

## 1 Vectors

### D 1.4 (Linear Combination):

- let  $v, w \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i v_i$  are scaled combinations of  $n$  vectors  $v_i$ .

### D 1.7 (Combination types):

- Affine Combination:**  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 1$
- Conic Combination:** if  $\lambda_j \geq 0$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$
- Convex Combination:** Affine + Conic

### D 1.9 (Scalar/dot product):

- $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} := \sum_{i=1}^m v_i w_i$ , alternative notation:  $[z_i]_{i=1}^m := [v_i + w_i]_{i=1}^m$

### D 1.11 (Euclidean norm, squared norm, unit vector):

- $\|\mathbf{v}\| := \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{v}}$ , **Squared norm:**  $\|\mathbf{v}\|^2 := \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{v}$ ,  
**Unit vector:**  $\|\mathbf{u}\| = 1 = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \mathbf{v}$  (for any vector  $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ )

### L 1.12 (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality):

- $|\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}| \leq \|\mathbf{v}\| \|\mathbf{w}\|$  for any two vectors  $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

### D 1.14 (Angle between vectors):

- $\cos(\alpha) = \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{v}\| \|\mathbf{w}\|} \in [-1, 1]$

### D 1.16 (Hyperplane through origin):

- Let  $\mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\mathbf{d} \neq \mathbf{0}$ ,  $H_{\mathbf{d}} = \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m : \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{d} = 0\}$

### L 1.16 (Triangle inequality):

- $\|\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}\| \leq \|\mathbf{v}\| + \|\mathbf{w}\|$

### D 1.21 (Linear (in)dependence):

- vectors are linearly dependent if one of them is linear combination of the others:  $\mathbf{v}_k = \sum_{j=1, j \neq k}^n \lambda_j \mathbf{v}_j$

$\Leftrightarrow$  There are scalars  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  besides  $0, 0, \dots, 0$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j \mathbf{v}_j = \mathbf{0}$ . We also say that  $\mathbf{0}$  is a nontrivial linear combination of the vectors.

$\Leftrightarrow$  At least one of the vectors is a linear combination of the previous ones.

### D 1.25 (Span):

- Span of vectors is a set of all linear combinations of those vectors:  $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n) := \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j \mathbf{v}_j : \lambda_j \in \mathbb{R} \text{ for all } j \in [n] \right\}$

### Construction of vectors with standard unit vectors:

- Every target vector can be written as:  $\mathbf{u} = \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \mathbf{e}_i$ , where  $\mathbf{e}$  is a standard unit vector.

## 2 Matrices

### D 2.1 (Matrix):

- $A = [a_{ij}]_{i=1, j=1}^m, n$  -  $m$  rows,  $n$  columns (*Zeilen zuerst, Spalten später*)

### D 2.2 (Matrix addition, scalar multiplication):

- Addition:  $A + B = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}]_{i=1, j=1}^m, n$
- Scalar multiplication:  $\lambda A = [\lambda a_{ij}]_{i=1, j=1}^m, n$

### Matrix types:

- Identity matrix** ( $a_{ii} = 1$  for all  $i$ ):  $I$
- Diagonal matrix** ( $a_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$ ):  $\text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$
- Upper triangular matrix** ( $a_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i > j$ ):  $U$
- Lower triangular matrix** ( $a_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i < j$ ):  $L$
- Symmetric matrix** ( $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$  for all  $i, j$ ):  $A = A^\top$
- Skew-symmetric matrix** ( $a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$  for all  $i, j$ ):  $A = -A^\top$

### D 2.4 (Matrix-vector product):

- Rows of matrix ( $m \times n$ ) with vector ( $n$  elements), i.e.  
 $u_1 = \sum_{i=1}^m a_{1,i} v_i$ ,  $Ix = x$ ; **Trace:** Sum of the diagonal entries.

### D 2.9 (Column space):

- The column space  $\mathbf{C}(A)$  of  $A$  is the span (set of all linear combinations) of the columns:  $\mathbf{C}(A) := \{A\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$

### D 2.10 (Rank):

- $\text{rank}(A) :=$  the number of linearly independent column vectors of  $A$ .

### D 2.11 (Transpose):

- Mirror the matrix along its diagonal.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \leftrightarrow A^\top = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

- $(A^\top)^\top = A$

### D 2.13 (Row space):

- $\mathbf{R}(A) := \mathbf{C}(A^\top)$

### D 2.17 (Nullspace):

- Nullspace contains all input vectors that lead to output vector  $\mathbf{0}$ .

$$\mathbf{N}(A) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

### D 2.27 (Kernel & Image):

- Kernel:**  $\mathbf{N}(A) = \text{Ker}(T) := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  (If  $A$  is the unique  $m \times n$  matrix such that  $T = T_A$ )
- Image:**  $\mathbf{C}(A) = \text{Im}(T) := \{T(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$  (If  $A$  is the unique  $m \times n$  matrix such that  $T = T_A$ ), the set of all outputs that  $T$  can produce.

### 2.2.2 Working with linear transformations:

- A matrix can be understood as a re-mapping of the unit vectors, scaling and re-orienting them. Each column vector can then be understood as the new unit vector  $\mathbf{e}_i$ , hence essentially adding another coordinate system to the original one, which is moved and rotated a certain way. The rotation matrix under 2 is such an example. To prove that  $T$  is a linear transformation, use  $T(x + y) = T(x) + T(y)$  and  $T(\lambda x) = \lambda T(x)$ . Then insert the linear transformation given by the task and replace  $x$  (or whatever variable there is) with  $x + y$  or  $\lambda x$ .  $Ax = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i v_i$ , where  $v_i$  is the  $i$ -th column of  $A$ .

### O 2.39 (Matrix multiplication):

- $A \times B = C$ ,  $c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj}$ . Dimension restrictions:  $A$  is  $m \times n$ ,  $B$  is  $n \times p$ , result is  $m \times p$ . For each entry, multiply the  $i$ -th row of  $A$  with the  $j$ -th column of  $B$ .

Not commutative, but associative & distributive.

### L 2.40 Matrix multiplication with transposition:

- $(AB)^\top = B^\top A^\top$

### D 2.44 Outer product:

- $\text{rank}(A) = 1 \iff \exists$  non-zero vectors  $v \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $w \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $A$  is an outer product, i.e.  $A = vw^\top$ , thus  $\text{rank}(vw^\top) = 1$ .

### T 2.46 (CR decomposition):

- $A = CR$ . Get  $R$  from (reduced) row echelon form.  $C$  is the columns from  $A$  where there is a pivot in  $R$ .  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times r}$ ,  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$  (in RREF),  $r = \text{rank}(A)$ . **Row Echelon Form:** To find REF, try to create pivots:

$$R_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to find it (row trans-}$$

formations). **Reduced REF:** RREF is simply REF without any zero rows (i.e. in  $R_0$ ,  $R$  (in RREF) would be  $R_0$  without the last row).

### O 2.5.6 (Invertible matrix):

- Matrix  $A$  is invertible if it is square and there is  $B$  such that:

$$AB = I \Leftrightarrow BA = I \Leftrightarrow AB = BA = I$$

### D 2.57 (Inverse matrix and its properties):

- If  $AB = I$  for invertible  $A$ , then  $B$  is its inverse and denoted as  $A^{-1}$ . •  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$  •  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$  •  $(A^\top)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^\top$

## 4 Four Fundamental Subspaces

### 4.1 Vector Spaces

#### D 4.1 (Vector Space):

- Vector space is a triple  $(V, +, \cdot)$  where  $V$  is a set (the vectors) with two operations  $\oplus$  and  $\odot$ . They are based on algebras called fields and satisfy axioms: *commutativity, associativity, zero vector, negative vector, identity element, compatibility of multiplications of vectors and scalars* ( $\in \mathbb{R}$ ), *distributivity over  $\oplus$  both for vectors and scalars* ( $\in \mathbb{R}$ ).

#### D 4.8 (Subspace):

- Let  $V$  be a vector space. A nonempty subset  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace of  $V$  if

following axioms are true  $\forall \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in U$  and  $\forall \lambda \mathbf{v} \in U$ :

- $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} \in U$  •  $\lambda \mathbf{v} \in U$ .

They guarantee that vector addition and scalar multiplication "doesn't take us outside of a subspace".

#### L 4.9 (Subspace always has 0):

- Let  $U \subseteq V$  be a subspace of a vector space  $V$ . Then  $\mathbf{0} \in U$  (at least).

#### L 4.11 (Column space is a subspace):

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , then  $\mathbf{C}(A) = \{A\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$  is subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

$\Rightarrow R(A) = \mathbf{C}(A^\top)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

#### E 4.13 (The nullspace is a subspace):

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Then the nullspace  $\mathbf{N}(A) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

#### L 4.14 (Subspaces are vector spaces):

- $V$  is a vector space and  $U$  is its subspace. Then  $U$  is also a vector space with the same  $\oplus$  and  $\odot$  as  $V$ .

## 4.2 Bases and dimension

### D 4.18 (Basis):

- Let  $V$  be a vector space. A subset  $B \subseteq V$  is called a basis of  $V$  if  $B$  is linearly independent and it spans  $V$ :  $\text{Span}(B) = V$ .

### L 4.19 (Independent columns is a basis):

- Independent columns form basis of column space  $\mathbf{C}(A)$ .

### O 4.20 (Non-uniqueness of basis):

- Every set  $B = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$  of  $m$  linearly independent vectors is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

### D 4.21 (Finitely generated vector space):

- There is a finite subset  $G \subseteq V$  with  $\text{Span}(G) = V$ . Then  $V$  has a basis  $B \subseteq G$ .

### T 4.22 (Finitely generated VS has a basis):

- If  $V$  is finitely generated, then  $V$  has a basis  $B \subseteq V$ .

### L 4.23 (Steinitz exchange lemma):

- "exchanging elements between  $G$  and  $F$ "

$V$  is finitely generated vector space,  $F \subseteq V$  a finite set of lin. independent vectors, and  $G \subseteq V$  a finite set of vectors with  $\text{Span}(G) = V$ , then:

- $|V| \leq |G|$  and •  $\exists E \subseteq G$  of size  $|G| - |F|$  such that  $\text{Span}(F \cup E) = V$ .

### T 4.24 (All bases have the same size):

- All bases have the same size:  $B, B' \in V \Rightarrow |B| = |B'|$ .

### D 4.25 (Dimension):

- $\dim(V)$  - the dimensions of  $V$ . It has a size of arbitrary basis  $B$  of  $V$ .

### D 4.26 (Linear transformation between vector spaces):

- Let  $V, W$  be vector spaces. A function  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is linear if, for all  $x_1, x_2 \in V$  and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $T(\lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2) = \lambda_1 T(x_1) + \lambda_2 T(x_2)$ .

### L 4.27 (Bijective lin. transformations preserve basis):

- If  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is a bijective linear map, then  $B \subseteq V$  is a basis of  $V \Leftrightarrow T(B)$  is a basis of  $W$ , and hence  $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$ .

### D 4.28 (Isomorphic vector spaces):

- $V \cong W \iff \exists T : V \rightarrow W$  linear and bijective.

### T 4.29 (Basis writes vectors as a unique lin. combination):

- Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space with basis  $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$ . Then every  $v \in V$  can be written uniquely as  $v = \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j v_j$ , for unique scalars  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$ .

### L 4.30 (Less than $\dim(V)$ vectors do not span $V$ ):

- If  $|G| < \dim V$ , then  $\text{span}(G) \neq V$ .

## 4.3 Computing the three fundamental subspaces

### T 4.31 (Basis of $\mathbf{C}(A)$ : Pivots columns of RREF):

- $R$  is RREF of  $A$ , then all columns at pivots of  $R$  form a basis of  $\mathbf{C}(A)$ :  $\dim(\mathbf{C}(A)) = \text{rank}(A) = r$

**T 4.32 (Basis of  $R(A)$ : Nonzero rows of  $\text{RREF}(A)$ ):**

• Nonzero rows of  $\text{RREF}(A)$  form a basis of  $R(A)$ , so,  $\dim(R(A)) = r$ .

**T 4.33 (Row rank equals columns rank):**

•  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T)$

**C 4.34 (Rank is at most min of the matrix dimensions):**

•  $A$  is a  $m \times n$  matrix with  $\text{rank } r \Rightarrow r \leq \min(n, m)$ .

**L 4.35 (Nullspace isomorphism):**

•  $R = \text{RREF}(A)$ , then  $T: N(R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$  is an isomorphism between  $N(R)$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{n-r} \Rightarrow \dim(N(R)) = n - r$ .

**T 4.36 (Basis of  $N(A)$ : Non-pivot columns of  $\text{RREF}(A)$ ):**

• If  $\text{rank}(A) = r$ , then  $\dim(N(A)) = n - r$ .

## 4.4 All solutions of $Ax = b$

**D 4.37 (Solution space):**

• Solution space of  $Ax = b$ :

$\text{Sol}(A, b) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = b\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

**T 4.38 (Solution space from shifting the nullspace):**

• Let  $s$  be some solution of  $Ax = b$ , then:

$\text{Sol}(A, b) := \{s + x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x \in N(A)\}$ .

We can also compute  $\text{Sol}(A, b)$ , although it is not a subspace.

**T 4.39 (Dimension of a solution space):**

• Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with  $\text{rank } r$ . If  $Ax = b$  is solvable, then:

$\dim(\text{Sol}(A, b)) = n - r$ , and  $\dim(\text{Sol}(A, b)) := \dim(N(A))$ .

**T 4.40 (Systems of rank  $m$  are solvable):**

• Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ ,  $Ax = b$  is solvable for all  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

**T 4.41 (Systems of rank less than  $m$  are typ. unsolvable):**

• Systems of rank  $r < m$  are typically unsolvable.

**D 4.42 (Types of systems):**

• Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . The system  $Ax = b$  is called:

•  $m = n \Rightarrow$  square ( $A$  is a square matrix)  $\star$  **typ. solvable**

•  $m < n \Rightarrow$  underdetermined ( $A$  is a wide matrix)  $\star$  **typ. solvable**

•  $m > n \Rightarrow$  overdetermined ( $A$  is a tall matrix)  $\star$  **typ. unsolvable**. “Typ-ical” matrices are with  $m \leq n$  and have  $\text{rank } r = m$ .

## 5 Orthogonality and Projections

### 5.1 Definition

**Orthogonality:**

• A geometric and algebraic tool in order to be able to decompose a space into subspaces.

**D 5.1.1 (Orthogonal subspaces):**

• Two vectors are orthogonal if their scalar product is 0:  $v^\top w = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i w_i = 0$ . Two subspaces are orthogonal if all  $v$  and  $w$  are orthogonal.

**L 5.1.2 (Orthogonality of bases):**

• Let  $v_1, \dots, v_2$  and  $w_1, \dots, w_2$  be bases of subspaces  $W$  and  $V$ .  $W$  and  $V$  are orthogonal  $\Leftrightarrow$  all  $v_i$  orthogonal to all  $w_j$

**L 5.1.3 (Combinations and interaction of subspaces):**

• The set of vectors  $\{v_1, \dots, v_2, w_1, \dots, w_2\}$  are linearly independent.

• The union of bases of two subspaces gives a basis for the new subspace:  $V \cup W = V + W = \{\lambda v + \mu w \mid \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}, v \in V, w \in W\}$ .

• If  $V$  and  $W$  are subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $V + W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

•  $V \cap W = \{0\}$  if subspaces are orthogonal.

•  $\dim(V) = k$  and  $\dim(W) = l$ , then  $\dim(V + W) = k + l \leq n$ .

**D 5.1.5 (Orthogonal complement):**

• Let  $V$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , its **orthogonal complement**:

$V^\perp = \{w \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid w^\top v = 0 \text{ for all } v \in V\}$ .

**T 5.1.6 (Relations between subspaces):**

•  $N(A) = C(A^\top)^\perp = R(A)^\perp$  and  $C(A^\top) = N(A)^\perp$

**T 5.1.7 (Vector decomposition by orth. complements):**

•  $W = V^\perp \Leftrightarrow \dim(V) + \dim(W) = n \Leftrightarrow$  every  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is  $u = v + w$ ,  $v$  and  $w$  are unique.

**L 5.1.10 (Justification of exist. of sol. for normal eq.):**

• Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Then  $N(A) = N(A^T A)$  and  $C(A^T) = C(A^T A)$ .

## 5.2 Projections

**D 5.2.1 (Projection):**

• **Projection** of  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  on a subspace  $S$  (of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ) is the point in  $S$  that is closest to  $b$ :  $\text{proj}_S(b) = \arg \min_{p \in S} \|b - p\|$ .

**L 5.2.2 (One-dimensional Projection Formula):**

• Projection of  $b$  on  $S = \{\lambda a \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\} = C(a)$ :  $\text{proj}_S(b) = \frac{a a^\top}{a^\top a} b$ .

• “Error vector” ( $e = b - p$ ) is perpendicular to projection:  $(e = b - \text{proj}_S(b)) \perp \text{proj}_S(b)$ .

**L 5.2.3 (General Projection Formula):**

• Let  $S$  be a subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  with a basis  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  that span  $S$ . Let  $A$  be the matrix with column vectors  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ .

• The general formula:  $\text{proj}_S(b) = A\hat{x}$ , where  $\hat{x}$  is  $A^T A\hat{x} = A^T b$ .

**L 5.2.4 (Properties of  $A^T A$ ):**

•  $A^T A$  is invertible  $\Leftrightarrow A$  has linearly independent columns.  $\Rightarrow A^T A$  is a square matrix, symmetric, invertible.

**T 5.2.5 (Projection in terms of projection matrix):**

•  $\text{proj}_S(b) = Pb$  with projection matrix  $P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ .

$A$  is matrix given in a task.

## 6 Applications of Orthogonality and Projections

### 6.1 Least Squares Approximation

**Least Squares:**

• Approximate a solution to System of equations: find  $x$  for which  $Ax$  is as close as possible to  $b$ :  $\min_{\hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2$

**usage:**

• find  $M = A^T A$ ,  $b' = A^T b$ , solve  $M\hat{x} = b'$

**Linear Regression:**

• Fitting a parabola

$$(t_k, b_k) \in \{(0, 1), (1, 2), (2, 5)\}, b_k \approx \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 t_k + \alpha_2 t_k^2$$
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\alpha} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{b}(t) = 1 + t^2.$$

**L 6.1.2:**

• Matrix  $A$  ( $m \times 2$ ) has linearly dependent columns  $\Leftrightarrow t_i = t_j \forall i \neq j$ .

### 6.2 The set of all solutions to a system of linear equations

**L 6.2.1 (Injectivity of  $A$  on  $C(A^T)$ , uniqueness of sol.):**

•  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $x, y \in C(A^T)$ :  $Ax = Ay \Leftrightarrow x = y$

This leads to:  $C(A^T) \cap N(A) = \{0\}$

**T 6.2.2 (Set of all solution of linear equations):**

• Set of all sol.:  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = b\} \neq \emptyset$ , then:

$\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = b\} = x_1 + N(A)$ ,  $x_1 \in R(A)$  is unique s.t.  $Ax_1 = b$ .

**T 6.2.4 (Linear equations with no solution):**

• Linear equations has no solution:

$\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = b\} = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \{z \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid A^T z = 0, b^T z = 1\} \neq \emptyset$ .

### 6.3 Orthonormal Bases and Gram Schmidt

**D 6.3.1 (Orthonormal vectors):**

•  $q_i^\top q_j = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq j \\ 1 & i = j \end{cases}$  (orthogonal and have norm 1)

**D 6.3.3 (Orthogonal Matrix):**

• A square matrix  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is an *orthogonal matrix* when  $Q^\top Q = I$ . If it is square, then,  $QQ^\top = I$ ,  $Q^{-1} = Q^\top$ , and the columns of  $Q$  form an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

• Orthogonal (rotation) matrix example:  $R_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ .

**P 6.3.6 (Preserving qualities of orthogonal matrices):**

• Orthogonal matrices preserve norm and inner product of vectors:  $\|Qx\| = \|x\|$  and  $(Qx)^\top (Qy) = x^\top y$

**P 6.3.7 (Least square solution to  $Qx = b$ ):**

• The least square solution to  $Qx = b$ , where  $Q$  is the matrix whose columns are the vectors forming the orthonormal basis of  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ , is given by  $\hat{x} = Q^\top b$  and the projection matrix is given by  $QQ^\top$ .

**D 6.3.8 (Gram-Schmidt algorithm):**

• **Gram-Schmidt:** used to construct orthonormal bases.

We have linearly independent vectors  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  that span a subspace  $S$ , then we can construct their orthonormal basis  $q_1, \dots, q_n$  by:

•  $q_1 = \frac{a_1}{\|a_1\|}$ .

• For  $k = 2, \dots, n$  do  $q'_k = a_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (a_k^\top q_i) q_i$ ,

• normalise  $q_k = \frac{q'_k}{\|q'_k\|}$ .

**D 6.3.10 (QR-Decomposition):**

•  $A = QR$ , where  $R = Q^\top A$ , and  $Q$  is a matrix with orthonormal columns produced by Gram-Schmidt.

**D 6.3.11 (Well-Defined QR Decomposition):**

•  $R$  - upper-triangular and invertible matrix  $\Rightarrow QQ^\top A = A$ , and hence,  $A = QR$  is well-defined.

**Simplicity of calculation with  $Q$ :**

• **Projection:**  $\text{proj}_{C(A)}(b) = QQ^\top b$ , **Least Squares:**  $R\hat{x} = Q^\top b$

This is possible because  $C(A) = C(Q)$  and  $R$  is triangular - we can use back-substitution with it.

## 6.4 Pseudoinverses

**D 6.4.1 (Left pseudoinverse):**

• For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with full-column  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ , we get pseudoinverse  $A^\dagger \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  as  $A^\dagger = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ .  $A^\dagger$  is a left inverse:  $A^\dagger A = I$

**D 6.4.3 (Right pseudoinverse):**

• For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with full row  $\text{rank}(A) = m$  we get  $A^\dagger \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  as  $A^\dagger = A^T (AA^T)^{-1}$ .  $A^\dagger$  is a right inverse:  $AA^\dagger = I$

**D 6.4.7 (CR decomposition with pseudoinverses):**

• For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with  $\text{rank}(A) = r$  and a  $CR$ -decomposition  $A = CR$ , we define  $A^\dagger = R^\dagger C^\dagger$ . In general,  $A^\dagger = R^T (RR^T)^{-1} (C^T C)^{-1} C^T = R^T (C^T C R R^T)^{-1} C^T = R^T (C^T A R^T)^{-1} C^T$ .

**L 6.4.8 (Unique solution of least sq. with pseudoinverses):**

• For any matrix  $A$  and vector  $b \in C(A)$ , the unique solution of the least squares problem is given by a vector  $\hat{x} \in C(A^T)$  satisfying  $A\hat{x} = b$ . The solution is  $\hat{x} = A^\dagger b$ , with  $A\hat{x} = b$ , and in the general case  $A^\dagger = R^\dagger C^\dagger = R^T (C^T A R^T)^{-1} C^T$ .

**P 6.4.9 (TS decomposition):**

• For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with  $\text{rank}(A) = r$ , let  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times r}$ ,  $T \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$  such that  $A = ST$ . Then  $A^\dagger = T^\dagger S^\dagger$ .

**T 6.4.10 (Pseudoinverses properties):**

• Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Then  $AA^\dagger A = A$ ,  $A^\dagger A A^\dagger = A^\dagger$ ,  $(A^\dagger)^T = (A^T)^\dagger$ .

$AA^\dagger$  is symmetric  $\Rightarrow$  projection matrix onto  $C(A)$ ,

$A^\dagger A$  is symmetric  $\Rightarrow$  projection matrix onto  $C(A^T)$ .

Moreover,  $AA^\dagger = C R R^T (R R^T)^{-1} (C^T C)^{-1} C^T = C (C^T C)^{-1} C^T$ , which is the projection onto  $C(A)$ , and  $(A A^\dagger)^T = A A^\dagger$ .

## 7 The Determinant

### 7.1 2 times 2

#### D 7.1.1 (2 × 2 Determinant):

- For  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\det(A) = ad - bc$ .

#### L 7.1.2 (Multiplication of determinants):

- $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$ .

Hence, for an  $LU$ -decomposition,  $\det(A) = \det(L) \det(U)$ .

#### D 7.2.1 (Permutation sign):

- The sign of a permutation is defined as the number of swaps of rows or columns.  $\det(\text{permuted matrix}) = (-1)^k \det(\text{original matrix})$ , where  $k$  is the number of swaps. Even number of swaps  $\Rightarrow +1$ , odd number  $\Rightarrow -1$ .  $\text{sgn}(\sigma \circ \gamma) = \text{sgn}(\sigma) \text{sgn}(\gamma)$ . For all  $n \geq 2$ , half of the permutations have sign  $+1$ , half have sign  $-1$ .

### 7.2 General case:

#### D 7.2.3 (Determinant big formula):

- For a square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  
 $\det(A) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n A_{i,\sigma(i)}$ . (Number of permutations:  $n!$ )

#### • Determinant Properties:

- Matrix  $T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is triangular, then  
 $\det(T) = \prod_{k=1}^n T_{kk}$ , in particular  $\det(I) = 1$ .
- Matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$ .
- Matrix  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is orthogonal  $\iff \det(Q) = 1$  or  $\det(Q) = -1$ .
- Matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is invertible  $\iff \det(A) \neq 0$ .
- Matrices  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$ ,  
in particular  $\det(A^n) = \det(A)^n$ .
- Matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ .
- $\det(\lambda A) = \lambda^n \det(A)$ .

#### P 7.2.4 (Determinant of orthogonal matrices):

- $1 = \det(I) = \det(Q^T Q) = \det(Q^T) \det(Q) = \det(Q)^2$ , so  $\det(Q) = \pm 1$ . If  $\det(Q) = 1$ , then  $Q$  is a rotation matrix. If  $\det(Q) = -1$ , then  $Q$  is a reflection matrix.

#### P 7.3.2 (Cofactor determinant calculation):

- Co-factor method:**

$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} C_{ij}$ , where cofactors are  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij})$ .

#### P 7.3.5 (Cramer's Rule):

- Cramer's Rule:** For  $Ax = b$  with  $\det(A) \neq 0$ ,  $x_j = \frac{\det(\mathcal{B}_j)}{\det(A)}$ , where  $\mathcal{B}_j$  is the matrix obtained from  $A$  by replacing the  $j$ -th column with  $b$ .

#### P 7.3.7 (Linearity of a determinant):

- The determinant is linear in each row (and column). For example,  
 $\det \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 a_0^T + \alpha_1 a_1^T \\ a_2^T \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_0 \det \begin{bmatrix} a_0^T \\ a_2^T \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_1 \det \begin{bmatrix} a_1^T \\ a_2^T \end{bmatrix}$ .

## 8 Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

### 8.1 Complex Numbers

- Solve  $x^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{-1} \Rightarrow \mathbb{C} = \{a + ib : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .
- $(a + ib) + (x + iy) = (a + x) + i(b + y)$ ,
- $(a + ib)(x + iy) = (ax - by) + i(ay + bx)$ ,
- $(a + ib)(a - ib) = a^2 + b^2$ .
- $\frac{a + ib}{x + iy} = \frac{(a + ib)(x - iy)}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{ax + by}{x^2 + y^2} + i \frac{bx - ay}{x^2 + y^2}$ .
- $|z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ ,  $z = a + ib$ ,
- $a + ib = a - ib$ .

#### R 8.1.1 (Euler's formula):

- For  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \Rightarrow e^{i\pi} = -1$

#### Polar form of a complex number:

- $z = re^{i\theta}$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $r > 0$  is the modulus of  $z$ ,  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$ .

#### T 8.1.2 (Fundamental Theorem of Algebra):

- Any degree  $n$  non-constant ( $n \geq 1$ ) polynomial  $P(z) = \alpha_n z^n + \alpha_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_1 z + \alpha_0$ , ( $\alpha_n \neq 0$ ) has a zero: there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $P(\lambda) = 0$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  A degree- $n$  polynomial has at most  $n$  distinct zeros (roots).

#### C 8.1.3 (Algebraic multiplicity, num. of 0 in polynomial):

- Any degree  $n$  non-constant ( $n \geq 1$ ) polynomial has  $n$  zeros  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{C}$ , and  $P(z) = \alpha_n (z - \lambda_1)(z - \lambda_2) \dots (z - \lambda_n)$ . The number of times  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  appears in the expression is called the *algebraic multiplicity* of the zero.

#### Inner product on $\mathbb{C}^n$ :

- The inner product on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is given by  $\langle v, w \rangle = w^* v$ .

#### Conjugate transpose:

- $A^* = \bar{A}^T$ .

## 8.2 Introduction to Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

#### D 8.2.1 (EW/EV pair):

- Given  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , we say  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an *eigenvalue* of  $A$  and  $v \in \mathbb{C}^n \setminus \{0\}$  is an *eigenvector* of  $A$  associated with  $\lambda$  when  $Av = \lambda v$ .  $(\lambda, v)$  is an eigenvalue–eigenvector pair. If  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , then we have a real eigenvalue–eigenvector pair.

#### L 8.2.3 (Real EW/EV):

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Then  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  is a real eigenvalue of  $A$  if and only if  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ . A vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$  is an eigenvector associated with  $\lambda$  if and only if  $v \in \mathcal{N}(A - \lambda I)$ .

#### D 8.3.4 (Characteristic Polynomial):

- The characteristic polynomial:  $(-1)^n \det(A - zI) = \det(zI - A) = (z - \lambda_1)(z - \lambda_2) \dots (z - \lambda_n)$ . The coefficient of  $z^n$  is  $(-1)^n$ .

#### T 8.2.5 (Existence of EW):

- Every matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  has an eigenvalue (possibly complex-valued).

#### P 8.2.7 (EW of orthogonal matrix):

- If  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is orthogonal and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an eigenvalue of  $Q$ , then  $|\lambda| = 1$ .

#### L 8.2.8 (Complex EW exist in conjugate pairs for real A):

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . If  $(\lambda, v)$  is an eigenvalue–eigenvector pair, then  $(\bar{\lambda}, \bar{v})$  is also an eigenvalue–eigenvector pair.

## 8.3 Properties of Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

#### P 8.3.1 (EW modifications based on types of a matrix):

- If  $(\lambda, v)$  is an eigenvalue–eigenvector pair of  $A$ , then  $(\lambda^k, v)$  is an eigenvalue–eigenvector pair of  $A^k$  for  $k \geq 1$ .
- If  $(\lambda, v)$  is an eigenvalue–eigenvector pair of  $A$  with  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then  $(\frac{1}{\lambda}, v)$  is an eigenvalue–eigenvector pair of  $A^{-1}$ .

#### L 8.3.2 (Linear independence):

- If  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  are all distinct, the corresponding eigenvectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent.

#### T 8.3.3 (Existence of a basis from EV):

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  with  $n$  distinct real eigenvalues. Then there exists a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ , made of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

#### D 8.3.4 (Trace of a matrix):

- The trace of  $A$  is defined by  $\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ii}$ .

#### L 8.3.5 (Transposition equality of EW):

- The eigenvalues of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are the same as those of  $A^T$ .

#### L 8.3.6 (Determinant and Trace via EW):

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and let  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  be its eigenvalues as they appear in the characteristic polynomial. Then

$\det(A) = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$ ,  $\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$ .

#### L 8.3.7 (Cyclic invariance of the trace):

- For  $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ :

$\text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA)$ , and  $\text{Tr}(ABC) = \text{Tr}(BCA) = \text{Tr}(CAB)$ .

## 9 Diagonalizable Matrices, Singular Value Decomposition

### 9.1 Diagonalization

#### T 9.1.1 (Diagonalization Theorem, ability changing basis):

- $A = V\Lambda V^{-1}$ , where  $V$ 's columns are its eigenvectors and  $\Lambda$  is a diagonal matrix with  $\Lambda_{ii} = \lambda_i$  and all other entries 0.  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and has to have a complete set of real eigenvectors (eigenbasis). Equivalently,  $\Lambda = V^{-1}AV$ , since  $V$  is invertible.

Std. coord.  $\xrightarrow{V^{-1}}$  EV. coord.  $\xrightarrow{\Lambda}$  EV. coord.  $\xrightarrow{V}$  Std. coord.

#### D 9.1.2 (Diagonalizable matrix):

- A matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is called *diagonalizable* if there exists an invertible matrix  $V$  such that  $V^{-1}AV = \Lambda$ , where  $\Lambda$  is a diagonal matrix.

#### D 9.1.3 (Complete set of EV):

- If we can find eigenvectors forming a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for  $A$ , we say that  $A$  has a *complete set of real eigenvectors*.

#### P 9.1.6 (Projection and EW/EV):

- Let  $P$  be a projection matrix onto a subspace  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $P$  has two eigenvalues, 0 and 1, and a complete set of real eigenvectors.

#### D 9.1.7 (Similar matrices):

- Matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are called *similar* if there exists an invertible matrix  $S$  such that  $B = S^{-1}AS$ . **P 9.1.8:** Similar matrices have the same eigenvalues.

#### D 9.1.10 (Geometric multiplicity):

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$ . Then  $\dim \mathcal{N}(A - \lambda I)$  is called the *geometric multiplicity* of  $\lambda$ .

#### L 9.1.11 (Complete set of real EV):

- A matrix has a complete set of real eigenvectors if and only if all its eigenvalues are real and the geometric multiplicities equal the algebraic multiplicities for all eigenvalues.

## 9.2 Symmetric Matrices, Spectral Theorem

#### T 9.2.1 (Spectral Theorem):

- Any symmetric matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  has  $n$  real eigenvalues and an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

#### C 9.2.2 (Eigendecomposition):

- For any symmetric matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , there exists an orthogonal matrix  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  (whose columns are eigenvectors of  $A$ ) such that  $A = V\Lambda V^T$ , where  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is diagonal with diagonal entries equal to the eigenvalues of  $A$ , and  $V^T V = I$ . This decomposition is called the *eigendecomposition*.

#### C 9.2.4 (Rank of real symmetric matrix):

- If  $A$  is a real symmetric matrix, then  $\text{rank}(A)$  is the number of nonzero eigenvalues of  $A$  (counting repetitions).
- For a general  $n \times n$  matrix,  $\text{rank}(A) = n - \dim \mathcal{N}(A)$ , so the geometric multiplicity of the eigenvalue  $\lambda = 0$  equals  $\dim \mathcal{N}(A)$ .

#### P 9.2.6 (Rank-One Spectral Decomposition):

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be symmetric, and let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors of  $A$  (the columns of  $V$ ), with associated eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ . Then  $A = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k v_k v_k^T$ .

A real symmetric matrix is a weighted sum of orthogonal projections onto its eigenvector directions, with weights given by the eigenvalues.

#### L 9.2.7 (Orthogonality of EV):



- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be symmetric and let  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  be two distinct eigenvalues of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvectors  $v_1, v_2$ . Then  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are orthogonal.

**L 9.2.8 (Symmetric matrix has real EW):**

- A symmetric matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  has only real eigenvalues:  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Indeed, if  $Av = \lambda v$ :  
 $\lambda \|v\|^2 = \overline{\lambda} v^* v = (\lambda v)^* v = (Av)^* v = v^* A^* v = v^* A v = v^* \lambda v = \lambda \|v\|^2$ .  $\Rightarrow$  every symmetric matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  has a real eigenvalue. (C 9.2.9)

**P 9.2.10 (Rayleigh Quotient):**

- $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric. For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ , the Rayleigh quotient  $R(x) = \frac{x^T A x}{x^T x}$ .  
The minimum of  $R = R(v_{\min}) = \lambda_{\min}$ , and the maximum  $R(v_{\max}) = \lambda_{\max}$ . Here  $\lambda_{\max}/\lambda_{\min}$  are the largest/smallest eigenvalues of  $A$ , and  $v_{\max}/v_{\min}$  their associated eigenvectors.

**D 9.2.11 (PSD and PD matrices):**

- $A = A^T$  •  $A \succeq 0$  (PSD)  $\Leftrightarrow \lambda_i(A) \geq 0$  •  $A \succ 0$  (PD)  $\Leftrightarrow \lambda_i(A) > 0$ .

**P 9.2.12 (Positivity of the quadratic form):**

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be symmetric. Then  $A \succeq 0 \iff x^T A x \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $A \succ 0 \iff x^T A x > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$ .

**D 9.2.13 (Gram Matrix):**

- Given vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , their *Gram matrix* is  $G \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  defined by  $G_{ij} = v_i^T v_j$ . If  $V = [v_1 \cdots v_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , then  $G = V^T V$ .
- If  $A = [a_1 \cdots a_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , one also calls  $AA^T$  a Gram matrix; note that  $AA^T = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i a_i^T$ . It is  $m \times m$  matrix.

**P 9.2.15 (Same EV of transposed matrices):**

- For a real matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , the non-zero eigenvalues of  $A^T A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $AA^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  are the same. Also both are symmetric and PSD.

**P 9.2.16 (Cholesky Decomposition):**

- Every symmetric PSD matrix  $M$  is a Gram matrix of upper-triangular matrix  $C$ :  $M = C^T C$ .

### 9.3 Singular Value Decomposition

**D 9.3.1 (Singular Value Decomposition):**

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . There exist orthogonal matrices  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and a diagonal matrix  $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with nonnegative diagonal entries  $\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{\min(m,n)}$  such that

$$A = U \Sigma V^T.$$

The columns of  $U$  and  $V$  are called the left and right singular vectors of  $A$ , and the diagonal entries of  $\Sigma$  are the singular values of  $A$ .

**R 9.3.2 (Compact form of SVD):**

- If  $\text{rank}(A) = r$ , then the SVD can be written as

$$A = U_r \Sigma_r V_r^T,$$

where  $U_r \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times r}$  and  $V_r \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$  have orthonormal columns, and  $\Sigma_r = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r)$ . This representation stores  $r(m+n+1)$  real numbers instead of  $mn$ . For small  $r$ , this yields substantial savings and motivates low-rank approximations.

**T 9.3.3 (Every matrix has SVD):**

- Every matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  has SVD:  $A = U \Sigma V^T$ . Equivalently, every linear transformation is diagonal in orthonormal bases of singular vectors.

**P 9.3.4 (SVD as a sum of rank-one matrices):**

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  have rank  $r$ , with singular values  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r$  and corresponding singular vectors  $u_1, \dots, u_r$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_r$ . Then

$$A = \sum_{k=1}^r \sigma_k u_k v_k^T.$$

Main idea: We can write any rank- $r$  matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  as a sum of  $r$  rank-1 matrices.

### Algorithms

#### Gaussian Elimination.

Given  $Ax = b$ , form the augmented matrix  $[A \mid b]$  and apply elementary row operations to reach row echelon form (REF): pivot  $\rightarrow$  swap  $\rightarrow$  eliminate below  $\rightarrow$  repeat. If a row  $(0 \cdots 0 \mid c)$  with  $c \neq 0$  appears, the system is inconsistent; otherwise solve by back-substitution.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow (x, y) = (1, 2).$$

#### Gauss-Jordan Elimination.

Starting from  $[A \mid b]$ , apply Gaussian elimination, then normalize each pivot to 1 and eliminate all other entries in the pivot columns. The resulting reduced row echelon form (RREF) gives the solution directly. Solve:

$$\begin{cases} x + y = 3, \\ 2x + y = 4. \end{cases} \iff \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

Row-reduce to RREF:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow -R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right].$$

$$x = 1, \quad y = 2.$$

#### Inverse via Gauss–Jordan.

To compute  $A^{-1}$ , form the augmented matrix  $[A \mid I]$  and apply Gauss–Jordan elimination. If

$$[A \mid I] \longrightarrow [I \mid B],$$

then  $B = A^{-1}$ . If  $I$  cannot be obtained on the left,  $A$  is not invertible.

$$[A \mid I]1 = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 3R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow -\frac{1}{2}R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - 2R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right].$$

#### Fitting a line with least squares.

$$\hat{\alpha} = \arg \min_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^2} \|A\alpha - b\|^2 = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\alpha} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{7}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \hat{b}(t) = \frac{7}{6} + \frac{1}{2}t.$$

#### Forming orthonormal basis via Gram-Schmidt.

Gram-Schmidt used to construct orthonormal bases.

We have linearly indepenedent vectors  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  that span a subspace  $S$ , then we can construct their orthonormal basis  $q_1, \dots, q_n$  by:

- $q_1 = \frac{a_1}{\|a_1\|}$ .
- For  $k = 2, \dots, n$  do  $q'_k = a_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (a_k^T q_i) q_i$ ,
- normalise  $q_k = \frac{q'_k}{\|q'_k\|}$ .

### Solving Linear Recurrences via Matrix Diagonalization

We are given the recurrence relation

$$a_n = 5a_{n-1} - 6a_{n-2}, \quad \text{for } n \geq 2.$$

Using the given formula, we can derive a matrix  $M$  such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{n+1} \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{g}_n = \begin{pmatrix} a_{n+1} \\ a_n \end{pmatrix},$$

With initial vector  $\mathbf{g}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , we have  $\mathbf{g}_n = M^n \mathbf{g}_0$ .

#### Eigenvalues of $M$

We compute  $\det(M - \lambda I) = (5 - \lambda)(-\lambda) + 6 = \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6$ .

Solving,  $\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 2) = 0$ .

Hence,  $\lambda_1 = 3, \quad \lambda_2 = 2$ .

#### Eigenvectors

For  $\lambda = 3$ :

$$(M - 3I)\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -6 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solving  $(M - 3I)\mathbf{v} = 0$  gives  $2x - 6y = 0 \Rightarrow x = 3y$ , so EV  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

For  $\lambda = 2$ :

$$(M - 2I)\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -6 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solving  $(M - 2I)\mathbf{v} = 0$  gives  $x - 2y = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2y$ , so EV  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

#### Closed Form

Since  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are linearly independent, we can write

$$\mathbf{g}_0 = \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2.$$

That is,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_1 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solving,

$$\alpha_1 = 2, \quad \alpha_2 = -2.$$

Therefore,  $\mathbf{g}_n = \alpha_1 3^n \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 2^n \mathbf{v}_2 = 2 \cdot 3^n \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - 2^{n+1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Thus,  $a_n = 2 \cdot 3^n - 2^{n+1}$ .

Quizzes - Computations

Basis of a plane and related subspaces:

- Plane  $P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 6x_1 - x_2 + 5x_3 = 0\}$

1. Basis for  $P$   
Solve for  $x_2$ :

$$x_2 = 6x_1 + 5x_3$$

Let  $x_1 = s, x_3 = t$ :

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (s, 6s + 5t, t) = s(1, 6, 0) + t(0, 5, 1)$$

$\mathcal{B}_P = \{(1, 6, 0), (0, 5, 1)\}$

2. Intersection with  $\text{span}\{e_1, e_2\}$

$$x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow 6x_1 - x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 6x_1$$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3) = s(1, 6, 0)$$

$\mathcal{B}_{P \cap \text{span}\{e_1, e_2\}} = \{(1, 6, 0)\}$

3. Perpendicular vectors to  $P$

Normal vector from plane equation:

$$\mathbf{n} = (6, -1, 5)$$

$$P^\perp = \text{span}\{(6, -1, 5)\}$$

$\mathcal{B}_{P^\perp} = \{(6, -1, 5)\}$

Compute bases for orthogonal spaces:

- Finding  $S^\perp \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  when  $S = \text{span}\{v\}$   
Let  $v = (a, b, c) \neq 0$  and  $S = \text{span}\{v\}$ . Then

$$S^\perp = \{u \in \mathbb{R}^3 : u \cdot v = 0\}.$$

Let  $u = (x, y, z)$ . Orthogonality gives

$$ax + by + cz = 0.$$

Solve for one variable and parametrize. Choose convenient values for the free variables to obtain two linearly independent solutions. These two vectors form a basis for  $S^\perp$ .

Example:  $v = (-6, -9, 7)$

$$-6x - 9y + 7z = 0$$

Choose  $(y, z) = (2, 0)$  and  $(0, 6)$ :

$$u_1 = (-3, 2, 0), \quad u_2 = (7, 0, 6).$$

Calculating four fundamental subspaces:

- Four Fundamental Subspaces

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with  $\text{rank}(A) = r$ .

$$\dim \mathcal{C}(A) = r$$

$$\dim \mathcal{C}(A^T) = r$$

$$\dim \mathcal{N}(A) = n - r$$

$$\dim \mathcal{N}(A^T) = m - r$$

$$\mathcal{C}(A) \perp \mathcal{N}(A^T), \quad \mathcal{C}(A^T) \perp \mathcal{N}(A)$$

Pseudoinverse of diagonal matrix:

- Diagonal matrix  $\Rightarrow$  invert nonzero diagonals, keep zeros.
- Diagonalization of a symmetric matrix:
- Diagonalization of a symmetric matrix (example) Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Characteristic polynomial:

$$p_A(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = (2 - \lambda)^2 - 1 = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 1).$$

Eigenvalues:

$$\lambda_1 = 3, \quad \lambda_2 = 1.$$

Eigenvectors:

$$\lambda_1 = 3 : v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda_2 = 1 : v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvectors are orthogonal:

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = 0.$$

Define

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$A = V\Lambda V^{-1}, \quad V^{-1} = (V^T V)^{-1} V^T = \frac{1}{2} V^T.$$

Remark: The order of eigenvalues on the diagonal of  $\Lambda$  is arbitrary. Re-ordering eigenvalues requires the same reordering of eigenvectors.

Computing singular values:

- Computing singular values

For a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , the singular values are

$$\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i},$$

where  $\lambda_i$  are the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$ .

Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Compute

$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 25 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Eigenvalues of  $A^T A$ :

$$\lambda_1 = 25, \quad \lambda_2 = 0.$$

Singular values:

$$\sigma_1 = \sqrt{25} = 5, \quad \sigma_2 = \sqrt{0} = 0.$$

Singular values of  $A = \sqrt{\text{eigenvalues of } A^T A}.$

Why determinant expansion along a row/column works:

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For any  $n \times n$  matrix  $M = (m_{ij})$ , the determinant can be expanded along any row  $i$  or any column  $j$  (Laplace expansion):

$$\det(M) = \sum_{j=1}^n m_{ij} C_{ij} \quad \text{or} \quad \det(M) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_{ij} C_{ij},$$

where

$$C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(M_{ij})$$

is the cofactor, and  $M_{ij}$  is obtained by deleting row  $i$  and column  $j$ .

Example:

$$\lambda I - A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda - \frac{9}{2} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \lambda - \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Expanding along row 2:

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = 0 \cdot C_{21} + \lambda \cdot C_{22} + 0 \cdot C_{23} = \lambda C_{22}.$$

Cofactor computation:

$$C_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \det \begin{pmatrix} \lambda - \frac{9}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \lambda - \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $(-1)^{2+2} = (-1)^4 = 1$ , we obtain

$$C_{22} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \lambda - \frac{9}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \lambda - \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = \lambda \det \begin{pmatrix} \lambda - \frac{9}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \lambda - \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Conclusion: Expanding along rows or columns with many zeros is always valid and simplifies determinant computations.

Fast computation of singular values (symmetric case):

- Fast computation of singular values (symmetric case) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

Key fact: If  $A = A^T$  (i.e.  $A$  is symmetric), then

$\sigma_i(A) = |\lambda_i(A)|.$

where  $\lambda_i(A)$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$ . Reason: Singular values are defined by

$$\sigma_i(A) = \sqrt{\lambda_i(A^T A)}.$$

If  $A = A^T$ , then

$$A^T A = A^2,$$

and eigenvalues of  $A^2$  are  $\lambda_i(A)^2$ . Hence

$$\sigma_i(A) = \sqrt{\lambda_i(A)^2} = |\lambda_i(A)|.$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{9}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{9}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{symmetric}).$$

Eigenvalues:

$$\lambda(A) = \{5, 4, 0\}.$$

Singular values:

$\sigma(A) = \{5, 4, 0\}.$

General fallback (always works): If  $A$  is not symmetric,

compute eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  and take square roots.

Remember:

$A = A^T \Rightarrow \sigma_i = |\lambda_i|.$

Similar (2x2) matrices:

- Similar (2x2) matrices always have the same eigenvalues. It is the fast way to check if matrices are similar.

**Norm of a vector:**

- Norm (2) of a vector:

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$$

**Characteristic polynomial & eigenvalues & eigenvectors:**

- We can find Characteristic polynomial via:

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = (-1)^n \det(A - \lambda I)$$

- We can find corresponding eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v}$  to eigenvalues  $\lambda$  via:

$$(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$$

**Distance between vector and its projection:**

- Distance between vector and its projection is:

$$\|\text{vector} - \text{projection}\| = \|\mathbf{v} - \text{proj}_S(\mathbf{v})\|$$

**Angle between vectors:**

- Angle between vectors:

$$\cos(\theta) = \left( \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|} \right)$$

**When  $T$  is linear transformation:**

- When  $T$  is linear transformation, then:

$$2T(\mathbf{x}) + 3T(\mathbf{y}) = T(2\mathbf{x} + 3\mathbf{y})$$

This might simplify some calculations a lot.

**Inverse of  $2 \times 2$  matrix:**

- Inverse of  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\det(A) \neq 0$ :

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$$

**Determining when matrix returns to identity:**

- If  $A^m = I$  and  $A^n = I$ , then

$$A^{\gcd(m,n)} = I.$$

Proof sketch to template:

Let  $d = \gcd(m, n)$ . Then there exist integers  $x, y$  with  $d = xm + yn$  (Bézout). Assuming  $A$  is invertible (true in any group; for matrices this means  $A \in GL$ ),

$$A^d = A^{xm+yn} = (A^m)^x (A^n)^y = I^x I^y = I.$$

**When can you conclude  $A = I$ ?** You can conclude  $A = I$  if  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ , because then  $A^1 = A = I$ . Otherwise, you can only conclude that the order of  $A$  divides  $\gcd(m, n)$  (i.e.,  $A$  is a root of unity of that exponent).

**Pairwise linear independence:**

- Pairwise independence is weaker than (joint) linear independence.  $\Rightarrow$  Linear independence is a global property: checking vectors two at a time is not enough. Collectively, they might still fail independence.

Geometrically in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ : you can have infinitely many vectors that are pairwise non-collinear, but at most two vectors can be linearly independent.

**Complex expression and geometric Interpretation:**

- Using  $z\bar{z} = |z|^2$ , the condition reduces to  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ , which describes the unit circle.

**SVD of rank-1 matrix:**

- SVD of rank-1 matrix:

$$A = \sigma u v^\top$$

Where:

1.  $\sigma$  is only on non-zero singular value
2.  $u$  is a unit column vector (left singular vector)
3.  $v$  is a unit column vector (right singular vector)

More *specifically*, if

$$A = x y^\top$$

with  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then

$$A = \sigma u v^\top$$

where

$$\sigma = \|x\| \|y\|, \quad u = \frac{x}{\|x\|}, \quad v = \frac{y}{\|y\|}$$

**Example:**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{6} \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{6+9+1} = 4, \quad \|y\| = 1$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \\ \frac{3}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} [4] \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Unique non-zero singular value } \sigma = 4$$

**SVD validity check:**

- To verify whether a proposed factorization  $A = U\Sigma V^\top$  is a valid SVD, it suffices to check the following:

- **Orthogonality:**  $U$  (and  $V$ ) has orthonormal columns, i.e.  $U^\top U = I$  and  $V^\top V = I$ ;
- **Singular values:**  $\Sigma$  is diagonal with non-negative entries;
- **Dimensions:** if  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , then  $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

**Invertible matrix and EW:**

- A matrix is invertible iff 0 is not an eigenvalue.
- $A = A^T \Rightarrow A$  has real eigenvalues  $\Rightarrow \lambda + i \neq 0 \Rightarrow \det(A + iI) \neq 0 \Rightarrow A + iI$  is invertible