}| \leq |\underline{x}| + |\underline{y}|$

Proof If $\underline{y} = \underline{0}$ result is immediate.

If $\underline{y} \neq \underline{0}$ then consider $|\underline{x} - \lambda \underline{y}|^2 = (\underline{x} - \lambda \underline{y}) \cdot (\underline{x} - \lambda \underline{y})$

by bilinearity it's $|\underline{x}|^2 - 2\lambda \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} + \lambda^2 |\underline{y}|^2$

$$\text{so } |\underline{x} - \lambda \underline{y}|^2 = |\underline{x}|^2 - 2\lambda \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} + \lambda^2 |\underline{y}|^2 \geq 0$$

a real quadratic in λ with at most one real root: discriminant ≤ 0

$$(-2\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y})^2 - 4|\underline{x}|^2 |\underline{y}|^2 \leq 0 \Rightarrow \text{required inequality.}$$

\Rightarrow equality iff discriminant is 0

$$\Leftrightarrow \underline{x} = \lambda \underline{y}.$$

Proof (Δ inequality) :

$$\begin{aligned} |\underline{x} + \underline{y}|^2 &= |\underline{x}|^2 + 2\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} + |\underline{y}|^2 \\ &\leq |\underline{x}|^2 + 2|\underline{x}||\underline{y}| + |\underline{y}|^2 \\ &= (|\underline{x}| + |\underline{y}|)^2, \text{ as required.} \end{aligned}$$

(Also check theoretical physics notebook 1, chapter 5 of QM for another C/S and Δ proof).

(c) Comments

Inner product on \mathbb{R}^n is $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = \sum_{i,j} a_i b_j$ using SC
 (sum over i and j implied)

for $n=3$ this component def. matches geometrical def.

In \mathbb{R}^3 also have component definition of cross product

$$(\underline{a} \times \underline{b})_i = \epsilon_{ijk} a_j b_k$$

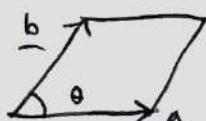
In \mathbb{R}^n have $\underbrace{\epsilon_{ij\dots l}}_{n \text{ indices}}$ is again totally antisymmetric
 (see ch5)

so can't use this to define vector-valued product except
 for $n=3$: > 3 dimensions \Rightarrow no unique normal vector.

But in \mathbb{R}^2 have ϵ_{ij} with $\epsilon_{12} = -\epsilon_{21} = 1$

so product of 2 vectors can be defined using this as an
 "additional" scalar product

$$[\underline{a}, \underline{b}] = \epsilon_{ij} a_i b_j = \underline{a}_1 \underline{b}_2 - \underline{a}_2 \underline{b}_1$$



Geometrically this is signed area of parallelogram

$$|[\underline{a}, \underline{b}]| = |\underline{a}| |\underline{b}| \sin \theta$$

Compare with $[a, b, c] = \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j c_k$
(signed) volume of parallelepiped in \mathbb{R}^3 .

See invariant tensors

3.2 Vector spaces (not in this course)

(a) Axioms, span, subspaces

Let V be a set of objects called vectors with operations

$$\underline{v} + \underline{w} \in V \quad \forall \underline{v}, \underline{w} \in V$$

$$\lambda \underline{v} \in V \quad \forall \underline{v} \in V, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

V is called a real vector space if

- V with $+$ is an abelian group
and

- Scalar multiplication / vector addition satisfy

$$\lambda(\underline{v} + \underline{w}) = \lambda \underline{v} + \lambda \underline{w}$$

$$(\lambda + \mu) \underline{v} = \lambda \underline{v} + \mu \underline{v}$$

$$\lambda(\mu \underline{v}) = (\lambda\mu) \underline{v}$$

$$1 \underline{v} = \underline{v}$$

smooth:
infinitely
differentiable

These axioms apply to geometrical vectors.

Example $V = \{f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m: f \text{ smooth, } f(0) = f(1) = 0\}$

This is a real vector space with

$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

$$(\lambda f)(x) = \lambda f(x)$$

(see Ch 8 of TTM
QM notes on
functions as vectors)

(can check conditions above).

A subspace of a real vector space V (e.g. \mathbb{R}^n) is a vector subset $U \subseteq V$ that is itself a vector space.

Note that a non-empty subset is a subspace iff

$$\underline{v}, \underline{w} \in U \Rightarrow \lambda \underline{v} + \mu \underline{w} \in U \quad \forall \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}.$$

For any vectors $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_r$ in V , their span

$$\text{span} \{ \underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_r \} = \{ \lambda_1 \underline{v}_1 + \dots + \lambda_r \underline{v}_r : \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

is a subspace of V .

V and $\{\underline{0}\}$ are also subspaces.

Examples in \mathbb{R}^3

A line or plane through $\underline{0}$ is a subspace.

but a line or plane not passing through $\underline{0}$ is not a subspace.

$$\text{e.g. } \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{span} \{ \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2 \} = \{ \underline{\Sigma} : \underline{n} \cdot \underline{\Sigma} = 0 \}, \text{ a plane and subspace.}$$

But $\{ \underline{r} : \underline{n} \cdot \underline{r} = 1 \}$ is a plane but not a subspace (not through $\underline{0}$).

(since $\underline{\Sigma}, \underline{\Sigma}'$ on plane $\Rightarrow \underline{n} \cdot \underline{\Sigma} = \underline{n} \cdot \underline{\Sigma}' = 1$ but $\underline{n} \cdot (\underline{\Sigma} + \underline{\Sigma}') = 2$: not on plane)

b) Linear Dependence and Independence

For $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_r \in V$ (a real vector space) consider a linear relation

$$\lambda_1 \underline{v}_1 + \lambda_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + \lambda_r \underline{v}_r = \underline{0} \quad (*)$$

If $(*) \Rightarrow \lambda_i = 0 \forall i$, then the vectors form a linearly independent set. (Obey only trivial linear relation).

If $(*)$ holds with at least one $\lambda_i \neq 0$ then they form a linearly dependent set.

Examples In \mathbb{R}^2 $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly dependent as $0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + (-1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{0}$.

Note we cannot express ~~nonzero~~ $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ in terms of other vectors so LD is not the same as "can express any in terms of others".

Any set containing $\underline{0}$ is linearly dependent

e.g. $\mathbb{R}^2 \quad \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ then $0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{nontrivial}}}{(-3)} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{0}$

In \mathbb{R}^3 $\{\underline{a}\}$ is linearly independent iff $\underline{a} \neq \underline{0}$.

$\{\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c}\}$ linearly independent if $\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) \neq 0$.

This is since $\alpha \underline{a} + \beta \underline{b} + \gamma \underline{c} = \underline{0}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \alpha \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) = \underline{0} \quad (\text{by } \star \text{ with } (\underline{b} \times \underline{c})) \\ &\Rightarrow \alpha = 0 \text{ and } \beta = \gamma = 0 \text{ similarly.} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{as we assumed} \\ \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) \neq 0 \\ \text{so } \alpha = 0. \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

c) Inner products

This is an additional structure on a real vector space V , that can also be characterised by axioms.

For $\underline{v}, \underline{w} \in V$, inner product is $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w}$ or $(\underline{v}, \underline{w}) \in \mathbb{R}$.

We require that this satisfies properties in 3.1(a) :

(i) symmetric, (ii) bilinear, (iii) positive definite $\quad (+)$

Definition of length/norm and deductions e.g. C-S inequality depend just on these properties.

Example Consider space of functions $V = \{f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$:

f smooth, $f(0) = f(1) = 0$

We can define inner product by

$$(f, g) = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x) dx : \text{can check this has } (+) \text{ properties.}$$

Cauchy-Schwarz $\Rightarrow |(f, g)| \leq \|f\| \|g\|$

$$\text{with } \|f\|^2 = (f, f)$$

$$\text{So } \left| \int_0^1 f(x)g(x) dx \right| \leq \left| \left(\int_0^1 f(x)^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_0^1 g(x)^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \right|$$

Lemma In any real vector space V with an inner product, if $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_r$ are all nonzero vectors and orthogonal, then they are linearly independent.

Proof If $\sum_i \alpha_i \underline{v}_i = \underline{0}$ then

$$\underbrace{(\underline{v}_j, \sum_i \alpha_i \underline{v}_i)}_{\text{collapses to } \alpha_j} = \underline{0} \quad \text{for any specific } j$$

$$\text{collapses to } \alpha_j (\underline{v}_j, \underline{v}_j) \Rightarrow \underline{\alpha_j = 0} \quad (\text{since } (\underline{v}_j, \underline{v}_j) \neq 0 \text{ for } \underline{v}_j \neq \underline{0}).$$

3.3 Bases and Dimension

For a vector space V , a basis is a set $B = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ such that (i) B spans $V : v \in V \Rightarrow v = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i e_i$ (ii) B is linearly independent

Given (ii) the coefficients v_i in (i) are unique since

$$\sum_i v_i e_i = \sum_i v'_i e_i \Rightarrow \sum_i (v_i - v'_i) e_i = 0 \Rightarrow v_i = v'_i \text{ as } B \text{ is linearly independent.}$$

Examples Standard basis for \mathbb{R}^n consists of

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \quad e_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ n \end{pmatrix}$$

Can easily check coefficients

Many other bases can be chosen.

e.g. in \mathbb{R}^2 we have bases

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ where } a \neq b$$

Theorem If $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ and $\{f_1, \dots, f_m\}$ are bases for a real vector space V , then $n = m$.

(Definition) : The no. of vectors in any basis is the dimension of the space). \mathbb{R}^n has dimension n .

Proof $f_a = \sum_i A_{ai} e_i$ as e is a basis

$$\text{and } e_i = \sum_a B_{ia} f_a \quad \text{for constants } A_{ai}, B_{ia} \in \mathbb{R} \\ i, j = 1, \dots, n \\ a, b = 1, \dots, m$$

$$\text{Combine: } f_a = \sum_i A_{ai} \left(\sum_b B_{ib} f_b \right)$$

$$= \sum_b \left(\sum_i A_{ai} B_{ib} \right) f_b$$

but f_a, f_b are linearly independent and coefficients wrt a basis are unique, hence

$$\sum_i A_{ai} B_{ib} = \delta_{ab} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{otherwise relation is} \\ \text{nontrivial.} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{Similarly } e_i = \sum_j \left(\sum_a B_{ia} A_{aj} \right) e_j$$

$$\text{hence } \sum_a B_{ia} A_{aj} = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\text{Now } \sum_{ia} A_{ai} B_{ia} = \sum_a \delta_{aa} = m$$

$$= \sum_i \delta_{ii} = n \quad \text{so } \underline{m = n} \quad \square$$

Note $\{\underline{0}\}$ is sometimes called the trivial vector space, dimension 0.

Steps in proof of basis theorem are within scope of course, but the proof without prompts is non-examinable.

The same applies to the following.

Proposition let V be a vector space with finite subsets

$$Y = \{\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_m\} \text{ that spans } V$$

$$X = \{\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_n\} \text{ that is linearly independent.}$$

Then $k \leq n \leq m$ where $n = \text{dimension of } V$.

and (i) a basis can be found as a subset of Y by discarding vectors in Y if necessary

(ii) X can be extended to a basis by adding in additional vectors from Y as necessary.

Proof (i) If Y is lin. indep, then Y is a basis and $m = n = \dim V$.
 \uparrow as it spans V

If Y is not linearly independent then there is

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \underline{w}_i = \underline{0}, \quad \lambda_i \neq 0 \text{ for some } i.$$

wlog take $\lambda_m \neq 0$ then

$$\underline{w}_m = -\frac{1}{\lambda_m} \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \lambda_i \underline{w}_i$$

so $\text{span } Y = \text{span } Y'$ with $Y' = \{\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_{m-1}\}$.

Repeat until a basis is obtained.

(ii) If X spans V then it's already a basis and $k = n = \dim V$.

If not, $\exists \underline{u}_{k+1} \in V$ (not in $\text{span } X$)
 \uparrow
 then

But then since \underline{u}_{k+1} is not in $\text{span } X$, if

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \mu_i \underline{u}_i = \underline{0} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{then}} \quad \mu_{k+1} = 0 \quad (\underline{u}_{k+1} \notin \text{span } X)$$

Then $\mu_i = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, k$ (X lin. indep.)

Hence $X' = \{\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_k, \underline{u}_{k+1}\}$ is lin. indep.

Furthermore we can choose \underline{u}_{k+1} from Y ($Y \subseteq \text{span } X \xrightarrow{\text{if}} \text{span } Y \subseteq \text{span } X \Rightarrow \text{span } X = V$)

Repeat $X \rightarrow X'$ until a basis is obtained.

Process stops because Y is finite. \square

We usually deal with finite dimensional spaces.

But consider Example $V = \{f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: f \text{ smooth}, f(0) = f(1) = 0\}$

Note $s_n(x) = \sqrt{2} \sin n\pi x, n = 1, 2, \dots$,
are in V

$$(s_n, s_m) = 2 \int_0^1 \sin n\pi x \sin m\pi x dx = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m=n \\ 0 & \text{if } m \neq n \end{cases} = \underline{\delta_{mn}}$$

Orthonormal \Rightarrow linearly independent

But there are infinitely many such functions so V has infinite dimension.

3.4 Vectors in \mathbb{C}^n

(a) Introduction - definitions

$$\text{Let } \mathbb{C}^n = \{ \underline{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n) : z_j \in \mathbb{C} \}$$

and define addition : $\underline{z} + \underline{w} = (z_1 + w_1, \dots, z_n + w_n)$

scalar multiplication : $\lambda \underline{z} = (\lambda z_1, \lambda z_2, \dots, \lambda z_n)$

If scalars $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ then \mathbb{C}^n is a real vector space - axioms or key properties satisfy those in 3.2.

If scalars $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}$ then \mathbb{C}^n is a complex vector space with the same axioms, and definitions of linear combinations, lin. indep/dep, bases, dimension all generalise to complex scalars.

The distinction between real and complex scalars is important.

e.g. $\underline{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$ with $z_j = x_j + iy_j$
 $(x_j, y_j \in \mathbb{R})$

Then $\underline{z} = \sum_j x_j \underline{e}_j + \sum_j y_j \underline{f}_j$ a real linear combination
with $\underline{e}_j = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0), \quad \underline{f}_j = (0, \dots, i, \dots, 0)$

$\{\underline{e}_1, \dots, \underline{e}_n, \underline{f}_1, \dots, \underline{f}_n\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{C}^n as a real vector space, so real dimension is $2n$.

But $\underline{z} = \sum_j z_j \underline{e}_j$ is a complex linear combination with complex coefficients

so basis runs from \underline{e}_1 to \underline{e}_n .

So as a complex vector space, dimension is n (over \mathbb{C}).

From now on, view \mathbb{C}^n as a complex vector space unless we say otherwise.

(b) Inner Product

Inner product or scalar product on \mathbb{C}^n is defined by

$$(\underline{z}, \underline{w}) = \sum_j \bar{z}_j w_j = \bar{z}_1 w_1 + \dots + \bar{z}_n w_n$$

Properties

(i) Hermitian: $(\underline{w}, \underline{z}) = (\overline{\underline{z}}, \underline{w})$

(ii) Linear / anti-linear

$$(\underline{z}, \lambda \underline{w} + \lambda' \underline{w}') = \lambda (\underline{z}, \underline{w}) + \lambda' (\underline{z}, \underline{w}')$$

$$(\lambda \underline{z} + \lambda' \underline{z}', \underline{w}) = \bar{\lambda} (\underline{z}, \underline{w}) + \lambda' (\underline{z}', \underline{w}')$$

(iii) Positive definite

$$(\underline{z}, \underline{z}) = \sum_j |z_j|^2, \text{ real and } \geq 0$$

$$= 0 \text{ iff } z = 0$$

Define length or norm of \underline{z} to be $|z| > 0$, $|z|^2 = (\underline{z}, \underline{z})$

Also define $\underline{z}, \underline{w} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ to be orthogonal if their inner product is 0: $(\underline{z}, \underline{w}) = 0$.

Note that standard basis for \mathbb{C}^n is then orthonormal:

$$(\underline{e}_j, \underline{e}_k) = \delta_{jk}$$

Example Complex inner product on \mathbb{C} (\mathbb{C}^n , $n=1$)

$$\text{is } (z, w) = \bar{z}w$$

$$\text{Let } z = a_1 + i a_2, \quad w = b_1 + i b_2 \quad a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

Each correspond to $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$ in \mathbb{R}^2

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \bar{z}w &= (a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2) + i(a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1) \\ &= (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) + i [\underline{a}, \underline{b}] \end{aligned}$$

recover two scalar products in \mathbb{R}^2 .

4. Matrices and Linear Maps

4.1 Introduction

Definitions

A linear map or linear transformation is a function $T: V \rightarrow W$ between vector spaces V ($\dim n$) and W ($\dim m$) such that

$$(1) \quad T(\lambda \underline{x} + \mu \underline{y}) = T(\lambda \underline{x}) + T(\mu \underline{y}) = \underline{\lambda T(\underline{x}) + \mu T(\underline{y})}$$

for $\underline{x}, \underline{y} \in V, \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C}

Note: a linear map is completely determined by its action on a basis - deduce this from (1) (exercise)

$\underline{x}' = T(\underline{x}) \in W$ is the image of $\underline{x} \in V$ under T

$$\text{Im}(T) = \{ \underline{x}' \in W : \underline{x}' = T(\underline{x}) \text{ for } \underline{x} \in V \}$$

$$\text{Ker}(T) = \{ \underline{x} \in V : T(\underline{x}) = \underline{0} \}$$

Lemma $\text{Ker}(T)$ is a subspace of V and

$\text{Im}(T)$ is a subspace of W

Check : $\underline{0} \in \text{Ker}(T)$ and $\underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \text{Ker}(T) \Rightarrow T(\lambda \underline{x} + \mu \underline{y})$
 $= \lambda T(\underline{x}) + \mu T(\underline{y}) = \lambda \underline{0} + \mu \underline{0} = \underline{0} \in \text{ker}(T).$

$\underline{0} \in \text{Im}(T)$ and if $\underline{x}' = T(\underline{x}), \underline{y}' = T(\underline{y})$

$$\text{then } T(\lambda \underline{x} + \mu \underline{y}) = \lambda T(\underline{x}) + \mu T(\underline{y}) = \lambda \underline{x}' + \mu \underline{y}'$$

so $\lambda \underline{x}' + \mu \underline{y}'$ is in the image.

□

Examples (i) Zero linear map $T: V \rightarrow W$ so $T(\underline{x}) = \underline{0} \forall \underline{x} \in V$.

(ii) Identity map $T: V \rightarrow V$ with $T(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}$

(iii) $V, W = \mathbb{R}^3 \quad \underline{x}' = T(\underline{x})$ where

$$\underline{x}_1' = 3\underline{x}_1 + \underline{x}_2 + 5\underline{x}_3$$

$$\underline{x}_2' = -\underline{x}_1 - 2\underline{x}_3$$

$$\underline{x}_3' = 2\underline{x}_1 + \underline{x}_2 + 3\underline{x}_3$$

(think of
like a matrix)

Here $\text{Im}(T) = \left\{ \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$, a plane

$\text{Ker}(T) = \left\{ \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ a line

b) Rank-Nullity

Define $\dim \text{Im}(T)$ or $\text{rank}(T)$ as the rank of T ($\leq m$)

$\dim \text{Ker}(T) = \text{null}(T)$ as the nullity of T ($\leq n$)

Theorem For $T: V \rightarrow W$ a linear map as above,

$$\text{rank}(T) + \text{null}(T) = n = \dim V.$$

Examples Refer to part (a).

Proof (non-examinable)

Let e_1, \dots, e_k be a basis for $\text{Ker}(T)$ so

$$T(e_i) = \underline{0} \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, k$$

Extend this by adding in e_{k+1}, \dots, e_n to get a basis for V , then claim $B = \{T(e_{k+1}), \dots, T(e_n)\}$ is a basis for $\text{Im}(T)$. The result then follows since $\text{null } T = k$ and $\text{rank } T = n-k$.

To prove claim: B spans $\text{Im}(T)$ since for any

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i e_i \in V, \quad T(x) = \sum_{i=k+1}^n x_i T(e_i)$$

B is lin. independent since

$$\sum_{i=k+1}^n \lambda_i T(e_i) = \underline{0} \Rightarrow T\left(\sum_{i=k+1}^n \lambda_i e_i\right) = \underline{0}$$

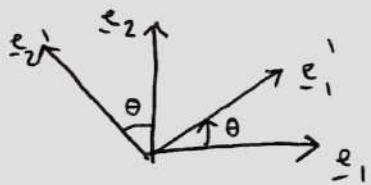
$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=k+1}^n \lambda_i e_i \in \text{Ker}(T) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=k+1}^n \lambda_i e_i = \sum_{i=1}^k \mu_i e_i$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_i = 0, \mu_i = 0$ as $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ is linearly independent. So claim is proved. \square

4.2 Geometrical Examples

(a) Rotations

In \mathbb{R}^2 , rotation about $\underline{0}$ through angle θ is defined by



$$\underline{e}_1 \mapsto \underline{e}'_1 = \cos \theta \underline{e}_1 + \sin \theta \underline{e}_2$$

$$\underline{e}_2 \mapsto \underline{e}'_2 = -\sin \theta \underline{e}_1 + \cos \theta \underline{e}_2$$

In \mathbb{R}^3 , rotation about axis given by \underline{e}_3 defined as above but with $\underline{e}_3 \mapsto \underline{e}'_3 = \underline{e}_3$ in addition.

Now extend to rotation in \mathbb{R}^3 about axis given by $\hat{\underline{n}}$.

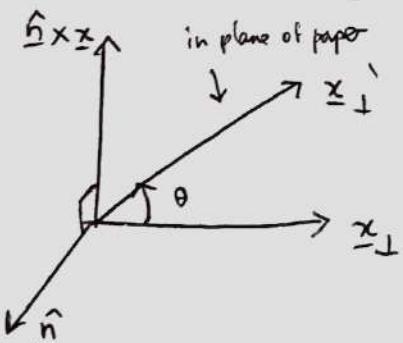
For any \underline{x} , resolve \parallel and \perp to $\hat{\underline{n}}$:

$$\underline{x} = \underline{x}_{\parallel} + \underline{x}_{\perp} \quad \text{with } \underline{x}_{\parallel} = (\underline{x} \cdot \underline{n}) \underline{n}$$

$$\text{Then } \underline{x}_{\parallel} \mapsto \underline{x}'_{\parallel} = \underline{x}_{\parallel}$$

$$\underline{x}_{\perp} \mapsto \underline{x}'_{\perp} = (\cos \theta) \underline{x}_{\perp} + (\sin \theta) \underline{n} \times \underline{x}$$

This follows by considering plane perpendicular to \underline{n}



$$\text{and noting } |\underline{x}_{\perp}| = |\underline{n} \times \underline{x}|$$

so result follows by comparison
with \mathbb{R}^2 version.

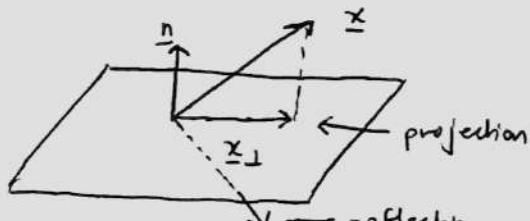
$$\text{Reassemble: } \underline{x} \mapsto \underline{x}' = \underline{x}'_{\parallel} + \underline{x}'_{\perp} = (\underline{n} \cdot \underline{x}) \underline{n} + \cos \theta (\underline{x} - (\underline{x} \cdot \underline{n}) \underline{n}) + \sin \theta \underline{n} \times \underline{x}$$

$$\text{or } \underline{x}' = (\cos \theta) \underline{x} + (1 - \cos \theta) (\underline{n} \cdot \underline{x}) \underline{n} + (\sin \theta) \underline{n} \times \underline{x}$$

b) Reflections and Projections

For a plane with unit normal \underline{n} , define projection by

$$\underline{x} \mapsto \underline{x}' = \underline{x}_{\perp} = \underline{x} - (\underline{x} \cdot \underline{n}) \underline{n}$$



Reflection:

$$\underline{x}_{\parallel} \mapsto -\underline{x}_{\parallel}$$

$$\underline{x}_{\perp} \mapsto \underline{x}_{\perp}$$

i.e. $\underline{x} \mapsto \underline{x}' = \underline{x} - 2(\underline{n} \cdot \underline{x}) \underline{n}$

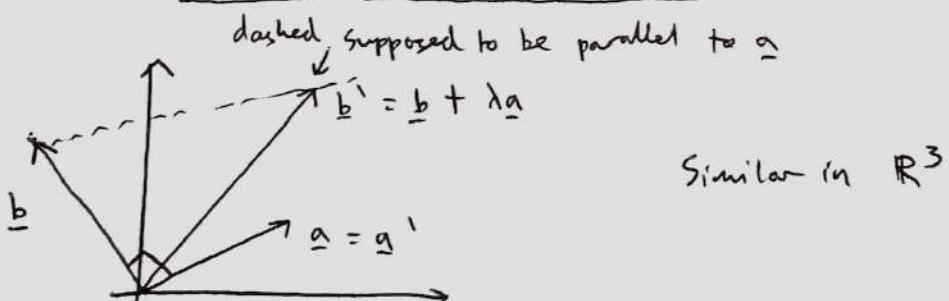
Same expressions apply in \mathbb{R}^2 with plane replaced by line

- (c) Dilations Given scale factors $\alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0$ define a dilation along axes $\underline{e}_1 \mapsto \underline{e}'_1 = \alpha \underline{e}_1$, $\underline{e}_2 \mapsto \underline{e}'_2 = \beta \underline{e}_2$, $\underline{e}_3 \mapsto \underline{e}'_3 = \gamma \underline{e}_3$

- d) Shears Let $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$ be orthogonal unit vectors in \mathbb{R}^3
i.e. $|\underline{a}| = |\underline{b}| = 1$ and $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = 0$, λ a real parameter

Then define shear $\underline{x} \mapsto \underline{x}' = \underline{x} + \lambda \underline{a} (\underline{x} \cdot \underline{b})$

$$\underline{a}' = \underline{a} \quad \underline{b}' = \underline{b} + \lambda \underline{a}$$



4.3 Matrices as Linear Maps: $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

a) Definitions

Consider a linear map $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

$\{\underline{e}_i\}$ $\{\underline{f}_a\}$ bases

$$i = 1, \dots, n \quad a = 1, \dots, m$$

$$T(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}' \quad \text{with} \quad \underline{x} = \sum_i x_i \underline{e}_i = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}' = \sum_a x'_a \underline{f}_a = \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ \vdots \\ x'_m \end{pmatrix}$$

Linearity implies that T is fixed by specifying

$$T(\underline{e}_i) = \underline{e}'_i = \underline{c}_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

We take these as columns of an $m \times n$ array or matrix M with rows R_a $R_a \in \mathbb{R}^n$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \overset{\uparrow}{\underline{c}_1} & \dots & \overset{\uparrow}{\underline{c}_n} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_1 & \dots \\ \vdots & \\ R_m & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

M has entries $M_{ai} \in \mathbb{R}$ where a labels rows and i labels columns, so

$$(\underline{c}_i)_a = M_{ai} = (R_a)_i$$

Action of T is then given by matrix M multiplying \underline{x} :

$$\underline{x}' = M \underline{x}$$

defined by $\underline{x}' = \underline{M} \underline{x}$ (using summation convention:
 \sum_i)

$$\text{or } \begin{pmatrix} \underline{x}' \\ \vdots \\ \underline{x}_m' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} & \dots & M_{1n} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} & \dots & M_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ M_{m1} & M_{m2} & \dots & M_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{x}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{x}_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11}\underline{x}_1 + M_{12}\underline{x}_2 + \dots + M_{1n}\underline{x}_n \\ M_{21}\underline{x}_1 + M_{22}\underline{x}_2 + \dots + M_{2n}\underline{x}_n \\ \vdots \\ M_{m1}\underline{x}_1 + M_{m2}\underline{x}_2 + \dots + M_{mn}\underline{x}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

To check that matrix multiplication is action T :

$$x' = T \left(\sum_i x_i e_i \right) = \sum_i x_i T(e_i) = \sum_i x_i c_i$$
$$\Rightarrow x_a' = \sum_i x_i (c_i)_{\underline{a}} = \sum_i M_{ai} x_i$$

Now regard properties of T as properties of M :

$$\text{Im}(T) = \text{Im}(M) = \text{span}\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$$

Image of M is span of columns

$$\text{Note } x_a' = M_{ai} x_i = (\underline{R}_a)_i x_i = \underline{R}_a \cdot \underline{x}$$

$$\text{Ker}(T) = \text{Ker}(M) = \{\underline{x} : \underline{R}_a \cdot \underline{x} = 0 \quad \forall a\}$$

Kernel of M is subspace \perp to all rows.

b) Examples

(i) Zero map $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is zero matrix

$$M = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad M_{ai} = 0$$

(ii) Identity map $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is identity or unit matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad M_{ai} = \delta_{ai}.$$

(iii) $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $x' = T(\underline{x}) = M\underline{x}$ with

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 5 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{so} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 \\ -x_1 - 2x_3 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad c_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad c_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and } \text{Im}(M)$$

$$= \text{span}(c_1, c_2) \quad \text{as } c_3 \in \text{span}(c_1, c_2).$$

$$R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\bullet \quad R_2 \times R_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{u}$ which is perpendicular to all rows

$$\ker(T) = \ker(M) = \{\lambda \underline{u}\}$$

(iv) Rotation through θ in \mathbb{R}^2

$$\underline{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

so matrix is $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$

(v) Dilatation $\underline{x}' = M \underline{x}$ with scale factors α, β, γ along axes in \mathbb{R}^3

$$\underline{e}_1 \mapsto \alpha \underline{e}_1, \quad \underline{e}_2 \mapsto \beta \underline{e}_2, \quad \underline{e}_3 \mapsto \gamma \underline{e}_3$$

$$\text{so is } \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

(vi) Reflection in plane perpendicular to \hat{n} , matrix H must have

$$\underline{x}' = H \underline{x} = \underline{x} - 2(\underline{x} \cdot \underline{n}) \underline{n}$$

$$x_i' = x_i - 2x_j n_j \frac{x_i}{n} = H_{ij} x_j$$

$$\text{with } H_{ij} = \delta_{ij} - 2n_i n_j$$

$$\text{e.g. } \underline{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 1, 1) \quad n_i n_j = \frac{1}{3} \text{ for all } i, j$$

$$H = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(vii) Shear, matrix S

$$\underline{x}' = S \underline{x} = \underline{x} + \lambda (\underline{b} \cdot \underline{x}) \underline{a} \quad (\underline{a}, \underline{b} \text{ unit vectors with } \underline{a} \perp \underline{b}, \lambda \text{ scale factor})$$

$$x_i' = x_i + \lambda b_j x_j a_i$$

$$= S_{ij} x_j = \delta_{ij} + \lambda a_i b_j$$

e.g. in \mathbb{R}^2 $\underline{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $\underline{b} = \underline{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$:

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ by definition.}$$

Rotation in \mathbb{R}^3 with axis \underline{n} and angle θ ; matrix R satisfies

$$\underline{x}' = R \underline{x} = (\cos \theta) \underline{x} + (1 - \cos \theta)(\underline{n} \cdot \underline{x}) \underline{n} + (\sin \theta)(\underline{n} \times \underline{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow x_i' = \cos \theta x_i + (1 - \cos \theta) n_j x_j n_i - \sin \theta \epsilon_{ijk} x_j n_k$$

$$= R_{ij} x_j$$

$$\text{so } R_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \cos \theta + (1 - \cos \theta) n_i n_j - \sin \theta \epsilon_{ijk} n_k.$$

(c) Matrix of a general linear map $V \rightarrow W$

Consider a linear map $T: V \rightarrow W$ between general real or complex vector spaces of dimension n, m respectively.

Choose bases $\{\underline{e}_i\}$ with $i = 1, \dots, n$ for V

$\{\underline{f}_\alpha\}$ with $\alpha = 1, \dots, m$ for W

The matrix representing T wrt these bases

is an $m \times n$ array with entries $M_{\alpha i} \in \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} defined by

$$T(\underline{e}_i) = \sum_\alpha \underline{f}_\alpha M_{\alpha i}$$

Then $\underline{x}' = T(\underline{x})$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underline{x}_a' = \sum_i M_{ai} \underline{x}_i = M_{ai} \underline{x}_i$$

(summation convention)

where $\underline{x} = \sum_i \underline{x}_i e_i$, $\underline{x}' = \sum_a \underline{x}_a' f_a$

\uparrow \overrightarrow{a}
 subscripts

Given choices of bases $\{e_i\}$ and $\{f_a\}$,

V is identified with \mathbb{R}^n and similarly

W is identified with \mathbb{R}^m

T is identified with an $m \times n$ matrix M

Note Entries in column i of M are components of $T(e_i)$ with respect to basis f_a

4.4 Matrix Algebra

(a) Linear Combinations

If $T: V \rightarrow W$, $S: V \rightarrow W$ are linear maps between real or complex vector spaces V, W of dimension n, m respectively (e.g. $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$), then $\alpha T + \beta S: V \rightarrow W$ is also a linear map, where $(\alpha T + \beta S)(\underline{x}) = \alpha T(\underline{x}) + \beta S(\underline{x}) \quad \forall \underline{x} \in V$

If M, N are $m \times n$ matrices for T, S then

$\alpha M + \beta N$ is $m \times n$ matrix for $\alpha T + \beta S$ where
 $(\alpha M + \beta N)_{ai} = \alpha M_{ai} + \beta N_{ai} \quad a=1, \dots, m$
 $i=1, \dots, n$

(all wrt same bases - standard bases for $\mathbb{R}^n / \mathbb{C}^n$)

(b) Matrix Multiplication

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix with entries A_{ai} and B is an $n \times p$ matrix with entries B_{ir}

then AB is an $m \times p$ matrix defined by

$$(AB)_{ar} = A_{ai} B_{ir} \quad \text{where } a=1, \dots, m$$

$\overbrace{\phantom{A_{ai}}}_{\substack{\text{summation} \\ \text{convention}}}$ $i=1, \dots, n$
 $r=1, \dots, p$

Product is only defined if # columns of A = # rows of B

Matrix multiplication corresponds to composition of linear maps.

e.g. For real matrices corresponding to maps

$$S: \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \text{ with } S(\underline{x}) = B\underline{x} \quad \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

$$T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \text{ with } T(\underline{y}) = A\underline{y} \quad \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\Rightarrow TS: \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \text{ with } TS(\underline{x}) = (AB)\underline{x}$$

Check this:

$$[(AB)x]_a = (AB)_{ar} \underbrace{x_r}_{\text{summed}}$$

$$\text{but } \underline{A(Bx)} = A_{ai}(Bx)_i = A_{ai} B_{ir} x_r$$

Matrix multiplication is defined to make this work

Example $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -5 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -3 & 8 \\ -5 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad BA = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 13 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Properties of matrix products

$$(\lambda M + \mu N) P = \lambda MP + \mu NP \quad \lambda, \mu \text{ scalars}$$

$$P(\lambda M + \mu N) = \lambda PM + \mu PN \quad (\text{where products defined})$$

$$(MN)^P = M(N^P)$$

Identify matrix I with $I_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$

$$IM = M, \quad MI = M$$

Helpful points of view

- (i) Regarding vector $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ as a column vector or $n \times 1$ matrix, then definitions of matrix-vector and matrix-matrix multiplication agree.

(ii) For product AB (A $m \times n$, B $n \times p$), columns $C_r(B) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $C_r(AB) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ($r = 1, \dots, p$) are related by $C_r(AB) = A C_r(B)$

(iii) In terms of rows and columns

$$AB = \left(\begin{array}{c} \leftarrow R_a(A) \rightarrow \\ \vdots \end{array} \right) \left(\dots \stackrel{\uparrow}{\subseteq_r(B)} \dots \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (AB)_{ir} &= [R_a(A)]_i [\subseteq_r(B)]_r && (\Sigma i) \\ &= R_a(A) \cdot \subseteq_r(B) \text{ dot product in } \mathbb{R}^n \\ &&& (i=1, \dots, n). \end{aligned}$$

(c) Matrix Inverses

If A is $m \times n$ then B ($n \times m$) is a left inverse if $BA = I_{(n \times n)}$

IF C ($n \times m$) is such that $AC = I_{(m \times m)}$ then C is a right inverse

IF $m = n$: $B = C = A^{-1}$, the inverse:

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

Not every matrix has an inverse; if it does, then A is invertible or non-singular.

Consider $\underline{x}, \underline{x}' \in \mathbb{R}^n$ or \mathbb{C}^n and M an $n \times n$ matrix.

If M^{-1} exists then we can solve

$$\underline{x}' = M\underline{x} \quad \text{for } \underline{x} \text{ given } \underline{x}', \text{ by writing}$$

$$M^{-1}\underline{x}' = (M^{-1}M)\underline{x} = \underline{x}$$

Example $n = 2 \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

$$x'_1 = M_{11}x_1 + M_{12}x_2$$

$$x'_2 = M_{21}x_1 + M_{22}x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{22}x'_1 - M_{12}x'_2 = (\det M)x_1$$

$$-M_{21}x'_1 + M_{11}x'_2 = (\det M)x_2$$

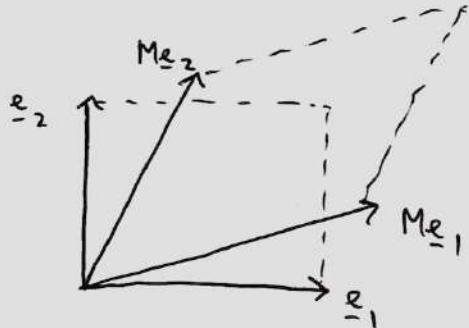
$$\text{where } \det M = M_{11}M_{22} - M_{12}M_{21}$$

$$\text{For } \det M \neq 0, \quad M^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det M} \begin{pmatrix} M_{22} & -M_{12} \\ -M_{21} & M_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Note } \underline{e}_1 = M\underline{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} \\ M_{21} \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad \underline{e}_2 = M\underline{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} M_{12} \\ M_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

so $\det M = [\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2] = [M\underline{e}_1, M\underline{e}_2]$ in \mathbb{R}^2
(second scalar product)

gives factor (with sign) by which areas are scaled
under action of M .

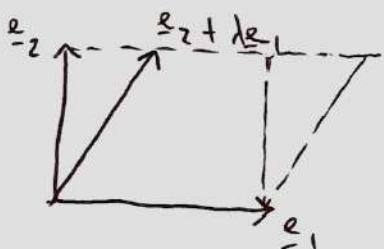


$\det M \neq 0 \iff M\underline{e}_1, M\underline{e}_2$
linearly independent
 $\iff \text{Im } M \text{ has dim 2.}$

e.g. shear $S(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ($a = \underline{e}_1, b = \underline{e}_2, \lambda$ parameter)

$\det S(\lambda) = 1$ so areas preserved.

$$S(\lambda)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = S(-\lambda)$$



Example Recall from 4.3: expression
for components of matrix $R(\theta)$ for
rotation about axis \underline{n} (fixed)
through angle θ .

$$R(\theta)_{ij} R(-\theta)_{jk} = \delta_{ij} \cos \theta + (1 - \cos \theta) n_i n_j - \epsilon_{ijk} n_p a_p \sin \theta$$

$$(\epsilon_{ij}) \times (\delta_{jk} \cos \theta + (1 - \cos \theta) n_j n_k + \epsilon_{jkl} n_q a_q \sin \theta)$$

$$= \delta_{ik} \cos^2 \theta + 2 \cos \theta (1 - \cos \theta) n_i n_k$$

$$+ (1 - \cos \theta)^2 n_i n_k - \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{jkl} n_p n_q \sin^2 \theta$$

(other cross terms cancel; $n_i n_j = 1$)

$$= \delta_{ik} \cos^2 \theta + (1 - \cos^2 \theta) n_i n_k + \delta_{ik} n_p n_p \sin^2 \theta - \cancel{\sin^2 \theta n_i n_k}$$

(by EE identity)

$$= \delta_{ik} \cos^2 \theta + \delta_{ik} \sin^2 \theta = \underline{\delta_{ik}} \quad \text{so } \underline{R(\theta) R(-\theta)} = I.$$

(d) Transpose and Hermitian Conjugate

If M is an $m \times n$ matrix then the transpose M^T is an $n \times m$ matrix defined by

$$(M^T)_{ia} = M_{ai} \quad \text{exchanges rows and columns}$$

Properties $(\alpha A + \beta B)^T = \alpha A^T + \beta B^T$

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T \quad A \text{ } m \times n, \quad B \text{ } n \times p$$

Check: $\begin{bmatrix} (AB)^T \end{bmatrix}_{ra} = (AB)_{ar} = A_{ai} B_{ir} = (A^T)_{ia} \cdot (B^T)_{ri}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (A^T)_{ia} (B^T)_{ri} \\ &= (B^T)_{ri} (A^T)_{ia} = (B^T A^T)_{ra} \end{aligned}$$

Note $\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$ col vec $\in \mathbb{R}^n$ or $m \times 1$ matrix

$\underline{x}^T = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ row vec $\in \mathbb{R}^n$ or $1 \times m$ matrix

Inner product on \mathbb{R}^n is $\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = \underline{x}^T \underline{y}$ (scalar 1×1)

(but $\underline{y} \underline{x}^T$ $n \times n$ matrix, $M_{ij} = x_i y_j$)

If M is $n \times n$ then M is

symmetric iff $M^T = M$ ($M_{ij} = M_{ji}$)

or antisymmetric iff $M^T = -M$ ($M_{ij} = -M_{ji}$)

Any M can be written $M = S + A$

$$S = \frac{1}{2}(M + M^T) \quad A = \underline{\frac{1}{2}(M - M^T)}$$

Note if A is 3×3 , antisymmetric

then $A_{ij} = \epsilon_{ijk} a_k$ $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_3 & -a_2 \\ -a_3 & 0 & a_1 \\ a_2 & -a_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$(Ax)_i = \epsilon_{ijk} a_k x_j = (\underline{x} \times \underline{a})_i$$

If M is an $m \times n$ matrix, the Hermitian conjugate M^+ is an $n \times m$ matrix defined by

$$(M^+)_{ia} = (M_{ai})^* = \bar{M}_{ai}$$

$$\text{or } M^+ = \bar{M}^T = (\overline{M^T})$$

If M is square, then M is Hermitian if $\underline{M} = \underline{M^+}$
 M is anti-Hermitian if $\underline{M} = -\underline{M^+}$.

Similarly if $\underline{z} = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ \dots \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ then

$$\underline{z}^+ = (z_1^*, \dots, z_n^*)$$

and complex inner product on \mathbb{C}^n is

$$(\underline{z}, \underline{w}) = \bar{z}_1 w_1 + \dots + \bar{z}_n w_n = \underline{z}^+ \underline{w}$$

e) Trace

For complex $n \times n$ matrix M , the trace is

$$\text{tr}(M) = M_{ii}$$

$$\text{tr}(\alpha M + \beta N) = \alpha \text{tr} M + \beta \text{tr} N$$

$$\text{tr}(MN) = \text{tr}(NM)$$

$$\text{tr}(M^T) = \text{tr} M$$

$$\text{tr}(I) = \delta_{ii} = n \text{ if } I \text{ nxn}$$

Check $\text{tr}(MN) = \text{tr}(NM)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(MN) &= (MN)_{aa} = M_{ai}N_{ia} = N_{ia}M_{ai} = (NM)_{ii} \\ &= \text{tr}(NM).\end{aligned}$$

If S is $n \times n$ symmetric then let

$$T = S - \frac{1}{n} \text{tr}(S) I$$

$$\text{or } T_{ij} = S_{ij} - \frac{1}{n} \text{tr}(S) s_{ij}$$

then $\text{tr}(T) = 0$ by construction:

$$\text{tr}(T) = T_{ii} = S_{ii} - \frac{1}{n} \text{tr}(S) s_{ii} = S_{ii} - \text{tr} S = 0.$$

$$\begin{array}{c} S = T + \frac{1}{n} \text{tr}(S) I \\ \hline \text{traceless} \qquad \text{pure trace} \end{array}$$

Note if A is $n \times n$ antisymmetric then $\text{tr}(A) = A_{ii} = 0$.

4.5 Orthogonal and Unitary Matrices

A real $n \times n$ matrix U is orthogonal iff

$$U^T U = U U^T = I \quad (U^T = U^{-1})$$

These conditions can be written $U_{ki} U_{kj} = U_{ik} U_{jk} = \delta_{ij}$

cols of U are orthonormal, rows of U are orthonormal

e.g. $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} \leftarrow & \subseteq_i & \rightarrow \end{smallmatrix} \right) \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \dots & \overset{\uparrow}{c_j} & \dots \end{smallmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

e.g. If $U = R(\theta)$ rotation through θ about axis \underline{n}

$$\text{then } U^T = R(\theta)^T = R(-\theta) = R(\theta)^{-1} = U^{-1}.$$

Equivalently we have definition: U is orthogonal iff it preserves the inner product on \mathbb{R}^n

$$\text{i.e. } (\underline{Ux}) \cdot (\underline{Uy}) = \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} \quad \forall \underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

To check equivalence

$$(U\underline{x})^T (\underbrace{U\underline{y}}_{\text{ignore underline}}) = (\underline{x}^T U^T)(U\underline{y}) = \underline{x}^T (U^T U \underline{y}) = \underline{x}^T \underline{y}$$

$$= I$$

$$\Leftrightarrow U^T U = I.$$

Moreover in \mathbb{R}^n columns of U are Ue_1, \dots, Ue_n
so inner product is preserved when U acts on standard basis vectors iff

$$(Ue_i) \cdot (Ue_j) = e_i \cdot e_j = \delta_{ij}$$

\Leftrightarrow cols of U are orthonormal.

Example To find general 2×2 orthogonal matrix

$$U \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for some } \theta : \text{a general unit vector in } \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$U \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \pm \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{general unit vector } \perp U \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

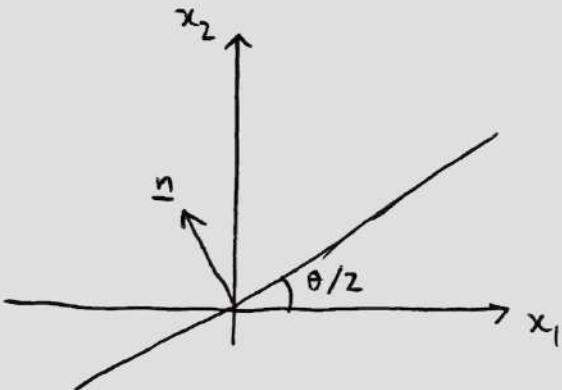
2 cases: $U = R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ rotation in \mathbb{R}^2 by angle θ

$$U = H = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{reflection in } \mathbb{R}^2$$

To match previous description consider $\underline{n} = \begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix}$

Previously found H for reflection in line with normal \underline{n} had entries $H_{ij} = \delta_{ij} - 2n_i n_j$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} & 2\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \\ 2\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & 1 - 2\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{agrees with } H \text{ above.}$$



Note that cases $U = R$
and $U = H$ are distinguished
by $\det R = +1$,
 $\det H = -1$

Unitary Matrices

A complex $n \times n$ matrix U is unitary iff

$$UU^T = U^T U = I \quad (U = U^T)$$

Equivalent: U is unitary iff it preserves complex inner product on \mathbb{C}^n :

$$(U\bar{z}, U\bar{w}) = (\bar{z}, \bar{w}) \quad \forall \bar{z}, \bar{w} \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

To check equivalence

$$(U\bar{z})^T (U\bar{w}) = (\bar{z}^T U^T)(U\bar{w}) = \bar{z}^T (U^T U) \bar{w} = \bar{z}^T \bar{w} \quad (\forall \bar{z}, \bar{w} \in \mathbb{C}^n)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow U^T U = I$$

Orthogonal and unitary matrices form groups

See SU_3 group (special unitary group)

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should be $SU(3)$

5. Determinants and Inverses

5.1 Introduction

Consider a linear map $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

If T is invertible then $\ker T = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ (T one to one)

and $\text{Im } T = \mathbb{R}^n$ (T is onto)

These conditions are equivalent (rank-nullity theorem)

Conversely if the conditions hold, then

$T(\underline{e}_1), T(\underline{e}_2), \dots, T(\underline{e}_n)$ must be a basis

(here $\{\underline{e}_i\}$ = standard basis) and we can define

T^{-1} as a linear map by $T^{-1}(T(\underline{e}_i)) = \underline{e}_i$

How can we test whether the above conditions hold from the matrix M representing T : $T(\underline{x}) = M\underline{x}$

and how can we find M^{-1} from M explicitly?

For any M ($n \times n$) we define a related matrix \tilde{M} ($n \times n$) and a scalar $\det M$ such that $\tilde{M}M = (\det M)I$. (*)

If $\det M \neq 0$ then M is invertible with $M^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det M} \tilde{M}$.

For $n=2$ recall that (*) holds with $M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & M_{21} \\ M_{12} & M_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

and $\tilde{M} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{22} & -M_{21} \\ -M_{12} & M_{11} \end{pmatrix}$ and $\det M = [M_{\underline{e}_1}, M_{\underline{e}_2}]$
 $= \sum_{i,j} (-1)^{i+j} M_{i1} M_{j2}$
 (scalar cross product)

This is the factor by which areas scale under M .

$\det M \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow M_{\underline{e}_1}, M_{\underline{e}_2}$ linearly independent.

For $n = 3$ consider similarly

$$[M_{\underline{e}_1}, M_{\underline{e}_2}, M_{\underline{e}_3}] \quad \text{scalar triple product}$$

$$= \epsilon_{ijk} M_{i1} M_{j2} M_{k3}$$

$$= \det M, \text{ define in } 3 \times 3 \text{ case}$$

This is factor by which volumes scale under M , and

$\det M \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow M_{\underline{e}_1}, M_{\underline{e}_2}, M_{\underline{e}_3}$ linearly independent

$$\text{or } \text{Im } M = \mathbb{R}^3$$

Now define \tilde{M} from M using row/column notation

$$R_1(\tilde{M}) = \underline{c}_2(M) \times \underline{c}_3(M) \quad * \text{ and check it works.}$$

$$R_2(\tilde{M}) = \underline{c}_3(M) \times \underline{c}_1(M)$$

$$R_3(\tilde{M}) = \underline{c}_1(M) \times \underline{c}_2(M)$$

$$\text{Note that } (\tilde{M}M)_{ij} = R_i(\tilde{M}) \cdot \underline{c}_j(M)$$

$$= \underbrace{(\underline{c}_1(M) \times \underline{c}_2(M) \cdot \underline{c}_3(M))}_{\det M} \delta_{ij} = \det M \delta_{ij}$$

as claimed.

Example $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & m_2 \\ 4 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{M} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 8 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 6 & -7 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 6 \\ 8 & -1 & -2 \\ 4 & -11 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\underline{c}_2 \times \underline{c}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det M = \underline{c}_1 \cdot \underline{c}_2 \times \underline{c}_3$$

$$\underline{c}_3 \times \underline{c}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ m_2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad = 23$$

$$\underline{c}_1 \times \underline{c}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -11 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \tilde{M}M = 23 I$$

5.2 ε and Alternating Forms

Recall from IA Groups : a permutation σ on the set $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is a bijection from this set to itself specified by an ordered list, $\sigma(1), \sigma(2), \dots, \sigma(n)$.

Permutations form a group S_n ($|S_n| = n!$)

A transposition $\tau = (p, q)$ ($p \neq q$) swaps p and q .

Any permutation is a product of transpositions (k transpositions)

$\sigma = \tau_k \dots \tau_2 \tau_1$, with k always even or always odd for a given σ . Take $\varepsilon(\sigma) = (-1)^k$

The alternating symbol or ε symbol in \mathbb{R}^n or \mathbb{C}^n is an n -index object (tensor) defined by

$$\underbrace{\varepsilon_{ij\dots l}}_{n \text{ indices}} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } i, j, \dots, l \text{ is even perm of } 1, 2, \dots, n \\ -1 & \text{if } i, j, \dots, l \text{ is odd perm of } 1, 2, \dots, n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Thus if σ is any permutation,

$$\varepsilon_{\sigma(1)\sigma(2)\dots\sigma(n)} = \varepsilon(\sigma)$$

so ~~ε~~ $\varepsilon_{ij\dots l}$ is totally antisymmetric and changes sign whenever we exchange a pair of indices.

Given $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ or \mathbb{C}^n , the alternating form combines them to give scalar

$$\begin{aligned} [\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n] &= \varepsilon_{ij\dots l} (\underline{v}_1)_i (\underline{v}_2)_j \dots (\underline{v}_n)_l \\ &= \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon(\sigma) (\underline{v}_1)_{\sigma(1)} (\underline{v}_2)_{\sigma(2)} \dots (\underline{v}_n)_{\sigma(n)} \end{aligned}$$

(\sum_{σ} is over $\sigma \in S_n$)

Properties

(i) Multilinear $[\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_{p-1}, \alpha \underline{w} + \beta \underline{u}, \underline{v}_{p+1}, \dots, \underline{v}_n]$

$$= \alpha [\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_{p-1}, \underline{w}, \underline{v}_{p+1}, \dots, \underline{v}_n] \\ + \beta [\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_{p-1}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}_{p+1}, \dots, \underline{v}_n]$$

(ii) Totally antisymmetric

$$[\underline{v}_{\sigma(1)}, \underline{v}_{\sigma(2)}, \dots, \underline{v}_{\sigma(n)}] = \epsilon(\sigma) [\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n]$$

(iii) $[\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \dots, \underline{e}_n] = +1$

These three properties fix alternating form completely and also imply

(iv) If $\underline{v}_p = \underline{v}_q$ then $[\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_p, \dots, \underline{v}_q, \dots, \underline{v}_n] = 0$.

(v) If $\underline{v}_p = \sum_{i \neq p} \lambda_i \underline{v}_i$ then from (ii) by
exchanging $\underline{v}_p, \underline{v}_q$

$$[\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_p, \dots, \underline{v}_n] = 0.$$

(since subbing \underline{v}_p in and using multilinearity - use (iv))

Consider (ii) from Lecture 13:

$$[\underline{v}_{\sigma(1)}, \underline{v}_{\sigma(2)}, \dots, \underline{v}_{\sigma(n)}] = \varepsilon(\sigma) [\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n]$$

To justify, check for a transposition $\tau = (p, q)$ $p < q$

$$[\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_{p-1}, \underline{v}_q, \underline{v}_{p+1}, \dots, \underline{v}_{q-1}, \underline{v}_p, \dots, \underline{v}_n]$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon(\sigma) (\underline{v}_1)_{\sigma(1)} \dots (\underline{v}_{p-1})_{\sigma(p-1)} (\underline{v}_q)_{\sigma(p)} \dots (\underline{v}_{q-1})_{\sigma(q-1)} \\ (\underline{v}_p)_{\sigma(q)} \dots (\underline{v}_n)_{\sigma(n)}$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon(\sigma) (\underline{v}_1)_{\sigma'(1)} \dots (\underline{v}_{p-1})_{\sigma'(p-1)} (\underline{v}_q)_{\sigma'(q)} \dots (\underline{v}_{q-1})_{\sigma'(q-1)} \\ (\underline{v}_p)_{\sigma'(p)} \dots (\underline{v}_n)_{\sigma'(n)}$$

$$\text{with } \sigma' = \sigma(p, q) = \sigma\tau$$

$$= - [\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_{p-1}, \underline{v}_p, \dots, \underline{v}_{q-1}, \underline{v}_q, \dots, \underline{v}_n]$$

so is totally antisymmetric as required.

$$(\text{because } \varepsilon(\sigma') = -\varepsilon(\sigma))$$

and \sum_{σ} equiv. to $\sum_{\sigma'}$.

Proposition $[\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n] \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n \text{ are lin. independent.}$

Proof To show " \Rightarrow " ~~use~~ use property (v).

If $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ lin. dep, then \underline{v}_p can be expressed in terms of the others and then $[\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n] = 0$.

To show " \Leftarrow ": If $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ lin. indep \Rightarrow they span, then $\underline{v}_c = \cup_{i=1}^n \underline{v}_i$ for some \cup_i in \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

But then

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\underline{e}_1, \dots, \underline{e}_n] &= [U_{a1}\underline{v}_a, U_{b2}\underline{v}_b, \dots, U_{cn}\underline{v}_c] \\
 &= U_{a1}U_{b2} \dots U_{cn} [\underline{v}_a, \underline{v}_b, \dots, \underline{v}_c] \text{ as multilinear} \\
 &= U_{a1}U_{b2} \dots U_{cn} \epsilon_{ab\dots c} [\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n].
 \end{aligned}$$

But LHS = 1 so $[\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n] \neq 0$.

Example

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{v}_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} i \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, & \underline{v}_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 5i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, & \underline{v}_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2i \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 \underline{v}_4 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{in } \mathbb{C}^4.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3, \underline{v}_4] &= 5i [\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_3, \underline{v}_3, \underline{v}_4] \\
 &= 5i [i\underline{e}_1 + 3\underline{e}_4, \underline{e}_3, 3\underline{e}_1 + 2i\underline{e}_2, -i\underline{e}_3 + \underline{e}_4] \\
 &= 5i [i\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_3, 2i\underline{e}_2, \underline{e}_4] \\
 &= 5i(i)(2i)(-1) [\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \underline{e}_3, \underline{e}_4] \\
 &= \underline{10i}
 \end{aligned}$$

5.3 Determinants in \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{C}^n

(a) Definitions

For an $n \times n$ matrix M with columns $\underline{c}_a = M\underline{e}_a$, the determinant $\det M$ or $|M| \in \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} , is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det M &= [\underline{c}_1, \underline{c}_2, \dots, \underline{c}_n] \\
 &= [M\underline{e}_1, M\underline{e}_2, \dots, M\underline{e}_n] \\
 &= \epsilon_{ij\dots l} M_{i1} M_{j2} \dots M_{ln} \\
 &= \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon(\sigma) M_{\sigma(1)1} M_{\sigma(2)2} \dots M_{\sigma(n)n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Each of these expressions can be taken as the definition.

Examples

$$(i) \quad n=2 \quad \det M = \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon(\sigma) M_{\sigma(1)1} M_{\sigma(2)2}$$

$$= M_{11} M_{22} - M_{21} M_{12}$$

$$(ii) \quad M \text{ diagonal: } M_{ij} = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j \text{ i.e. } M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & & & \\ & M_{22} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & M_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det M = M_{11} M_{22} \dots M_{nn}$$

$$(iii) \quad M_{(n \times n)} = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A & \begin{matrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{matrix} \\ \hline \begin{matrix} 0 & \dots & 1 \end{matrix} \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{where } A &\text{ is } n-1 \times n-1 \\ \text{so } M_{ni} &= 0 \text{ if } i \neq n \\ &= M_{in}. \end{aligned}$$

can restrict perm σ in definition to have $\sigma(n) = n$

then $\det M = \det A$

Proposition If $\underline{R}_1, \underline{R}_2, \dots, \underline{R}_n$ are rows of M , then

$$\begin{aligned} \det M &= [\underline{R}_1, \underline{R}_2, \dots, \underline{R}_n] \\ &= \epsilon_{ij\dots l} M_{1i} M_{2j} \dots M_{nl} \\ &= \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon(\sigma) M_{1\sigma(1)} M_{2\sigma(2)} \dots M_{n\sigma(n)} \end{aligned}$$

i.e. $\det M = \underline{\det M^T}$.

(Recall $(\underline{C}_a)_i = M_{ia} = (\underline{R}_i)_a$)

Proof Show directly that \sum_{σ} definitions agree by considering
 $M_{\sigma(1)1} \dots M_{\sigma(n)n}$
 $= M_{\rho(1)} \dots M_{n\rho(n)}$ for $\rho = \sigma^{-1}$.

But $\varepsilon(\sigma) = \varepsilon(\rho) = \varepsilon(\sigma^{-1})$ so $\sum_{\sigma} \text{is } \sum_{\rho}$, as required. \square

(b) Evaluating Determinants : Expanding Rows or Columns

For $M_{n \times n}$ with entries M_{ia} , define minor M_{ia} to be the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ determinant of matrix obtained by deleting row i and column a from M .

$$(*) \text{ Proposition} \quad \det M = \sum_i (-1)^{i+a} M_{ia} M^{ia} \quad (a \text{ fixed})$$

$$= \sum_a (-1)^{i+a} M_{ia} M^{ia} \quad (i \text{ fixed})$$

Example $M = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2i & 0 \\ 0 & 5i & 0 & -i \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Expand by row 3:
 $M_{32} = 5i$, $M^{32} = \begin{vmatrix} i & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2i & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

Expand M^{32} by row 1: $= i \begin{vmatrix} 2i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 3 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -2$

and $M_{34} = -i$, $M^{34} = \begin{vmatrix} i & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2i \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\text{so } \det M = (-1)^5 M_{32} M^{32} + (-1)^7 M_{34} M^{34}$$

$$= -5i(-2) = \underline{10i}.$$

(*) proposition will be proved in next lecture.

(c) Simplifying Determinants : Row and Column Operations

Summary $\det M$ is a function of the rows \underline{R}_i or the columns \underline{C}_a of M .

- (i) multilinear
- (ii) totally antisymmetric
- (iii) $\det I = 1$

Consider the following consequences :

Row and Column Scalings

If $\underline{R}_i \rightarrow \lambda \underline{R}_i$ (for i fixed)

or $\underline{C}_a \rightarrow \lambda \underline{C}_a$ (for a fixed)

$\det M \rightarrow \lambda \det M$ by multilinearity

If we scale all rows / cols then $M \rightarrow \lambda M$

so $\det M \rightarrow \lambda^n \det M$.

Row and Column Operations

If $\underline{R}_i \rightarrow \underline{R}_i + \lambda \underline{R}_j$ for $i \neq j$

or $\underline{C}_a \rightarrow \underline{C}_a + \lambda \underline{C}_b$ for $a \neq b$

then $\det M \rightarrow \det M$ (doesn't change)

Row and Column Exchanges

If $\underline{R}_i \leftrightarrow \underline{R}_j$

then $\det M \rightarrow -\det M$

or $\underline{C}_a \leftrightarrow \underline{C}_b$

by alternating property (as there's a transposition)

Example $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & a \\ a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & a & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad a \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{c}_1 \rightarrow \underline{c}_1 - \underline{c}_3 : \det A &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-a & 1 & a \\ a-1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & a & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (1-a) \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & a \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & a & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{by linearity property} \\ &\quad (\text{see row/column scalings}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{c}_2 \rightarrow \underline{c}_2 - \underline{c}_3 : \quad (1-a) \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1-a & a \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & a-1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (1-a)^2 \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & a \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{R}_1 \rightarrow \underline{R}_1 + \underline{R}_2 + \underline{R}_3 : \quad (1-a)^2 \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & a+2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \underline{(1-a)^2 (a+2)} \end{aligned}$$

(d) Multiplicative Property

Theorem For $n \times n$ matrices M, N :

$$\det(MN) = \det M \det N.$$

Can prove by the following elaboration on def. of determinant

Lemma $\epsilon_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} M_{i_1 a_1} M_{i_2 a_2} \dots M_{i_n a_n} = (\det M) \epsilon_{a_1 a_2 \dots a_n}$

Proof of Theorem $\det(MN) = \epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_n} (MN)_{i_1 1} \dots (MN)_{i_n n}$

$$= \epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_n} M_{i_1 k_1} \dots M_{i_n k_n} \quad (\text{matrix } \times \text{ def}^n) \\ \times N_{k_1 1} \dots N_{k_n n}$$

$$= (\det M) \epsilon_{k_1 \dots k_n} N_{k_1 1} \dots N_{k_n n} \quad \text{by Lemma}$$

$$= \underline{(\det M)(\det N)}$$

□

Proof of Lemma

LHS and RHS are each totally antisymmetric in a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n and so must be related by a constant factor. To fix constant, consider $a_1 = 1, a_2 = 2, \dots, a_n = n$ and check it works, then result follows.

Consequences of multiplicative property

- (i) $M^{-1}M = I \Rightarrow \det M^{-1} \det M = 1$
- (ii) For R real and orthogonal, $R^T R = I \Rightarrow \det R^T \det R = 1$
but $\det R^T = \det R$ so $(\det R)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \det R = \pm 1$
- (iii) For U complex and unitary
 $U^T U = I \Rightarrow \det(U^T) \det U = 1$
 $\Rightarrow (\overline{\det U}) \det U = 1 \quad (\text{as } U^T = (\bar{U})^T)$
 $\Rightarrow |\det U|^2 = 1 \Rightarrow |\det U| = 1$

5.4 Minors, Cofactors and Inverses

(a) Cofactors and Determinants

Consider a column of matrix M ($n \times n$) and write it

$$\underline{c}_a = \sum_i M_{ia} \underline{e}_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \det M = [\underline{c}_1, \underline{c}_2, \dots, \underline{c}_a, \dots, \underline{c}_n]$$

$$= [\underline{c}_1, \underline{c}_2, \dots, \underline{c}_{a-1}, \sum_i M_{ia} \underline{e}_i, \underline{c}_{a+1}, \dots, \underline{c}_n]$$

$$= \sum_i M_{ia} \Delta_{ia} \quad \text{where } \Delta_{ia} = [\underline{c}_1, \underline{c}_2, \dots, \underline{c}_{a-1}, \underline{e}_i, \underline{c}_{a+1}, \dots, \underline{c}_n]$$

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$$= \det \left(\begin{array}{c|cc|c} A & 0 & \vdots & B \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ C & 0 & \vdots & D \end{array} \right) \xleftarrow{\text{row } i} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{where additional} \\ \text{zero entries arise} \\ \text{from antisymmetry} \end{matrix}$$

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$$= (-1)^{n-a} (-1)^{n-i} \det \left(\begin{array}{c|cc|c} A & B & 0 & \vdots \\ \hline C & D & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) = (-1)^{i+a} M^{ia}$$

where $M^{ia} = \det \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline C & D \end{array} \right)$ - minor as introduced previously.

$$\text{We deduce } \det M = \sum_i M_{ia} \Delta_{ia} = \sum_i (-1)^{i+a} M_{ia} M^{ia}$$

Here Δ_{ia} is called the cofactor.

Similarly by considering rows:

$$\det M = \sum_a M_{ia} \Delta_{ia} = \sum_a (-1)^{i+a} M_{ia} M^{ia}$$

(b) Adjungates and Inverses

$$\text{Consider } \underline{c}_b = \sum_i M_{ib} e_i$$

$$\text{Then } [\underline{c}_1, \dots, \underline{c}_{a-1}, \underline{c}_b, \underline{c}_{a+1}, \dots, \underline{c}_n]$$

$$= \sum_i M_{ib} \Delta_{ia} = \begin{cases} \det M & \text{if } a=b \\ 0 & \text{if } a \neq b \end{cases} = (\det M) \delta_{ab}$$

Similarly, expanding a row

$$\sum_a M_{ja} \Delta_{ia} = (\det M) \delta_{ij}.$$

Let Δ be the matrix of cofactors (entries Δ_{ia}) and define the adjugate $\tilde{M} = \text{adj } M = \Delta^T$. Then

$$\Delta_{ia} M_{ib} = (\Delta^T)_{ai} M_{ib} = (\Delta^T M)_{ab} = (\det M) \delta_{ab}$$

i.e. $\tilde{M} M = (\det M) I$.

Similarly $M_{ja} \Delta_{ia} = M_{ja} (\Delta^T)_{ai} = (M \Delta^T)_{ji} = (\det M) \delta_{ij}$

so $\underline{M \tilde{M}} = (\det M) I$

Hence if $\det M \neq 0$ then $M^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det M} \tilde{M}$

Example $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & a \\ a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & a & 1 \end{pmatrix}$: previously found
 $\det A = (1-a)^2(a+2)$

Find cofactors: consider e.g. $A^{12} = \begin{vmatrix} a & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = a-1$

(det. of A without row 1 and col 2)

$$\Delta^{12} = (-1)^{1+2} A^{12} = 1-a$$

Then we end up with matrix of cofactors

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} 1-a & 1-a & a^2-1 \\ a^2-1 & 1-a & 1-a \\ 1-a & a^2-1 & 1-a \end{pmatrix} . \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{if } a \neq 1 \text{ or } -2 \text{ then} \\ \det A \neq 0 \text{ so can find} \\ \text{inverse.} \end{array}$$

We end up with $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -(1+a) & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -(1+a) \\ -(1+a) & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{(1-a)(a+2)}$.

S-5 Systems of Linear Equations

a) Introduction and Nature of Solutions

Consider a system of n linear eqns in n unknowns x_i written in matrix vector form:

$$A\bar{x} = \bar{b} \quad \bar{x}, \bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad A \text{ nxn matrix}$$

$$\text{i.e. } A_{11}x_1 + \dots + A_{1n}x_n = b_1,$$

$$A_{21}x_1 + \dots + A_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

...

$$A_{n1}x_1 + \dots + A_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

There are three possibilities.

(i) If $\det A \neq 0$ then A^{-1} exists: unique solution
 $\bar{x} = A^{-1}\bar{b}$.

(ii) $\det A = 0$ and $\bar{b} \notin \text{Im } A \Rightarrow$ no soln by definition

(iii) $\det A = 0$ and $\bar{b} \in \text{Im } A \Rightarrow \infty$ solutions.

Have form $\bar{x} = \bar{x}_0 + \bar{y}$ with \bar{x}_0 a particular solution and $\bar{y} \in \ker A$.

Elaboration: A solution exists iff $A\bar{x}_0 = \bar{b}$ for some \bar{x}_0 .

Then \bar{x} is also a solution iff $\bar{u} = \bar{x} - \bar{x}_0$ satisfies

$$A\bar{u} = \underline{0} \quad (\bar{u} \in \ker A)$$

$A\bar{u} = \underline{0}$: corresponding homogeneous problem.

Now $\det A \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{Im } A = \mathbb{R}^n \Leftrightarrow \ker A = \{\underline{0}\}$
 by Rank-Nullity.

So in case (i) there is always a unique solution.

$$\det A = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(A) < n \Leftrightarrow \text{null}(A) > 0$$

Then either $\underline{b} \notin \text{Im } A$ (ii) or $\underline{b} \in \text{Im } A$ (iii)

If $\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_k$ is a basis for $\ker A$, then the general solution to the homogeneous problem is

$$\underline{u} = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \underline{u}_i \quad (k = \text{null } A)$$

[Compare DEs, on functions $y(x)$, consider linear differential operator $L = p_2(x) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + p_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} + p_0(x)$]

$Ly = f$ has particular solution / integral $y_0(x)$ with $Ly_0 = f$

then general soln is $y = y_0 + (\lambda_1 y_1 + \lambda_2 y_2)$

\uparrow
general soln to homogeneous
problem $Ly = 0$

Example $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & a \\ a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & a & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\underline{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ c \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Previously found $\det A = (a-1)^2(a+2)$

- $a \neq 1, -2$

$\det A \neq 0$ and A^{-1} exists; previously found

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{(a-1)^2(a+2)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -(1+a) & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -(1+a) \\ -(1+a) & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

for $a \neq 1, a \neq -2$ there is a unique solution for any c

$$\underline{x} = A^{-1}\underline{b} = \frac{1}{(1-a)(a+2)} \begin{pmatrix} 2-c-ca \\ c-a \\ c-a \end{pmatrix}$$

Geometrically, solution is a point.

Ans IF $a=1$ then $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{Im } A = \left\{ \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$
 $\text{Ker } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$b \in \text{Im } A \Leftrightarrow c=1$, so $\underline{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is a particular solution.
 $\rightarrow \underline{x} = \underline{x}_0 + \underline{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda-\mu \\ \lambda \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}$ i.e. for $a=1, c=1$ have case (iii), geometrically a plane

For $a=1, c \neq 1$ have no solutions. (case (ii))

$$a = -2 \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{Im } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\ker A = \left\{ \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ by inspection}$$

Claim $b \in \text{Im } A \Leftrightarrow c=-2$; particular solution is $\underline{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{General solution } \underline{x} = \underline{x}_0 + \underline{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+\lambda \\ \lambda \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

For $a=-2, c=-2$ we have (iii) (a line) ~~from~~

• $a=-2, c \neq -2$: no solutions (ii)

b) Geometrical interpretation in \mathbb{R}^3

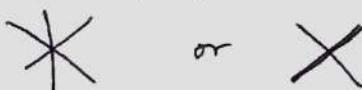
Let $\underline{R}_1, \underline{R}_2, \underline{R}_3$ be the rows of A (3×3)

$$A\underline{u} = \underline{0} \Leftrightarrow \underline{R}_1 \cdot \underline{u} = 0, \underline{R}_2 \cdot \underline{u} = 0, \underline{R}_3 \cdot \underline{u} = 0$$

Each are planes through $\underline{0}$ with normals \underline{R}_i .

So solution of homogeneous problem (finding $\ker A$) is given by intersection of these planes.

- $\dim(\text{im } A) = \text{rank } A = 3 \Rightarrow$ normals lin. indep, planes intersect only at $\underline{0}$.
- $\text{rank } A = 2 \Rightarrow$ normals span plane, planes above intersect in a line



rank $A = 1 \Rightarrow$ normals all parallel and hence planes

coincide



$$\dim \ker A = 2.$$

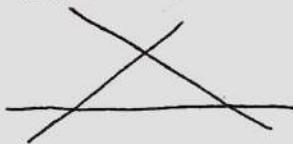
Now consider instead $A\mathbf{x} = \underline{b} \Leftrightarrow \underline{R}_1 \cdot \underline{x} = b_1, \underline{R}_2 \cdot \underline{x} = b_2,$
 $\underline{R}_3 \cdot \underline{x} = b_3$ planes with
normals \underline{R}_i but
not through $\underline{0}$ unless
 $b_i = \underline{0}.$

rank $A = 3 \Leftrightarrow \det A \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow$ normals lin. indep., planes
intersect at a point: unique solution

rank $A < 3 \Leftrightarrow \det A = 0;$ existence of soln depends on \underline{b}

rank $A = 2 \Rightarrow$ planes may intersect in a line (as before)
but may not

e.g.



or



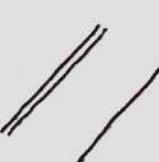
(no solution)

rank $A = 1 \Rightarrow$ planes may coincide (as in homogeneous case)
but may not, depending on \underline{b}

e.g.



or



(no solution).

6. Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

6-1 Introduction

(a) Definitions

For a linear map $T: V \rightarrow V$, a vector \underline{v} with $\underline{v} \neq 0$ is an eigenvector of T with eigenvalue λ if $T(\underline{v}) = \lambda \underline{v}$.

If $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ or \mathbb{C}^n and T is given by an $n \times n$ matrix A then

$$A\underline{v} = \lambda \underline{v} \Leftrightarrow (A - \lambda I)\underline{v} = \underline{0}.$$

So given λ , this holds for some $\underline{v} \neq 0$ iff $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$, called the characteristic equation for A .

i.e. λ is an eigenvalue iff it is a root of

$$\chi_A(t) = \det(A - tI) \quad \text{characteristic polynomial}$$

$$= \det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11}-t & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22}-t & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \dots & & & \\ A_{n1} & A_{n2} & \dots & A_{nn}-t \end{pmatrix}$$

We can find eigenvalues as roots of characteristic eqn, then determine corresponding eigenvectors.

b) Examples

$$(i) \quad V = \mathbb{C}^2 \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & i \\ -i & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & i \\ -i & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2-\lambda)^2 - 1 = 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad \lambda = 2 \pm 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \underline{\lambda = 1 \text{ or } 3}$$

$$\lambda = 1: \quad \text{Find eigenvectors} \quad \underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(A - I)\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ -i & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{0} \Rightarrow \underline{v} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

for $\alpha \neq 0$.

$$\lambda = 3 \quad (A - 3I) \underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & i \\ -i & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{v} = \beta \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} \text{ for any } \beta \neq 0.$$

$$(ii) \quad V = \mathbb{R}^2 \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1-\lambda)^2 = 0$$

so $\lambda = 1$ repeated root

$$\lambda = 1 : \quad (A - I) \underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{0} \iff \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

for $\alpha \neq 0$.

Only one (lin. indep) eigenvector.

$$(iii) \quad V = \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ or } \mathbb{C}^2 \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\chi_U(t) = \det(U - tI) = t^2 - 2t \cos \theta + 1$$

Eigenvalues $\lambda = e^{\pm i\theta}$

Eigenvectors $\underline{v} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \mp i \end{pmatrix} \quad \alpha \neq 0 \quad (\text{check})$

No real EVs unless $\theta = n\pi$.

$$(iv) \quad V = \mathbb{C}^n \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{diagonal}$$

$$\chi_A(t) = (\lambda_1 - t)(\lambda_2 - t) \dots (\lambda_n - t)$$

e. vals $\lambda = \lambda_i \quad$ e. vers $\underline{v} = \alpha \underline{e}_i \quad (\alpha \neq 0)$

for each i .

(c) Deductions involving $\chi_A(t)$

For A $n \times n$, char. polynomial has degree n

$$\chi_A(t) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j t^j = (-1)^n (t - \lambda_1) \dots (t - \lambda_n)$$

(i) \exists at least one root of χ_A (FTA) in fact $\exists n$ roots.

$$(ii) \text{tr}(A) = A_{11} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \quad \text{sum of eigenvalues}$$

Compare terms of degree $n-1$ in t

and from \det we get $(-t)^{n-1} A_{11} + (-t)^{n-1} A_{22} + \dots + (-t)^{n-1} A_{nn}$

Overall sign matches with expansion of

$$(-1)^n (t - \lambda_1)(t - \lambda_2) \dots (t - \lambda_n)$$

$$(iii) \det A = \chi_A(0) = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \quad \text{product of eigenvalues}$$

(iv) If A is real, coeffs c_i are real and

$$\chi_A(\lambda) = 0 \iff \chi_A(\bar{\lambda}) = 0$$

non-real roots are in conjugate pairs.

6-2 Eigenspaces and Multiplicities

(a) Definitions

For an eigenvalue λ of a matrix A , define the eigenspace

$$E_\lambda = \{ \mathbf{v} : A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} \} = \ker(A - \lambda I)$$

Not exactly set of all eigenvectors, but all nonzero $\mathbf{x} \in E_\lambda$ are the eigenvectors.

Geometric multiplicity $m_\lambda = \dim E_\lambda = \# \text{ linearly indep. evecs with e.val } \lambda$
 $= \text{null}(A - \lambda I)$

The algebraic multiplicity is M_λ , multiplicity of λ as a root of $\chi_A(t)$ i.e. $\chi_A(t) = (t - \lambda)^{M_\lambda} f(t)$ with $f(\lambda) \neq 0$

Proposition $M_\lambda \geq m_\lambda$ (and $m_\lambda \geq 1$ since λ a root of $\chi_A(t)$)

Proof see section 6.3.

* how many times it's repeated as a root

(b) Examples

$$(i) A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -6 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \chi_A(t) = \det(A - tI) = (5-t)(t+3)^2 \quad (\text{check})$$

$$\text{roots } \lambda = 5, -3 \text{ (twice)} \quad M_5 = 1, \quad M_{-3} = 2$$

Find eigenspaces

$$\underline{\lambda = 5} : E_5 = \left\{ \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\underline{\lambda = -3} : E_{-3} = \left\{ \alpha \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{e.g. } (A + 3I) \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & -6 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2x_2 + 3x_3 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dim E_5 \text{ is } m_5 = 1 = M_5$$

$$\dim E_{-3} \text{ is } m_{-3} = 2 = M_{-3}$$

$$(ii) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -3 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \chi_A(t) = \det(A - tI) = -(t+2)^3$$

$$\text{root } \lambda = -2 \text{ (3 times)} \quad M_{-2} = 3$$

$$\text{Find eigenspace: } (A + 2I)\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{0}$$

$$\text{so is } \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -x_2 + x_3 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

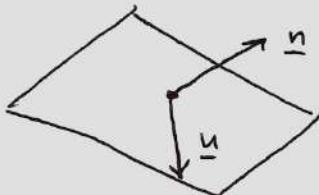
$$E_{-2} = \left\{ \alpha \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \begin{matrix} \dim E_{-2} \text{ is } m_{-2} = 2 \\ < M_{-2} = 3 \end{matrix}$$

(iii) Reflection in plane through $\underline{0}$ with unit normal \underline{n}

$$H\underline{n} = -\underline{n}$$

$$H\underline{u} = \underline{u}$$

for any $\underline{u} \perp \underline{n}$



$$\text{Eigenvalues are } \pm 1 \quad E_{-1} = \{\alpha \underline{n}\} \text{ and } E_1 = \{\underline{x} : \underline{x} \cdot \underline{n} = 0\}$$

$$M_{-1} = m_{-1} = 1 \quad M_1 = m_1 = 2$$

(iv) Rotation about axis \underline{n} through θ (in \mathbb{R}^3)



$$R\underline{n} = \underline{n} \quad \text{axis of rotation } \underline{n}$$

is e.vec with e.val 1

No other real e.vals unless $\theta = n\pi$, rotation restricted to plane $\perp \underline{n}$ has e.vals $e^{\pm i\theta}$ as in 6.1 b) iii).

(c) Linear Independence of Eigenvectors

Proposition Let $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_r$ be eigenvectors of a matrix $A (n \times n)$ with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r$. If eigenvalues are distinct, then \underline{v}_i are linearly independent.

Proof Note that $\underline{w} = \sum_{j=1}^r \alpha_j \underline{v}_j \Rightarrow$

$$(A - \lambda I) \underline{w} = \sum_{j=1}^r \alpha_j (\lambda_j - \lambda) \underline{v}_j$$

Method 1 Suppose eigenvectors are linearly dependent.

So \exists a linear combination $\underline{w} = \underline{0}$ with number of nonzero coefficients $p > 2$. (eigenvectors nonzero: $p \neq 1$).

Pick such a \underline{w} for which p is least, and WLOG take $\alpha_1 \neq 0$.

$$\text{Then } (A - \lambda_1 I) \underline{w} = \sum_{j>1} \alpha_j (\lambda_j - \lambda_1) \underline{v}_j = \underline{0},$$

a linear relation with $p-1$ nonzero coeffs $\cancel{\ast}$ (p was least).

~~Method 2~~ Given a linear relation

$$\underline{w} = \underline{0} \Rightarrow \prod_{j \neq k} (A - \lambda_j I) \underline{w} = \alpha_k \left(\prod_{j \neq k} (\lambda_k - \lambda_j) \right) \underline{w}_k \\ = \underline{0} \quad \text{for } k \text{ fixed}$$

Eigenvalues are distinct so $\alpha_k = 0$.

i.e. eigenvectors are linearly indep. \square

Corollary With conditions as in proposition, let B_{λ_i} be a basis for the eigenspace E_{λ_i} $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$

Then $B_{\lambda_1} \cup B_{\lambda_2} \cup \dots \cup B_{\lambda_r}$ is linearly independent.

Proof Consider a general linear combination of all these vcs:

has form $\underline{w} = \underline{w}_1 + \underline{w}_2 + \dots + \underline{w}_r$ where $\underline{w}_i \in E_{\lambda_i}$

(each \underline{w}_i is a linear combination of elements of B_{λ_i}).

Applying same arguments, we find $\underline{w} = \underline{0} \Rightarrow w_i = 0$ for each i .

Then each w_i is the trivial linear combination of elements of B_{λ_i} and the result follows. \square

6.3 Diagonalisability and Similarity

(a) Introduction

Proposition: For an $n \times n$ matrix A , acting on $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ or \mathbb{C}^n , the following conditions are equivalent:

(i) There exists a basis of eigenvectors for V , $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ with $A\underline{v}_i = \lambda_i \underline{v}_i$
(not summation)

(ii) There exists an $n \times n$ invertible matrix P with $P^{-1}AP = D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

(If either hold, then A is diagonalisable).

Proof Note that for any matrix P , AP has columns

$A\underline{e}_i(P)$ and PD has columns $\lambda_i \underline{e}_i(P)$ (check)

Then (i) and (ii) are related by choosing $\underline{v}_i = \underline{e}_i(P)$:

$$P^{-1}AP \Leftrightarrow AP = PD \Leftrightarrow A\underline{v}_i = \lambda_i \underline{v}_i$$

\square

i.e. given an eigenvector basis as in (i), this relation defines P ; conversely given a matrix P as in (ii), its columns are a basis of eigenvectors.

Examples (i) Refer to 6.1 b) ii) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Found $E_1 = \{\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\}$
 A single eigenvalue $\lambda = 1$ with one lin. indep e.v.e
 No basis of e.v.e.s for \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{C}^2 : A not diagonalisable.

(ii) 6.1 b) iii) $U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ found e.v.e.s $e^{\pm i\theta}$
 distinct for $\theta \neq n\pi$
 e.v.e.s $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \mp i \end{pmatrix}$ lin. indep in \mathbb{C}
 $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -i & i \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow P^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ 1 & -i \end{pmatrix}$ and $P^{-1}UP = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\theta} \end{pmatrix}$.
 So is diagonalisable over \mathbb{C} (but not \mathbb{R}).

(b) Criteria for Diagonalisability

Proposition Consider $n \times n$ matrix A .

- (i) A is diagonalisable if it has n distinct eigenvalues (sufficient)
- (ii) A is diagonalisable iff for every eigenvalue λ the multiplicity coincides: $M_\lambda = m_\lambda$.
 (necessary and sufficient)

Proof Use proposition and corollary from (a)

- (i) If n distinct eigenvalues, then n lin. indep e.v.e.s so they form a basis.
- (ii) If λ_i with $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$ are all the distinct e.v.e.s then $B_{\lambda_1} \cup \dots \cup B_{\lambda_r}$ is lin. indep but # elements is $\sum_i m_{\lambda_i}$ (dim. of each E_{λ_i}) = $\sum_i M_{\lambda_i} = n$
 (degree of char. poly) where B_{λ_i} is a basis for E_{λ_i} .
 So we have a basis.

Note (i) is special case $M_\lambda = m_\lambda = 1 \forall \lambda$. □

Examples Refer to 6.2(b)

$$(i) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -6 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda = 5, -3$$

$$M_5 = m_5 = 1, M_{-3} = m_{-3} = 2$$

so A is diagonalisable : $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ -2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -3 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda = -2, M_{-2} = 3 > m_{-2} = 2$$

$\Rightarrow A$ not diagonalisable

If it were: $P^{-1}AP = -2I \Rightarrow A = -2I \neq A$

(c) Similarity

Matrices A and B ($n \times n$) are similar if $B = P^{-1}AP$ for some invertible P ($n \times n$), an equivalence relation.

Proposition If A and B are similar, then

$$(i) \quad \text{tr } B = \text{tr } A \quad (ii) \quad \det B = \det A$$

$$(iii) \quad X_B(t) = X_A(t)$$

Proof

$$(i) \quad \text{tr } B = \text{tr}(P^{-1}AP) = \text{tr}(APP^{-1}) = \underbrace{\text{tr } A}$$

$$(ii) \quad \det B = \det(P^{-1}AP) = \det P^{-1} \det P \det A =$$

$$\det(PP^{-1}) \det A = \underbrace{\det A}$$

$$(iii) \quad \det(B - tI) = \det(P^{-1}AP - tI)$$

$$= \det(P^{-1}AP - tP^{-1}P)$$

$$= \det(P^{-1}(A - tI)P) = \underbrace{\det(A - tI)}$$

similarly to above.

6.4 Hermitian and Symmetric Matrices

(a) Real Eigenvalues and Orthogonal Eigenvectors

Recall: A ($n \times n$) is Hermitian iff $A^T = A$.

Special case: A is real and symmetric: $\bar{A} = A$, $A^T = A$.

Recall: complex inner product for $\underline{v}, \underline{w} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ is

$$\underline{v}^T \underline{w} = \sum_i \bar{v}_i w_i$$

and for $\underline{v}, \underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ this reduces to $\underline{v}^T \underline{w} = \underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = \sum v_i w_i$

Observation If A is hermitian then $(A\underline{v})^T \underline{w} = \underline{v}^T (A\underline{w})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for all } \underline{v}, \underline{w} \in \mathbb{C}^n \text{ since } (\underline{v}^T A^T) \underline{w} &= \underline{v}^T A^T \underline{w} \\ &= \underline{v}^T A \underline{w} = \underline{v}^T (A \underline{w}) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem For a matrix A that is hermitian ($n \times n$)

(i) Every eigenvalue λ is real

(ii) Eigenvectors $\underline{v}, \underline{w}$ with distinct eigenvalues $\lambda \neq \mu$ are orthogonal. ($\underline{v}^T \underline{w} = 0$)

(iii) If A is real and symmetric, then for each λ in (i) we can choose a real eigenvector \underline{v} and (ii) becomes

$$\underline{v}^T \underline{w} = \underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = 0.$$

Proof (i) $\underline{v}^T (A\underline{v}) = (A\underline{v})^T \underline{v}$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{v}^T (\lambda \underline{v}) = (\lambda \underline{v})^T \underline{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \underline{v}^T \underline{v} = \bar{\lambda} \underline{v}^T \underline{v}$$

$$\underline{v} \neq \underline{0} \text{ so } \underline{v}^T \underline{v} \neq 0, \text{ so } \lambda = \bar{\lambda} \text{ so real.}$$

(ii) $\underline{v}^T (A\underline{w}) = (A\underline{w})^T \underline{v}$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{v}^T (\mu \underline{w}) = (\lambda \underline{v})^T \underline{w}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu \underline{v}^T \underline{w} = \lambda \underline{v}^T \underline{w}$$

$$\lambda \neq \mu, \text{ so } \underline{v}^T \underline{w} = 0.$$

(iii) Given $A\underline{v} = \lambda \underline{v}$ with $\underline{v} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ but A and λ real,

let $\underline{v} = \underline{u} + i\underline{u}'$ with $\underline{u}, \underline{u}' \in \mathbb{R}^n$

then $A\underline{u} = \lambda \underline{u}$, $A\underline{u}' = \lambda \underline{u}'$ (Re and Im parts)

but $\underline{v} \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ one of $\underline{u}, \underline{u}' \neq 0$, so $\exists \geq 1$ real eigenvector.

□

Note: in 6.3 we showed that sets of evecs with distinct evals are linearly independent, but for Hermitian matrices we have that they are orthogonal \Rightarrow linear independence.

Furthermore, previously considered bases B_λ for each eigenspace E_λ , now natural to choose bases B_λ to be orthonormal.

Examples

(i) see 6.1 (b) (i) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & i \\ -i & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ note $A^+ = A$

Eigenvalues $\lambda = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 3 \end{cases}$ choose evecs $\underline{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$
 $\underline{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$

Note $\underline{u}_1^\top \underline{u}_2 = \frac{1}{2} (1-i) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} = 0$ as expected

Distinct eigenvalues \Rightarrow diagonalisable.

Set $P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ i & -i \end{pmatrix}$ then $P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Note choice of evecs $\Rightarrow P^{-1} = P^+$; P unitary

(ii) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ A real, symmetric

Evals $\lambda = \begin{cases} -1 & M_{-1} = 2 \\ 2 & M_2 = 1 \end{cases}$

$$E_{-1} = \text{span} \{ \underline{w}_1, \underline{w}_2 \} \text{ where } \underline{w}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \underline{w}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m_{-1} = 2$$

To find orthonormal basis for E_{-1} , take

$$\underline{u}_1 = \frac{\underline{w}_1}{\|\underline{w}_1\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ then consider}$$

$$\underline{w}_2' = \underline{w}_2 - (\underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{w}_2) \underline{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \perp \underline{u}_1 \text{ by construction}$$

$$\text{then } \underline{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\|\underline{w}_2'\|} \underline{w}_2' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

so $B_{-1} = \{\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2\}$ is an orthonormal basis.

For E_2 , choose $B_2 = \{\underline{u}_3\}$ where $\underline{u}_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ then

$B_{-1} \cup B_2$ is an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

Let P be the matrix with columns $\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \underline{u}_3$, then

$$P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Unitary and Orthogonal Diagonalisation

Theorem Any $n \times n$ hermitian matrix is diagonalisable

(i) \exists a basis ~~for~~ of eigenvectors $\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_n \in \mathbb{C}^n$ with $A\underline{u}_i = \lambda \underline{u}_i$, equivalently

(ii) \exists $n \times n$ invertible matrix P with $P^{-1}AP = D$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

In addition: every \underline{u}_i can be chosen to be orthonormal

$$\underline{u}_i^T \underline{u}_j = \delta_{ij} \text{ equivalently}$$

The matrix P can be chosen to be unitary.

Special case: for $n \times n$ real symmetric A , the axes
can be chosen to be $\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{so } \underline{u}_i^\top \underline{u}_j = \underline{u}_i \cdot \underline{u}_j = \delta_{ij}.$$

(Equivalently P can be chosen to be orthogonal,
 $P^\top = P^{-1}$ so $P^\top A P = D$).

(Note proof of first part is non-examinable).

See lecture 20 intro / separate notes for non-examinable proof of diagonalisability of Hermitian matrices.

Section 6.5 - Quadratic Forms

(a) Definition and Diagonalisability

Consider $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $F(\underline{x}) = 2x_1^2 - 4x_1x_2 + 5x_2^2$

This can be simplified by writing

$$F(\underline{x}) = x_1'^2 + 6x_2'^2 \text{ where } x_1' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(2x_1 + x_2)$$

$$x_2' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(-x_1 + 2x_2)$$

This can be found by writing $F(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}^T A \underline{x}$ where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and then diagonalising A . We find e.vols $\lambda = 1, 6$ and e.vects $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ leading to expressions above.

In general, a quadratic form is a function $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$F(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} = x_i A_{ij} x_j$ where A is a real symmetric $n \times n$ matrix. (Any antisymmetric part of A wouldn't contribute).

From 6.4, we can write

$$P^T A P = D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where } \lambda_i \text{ are the e.vols of } A \text{ and } P \text{ is a real orthogonal } n \times n \text{ matrix with columns } \underline{u}_i \text{ orthonormal e.vects.}$$

Set $\underline{x}' = P^T \underline{x}$ or $\underline{x} = P \underline{x}'$ which gives

$$\begin{aligned} F(\underline{x}) &= \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} = (P \underline{x}')^T A (P \underline{x}') \\ &= \underline{x}'^T P^T A P \underline{x}' = (\underline{x}')^T D \underline{x}' \\ &\text{supposed to be } \underline{x}'^T \\ &= \sum_i \lambda_i x_i'^2 \end{aligned}$$

We say F has been diagonalised.

Now note $\underline{x}' = x_1 \underline{e}_1 + \dots + x_n \underline{e}_n$ \underline{e}_i : standard basis

$$\underline{x} = x_1 \underline{e}_1 + \dots + x_n \underline{e}_n$$

and also $= x_1' \underline{u}_1 + \dots + x_n' \underline{u}_n$

since $x_i' = \underline{u}_i \cdot \underline{x} \Leftrightarrow \underline{x}' = P^T \underline{x}$.

Hence x_i' can be regarded as coordinates wrt a new set of axes given by basis vectors \underline{u}_i , the principal axes of F .

They are related to standard axes (\underline{e}_i) by an orthogonal transformation (P^T).

(b) Examples in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3

In \mathbb{R}^2 $F(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}^T A \underline{x}$ with $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$

evals: $\lambda_1 = \alpha + \beta, \quad \lambda_2 = \alpha - \beta$

evecs: $\underline{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} F(\underline{x}) &= \alpha x_1^2 + 2\beta x_1 x_2 + \alpha x_2^2 \\ &= (\alpha + \beta) x_1'^2 + (\alpha - \beta) x_2'^2 \end{aligned}$$

with $x_1' = \underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (x_1 + x_2)$

$$x_2' = \underline{u}_2 \cdot \underline{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-x_1 + x_2)$$

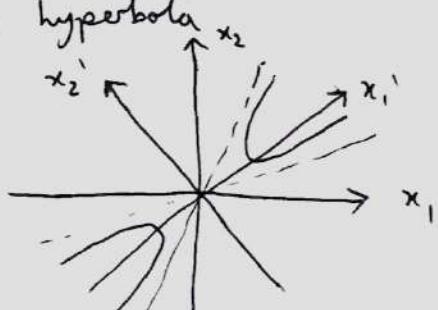
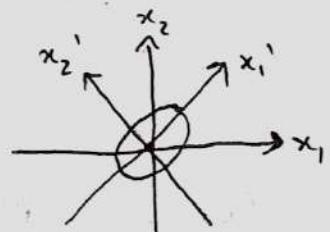
e.g. $\alpha = \frac{3}{2}, \quad \beta = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1, \quad \lambda_2 = 2$

$F=1$ represents an ellipse $x_1'^2 + 2x_2'^2 = 1$

Instead consider $\alpha = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad \beta = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1, \quad \lambda_2 = -2$

then $F=1$ is a hyperbola

$$x_1'^2 - 2x_2'^2 = 1$$



$$\text{In } \mathbb{R}^3 \quad F(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}^\top A \underline{x} = \lambda_1 x_1'^2 + \lambda_2 x_2'^2 + \lambda_3 x_3'^2$$

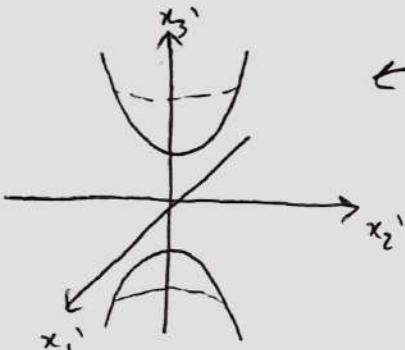
(i) If A has evals $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 > 0$ then ~~$F=1$~~ $F=1$ will define an ellipsoid

(ii) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ found in 6.4 that evals $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = -1$ and $\lambda_3 = 2$ $\underline{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\underline{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ evals

$$\text{and } \lambda_3 = 2 \quad \underline{u}_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

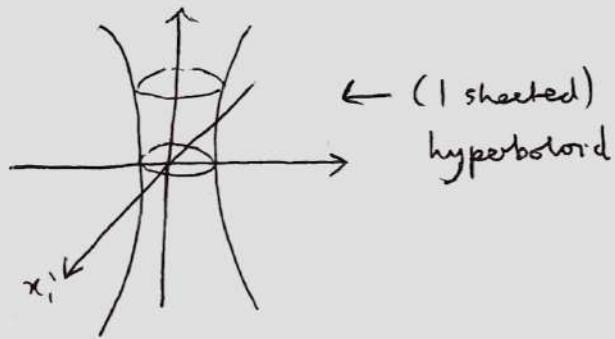
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } F = 2x_1 x_2 + 2x_2 x_3 + 2x_3 x_1 \\ = -x_1'^2 - x_2'^2 + 2x_3'^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$F=1 \Leftrightarrow 2x_3'^2 = 1 + x_1'^2 + x_2'^2$$



← (2 sheeted) hyperboloid

$$\text{or } F = -1 \Leftrightarrow x_1'^2 + x_2'^2 = 1 + 2x_3'^2$$



← (1 sheeted) hyperboloid

Example Consider a smooth function $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with a stationary point at $\underline{x} = \underline{a}$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = 0$ at $\underline{x} = \underline{a}$

Taylor's Theorem: $f(\underline{a} + \underline{h}) = f(\underline{a}) + F(\underline{h}) + O(|\underline{h}|^3)$

a QF with $A_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$

$$F(\underline{h}) = \lambda_1 h_1'^2 + \lambda_2 h_2'^2 + \dots + \lambda_n h_n'^2 \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Hessian} \\ \text{at } \underline{x} = \underline{a} \end{array} \right)$$

wrt principal axes.

$\lambda_i > 0 \quad \forall i$: minimum at $\underline{x} = \underline{a}$

$\lambda_i < 0 \quad \forall i$: maximum

both signs: saddle

Note For $n=2$ consider $\text{tr } A = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$, $\det A = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$.

6.6 Cayley-Hamilton Theorem

If A is an $n \times n$ complex matrix and

$P(t) = c_0 + c_1 t + \dots + c_k t^k$ is a polynomial, then

$$P(A) = c_0 I + c_1 A + \dots + c_k A^k$$

We can define power series (subject to convergence)

$$\text{e.g. } \exp(A) = I + A + \frac{1}{2} A^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{r!} A^r + \dots$$

(always converges)

$$\text{For } D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \text{ then } D^r = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^r & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n^r \end{pmatrix} \text{ and}$$

$$P(D) = \begin{pmatrix} P(\lambda_1) & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & P(\lambda_n) \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \exp(D) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

If $B = P^{-1}AP$ (similar to A) with P $n \times n$ invertible, then

$$B^r = (P^{-1}AP)^r = P^{-1}A^r P \text{ for any } r$$

$$\text{and } P(B) = P(P^{-1}AP) = P^{-1}P(A)P$$

Of special interest is the characteristic polynomial

$$\chi_A(t) = \det(A - tI) = c_0 + c_1 t + \dots + c_n t^n$$

$$\text{where } c_0 = \det A, \quad c_n = (-1)^n$$

Theorem (Cayley-Hamilton) $\chi_A(A) = c_0 I + c_1 A + \dots + c_n A^n = 0$

"a matrix satisfies its own characteristic equation"

Note $-c_0 I = A(c_1 A + \dots + c_n A^{n-1})$

If $c_0 = \det A \neq 0$ then A is invertible and

$$A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{c_0}(c_1 A + \dots + c_n A^{n-1})$$

General case is non-examinable.

Proof (i) General 2×2 matrix (special case)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\chi_A(t) = t^2 - (a+d)t + (ad-bc)$$

and check by substitution that $\chi_A(A) = 0$.

(ii) Diagonalisable $n \times n$ matrix

Consider A with evals. λ_i and invertible P

such that $P^{-1}AP = D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

Note $\chi_A(D) = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_A(\lambda_1) & 0 \\ 0 & \chi_A(\lambda_n) \end{pmatrix} = 0$ since

λ_i are evals (roots of $\chi_A(t)$).

Then $\chi_A(A) = \chi_A(PDP^{-1}) = P \overset{0}{\underset{\chi_A(D)}{\chi}} P^{-1} = 0$.

General case

$$\text{Let } M = A - tI$$

$$\det M = \det(A - tI) = \chi_A(t) = \sum_{r=0}^n c_r t^r$$

and $\tilde{M} = \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} B_r t^r$ (highest power in t is $n-1$:
↑
adjugate \tilde{M} generated, removing row/column
so up to $n-1$)

This obeys $\tilde{M}M = (\det M)I = \left(\sum_{r=0}^{n-1} B_r t^r \right) (A - tI)$

$$= B_0 A + (B_1 A - B_0) t + (B_2 A - B_1) t^2 + \dots + (B_{n-1} A - B_{n-2}) t^{n-1} - B_{n-1} t^n$$

Comparing coefficients: $c_0 I = B_0 A, c_1 I = B_1 A - B_0, \dots,$
 $c_{n-1} I = B_{n-1} A - B_{n-2}, c_n I = -B_{n-1}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} c_0 I = B_0 A \\ c_1 I = B_1 A - B_0 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1} I = B_{n-1} A - B_{n-2} \\ c_n I = -B_{n-1} \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} c_0 I \\ + c_1 A \\ + c_2 A^2 \\ + \dots \\ + c_{n-1} A^{n-1} \\ + c_n A^n \end{array} = \begin{array}{l} \cancel{B_0 A} \\ + \cancel{B_1 A^2} - \cancel{B_0 A} \\ + \cancel{B_2 A^3} - \cancel{B_1 A^2} \\ + \dots \\ + \cancel{B_{n-1} A^n} - \cancel{B_{n-2} A^{n-1}} \\ - \cancel{B_{n-1} A^n} \\ = 0. \end{array}$$

Chapter 7 Changing Bases, Canonical Forms and Symmetries

7.1 Changing Bases in General

Recall from 4.3c : given a linear map

$T: V \rightarrow W$ real or complex vector spaces

and choices of bases $\{\underline{e}_i\}$ $i=1, \dots, n$ for V and

$\{\underline{f}_a\}$ $a=1, \dots, m$ for W

The matrix A ($m \times n$) wrt these bases is defined by

$T(\underline{e}_i) = \sum_a f_a A_{ai}$: entries in column i of A
↑ coeffs are components of $T(\underline{e}_i)$
wrt basis $\{\underline{f}_a\}$.

This is chosen to ensure $\underline{y} = T(\underline{x}) \Leftrightarrow y_a = A_{ai} x_i$
↑ Σ convention

where $\underline{y} = \sum_a y_a \underline{f}_a$, $\underline{x} = \sum_i x_i \underline{e}_i$

The equivalence holds since $T\left(\sum_i x_i \underline{e}_i\right) = \sum_i x_i T(\underline{e}_i)$
 $= \sum_i x_i \left(\sum_a f_a A_{ai}\right) = \sum_a \underbrace{\left(\sum_i A_{ai} x_i\right)}_{y_a} f_a$
as required.

Same linear map T has different matrix A' wrt different bases $\{\underline{e}'_i\}$ and $\{\underline{f}'_a\}$.
(V) (W)

To relate A and A' must specify how bases are related.

Change of base matrices $P (n \times n)$ and $Q (m \times m)$ are defined by

$$\underline{e}_i' = \sum_j \underline{e}_j P_{ji}, \quad \underline{f}_a' = \sum_b \underline{f}_b Q_{ba}$$

\therefore entries in column i of P are components of a new basis vector \underline{e}_i' wrt old basis vectors \underline{e}_j , similar for Q .

Note P and Q are invertible; in relation above we can exchange $\{\underline{e}_i\}$ and $\{\underline{e}_i'\}$ with $P \rightarrow P^{-1}$, similarly for Q .

Proposition With definitions above:

$$A' = \underline{Q}^{-1} \underline{A} \underline{P}, \quad \text{change of base formula for linear map.}$$

Example $n=2, m=3$

$$\begin{aligned} T(\underline{e}_1) &= \underline{f}_1 + 2\underline{f}_2 - \underline{f}_3 = \sum_a \underline{f}_a A_{a1} && \text{defined} \\ T(\underline{e}_2) &= -\underline{f}_1 + 2\underline{f}_2 + \underline{f}_3 = \sum_a \underline{f}_a A_{a2} && \text{this way} \end{aligned}$$

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

New basis for V :

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \underline{e}_1' &= \underline{e}_1 - \underline{e}_2 = \sum_i \underline{e}_i P_{i1} \\ \underline{e}_2' &= \underline{e}_1 + \underline{e}_2 = \sum_i \underline{e}_i P_{i2} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \begin{aligned} P &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\text{get by reading across} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } W: \quad \underline{f}_1' &= \underline{f}_1 - \underline{f}_3 = \sum_a \underline{f}_a Q_{a1} \\ \underline{f}_2' &= \underline{f}_2 = \sum_a \underline{f}_a Q_{a2} \Rightarrow Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \underline{f}_3' &= \underline{f}_1 + \underline{f}_3 = \sum_a \underline{f}_a Q_{a3} \end{aligned}$$

From change of base formula

$$A' = Q^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then check directly:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} T(\underline{e}_1') = 2\underline{f}_1 - 2\underline{f}_3 = 2\underline{f}_1' \\ T(\underline{e}_2') = 4\underline{f}_2 = 4\underline{f}_2' \end{array} \right\} A' = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ as claimed.}$$

Proof of Proposition

$$\begin{aligned} T(\underline{e}_i') &= T\left(\sum_j \underline{e}_j P_{ji}\right) \quad \text{defn of } P \\ &= \sum_j T(\underline{e}_j) P_{ji} \quad (\text{T linear}) \\ &= \sum_a f_a A_{aj} P_{ji} \quad (\text{def of } A) \\ \text{but also } T(\underline{e}_i') &= \sum_b f_b' A'_{bi} \quad (\text{def. of } A') \\ &= \sum_{ab} f_a Q_{ab} A'_{bi} \quad (\text{def. of } Q) \end{aligned}$$

Vectors are a basis: equate coefficients of f_a

$$\sum_j A_{aj} P_{ji} = \sum_b Q_{ab} A'_{bi}$$

Hence $AP = QA'$ or $A' = Q^{-1}AP$ as required. \square

Consider changes in vector components

$$\underline{x} = \sum_i x_i e_i = \sum_j x_j' e_j' = \sum_i \left(\sum_j p_{ij} x_j' \right) e_i$$

$$\Rightarrow x_i = p_{ij} x_j' \quad (\text{using } \Sigma \text{ conv})$$

Write X for $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$, x' for $\begin{pmatrix} x_1' \\ \vdots \\ x_n' \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{Then } X = P X' \quad \text{or} \quad X' = P^{-1} X$$

P: change of basis matrix

Similarly $\underline{y} = \sum_a y_a f_a = \sum_b y_b' f_b$

$$\Rightarrow y_a = Q_{ab} y_b'$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then } Y = Q Y' \quad \text{or} \quad Y' = Q^{-1} Y$$

$$Y' = \begin{pmatrix} y_1' \\ \vdots \\ y_m' \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrices are defined to ensure

$$Y = A X \quad \text{and} \quad Y' = A' X'$$

$$\Rightarrow Q Y' = A P X' \Rightarrow Y' = (Q^{-1} A P) X'$$

$$\text{so } \underline{A'} = \underline{Q^{-1} A P}.$$

Special Cases

- (i) $V = W$ with $e_i = f_i$ and $e_i' = f_i'$, $P = Q$
 and $A' = P^{-1} A P$

Matrices representing the same linear map wrt different basis are similar.
 Conversely: if A, A' similar then we can regard them as representing the same linear map with P (invertible) defining a change of basis.

In 6.3: noticed $\text{tr}(A') = \text{tr}(A)$, $\det(A') = \det A$, $\chi_A(t) = \chi_{A'}(t)$
 so these are properties of a linear map.

(ii) $V = W = \mathbb{R}^n$ or \mathbb{C}^n

\underline{e}_i standard basis, wrt which T has matrix A

If \exists basis of evecs $\underline{e}_i' = \underline{v}_i$ with $A\underline{v}_i = \lambda_i \underline{v}_i$ then

$$A' = P^{-1}AP = D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\underline{v}_i = \sum_j \underline{e}_j p_{ji}$ e.vects cols of P .

(iii) Hermitian: $A^H = A$ then always have a basis of orthonormal e.vcs $\underline{e}_i' = \underline{v}_i$ and then (ii) applies with $P^H P = I$. (P unitary).

7.2 Jordan Canonical / Normal Form

This result classifies $n \times n$ complex matrices up to similarity.

Proposition Any 2×2 complex matrix A is similar to one of:

$$(i) \quad A' = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (ii) \quad A' = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \quad (iii) \quad A' = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ $\underbrace{\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2}_{\lambda_1 = \lambda}$ $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$

$$\chi_A(t) = (t - \lambda_1)(t - \lambda_2) \quad \chi_{A'}(t) = (t - \lambda)^2$$

Proof $\chi_A(t)$ has 2 roots over \mathbb{C}

(i) For distinct roots / e.vals, (λ_1, λ_2) we have $m_{\lambda_1} = m_{\lambda_1} = M_{\lambda_2} = m_{\lambda_2} = 1$

So e.vcs $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2$ provide a basis. Hence $A' = P^{-1}AP$ with e.vects cols of P .

(ii) Repeated root / e.val λ : if $M_\lambda = m_\lambda = 2$ then same argument applies.

(iii) For repeated root / e.val λ with $M_\lambda = 2, m_\lambda = 1$, let \underline{v} be e.vec and \underline{w} be any other vector with $\{\underline{v}, \underline{w}\}$ linearly independent. Then $A\underline{v} = \lambda \underline{v}, A\underline{w} = \alpha \underline{v} + \beta \underline{w}$

Then the matrix of map wrt basis $\{\underline{v}, \underline{w}\}$ is $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \alpha \\ 0 & \beta \end{pmatrix}$

But $\beta = \lambda$ else have case (i) and $\alpha \neq 0$, else have case 2.

Now set $\underline{u} = \alpha \underline{v}$ and note $A(\alpha \underline{v}) = \lambda(\alpha \underline{v})$

and $A\underline{w} = \alpha \underline{v} + \lambda \underline{w}$.

So wrt basis $\{\underline{u}, \underline{w}\}$ have matrix $A' = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$, as claimed.

Alternative approach for case 3:

If $\chi_A(t) = (t-\lambda)^2$ but $A \neq \lambda I$ then \exists some \underline{w} with $\underline{u} = (A - \lambda I)\underline{w} \neq 0$

Now $(A - \lambda I)\underline{u} = (A - \lambda I)^2 \underline{w} = 0$ (Cayley-Hamilton)

so $A\underline{u} = \lambda \underline{u}$, $A\underline{w} = \underline{u} + \lambda \underline{w}$

and with basis $\{\underline{u}, \underline{w}\}$ have matrix $A' = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ as above.

Example $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \chi_A(t) = (t-3)^2$

$A - 3I = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ Try $\underline{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and find $\underline{u} = (A - 3I)\underline{w} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$
 \underline{w} not e.vect ✓

Then $A\underline{u} = 3\underline{u} \Rightarrow A\underline{w} = \underline{u} + 3\underline{w}$

Check $P = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = A'$.

To extend arguments above to larger matrices, consider

$N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ When applied to standard basis vevs in \mathbb{C}^n
we get $e_n \mapsto e_{n-1} \mapsto \dots \mapsto e_1 \mapsto 0$.
kernel is 1-dimensional. $N^n = 0$ (nilpotent)

Then $J = \lambda I + N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \lambda & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ($n \times n$)
has $\chi_J(t) = (\lambda - t)^n$

$M_\lambda = n, m_\lambda = 1$.

Theorem Any $n \times n$ complex matrix A is similar to a matrix of the following form

$$A' = \begin{pmatrix} J_{n_1}(\lambda_1) & & & \\ \vdots & J_{n_2}(\lambda_2) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & J_{n_r}(\lambda_r) \end{pmatrix}$$

where each diagonal block is a Jordan block:

$J_{n_r}(\lambda_r)$ matrix J $n_r \times n_r$ with $\lambda = \lambda_r$.

$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$ are e.vals of A and A' and the same e.val may appear in different blocks.

(Non-examinable proof)

$$n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r = n$$

A is diagonalisable iff A' consists entirely of 1×1 blocks.

The expression above is the Jordan Normal Form

(proof in 1B Linear Algebra / GRM).

7.3 Conics and Quadrics

(a) Quadrics in General

A quadric in \mathbb{R}^n is a hypersurface defined by

$$Q(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} + \underline{b}^T \underline{x} + c = 0$$

for some non-zero symmetric real matrix A , $\underline{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$Q(\underline{x}) = A_{ij} x_i x_j + b_i x_i + c = 0$$

Consider classifying solutions for \underline{x} up to geometrical equivalence: no distinction between solutions related by isometries in \mathbb{R}^n , i.e. related by translation or rotation / orthogonal transformation about origin.

Note A is invertible iff it has no zero eigenvalues. In this case we can complete the square in eqn $Q(\underline{x}) = 0$ by setting $\underline{y} = \underline{x} + \frac{1}{2} A^{-1} \underline{b}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \underline{y}^T A \underline{y} &= (\underline{x} + \frac{1}{2} A^{-1} \underline{b})^T A (\underline{x} + \frac{1}{2} A^{-1} \underline{b}) \\ &= (\underline{x}^T + \frac{1}{2} \underline{b}^T (A^{-1})^T) A (\underline{x} + \frac{1}{2} A^{-1} \underline{b}) \\ &= \underline{x}^T A \underline{x} + \underline{b}^T \underline{x} + \frac{1}{4} \underline{b}^T A^{-1} \underline{b} \quad (\text{using } (A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T). \end{aligned}$$

Then $Q(\underline{x}) = 0 \iff F(\underline{y}) = k$ with $F(\underline{y}) = \underline{y}^T A \underline{y}$ a quadratic form wrt a new origin: $\underline{y} = \underline{0}$

$$\text{and } k = \frac{1}{4} \underline{b}^T A^{-1} \underline{b} - c$$

Now diagonalise F as in 6.5: orthonormal evecs give principal axes, e.vals of A and value of k then determine geometrical nature of solution (of quadric).

Examples in \mathbb{R}^3 given in 6.5

- (i) e.vals > 0 $k > 0$: ellipsoid
- (ii) e.vals different signs, $k \neq 0$: hyperboloid

If A has one or more zero eigenvalues, then analysis above changes and simplest standard form may have both linear and quadratic terms.

(b) Conics as Quadrics

Quadrics in \mathbb{R}^2 are curves called conics.

$\det A \neq 0$ By completing the square and diagonalising A , we get std. form $\lambda_1 x_1'^2 + \lambda_2 x_2'^2 = k$

New variables x_i' correspond to principal axes and new origin

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0 \Rightarrow$ ellipse for $k > 0$, point for $k = 0$,
no soln for $k < 0$.

$\lambda_1 > 0, \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow$ hyperbola for $k > 0$ or $k < 0$

pair of lines for $k = 0$ e.g. $x_1'^2 - x_2'^2 = 0$
 $= (x_1' - x_2')(x_1' + x_2') = 0$.

$\det A = 0$ Suppose (wlog) $\lambda_1 > 0, \lambda_2 = 0$ ($A \neq 0$)

Diagonalise A in original formula to get $\lambda_1 x_1'^2 + b_1' x_1' + b_2 x_2' + c = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 x_1''^2 + b_2' x_2'' + c' = 0$$

$$\text{where } x_1'' = x_1' + \frac{1}{2\lambda_1} b_1' \text{ and } c' = c - \frac{b_1'^2}{4\lambda_1^2}$$

If $b_2' = 0$: get pair of lines for $c' < 0$, single line for $c' = 0$,
no soln. for $c' > 0$.

If $b_2' \neq 0$: eqn becomes $\lambda_1 x_1''^2 + b_2' x_2'' = 0$ parabola

$$\text{where } x_2'' = x_2' + \frac{1}{b_2'} c'$$

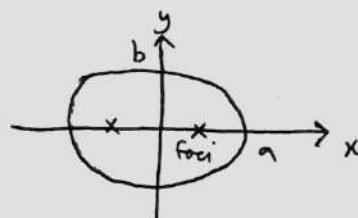
All changes of coordinates correspond to translation, or shift of origin, or orthogonal transformation — preserves lengths and angles.

c) Summary: Standard Forms for Conics

General forms can be written in terms of lengths a, b ,
semi-major/minor axes, length scale l , eccentricity

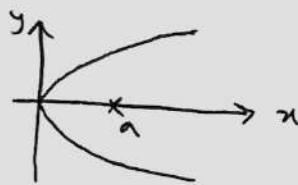
(i) Cartesian Coordinates

Ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

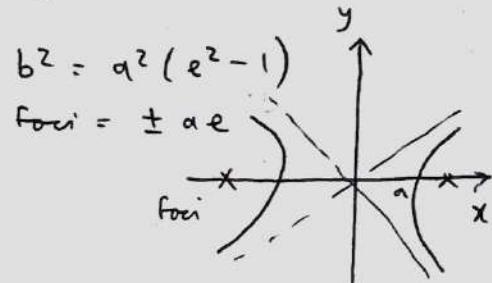


$e < 1$ $b^2 = a^2(1-e^2)$ Foci $x = \pm ae$

Parabola $e = 1$: $y^2 = 4ax$
Focus $x = +a$



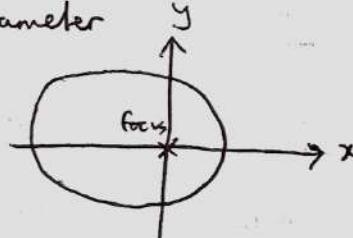
Hyperbola $e > 1$ $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ $b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$



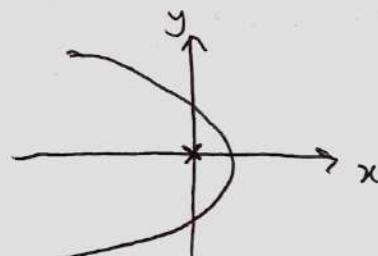
(ii) Polar Coordinates (choose origin as focus)

r, θ $r = \frac{l}{1+e\cos\theta}$ (l a parameter)

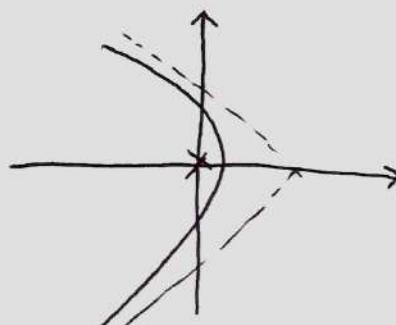
Ellipse $e < 1$ ($= a(1-e^2)$)



Parabola $e = 1$



Hyperbola $e > 1$ ($= a(e^2 - 1)$)



d) Cones as Sections of a Cone

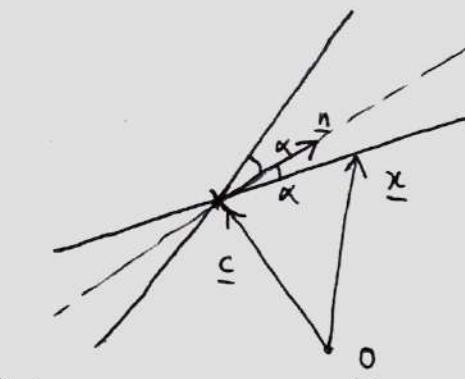
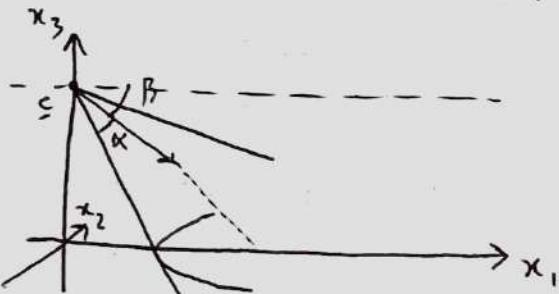
Eqn for cone in \mathbb{R}^3 : Let \underline{c} be apex, \underline{n} axis, (unit vec)
 $\alpha (< \frac{\pi}{2})$ angle

$$(\underline{x} - \underline{c}) \cdot \underline{n} = |\underline{x} - \underline{c}| \cos \alpha$$

Squaring gives double cone:

$$((\underline{x} - \underline{c}) \cdot \underline{n})^2 = |\underline{x} - \underline{c}|^2 \cos^2 \alpha$$

Let $\underline{c} = c\underline{e}_3$, $\underline{n} = \cos \beta \underline{e}_1 - \sin \beta \underline{e}_3$



Consider intersection with
plane $x_3 = 0$

$$(x_1 \cos \beta - c \sin \beta)^2 = (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + c^2) \cos^2 \alpha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\cos^2 \alpha - \cos^2 \beta) x_1^2 + (\cos^2 \alpha) x_2^2 + 2x_1 c \sin \beta \cos \beta = \text{constant}$$

ellipse if $\cos^2 \alpha > \cos^2 \beta$ ($\alpha < \beta$)

parabola if $\cos^2 \alpha = \cos^2 \beta$ ($\alpha = \beta$)

hyperbola if $\cos^2 \alpha < \cos^2 \beta$ ($\alpha > \beta$)

7.4 Symmetries and Transformation Groups

(a) Orthogonal Transformations and Rotations in \mathbb{R}^n

R is orthogonal $\Leftrightarrow R^T R = I \Leftrightarrow (R\bar{x}) \cdot (R\bar{y}) = \bar{x} \cdot \bar{y} \quad \forall \bar{x}, \bar{y}$
 \Leftrightarrow rows or cols of R orthonormal

The set of matrices R ($n \times n$) forms the orthogonal group $O(n)$

$R \in O(n) \Rightarrow \det R = \pm 1$ (check)

$SO(n) = \{R \in O(n) : \det R = 1\}$ is a subgroup, the special orthogonal group.

$R \in O(n) \Rightarrow R$ preserves lengths and $|n\text{-dim volume}|$

$R \in SO(n) \Rightarrow R$ also preserves orientation or sign of $n\text{-dim volume}$.

$SO(n)$ consists of all rotations in \mathbb{R}^n

Reflections belong to $O(n)$ but not $SO(n)$. For a specific $H \in O_n \setminus SO_n$,
have any element of O_n is of the form R or RH with
 $R \in SO(n)$.

e.g. if n odd, then can choose $H = -I$

Now we can regard transformation $\bar{x}_i' = R_{ij} \bar{x}_j$ in two ways:

Active : rotation transforms vectors \bar{x}_i' components of new
vector $\bar{x}' = R\bar{x}$ wrt standard basis

Passive : \bar{x}_i' components of some vector \bar{x} but wrt new
orthonormal basis vcs \bar{u}_i :

$$\bar{x} = \sum_i x_i e_i = \sum_i x_i' u_i \quad \text{with } u_i = \sum_j R_{ij} e_j$$

(keep \bar{x} the same, change
choice of axes)

$$= \sum_j \varepsilon_j p_{ji}$$

$$\text{so } P = R^{-1} = R^T \\ (\text{see 6.5})$$

(b) 2d Minkowski Space and Lorentz Transformations

Consider a new "inner-product" on \mathbb{R}^2 given by

$$(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) = \underline{x}^\top J \underline{y} \quad \text{where } J = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \underline{x}_0 \underline{y}_0 - \underline{x}_1 \underline{y}_1$$

and label components in \mathbb{R}^2 by $\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\underline{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$

This is not positive definite: $(\underline{x}, \underline{x}) = \underline{x}^\top J \underline{x} = x_0^2 - x_1^2$
 (a quadratic form with evals ± 1)

But still bilinear and symmetric. Standard basis vcs

$$\underline{e}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{obey}$$

$$(\underline{e}_0, \underline{e}_0) = -(\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_1) = 1 \quad \text{and } (\underline{e}_0, \underline{e}_1) = 0$$

Still "orthonormal" in a sense.

New inner product is called the Minkowski metric on \mathbb{R}^2
 \mathbb{R}^2 with this metric is called Minkowski space.

Orthogonal transformations preserve standard inner product.

What transformations preserve Minkowski metric?

Now consider matrix $M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{00} & M_{01} \\ M_{10} & M_{11} \end{pmatrix}$, giving map $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

Preserves Minkowski metric iff

$$(M\underline{x}, M\underline{y}) = (\underline{x}, \underline{y}) \quad \forall \underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (M\underline{x})^\top J (M\underline{y}) = \underline{x}^\top M^\top J M \underline{y} = \underline{x}^\top J \underline{y} \quad \forall \underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underline{M^\top J M} = J$$

The set of such matrices form a group. (Note again $\det M = \pm 1$)

Also $\det M = \pm 1$ (wrote it again: check from $M^\top J M = J$)

Furthermore, $|M_{00}|^2 \geq 1$ so $M_{00} \geq 1$ or $M_{00} \leq -1$

The subgroup with $\det M = +1$ and $M_{00} \geq 1$ is the Lorentz group.

General form for M : find this by using cols $M_{\underline{e}_0}, M_{\underline{e}_1}$, are orthonormal in the same sense as \underline{e}_0 and \underline{e}_1 ,

$$(M_{\underline{e}_0}, M_{\underline{e}_0}) = M_{00}^2 - M_{10}^2 = (\underline{e}_0, \underline{e}_0) = 1 \quad (\text{hence } |M_{00}|^2 \geq 1)$$

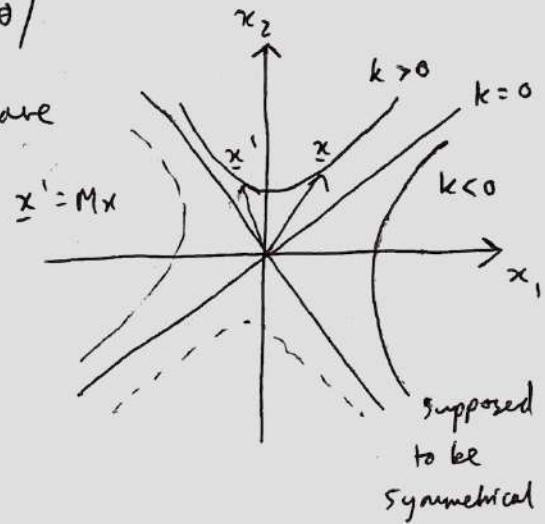
Taking $M_{00} \geq 1$, can write $M_{\underline{e}_0} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \theta \\ \sinh \theta \end{pmatrix}$ for some real θ .

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (M_{\underline{e}_0}, M_{\underline{e}_1}) = 0 \\ (M_{\underline{e}_1}, M_{\underline{e}_1}) = -1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow M_{\underline{e}_1} = \pm \begin{pmatrix} \sinh \theta \\ \cosh \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Finally, imposing $\det M = +1$, we have

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \theta & \sinh \theta \\ \sinh \theta & \cosh \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

curves with $(\underline{x}, \underline{x}') = k$, constant
as shown.



Note that matrices found obey

$$M(\theta_1) M(\theta_2) = M(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$$

using hyperbolic addition formulas.

Physical interpretation / application

Set $M(\theta) = \gamma(v) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & v \\ v & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $v = \tanh \theta$, $\gamma(v) = (1-v^2)^{-1/2}$
new parameter $-1 < v < 1$

Rename $x_0 \rightarrow t$ time coordinate

$x_1 \rightarrow x$ space coordinate

Then $\underline{x}' = M\underline{x} \iff \begin{cases} t' = \gamma(t + vx) \\ x' = \gamma(x + vt) \end{cases}$

Lorentz transformation / Lorentz boost relating time / space coordinates
for observers moving with relative speed v .

γ factor in Lorentz transformation gives rise to time dilation and length contraction effects.

Group property :

$$M(\theta_3) = M(\theta_1) M(\theta_2) \quad \text{with } \theta_3 = \theta_1 + \theta_2$$

$$(\text{recall } v = \tanh \theta)$$

\Rightarrow related composition of velocities with $v_i = \tanh \theta_i$
($i = 1, 2, 3$)

gives $v_3 = \frac{v_1 + v_2}{1 + v_1 v_2}$ (by addition formula)

Velocities don't add in the same way as nonrelativistic mechanics.

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