

# Day 4: Vectors and Matrices

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# Today

- Today
  - ▶ Vector & matrix algebra
  - ▶ Matrix calculus
  - ▶ Geometry of matrix algebra

# Why Vectors and Matrices?

- Making notations & calculations simple
- Basis of multivariate statistical techniques

# Why Vectors and Matrices? (cont.)

- We have so far dealt with algebra and calculus with **scalars**
- Suppose we want to use more than one independent variable (say 10) in regression analysis:

$$y_i = b_0 + b_1x_{1i} + b_2x_{2i} + b_3x_{3i} + b_4x_{4i} + b_5x_{5i} + \cdots + b_{10}x_{10i} + e_i$$

- Let's find  $b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{10}$  which minimize the sum of squared residuals

# Why Vectors and Matrices? (cont.)

- As we covered yesterday, we need to solve the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial b_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \{y_i - (b_0 + b_1x_{1i} + b_2x_{2i} + \cdots + b_{10}x_{10i})\}^2 = 0 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial b_1} \sum_{i=1}^n \{y_i - (b_0 + b_1x_{1i} + b_2x_{2i} + \cdots + b_{10}x_{10i})\}^2 = 0 \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial b_{10}} \sum_{i=1}^n \{y_i - (b_0 + b_1x_{1i} + b_2x_{2i} + \cdots + b_{10}x_{10i})\}^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

- Aww...!

# Tips

- Keep track of vector/matrix dimensions.
- Become able to connect with scalar algebra/calculus

# Vector

- A  $k$ -dimensional vector is a list of  $k$  numbers.
- Usually numbers are arranged in a column.
- We usually represent a vector using a bold lower case. e.g.,  $\mathbf{a}$

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_k \end{pmatrix}$$

## Vector (cont.)

- To arrange numbers in a row, we **transpose** the vector.
- Transpose of a column vector  $\mathbf{a}$  of dimension  $k$ , denoted as  $\mathbf{a}'$  (also written as  $\mathbf{a}^T$ ), is a row vector

$$\mathbf{a}' = (a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_k)$$

- Obviously, the transpose of a row vector is a column vector!



# Vector (cont.)

- **Norm** (or length) of vector  $\mathbf{a}$  is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{a}\| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \cdots + a_k^2}$$

- Related types of vectors
  - ▶ Normalized vector: a vector with norm 1
  - ▶ Zero vector ( $\mathbf{0}$ ): a vector whose elements are all 0

# Matrix

- A  $n \times k$ -dimensional matrix is a rectangle array of numbers

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1k} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nk} \end{pmatrix}$$

- We usually represent a matrix using a bold upper case. e.g.,  $\mathbf{A}$
- By convention,  $a_{ij}$  refers to an element in the  $i$ th row and the  $j$ th column.
- We can think of a  $k$ -dimensional column vector as a  $k \times 1$  matrix and a  $k$ -dimensional row vector as a  $1 \times k$  matrix.

## Matrix (cont.)

- It is often useful to think of matrices as made up of a collection of column/row vectors.
- For example, we can represent matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  as a collection of column vectors.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1k} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nk} \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{a}_k)$$

where

$$\mathbf{a}_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1i} \\ a_{2i} \\ \vdots \\ a_{ni} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Matrix (cont.)

- Similarly, we can represent matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  as a collection of row vectors.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1k} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nk} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha'_1 \\ \alpha'_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha'_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\alpha_i$  is a vector where elements of  $i$  th row of  $\mathbf{A}$  are arranged in a column,

$$\alpha_i = (a_{i1} \quad a_{i2} \quad \dots \quad a_{ik})' = \begin{pmatrix} a_{i1} \\ a_{i2} \\ \vdots \\ a_{ik} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Matrix (cont.)

- Example: Matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

can be represented as a collection of column vectors

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

or as a collection of row vectors

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 = (1 \ 2)' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 = (1 \ -4)' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Matrix (cont.)

- A transpose of a matrix can be obtained by flipping its rows and columns.
- Transpose of a  $n \times k$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is denoted as  $\mathbf{A}'$  (also written as  $\mathbf{A}^T$ )

$$\mathbf{A}' = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \dots & a_{n1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1k} & a_{2k} & \dots & a_{nk} \end{pmatrix}$$

where the dimension of  $\mathbf{A}'$  is  $k \times n$ .

- Obviously,  $(\mathbf{A}')' = \mathbf{A}$

# Matrix (cont.)

- Example: The transpose of matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

is

$$\mathbf{A}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Matrix Addition/Subtraction

- Addition/subtraction of vectors of the same dimension is defined as

$$\mathbf{a} \pm \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \pm b_1 \\ a_2 \pm b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \pm b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- Similarly, if matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are of the same dimensions, we can define addition/subtraction as

$$\mathbf{A} \pm \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \pm b_{11} & a_{12} \pm b_{12} & \dots & a_{1k} \pm b_{1k} \\ a_{21} \pm b_{21} & a_{22} \pm b_{22} & \dots & a_{2k} \pm b_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} \pm b_{n1} & a_{n2} \pm b_{n2} & \dots & a_{nk} \pm b_{nk} \end{pmatrix}$$



# Matrix Multiplication

- We can multiply a vector  $\mathbf{a}$  by a scalar  $c$  as

$$c\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} ca_1 \\ ca_2 \\ \vdots \\ ca_k \end{pmatrix}$$

- Similarly, we can define the scalar multiplication of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  by a scalar  $c$  as

$$c\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} ca_{11} & ca_{12} & \dots & ca_{1k} \\ ca_{21} & ca_{22} & \dots & ca_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ ca_{n1} & ca_{n2} & \dots & ca_{nk} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Matrix Multiplication (cont.)

- Dot product/inner product for vectors of the same dimensions,  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , is defined as

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a} = a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + \cdots + a_kb_k = \sum_j^k a_jb_j$$

Therefore, an inner product of two vectors is a scalar.

- Vector norm can be also expressed as  $\|\mathbf{a}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}}$ .

# Matrix Multiplication (cont.)

- If  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $n \times k$  matrix and  $\mathbf{B}$  is a  $k \times m$  matrix, then we can define their product  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB}$  where

$$c_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \cdots + a_{ik}b_{kj}$$

- ▶  $ij$  element of the resultant matrix  $\mathbf{C}$  is the inner product of  $i$ th row of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $j$ th column of  $\mathbf{B}$ .
- ▶ Therefore,  $\mathbf{C}$  is a  $n \times m$  matrix.

# Matrix Multiplication (cont.)

- Example: Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 6 \\ 2 & -7 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then their product  $\mathbf{AB}$  can be calculated as

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 6 \\ 2 & -7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \cdot (-4) + 8 \cdot 2 & \\ & \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Matrix Multiplication (cont.)

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Then their product  $\mathbf{AB}$  can be calculated as

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 6 \\ 2 & -7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -38 \\ 24 & -44 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Matrix Multiplication (cont.)

- $\mathbf{AB}$  is generally not equal to  $\mathbf{BA}$ , even if both are defined.
- Common properties of transpose matrices
  1.  $(\mathbf{AB})' = \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{A}'$
  2.  $(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A})' = \mathbf{A}'(\mathbf{A}')' = \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}$
- Thinking of vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  as  $k \times 1$  matrices, their inner product can also be written as their product

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}'\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_k \end{pmatrix}$$

# Matrix Calculation: Exercises

- Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & 7 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Calculate the following.

1.  $\mathbf{B}' + \mathbf{C}$
2.  $\mathbf{AD}$
3.  $\mathbf{DA}$
4.  $\mathbf{BC}$
5.  $\mathbf{B}'\mathbf{C}'$

# Matrix Types

- **Square Matrix:** Number of rows and columns are the same.
- **Symmetric Matrix:** A square matrix where  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}'$ . Therefore,  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ .
- **Triangular Matrix:** A square matrix in which all the elements above or below the main diagonal are equal to 0.
  - ▶ Main diagonal:  $a_{ij}$ s where  $i = j$
  - ▶ A square matrix where elements above the main diagonal are 0 are called **lower triangular**, and one where elements below the main diagonal equal 0 are called **upper triangular**.
- **Diagonal Matrix:** A square matrix where off-diagonal elements are all 0.

# Matrix Types (cont.)

- **Identity Matrix:** A diagonal matrix where all diagonal elements are 1.

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The identity matrix works like scalar 1. That is, for any matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  that are conformable with  $\mathbf{I}$ ,

$$\mathbf{AI} = \mathbf{IA} = \mathbf{A}$$

# Matrix Types: Exercises

- Are the following matrices square, symmetric, triangular, and diagonal?

1.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

2.  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 6 & 5 & -7 \\ 0 & -7 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

3.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

# Trace

- The trace of a square matrix is the sum of its diagonal elements

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_i^k a_{ii}$$

- Properties of trace
  1.  $\text{tr}(c\mathbf{A}) = c\text{tr}(\mathbf{A})$
  2.  $\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}') = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A})$
  3.  $\text{tr}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) + \text{tr}(\mathbf{B})$
  4.  $\text{tr}(\mathbf{AB}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{BA})$

# Determinant

- The determinant is another widely used operation to transform a square matrix to a scalar.
- The determinant of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is represented as  $\det \mathbf{A}$  or  $|\mathbf{A}|$
- Properties of determinant: let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a  $n \times n$  square matrix,
  1.  $\det \mathbf{A} = \det \mathbf{A}'$
  2. if  $\mathbf{A}$  is either diagonal or triangular,  $\det \mathbf{A} = \prod_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$
  3.  $\det(c\mathbf{A}) = c^n \det \mathbf{A}$
  4.  $\det \mathbf{AB} = \det \mathbf{BA} = \det \mathbf{A} \det \mathbf{B}$

# Inverse

- If a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is nonsingular (or invertible), a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  exists which satisfies

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$$

- We call  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  as the inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$ .
- When we cannot define  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}$  is called singular.
- Some properties of the inverse
  1. if  $\mathbf{A}$  is nonsingular,  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  is unique
  2.  $(\mathbf{A}^{-1})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}$
  3.  $(\mathbf{A}^{-1})' = (\mathbf{A}')^{-1}$
  4.  $(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$
  5.  $\det \mathbf{A} \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{A}$  is nonsingular



# System of Linear Equations

- Matrices help us express and solve system of linear equations.
- For example, the system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} x - y = 4 \\ 2x + y = 2 \end{cases}$$

can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$$

where  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

# System of Linear Equations (cont.)

- More generally, a system of  $n$  linear equations with  $n$  unknowns

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n \end{cases}$$

can be represented as

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

# System of Linear Equations (cont.)

- Example: the system of regression equations

$$\begin{cases} y_1 = b_0 + b_1x_{11} + \cdots + b_kx_{1k} + e_1 \\ y_2 = b_0 + b_1x_{21} + \cdots + b_kx_{2k} + e_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n = b_0 + b_1x_{n1} + \cdots + b_kx_{nk} + e_n \end{cases}$$

can be written as

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{e}$$

where  $\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1k} \\ 1 & x_{21} & \cdots & x_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & \cdots & x_{nk} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_k \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ \vdots \\ e_n \end{pmatrix}$ .

- ▶ Why is the elements in the first column of  $\mathbf{X}$  are all 1?

# System of Linear Equations (cont.)

- Let's solve a system of linear equations written as

$$Ax = b$$

for  $x$ .

- Assuming that  $A$  is invertible, multiply  $A^{-1}$  from the left:

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1}Ax &= A^{-1}b \\ \Rightarrow x &= A^{-1}b \end{aligned}$$

# System of Linear Equations (cont.)

- Example: Solving the system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} x - y = 4 \\ 2x + y = 2 \end{cases}$$

using matrix inversion,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Matrix Calculus: Preparation

- We can also represent function  $y = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  using vector notation:

$$y = f(\mathbf{x})$$

where  $\mathbf{x}$  is the vector of inputs

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

# Matrix Calculus: Preparation (cont.)

- Example: linear function of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  can be written using vectors

$$a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{a}'\mathbf{x}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}$  is the vector of coefficients and  $\mathbf{x}$  is the vector of variables.

# Matrix Calculus: Preparation (cont.)

- Another example: **quadratic form** is a polynomial in which each term is the monomial of degree 2, and can be written using vectors and a matrix

$$\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=j} a_{ii}x_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} (a_{ij} + a_{ji})x_i x_j$$

where  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$  is the matrix of coefficients

and  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$  is the vector of variables.



# Matrix Calculus: Preparation (cont.)

- Quadratic form of two variables  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$  and coefficient matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2) & (a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2)x_1 + (a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2)x_2 \\ &= a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{22}x_2^2 + (a_{12} + a_{21})x_1x_2 \end{aligned}$$

# Gradient

- **Gradient** of a function  $f(\mathbf{x})$  is a column vector of dimension  $n$  whose  $i$ th element is the partial derivative of  $f(\mathbf{x})$  with respect to  $x_i$ .

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} f(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ The operator  $\nabla$  is called **nabla**.

# Gradient (cont.)

- Example: let  $f(x, y) = x^2 - xy + y^2$ . Then, its gradient vector is

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x - y \\ -x + 2y \end{pmatrix}$$

## Gradient (cont.)

- Another example: we can write the normal equation for deriving the OLS coefficients using gradient. Let  $S(\mathbf{b})$  be the function to compute the sum of squared residuals, where  $\mathbf{b}$  is the vector of coefficients. Then,

$$\nabla S(\mathbf{b}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{b}} S(\mathbf{b}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial b_0} S(\mathbf{b}) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial b_1} S(\mathbf{b}) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial b_k} S(\mathbf{b}) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

# Hessian

- **Hessian** of function  $f(\mathbf{x})$  is a matrix whose  $ij$  entry is the second-order derivative of  $f(\mathbf{x})$  with regard to  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ .

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathbf{x} \partial \mathbf{x}'} f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} f(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} f(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1 \partial x_k} f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} f(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2} f(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2 \partial x_k} f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_k \partial x_1} f(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_k \partial x_2} f(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_k^2} f(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}$$

- Based on the discussion yesterday...  $\rightarrow$  Hessian is a symmetric matrix

# Rules for Matrix Calculus

- Rules for linear functions and quadratic forms: let  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  be vector/matrix of coefficients and  $\mathbf{x}$  the vector of variables, then
  - $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{a}$
  - $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}')\mathbf{x}$
  - $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathbf{x} \partial \mathbf{x}'}(\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}'$

# Rules for Matrix Calculus: Exercise

- Let  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ . Demonstrate that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} (\mathbf{x}' \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}') \mathbf{x}$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathbf{x} \partial \mathbf{x}'} (\mathbf{x}' \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}'$$

# Multivariate Optimization

- First order condition

$$\nabla f(\boldsymbol{x}) = \mathbf{0}$$

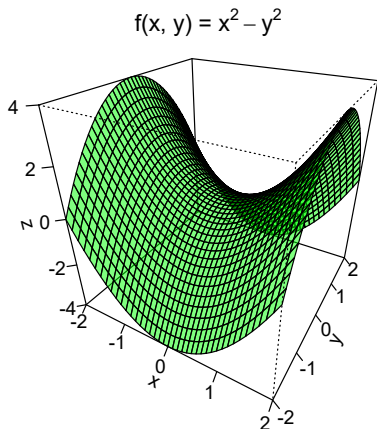
- Second order condition...  $\rightarrow$  we use the Hessian matrix to determine local min/max!



# Multivariate Optimization (cont.)

- Specifically, we examine the sign of the quadratic form of the Hessian matrix evaluated at  $x^*$  where  $\nabla f(x^*) = 0$ .
  - ▶  $x'H^*x$  is the function of  $x$
- Second order condition:
  - ▶  $x'H^*x > 0$  for any values of  $x \rightarrow x^*$  is **local min**
    - ★ In this case, we say  $H^*$  is **positive definite**
  - ▶  $x'H^*x < 0$  for any values of  $x \rightarrow x^*$  is **local max**
    - ★ In this case, we say  $H^*$  is **negative definite**
  - ▶ sign of  $x'H^*x$  depends on the values of  $x \rightarrow x^*$  is **saddle point**
    - ★ In this case, we say  $H^*$  is **indefinite**

# Multivariate Optimization (cont.)



- Saddle point: a point where satisfies the first order condition but neither local minimum nor local maximum
- Examples
  - ▶  $f(x) = x^3$
  - ▶  $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$

# Multivariate Optimization (cont.)

- Example: let  $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$ . Then, as

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ -2y \end{pmatrix},$$

the point  $(x^*, y^*)$  satisfies the first order condition. Also, the Hessian matrix is

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

*(continued from the previous slide)*

Therefore, the quadratic form of  $\mathbf{H}$  at  $(x^*, y^*) = (0, 0)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} & (x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (2x \ -2y) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 2(x^2 - y^2) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Since (1) is positive when  $|x| > |y|$  and negative  $|x| < |y|$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$  is indefinite, suggesting that  $(x^*, y^*) = (0, 0)$  is a saddle point.

# Multivariate Optimization: Exercise

- Let  $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - xy$ . Determine whether the point  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$  is a local min, local max, or saddle point.

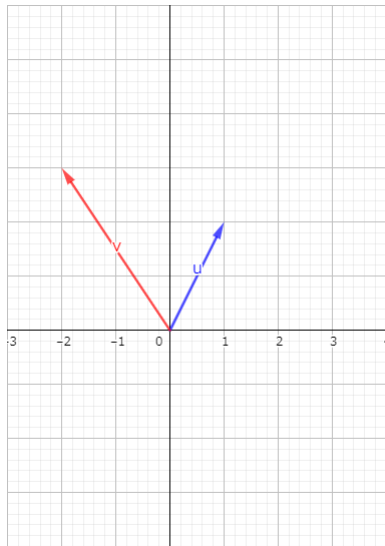
# Multivariate Optimization (cont.)

- Isn't it too cumbersome?
  - ▶ There's an easier way to determine the definiteness of the Hessian matrix (which uses eigen values)
- Global v. local
  - ▶ For  $(x^*, y^*)$  to be the global min/max, the Hessian matrix must be negative/positive definite at points other than  $(x^*, y^*)$ .
  - ▶ In such cases,  $f(x)$  is globally concave/convex.
    - ★ e.g.,  $f(x, y) = -x^2 - y^2$ ,  $f(x, y) = x^4 + 2y^2$
- *(In most (but not all) of the applications you encounter, you don't need to care about the second order condition...)*

# Geometry of Matrix Algebra

- All vector/matrix operations have geometric meanings.
- Here I use examples in two dimensional space, but the discussion naturally extends to  $d$ -dimensional space.

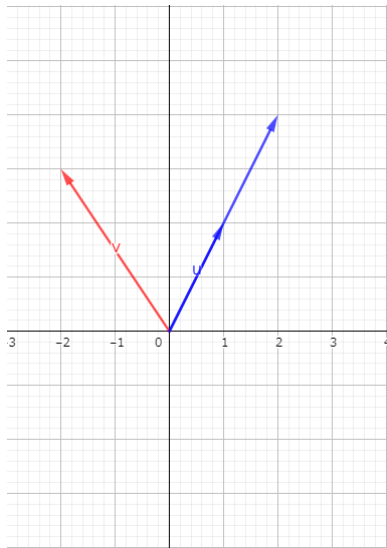
# Geometry of Matrix Algebra: Vector



- A  $d$ -dimensional vector represents a point (more precisely, an arrow to the point) from the origin on the  $d$ -dimensional coordinate (Euclidean) space.
- $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$
- Vector norm represents the length of a vector
  - ▶ We can show this using the Pythagorean theorem

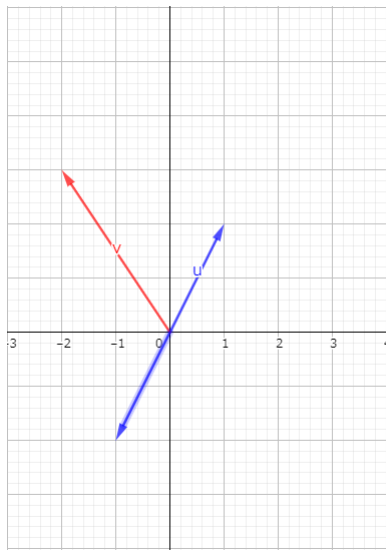


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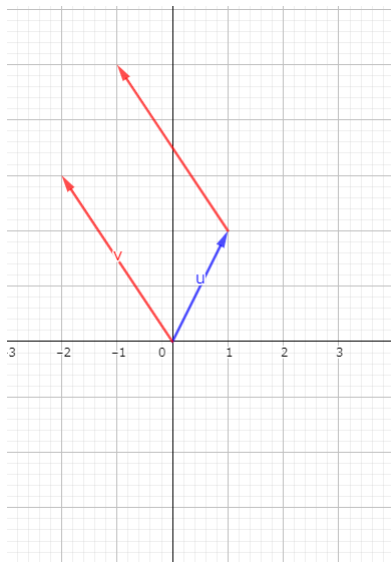
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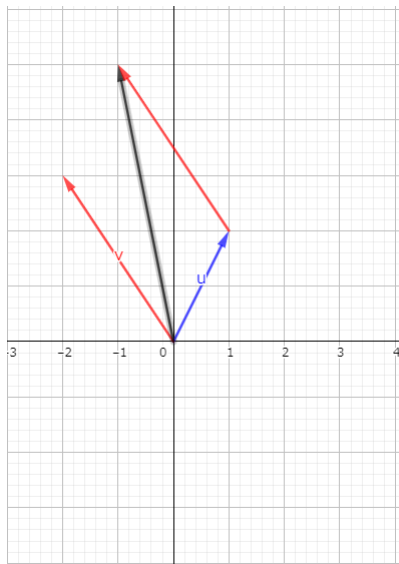
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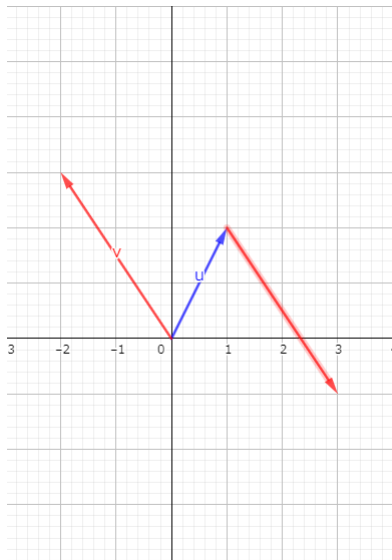
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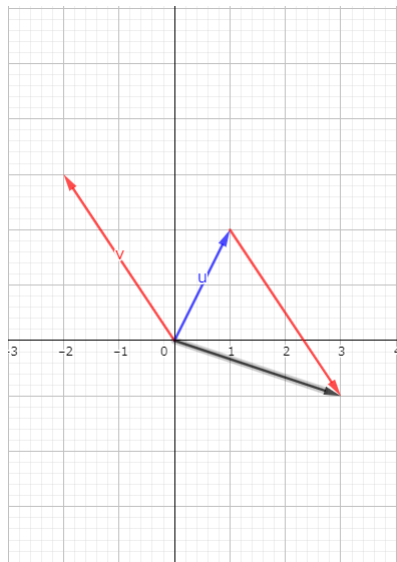
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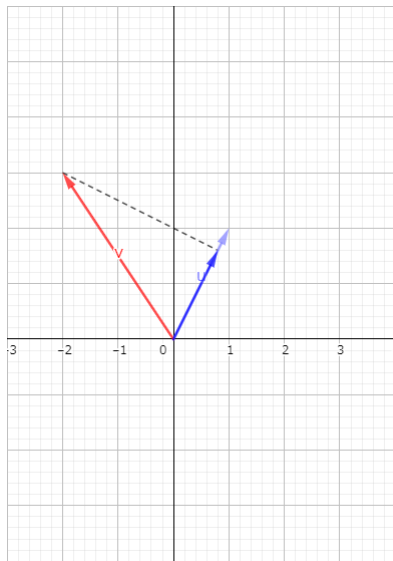
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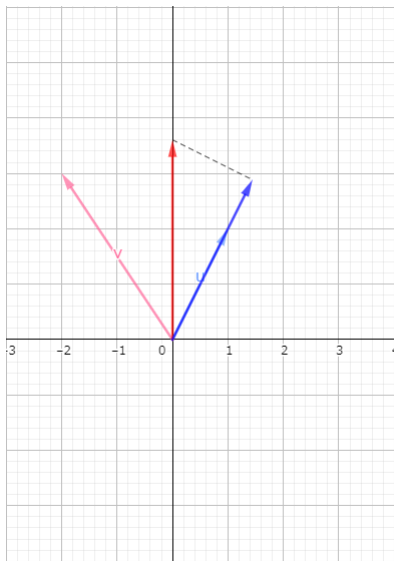
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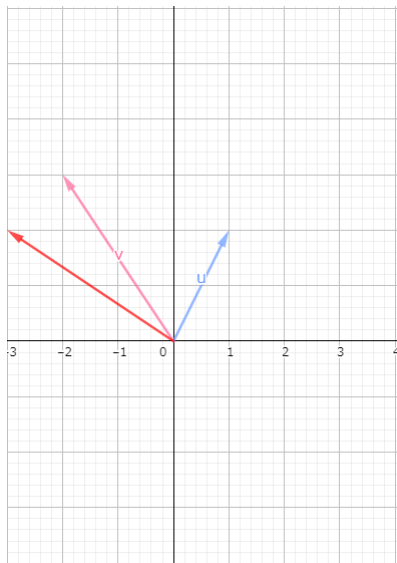
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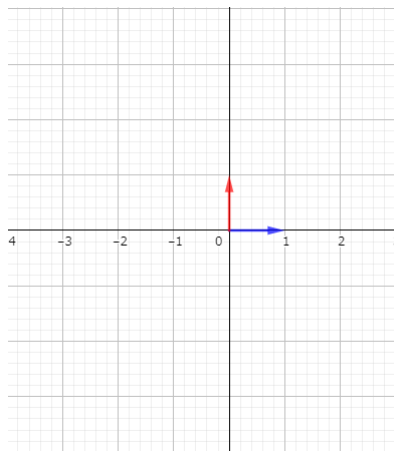
# Vector Space

- We denote a set of points (i.e., real-valued vectors) on the  $d$ -dimensional coordinate/Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .
  - ▶  $\mathbb{R}$ : set of points on a real-number line
  - ▶  $\mathbb{R}^2$ : set of points on a 2-D plane
  - ▶  $\mathbb{R}^3$ : set of points in 3-D space
  - ▶ ...
- A set of vectors **spans** a (vector) space if every points/vector in that space can be written as a linear combination of vectors of that set.
  - ▶ **linear combination**:  $c_1\mathbf{x}_1 + c_2\mathbf{x}_2 + \cdots + c_n\mathbf{x}_n$

# Vector Space (cont.)

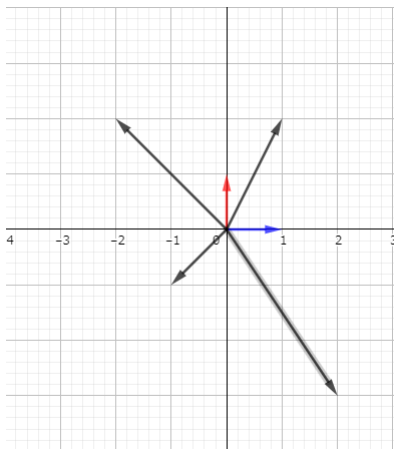
- When we cannot write any vector in a set as a linear combination of the others, we say they set of vectors is **linearly independent**.
- We call a set of linearly independent vectors which spans a (vector) space a **basis**.
  - ▶ The dimension of a space matches the number of vectors in its basis.

# Vector Space (cont.)



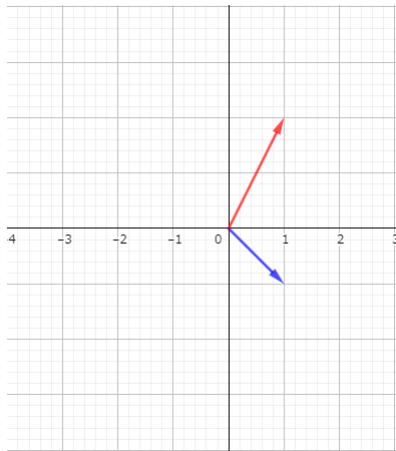
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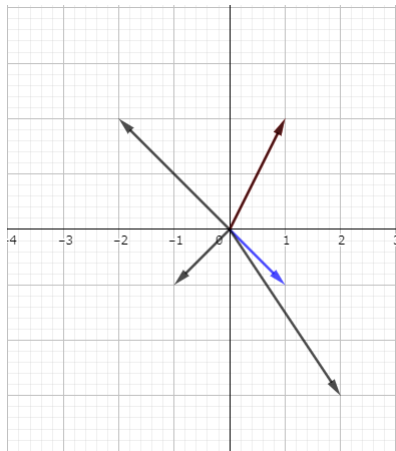
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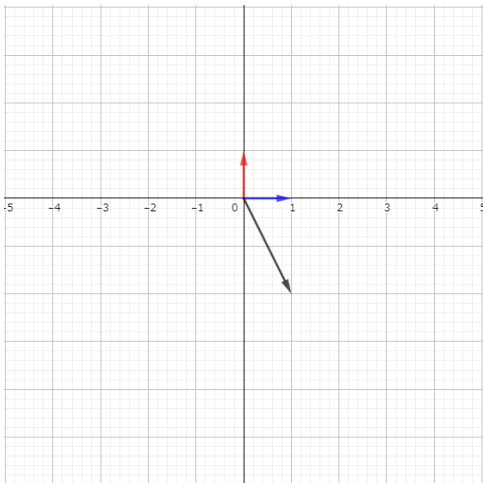
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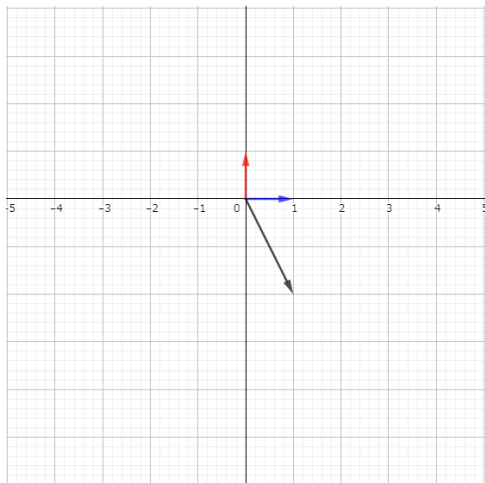
# Matrix



- Geometrically, matrices describe linear transformation of the space/objects on the space
- Linear transformation: transformation of space while holding the origin
  - ▶ rotation
  - ▶ reflection
  - ▶ scaling
  - ▶ squeezing



# Matrix (cont.)



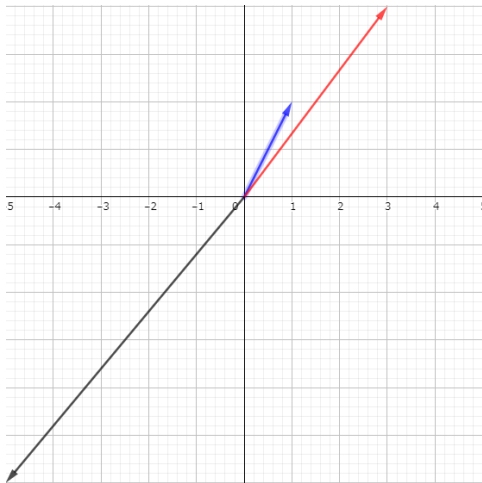
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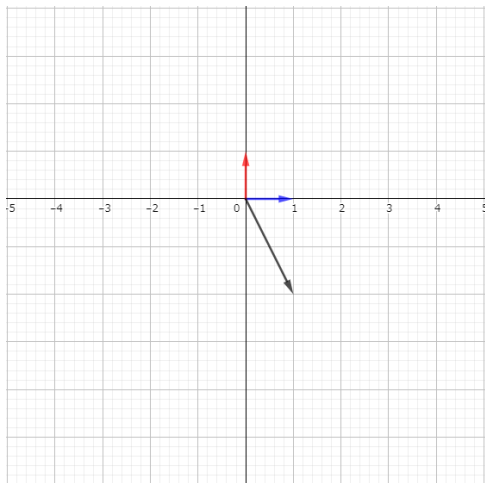
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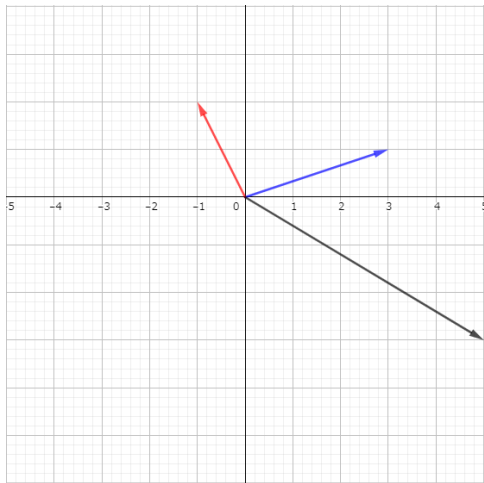
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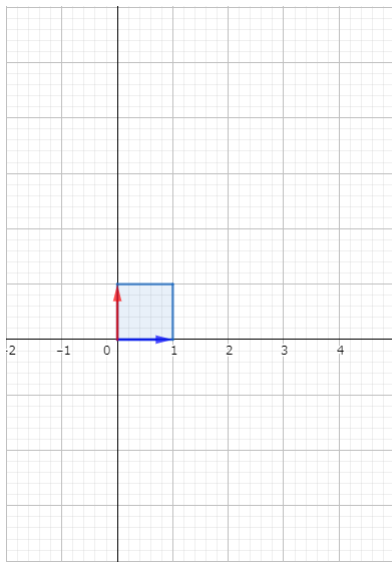
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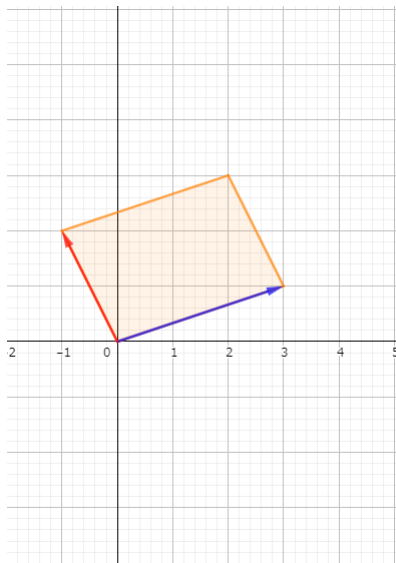
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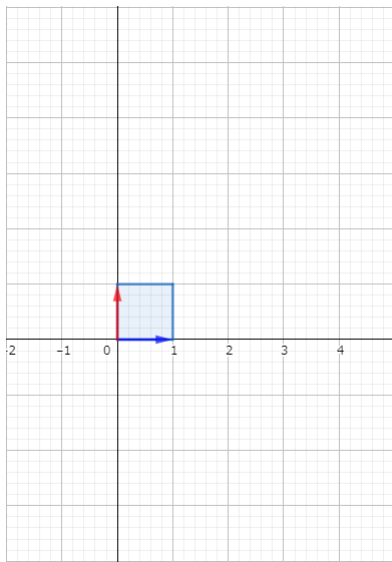
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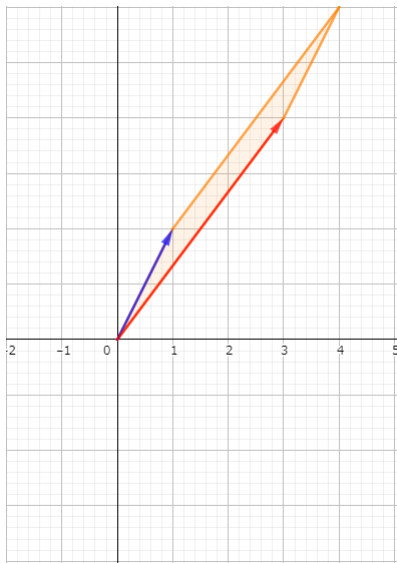
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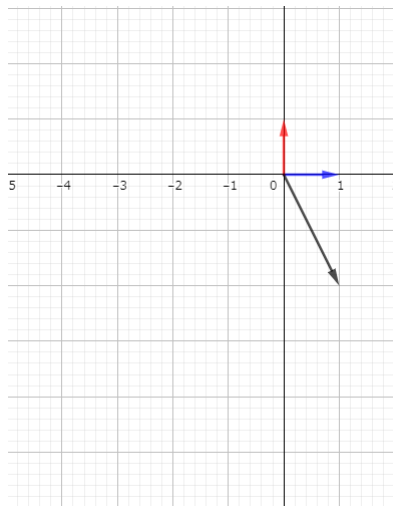
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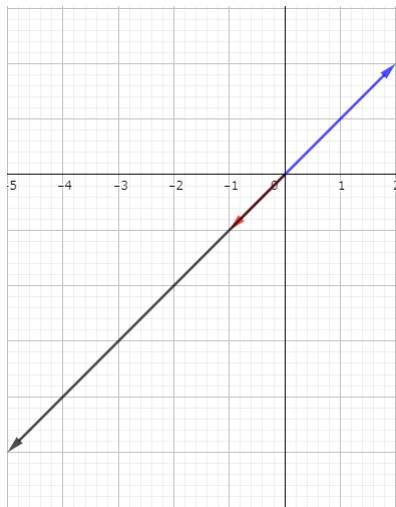


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# Matrix Rank

- Rank of a matrix is the number of linearly independent rows/columns.
- When  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \min(n, k)$ , we say  $\mathbf{A}$  is **full rank**.
- Rank, determinant, invertibility
  - ▶ when a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is full rank (= all the row/column vectors are linearly independent),  $|\mathbf{A}| \neq 0$ , so we can invert the matrix.
  - ▶ when  $\mathbf{A}$  is not full rank,  $|\mathbf{A}| = 0$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  is singular.

# Matrix Rank (cont.)

- Properties of matrix rank

1.  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}')$
2.  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}') = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$

- Practical implications

- ▶ if the coefficient matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of a system of linear equations is singular...
- ▶ some of its row vectors can be written as a linear combination of others
- ▶ number of equations is smaller than the number of unknowns!

# Relationship with Statistical Analysis

- Dot product as a measure of similarity
  - ▶ between variables (e.g., correlation coefficient)
  - ▶ between observations (e.g., cosine similarity)
- Multicollinearity: data matrix is not full rank
  - ▶ some column (= variable) can be written as a linear combination of others
  - ▶  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$  is not full rank either  $\rightarrow \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$  is singular

# Tomorrow

- Tomorrow
  - ▶ Probability
  - ▶ Random variable
  - ▶ Probability distribution
  - ▶ Moore and Siegel, Chapters 9-11.