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## Introduction to Mathematical Arguments

### Notation:

$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  Natural numbers or counting numbers

$\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  Integers or whole numbers

$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{m}{q} \mid m, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0, \text{no common factors (reduce all fractions)} \right\}$  Rational numbers

$\mathbb{R}$  = Real numbers

$\mathbb{C} = \{\alpha + j\beta \mid \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, j^2 = -1\}$  Complex numbers

$\forall$  means "for every", "for all", "for each".

$\exists$  means "for some", "there exist(s)", "there is/are", "for at least one".

$\sim$  means "not". In books, and some of our handouts, you see  $\neg$ .

$p \Rightarrow q$  means "if  $p$  is true, then  $q$  is true".

$p \iff q$  means " $p$  is true if and only if  $q$  is true".

$p \iff q$  is logically equivalent to:

(a)  $p \Rightarrow q$  and

(b)  $q \Rightarrow p$ .

The contrapositive of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is  $\sim q \Rightarrow \sim p$  (logically equivalent).

The converse of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is  $q \Rightarrow p$ .

Relation:  $(p \Rightarrow q) \iff (\sim q \Rightarrow \sim p)$

However, in general,  $(p \Rightarrow q)$  DOES NOT IMPLY  $(q \Rightarrow p)$ , and vice-versa

$\square = \text{Q.E.D.}$  (Latin: "quod erat demonstrandum" = "thus it was demonstrated")

## Review of Some Proof Techniques

**Direct Proofs:** We derive a result by applying the rules of logic to the given assumptions, definitions, axioms, and (already) known theorems.

### Example:

Def. An integer  $n$  is even if  $n = 2k$  for some integer  $k$ ; it is odd if  $n = 2k + 1$  for some integer  $k$ . Prove that the sum of two odd integers is even.

(Remark: In a definition, "if" means "if and only if".)

Proof: Let  $a$  and  $b$  be odd integers.

Hence, there exist integers  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  such that

$$a = 2k_1 + 1$$

$$b = 2k_2 + 1$$

It follows that

$$a + b = (2k_1 + 1) + (2k_2 + 1) = 2(k_1 + k_2 + 1)$$

Because  $(k_1 + k_2 + 1)$  is an integer,  $a + b$  is even.  $\square$

**Proof by Contrapositive:** To establish  $p \Rightarrow q$ , we prove it logical equivalent,  $\sim q \Rightarrow \sim p$ .

As an example, let  $n$  be an integer. Prove that if  $n^2$  is even, then  $n$  is even.

$p = n^2$  is even,  $\sim p = n^2$  is odd

$q = n$  is even,  $\sim q = n$  is odd

Our proof of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is to show  $\sim q \Rightarrow \sim p$ . (i.e., if  $n$  is odd, then  $n^2$  is odd.)  
 Assume  $n$  is odd.  $\therefore n = 2k + 1$ , for some integer  $k$ .

Therefore

$$n^2 = (2k + 1)^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 = 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1$$

Because  $(2k^2 + 2k)$  is an integer, we are done.  $\square$

**Proof by Exhaustion:** Reduce the proof to a finite number of cases, and then prove each case separately.

### Proofs by Induction:

**First Principle of Induction (Standard Induction):** Let  $P(n)$  denote a statement about the natural numbers with the following properties:

- (a) Base case:  $P(1)$  is true
- (b) Induction part: If  $P(k)$  is true, then  $P(k + 1)$  is true.

$\therefore P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 1$  ( $n \geq$  base case)

### Example:

Claim: For all  $n \geq 1$ ,  $1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2n - 1) = n^2$

Proof:

Step 1: Base case:  $n = 1 : 1^2 = 1 = n$

Step 2: Assume  $1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2k - 1) = k^2 = n^2$

Step 3: To show  $1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2k - 1) + (2(k + 1) - 1) = (k + 1)^2 = n^2$

By the induction step,

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2k - 1) + (2(k + 1) - 1) = k^2 + (2(k + 1) - 1)$$

But,

$$k^2 + (2(k + 1) - 1) = k^2 + 2k + 2 - 1 = k^2 + 2k + 1 = (k + 1)^2$$

which is what we wanted to show.  $\square$

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Review of Some Proof Techniques (Continued)

**Second Principle of Induction (Strong Induction):** Let  $P(n)$  be a statement about the natural numbers with the following properties:

- (a) Base Case:  $P(1)$  is true.
- (b) Induction: If  $P(j)$  is true for all  $1 \leq j \leq k$ , then  $P(k + 1)$  is true.

Conclusion:  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 1$  ( $n \geq$  Base Case).

**Fact:** Two principles of induction are equivalent. Sometimes, the second method is easier to apply.

**Example:**

Def.: A natural number  $n$  is composite if it can be factored as  $n = a \cdot b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are natural numbers satisfying  $1 < a, b < n$ . Otherwise,  $n$  is prime.

Theorem: (Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic) Every natural number  $n \geq 2$  can be factored as a product of one or more primes.

Proof:

Base Case: The number 2 can be written as the product of a single prime.

Induction: Assume that every integer between 2 and  $k$  can be written as the product of one or more primes.

To Show:  $k + 1$  can be written as the product of one or more primes.

There are two cases:

Case 1:  $k + 1$  is prime. We are done because  $k + 1$  is the product of one or more primes (itself).

Case 2:  $k + 1$  is composite. Then, there exist two natural numbers  $a$  and  $b$ ,  $1 < a, b \leq k$ , such that  $k + 1 = a \cdot b$

Therefore, by the induction step:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_i, \text{ for some primes } p_i \\ b &= q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdot \dots \cdot q_j, \text{ for some primes } q_j \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $a \cdot b = (p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_i) \cdot (q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdot \dots \cdot q_j)$  is a product of primes.  $\square$

**Proof by Contradiction:** We want to show that a statement  $p$  is true. We assume instead that the statement is false. We derive a "contradiction", meaning some statement that is obviously false, such as " $1 + 1 = 3$ ". More generally, we derive that  $R$  is true and  $R$  is also false (This is a contradiction.) We conclude that  $\sim p$  is impossible (led to a contradiction). Hence,  $p$  must be true!

**Example:** Prove that  $\sqrt{2}$  is an irrational number.

Proof by Contradiction: Assume  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational.

Conclusion: There exist natural numbers  $m$  and  $n$ , ( $n \neq 0$ ),  $m$  and  $n$  have no common factors, such that

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n}$$

$\therefore 2 = \frac{m^2}{n^2} \Rightarrow 2n^2 = m^2 \Rightarrow m^2$  is even  $\Rightarrow m$  has to be even. (Proven in previous lecture, product of even numbers is even.)

$\therefore \exists$  a natural number  $k$  such that  $m = 2k$

$$\therefore 2n^2 = (2k)^2 = 4k^2$$

$$\therefore n^2 = 2k^2 \Rightarrow n^2 \text{ is even} \Rightarrow n \text{ is even}$$

Conclusion,  $m$  and  $n$  have 2 as a common factor. This contradicts  $m$  and  $n$  having no common factors.

Hence,  $\sqrt{2}$  is not a rational number.

$\therefore \sqrt{2}$  must be irrational.  $\square$

Explanation:

$p : \sqrt{2}$  irrational.

We start with the assumption that  $(\sim p :)\sqrt{2}$  is a rational number.

Based on that assumption, we can deduce that  $(R :) \exists m, n, n \neq 0, m$  and  $n$  do not have common factors such that  $\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n}$ .

However, from  $\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n}$ , we can show that  $(\sim R :) m$  and  $n$  have 2 as a common factor.

$\therefore R \wedge (\sim R)$ , which is a contradiction.

Conclusion:  $\sim p$  is impossible.

$\therefore p$  is true.

**Proof Types:** In conclusion, we have following proof techniques.

- Direct Proof:  $p \Rightarrow q$
- Proof by Contrapositive:  $\sim q \Rightarrow \sim p$   
(Start with the conclusion being false, that is  $\sim q$  and do logical steps to arrive at  $\sim p$ )
- Proof by Contradiction:  $p \wedge (\sim q)$   
(Assume  $p$  is true and  $q$  is false. Find that both  $R$  and  $\sim R$  are true, which is a contradiction.)

**Negating a Statement:**

Examples:

$$p : x \geq 0$$

$$\sim p : x < 0$$



$$p : \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) > 0 \quad \sim p : \exists x \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \leq 0$$

In general,  $\sim \forall = \exists$  and  $\sim \exists = \forall$ .

Exercise: Let  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$p : \forall \delta > 0, \exists x \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ such that } |x - y| < \delta$$

What is  $\sim p$ ?

Answer:

$$\sim p : \exists \delta > 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ such that } |x - y| \geq \delta$$

**Key Properties of Real Numbers:** Let  $A$  be a non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Def.**

- (1)  $A$  is bounded from above if  $\exists b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \leq b$ .
- (2) A number  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  is an upper bound for  $A$  if  $\forall x \in A, x \leq b$ .
- (3) A number  $b$  is a least upper bound for  $A$  if
  - (i)  $b$  is an upper bound for  $A$ , and
  - (ii)  $b$  is less than or equal to every upper bound.

**Notation:** Least upper bound of  $A$  is denoted by  $\sup(A)$ , the supremum of  $A$ .

**Theorem:** Every subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  that is upper bounded has a supremum.

This is FALSE for  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Here is a classical example:

$$\text{Assume } A = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} | x^2 < 2\}$$

An obvious candidate for the supremum is  $x = \sqrt{2}$ , but  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational.

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## Abstract Linear Algebra

**Def: Field:** (Chen, 2nd edition, page 8) : A field consists of a set, denoted by  $\mathcal{F}$ , of elements called *scalars* and two operations called addition “+” and multiplication “ $\cdot$ ”; the two operations are defined over  $\mathcal{F}$  such that they satisfy the following conditions:

1. To every pair of elements  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ , there correspond an element  $\alpha + \beta$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  called the *sum* of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , and an element  $\alpha \cdot \beta$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  called *product* of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
2. Addition and multiplication are respectively commutative: For any  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ ,

$$\alpha + \beta = \beta + \alpha \qquad \alpha \cdot \beta = \beta \cdot \alpha$$

3. Addition and multiplication are respectively associative: For any  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ ,

$$(\alpha + \beta) + \gamma = \alpha + (\beta + \gamma) \qquad (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma = \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma)$$

4. Multiplication is distributive with respect to addition: For any  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ ,

$$\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) + (\alpha \cdot \gamma)$$

5.  $\mathcal{F}$  contains an element, denoted by 0, and an element, denoted by 1, such that  $\alpha + 0 = \alpha$ ,  $1 \cdot \alpha = \alpha$  for every  $\alpha$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ .
6. To every  $\alpha$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ , there is an element  $\beta$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 0$ . The element  $\beta$  is called the *additive inverse*.

7. To every  $\alpha$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  which is not the element 0, there is an element  $\gamma$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $\alpha \cdot \gamma = 1$ . The element  $\gamma$  is called the *multiplicative inverse*.

**Remark:**  $\mathbb{R}$  is a typical example of a field.

Examples	Non-examples
$\mathbb{R}$	Irrational (Fails axiom 1)
$\mathbb{C}$	$2 \times 2$ matrices, real coeff. (Fails axiom 2)
$\mathbb{Q}$	$2 \times 2$ diagonal matrices real coeff. (Fails axiom 7)

**Def: Vector Space (Linear Space)** (Chen 2nd Edition, page 9) A linear space over a field  $\mathcal{F}$ , denoted by  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ , consists of a set, denoted by  $\mathcal{X}$ , of elements called *vectors*, a field  $\mathcal{F}$ , and two operations called *vector addition* and *scalar multiplication*. The two operations are defined over  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  such that they satisfy all the following conditions:

1. To every pair of vectors  $x^1$  and  $x^2$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ , there corresponds a vector  $x^1 + x^2$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ , called the sum of  $x^1$  and  $x^2$ <sup>1</sup>.
2. Addition is commutative: For any  $x^1, x^2$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $x^1 + x^2 = x^2 + x^1$ .
3. Addition is associative: For any  $x^1, x^2$ , and  $x^3$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $(x^1 + x^2) + x^3 = x^1 + (x^2 + x^3)$ .
4.  $\mathcal{X}$  contains a vector, denoted by  $\mathbf{0}$ , such that  $\mathbf{0} + x = x$  for every  $x$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ . The vector  $\mathbf{0}$  is called the zero vector or the origin.
5. To every  $x$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ , there is a vector  $\bar{x}$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ , such that  $x + \bar{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .
6. To every  $\alpha$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ , and every  $x$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ , there corresponds a vector  $\alpha \cdot x$  in  $\mathcal{X}$  called the *scalar product* of  $\alpha$  and  $x$ .
7. Scalar multiplication is associative: For any  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  and any  $x$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot x) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot x$ .

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<sup>1</sup>We use  $x^1, x^2, x^3$  to denote different *vectors*. It *does not* denote powers!

8. Scalar multiplication is distributive with respect to vector addition: For any  $\alpha$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  and any  $x^1, x^2$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\alpha \cdot (x^1 + x^2) = \alpha \cdot x^1 + \alpha \cdot x^2$ .
9. Scalar multiplication is distributive with respect to scalar addition: For any  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  and any  $x$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $(\alpha + \beta) \cdot x = \alpha \cdot x + \beta \cdot x$ .
10. For any  $x$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $1 \cdot x = x$ , where 1 is the element 1 in  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Remark:**  $\mathcal{F}$  = field,  $\mathcal{X}$  = set of vectors

**Examples:**

1. Every field forms a vector space over itself.  $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F})$ . Examples:  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $(\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C})$ ,  $(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q})$ .
2.  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ :  $(\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{R})$ .
3.  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $D \subset \mathbb{R}$  (examples:  $D = [a, b]$ ;  $D = (0, \infty)$ ;  $D = \mathbb{R}$ ) and  $\mathcal{X} = \{f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\} = \{\text{functions from } D \text{ to } \mathbb{R}\}$   
 $f, g \in \mathcal{X}$ , define  $f + g \in \mathcal{X}$  by  $\forall t \in D, (f + g)(t) := f(t) + g(t)$  and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\alpha \cdot f \in \mathcal{X}$ , define  $\alpha \cdot f \in \mathcal{X}$  by  $\forall t \in D, (\alpha \cdot f)(t) = \alpha \cdot f(t)$ .
4. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a field and define  $\mathcal{F}^n$  the set of n-tuples written as columns

$$\mathcal{F}^n = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} \middle| \alpha_i \in \mathcal{F}, 1 \leq i \leq n \right\} = \mathcal{X}$$

$$\text{Vector Addition: } \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 + \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n + \beta_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Scalar Multiplication: } \alpha \cdot x = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

5.  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{F}^{n \times m} = \{n \times m \text{ matrices with coefficients in } \mathcal{F}\}$

**Non-examples:**

1.  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}, \mathcal{F} = \mathbb{C}, (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C})$  - Fails the definition of scalar multiplication (and others).
2.  $\mathcal{X} = \{x \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}\}, \mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$  - Fails the definition of scalar multiplication (and others).

**Def: Subspace:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be a vector space, and let  $\mathcal{Y}$  be a subset of  $\mathcal{X}$ . Then  $\mathcal{Y}$  is a subspace if using the rules of vector addition and scalar multiplication defined in  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ , we have that  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F})$  is a vector space.

**Remark:** To apply the definition, you have to check axioms 1 to 10.

**Proposition:** (Tools to check that something is a subspace) Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be a vector space and  $\mathcal{Y} \subset \mathcal{X}$ . Then, the following are equivalent (TFAE):

1.  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F})$  is a subspace.
2.  $\forall y^1, y^2 \in \mathcal{Y}, y^1 + y^2 \in \mathcal{Y}$  (closed under vector addition), and  $\forall y \in \mathcal{Y}$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{F}, \alpha y \in \mathcal{Y}$  (closed under scalar multiplication).
3.  $\forall y^1, y^2 \in \mathcal{Y}, \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{F}, \alpha \cdot y^1 + y^2 \in \mathcal{Y}$ .

**Example:**  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}), \mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}, \mathcal{X} = \{f : (-\infty, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\},$

$\mathcal{Y} = \{\text{polynomials with real coefficients}\}$

Is  $\mathcal{Y}$  a subspace? Yes, by part 2 of the proposition.

**Non-example:**  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^2, \mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$

$$\mathcal{Y} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 + x_2 = 3 \right\}.$$

Let  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{Y}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{Y}$ . Then,  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \end{bmatrix} \notin \mathcal{Y}$  because  $x_1 + y_1 + x_2 + y_2 = 6$

Therefore,  $x + y \notin \mathcal{Y}$ , which means that this space is not closed under vector addition! Thus, it is not a subspace!

**Note:** Every vector space needs to contain the **0** vector.

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**Abstract Linear Algebra (Continued)**

**Def.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be a vector space. A linear combination is a finite sum of the form  $\alpha_1 x^1 + \alpha_2 x^2 + \cdots + \alpha_n x^n$  where  $n \geq 1, \alpha_i \in \mathcal{F}, x^i \in \mathcal{X}$ .

**Remark:**  $x^i = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^i \\ x_2^i \\ \vdots \\ x_n^i \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $x^i$  means individual vectors, not powers.

Something of the form  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k v^k$  is not a linear combination because it is not finite.

**Def.** A finite set of vectors  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$  is linearly dependent if  $\exists \alpha_i \in \mathcal{F}$  not all zero such that  $\alpha_1 v^1 + \alpha_2 v^2 + \cdots + \alpha_k v^k = 0$ . Otherwise, the set is linearly independent.

**Remark:** For a linearly independent set  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$ ,  $\alpha_1 v^1 + \alpha_2 v^2 + \cdots + \alpha_k v^k = 0 \iff \alpha_1 = 0, \alpha_2 = 0, \dots, \alpha_k = 0$ .

**Def.** An arbitrary set of vectors  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{X}$  is linearly independent if every finite subset is linearly independent.

**Remark:** Suppose  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$  is a linearly dependent set. Then,  $\exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k$  are not all zero such that  $\alpha_1 v^1 + \alpha_2 v^2 + \dots + \alpha_k v^k = 0$ .

Suppose  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_1 v^1 &= -\alpha_2 v^2 - \alpha_3 v^3 - \dots - \alpha_k v^k \\ v^1 &= -\frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} v^2 - \frac{\alpha_3}{\alpha_1} v^3 - \dots - \frac{\alpha_k}{\alpha_1} v^k\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore v^1$  is a linear combination of the  $\{v^2, \dots, v^k\}$ .

**Example:**  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{P}(t) = \{\text{set of polynomials with real coefficients}\}$ .  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ .

Claim: The monomials are linearly independent. In particular, for each  $n \geq 0$ , the set  $\{1, t, \dots, t^n\}$  is linearly independent.

Proof: Let  $\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_n t^n = o = \text{zero polynomial}$ . We need to show that  $\alpha_0 = \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0$ .

Recall that  $p(t) \equiv 0$ ,  $\frac{d^k p(t)}{dt^k}|_{t=0} = 0$  for  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$p(t) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_n t^n$$

$$0 = p(0) \iff \alpha_0 = 0$$

$$0 = \frac{dp(t)}{dt}|_{t=0} = (\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 t + \dots + n\alpha_n t^{n-1})|_{t=0} \iff \alpha_1 = 0$$

$\vdots$

Etc.  $\square$

**Example:** Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{2 \times 3 \text{ matrices with real coefficients}\}$ . Let  $v^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$v^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, v^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, v^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$\{v^1, v^2\}$  is a linearly independent set.

$$\alpha_1 v^1 + \alpha_2 v^2 = 0 \iff \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2\alpha_1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\iff \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0.$$



$\{v^1, v^2, v^4\}$  is a linearly dependent set.

$$\alpha_1 v^1 + \alpha_2 v^2 + \alpha_4 v^4 = 0$$

$$\iff \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2\alpha_1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha_4 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\iff \alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = -1, \alpha_4 = -2.$$

**Remark:**  $\mathcal{F}$  is important when determining whether a set is linearly independent or not. For example, let  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{C}$  and  $v^1 = 1, v^2 = j = \sqrt{-1}$ .  $v^1$  and  $v^2$  are linearly independent when  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ . However, they are linearly dependent when  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{C}$ .

**Def.** Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a subset of a vector space  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ . The span of  $\mathcal{S}$ , denoted  $\text{span}\{\mathcal{S}\}$ , is the set of all linear combinations of elements of  $\mathcal{S}$ .

$$\text{span}\{\mathcal{S}\} = \{x \in \mathcal{X} | \exists n \geq 1, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathcal{F}, v^1, \dots, v^n \in \mathcal{S}, x = \alpha_1 v^1 + \dots + \alpha_n v^n\}.$$

**Remark:**  $\text{span}\{\mathcal{S}\}$  is a subset.

**Example:** Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ .  $\mathcal{S} = \{1, t, t^2, \dots\} = \{t^k | k \geq 0\}$ .  $\text{span}\{\mathcal{S}\} = \mathbb{P}(t) = \{\text{polynomials with real coefficients}\}$ .

Is  $e^t \in \text{span}\{\mathcal{S}\}$ ? No. Although  $e^t$  can be written as a sum of polynomials (Taylor Series), the number of components of that sum is infinite. While, the linear combination has to be finite.

**Def.** A set of vectors  $\mathcal{B}$  in  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{X}$  if

- $\mathcal{B}$  is linearly independent.
- $\text{span}\{\mathcal{B}\} = \mathcal{X}$ .

**Example:**  $(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$  where  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .  $e^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $e^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $e^n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$\{e^1, e^2, \dots, e^n\}$  is both linearly independent and its span is  $\mathcal{F}^n$ .

$\therefore$  It is a basis.

It is called the Natural Basis.

Moreover,  $\{e^1, e^2, \dots, e^n, je^1, je^2, \dots, je^n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{C}^n$  in  $(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{R})$ . However, it is not a basis for  $\mathbb{C}^n$  in  $(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C})$ .

Let  $v^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $v^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .  $\{v^1, v^2, \dots, v^n\}$  is also a basis for  $(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$  where  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Example:** The infinite set  $\{1, t, \dots, t^n, \dots\}$  is a basis for  $(\mathbb{P}(t), \mathbb{R})$ .

**Def.** Let  $n > 0$  be an integer. The vector space  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  has finite dimension  $n$  if

- there exists a set with  $n$  linearly independent vectors, and
- any set with  $n + 1$  or more vectors is linearly dependent.

$(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  is infinite dimensional if for every  $n > 0$ , there is a linearly independent set with  $n$  or more elements in it.

**Examples:**

$$\dim(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F}) = n$$

$$\dim(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{R}) = 2n$$

$$\dim(\mathbb{P}(t), \mathbb{R}) = \infty$$

**Theorem:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space ( $n$  is finite). Then, any set of  $n$  linearly independent vectors is a basis.

Proof: Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be  $n$ -dimensional and let  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  be a linearly independent set.

To show:  $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $x = \alpha_1 v^1 + \dots + \alpha_n v^n$ .

How: Because  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  is  $n$ -dimensional,  $\{x, v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  is a linearly dependent set. Otherwise, the  $\dim \mathcal{X} > n$  which it isn't. Hence,  $\exists \beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n \in \mathcal{F}$ , NOT ALL ZERO, such that  $\beta_0 x + \beta_1 v^1 + \dots + \beta_n v^n = 0$ .

Claim:  $\beta_0 \neq 0$

Proof: Suppose that  $\beta_0 = 0$ . Then,

1. At least one of  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$  is non-zero.
2.  $\beta_1 v^1 + \dots + \beta_n v^n = 0$ .

1 and 2 above, imply that  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  is a linearly dependent set, which is a contradiction. Hence,  $\beta_0 = 0$  cannot hold. Completing the proof, we write

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_0 x &= -\beta_1 v^1 - \dots - \beta_n v^n \\ x &= \left( \frac{-\beta_1}{\beta_0} \right) v^1 + \dots + \left( \frac{-\beta_n}{\beta_0} \right) v^n \\ \therefore \alpha_1 &= \frac{-\beta_1}{\beta_0}, \dots, \alpha_n = \frac{-\beta_n}{\beta_0}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

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**Abstract Linear Algebra (Continued)**

**Proposition:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be a vector space with basis  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$ . Let  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ . Then,  $\exists$  unique coefficients  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  such that  $x = \alpha_1 v^1 + \alpha_2 v^2 + \dots + \alpha_n v^n$ .

Proof: Suppose  $x$  can also be written as  $x = \beta_1 v^1 + \beta_2 v^2 + \dots + \beta_n v^n$ .

We need to show:  $\alpha_1 = \beta_1, \alpha_2 = \beta_2, \dots, \alpha_n = \beta_n$ .

$$0 = x - x = (\alpha_1 - \beta_1)v^1 + \dots + (\alpha_n - \beta_n)v^n$$

By linear independence of  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$ , we can obtain that  $\alpha_1 - \beta_1 = 0, \dots, \alpha_n - \beta_n = 0$ .

Hence,  $\alpha_1 = \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_n = \beta_n$ , that is, the coefficients are unique.  $\square$

**Def:**  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $x = \alpha_1 v^1 + \dots + \alpha_n v^n$ .  $x$  uniquely defines  $\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{F}^n$ .

$[x]_v = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix}$  is the representation of  $x$  with respect to the basis  $v = \{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$

if and only if  $x = \alpha_1 v^1 + \dots + \alpha_n v^n$ .

**Example:**  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{X} = \{2 \times 2 \text{ matrices with real coefficients}\}$

$$\text{Basis 1: } v^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, v^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, v^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, v^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Basis 2: } w^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, w^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, w^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, w^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 5w^1 + 2w^2 + 1w^3 + 4w^4$$

$$\text{Therefore, } [x]_w = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4.$$

### Easy Facts:

1. Addition of vectors in  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}) \equiv$  Addition of the representations in  $(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$ .

$$[x + y]_v = [x]_v + [y]_v$$

2. Scalar multiplication in  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}) \equiv$  Scalar multiplication with the representations in  $(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$ .

$$[\alpha x]_v = \alpha[x]_v$$

3. Once a basis is chosen, any n-dimensional vector space  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  "looks like"  $(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$ .

**Change of Basis Matrix:** Let  $\{u^1, \dots, u^n\}$  and  $\{\bar{u}^1, \dots, \bar{u}^n\}$  be two bases for  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ . Is there a relation between  $[x]_u$  and  $[x]_{\bar{u}}$ ?

**Theorem:**  $\exists$  an invertible matrix  $P$ , with coefficients in  $\mathcal{F}$ , such that  $\forall x \in (\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ ,  $[x]_{\bar{u}} = P[x]_u$ .

Moreover,  $P = [P_1 | P_2 | \dots | P_n]$  with  $P_i = [u^i]_{\bar{u}} \in \mathcal{F}^n$  where  $P_i$  is the  $i^{th}$  column of the matrix  $P$  and  $[u^i]_{\bar{u}}$  is the representation of  $u^i$  with respect to  $\bar{u}$ .

Proof: Let  $x = \alpha_1 u^1 + \cdots + \alpha_n u^n = \bar{\alpha}_1 \bar{u}^1 + \cdots + \bar{\alpha}_n \bar{u}^n$ .

$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} = [x]_u$$

$$\bar{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\alpha}_1 \\ \bar{\alpha}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \bar{\alpha}_n \end{bmatrix} = [x]_{\bar{u}}$$

$$\bar{\alpha} = [x]_{\bar{u}} = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i u^i \right]_{\bar{u}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i [u^i]_{\bar{u}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i P_i = P\alpha.$$

Therefore,  $\bar{\alpha} = P\alpha = P[x]_u$ .

Now we need to show that  $P$  is invertible:

Define  $\bar{P} = [\bar{P}_1 | \bar{P}_2 | \cdots | \bar{P}_n]$  with  $\bar{P}_i = [\bar{u}^i]_u$ .

Do the same calculations and obtain  $\alpha = \bar{P}\bar{\alpha}$ .

Then, we can obtain that  $\alpha = \bar{P}P\alpha$  and  $\bar{\alpha} = P\bar{P}\bar{\alpha}$ .

Therefore,  $P\bar{P} = \bar{P}P = I$ .

In conclusion,  $\bar{P}$  is the inverse of  $P$  ( $\bar{P} = P^{-1}$ ).  $\square$

**Example:**  $\mathcal{X} = \{2 \times 2 \text{ matrices with real coefficients}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ .

$$u = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\bar{u} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

We have following relations:

$$\alpha = P\bar{\alpha}, P_i = [u^i]_{\bar{u}}, \bar{\alpha} = \bar{P}\alpha, \bar{P}_i = [\bar{u}^i]_u. (\bar{P}^{-1} = P, P^{-1} = \bar{P})$$

Typically, compute the easier of  $P$  or  $\bar{P}$ , and compute the other by inversion.

We choose to compute  $\bar{P}$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{P}_1 = [\bar{u}^1]_u &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \bar{P}_2 = [\bar{u}^2]_u &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \bar{P}_3 = [\bar{u}^3]_u &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \bar{P}_4 = [\bar{u}^4]_u &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\bar{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $P = \bar{P}^{-1}$

**Def.** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with complex coefficients. A scalar  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an eigenvalue (e-value) of  $A$ , if  $\exists$  a non-zero vector  $v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  such that  $Av = \lambda v$ . Any such vector  $v$  is called an eigenvector (e-vector) associated with  $\lambda$ . Eigenvectors are not unique.

To find eigenvalues, we need to know conditions under which  $\exists v \neq 0$  such that  $Av = \lambda v$ .

$$Av = \lambda v \iff (\lambda I - A)v = 0 \iff \det(\lambda I - A) = 0$$

**Example:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\det(\lambda I - A) = \lambda^2 + 1 = 0$ .

Therefore, the eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = j$ ,  $\lambda_2 = -j$ .

To find eigenvectors, we need to solve  $(A - \lambda_i I)v^i = 0$ .

The eigenvectors are  $v^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ j \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -j \end{bmatrix}$ .

Note that both eigenvalues and eigenvectors are complex conjugate pairs.



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## Abstract Linear Algebra (Continued)

**Def.**  $\Delta(\lambda) = \det(\lambda I - A)$  is called the characteristic polynomial.  $\Delta(\lambda) = 0$  is called the characteristic equation.

$$\Delta(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{m_1}(\lambda - \lambda_2)^{m_2} \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_p)^{m_p}$$

where  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p$  are the distinct eigenvalues, and  $m_i$  is the multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$  such that

$$m_1 + m_2 + \cdots + m_p = n$$

**Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with coefficients in  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . If the e-values  $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$  are distinct, that is,  $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$  for all  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n$ , then the e-vectors  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  are linearly independent in  $(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C})$ .

**Remark:** Restatement of the theorem: If  $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$  are distinct then  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  is a basis for  $(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C})$ .

Proof: We prove the contrapositive and show there is a repeated e-value ( $\lambda_i = \lambda_j$  for some  $i \neq j$ ).

$\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  linearly dependent  $\Rightarrow \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{C}$ , not all zero, such that  $\alpha_1 v^1 + \cdots + \alpha_n v^n = 0(*)$ .

Without loss of generality, we can suppose  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$ . (that is, we can always reorder of e-values so that the first coefficient is nonzero.)

Because  $v^i$  is an e-vector,

$$(A - \lambda_j I)v^i = Av^i - \lambda_j v^i = \lambda_i v^i - \lambda_j v^i = (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)v^i$$

Side Note: It is an easy exercise to show

$$(A - \lambda_2 I)(A - \lambda_3 I) \cdots (A - \lambda_n I)v^i = (\lambda_i - \lambda_2)(\lambda_i - \lambda_3) \cdots (\lambda_i - \lambda_n)v^i, 2 \leq i \leq n$$

Let  $i = 1$

$$(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(\lambda_1 - \lambda_3) \cdots (\lambda_1 - \lambda_n)v^1$$

Let  $i = 2$

$$(\lambda_2 - \lambda_2)(\lambda_2 - \lambda_3) \cdots (\lambda_2 - \lambda_n)v^2 = 0$$

Etc.

Combining the above with (\*), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (A - \lambda_2 I)(A - \lambda_3 I) \cdots (A - \lambda_n I)(\alpha_1 v^1 + \cdots + \alpha_n v^n) \\ &= \alpha_1 (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(\lambda_1 - \lambda_3) \cdots (\lambda_1 - \lambda_n)v^1 \end{aligned}$$

We know  $\alpha_1 \neq 0$ , as stated above, and  $v^1 \neq 0$ , by definition of e-vectors.

$$\therefore 0 = (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(\lambda_1 - \lambda_3) \cdots (\lambda_1 - \lambda_n)$$

At least one the terms  $(\lambda_1 - \lambda_k)$ ,  $2 \leq k \leq n$ , must be zero, and thus there is a repeated e-value  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_k$  for some  $2 \leq k \leq n$ .  $\square$

**Def.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  and  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F})$  be vector spaces.  $\mathcal{L} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  is a linear operator if for all  $x, z \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{F}$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}(\alpha x + \beta z) = \alpha \mathcal{L}(x) + \beta \mathcal{L}(z)$$

Equivalently,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(x + z) &= \mathcal{L}(x) + \mathcal{L}(z) \\ \mathcal{L}(\alpha x) &= \alpha \mathcal{L}(x) \end{aligned}$$

**Example:**

1. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times m$  matrix with coefficients in  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Define  $\mathcal{L} : \mathcal{F}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^n$  by  $\mathcal{L}(x) = Ax$ , then  $\mathcal{L}$  is a linear operator. Check that linearity and multiplication by scalar are satisfied to prove this.

2. Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{\text{polynomials whose degrees} \leq 3\}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X}$ . Then for  $p \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(p) = \frac{d}{dt}p(t)$ .

**Def.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  and  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F})$  be finite dimensional vector spaces, and  $\mathcal{L} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a linear operator. A matrix representation of  $\mathcal{L}$  with respect to a basis  $\{u^1, \dots, u^m\}$  for  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  for  $\mathcal{Y}$  is an  $n \times m$  matrix  $A$ , with coefficients in  $\mathcal{F}$ , such that  $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $[\mathcal{L}(x)]_{\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}} = A [x]_{\{u^1, \dots, u^m\}}$ .

**Theorem:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  and  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F})$  be finite dimensional vector spaces,  $\mathcal{L} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  a linear operator,  $\{u^1, \dots, u^m\}$  a basis for  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  a basis for  $\mathcal{Y}$ , then  $\mathcal{L}$  has a matrix representation  $A = [A_1 | \dots | A_m]$ , where the  $i^{th}$  column of  $A$  is given by

$$A_i = [\mathcal{L}(u^i)]_{\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq m$$

Proof:  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $x = \alpha_1 u^1 + \dots + \alpha_m u^m$  so that its representation is

$$[x]_{\{u^1, \dots, u^m\}} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{F}^m$$

As in the theorem, we define

$$A_i = [\mathcal{L}(u^i)]_{\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq m$$

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Using linearity

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(x) &= \mathcal{L}(\alpha_1 u^1 + \cdots + \alpha_m u^m) \\ &= \alpha_1 \mathcal{L}(u^1) + \cdots + \alpha_m \mathcal{L}(u^m)\end{aligned}$$

Hence, computing representations, we have

$$\begin{aligned}[\mathcal{L}(x)]_{\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}} &= [\alpha_1 \mathcal{L}(u^1) + \cdots + \alpha_m \mathcal{L}(u^m)]_{\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}} \\ &= \alpha_1 [\mathcal{L}(u^1)]_{\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}} + \cdots + \alpha_m [\mathcal{L}(u^m)]_{\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}} \\ &= \alpha_1 A_1 + \cdots + \alpha_m A_m \\ &= [A_1 | A_2 | \cdots | A_m] \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \end{bmatrix} \\ &= A [x]_{\{u^1, \dots, u^m\}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore [\mathcal{L}(x)]_{\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}} = A [x]_{\{u^1, \dots, u^m\}} \quad \square$$

**Example:**

$\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{X} = \{\text{polynomials, degrees} \leq 3\}$ ,  $\mathcal{Y} = \{\text{polynomials, degrees} \leq 3\}$ .

Put the same basis on  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$ ,  $\{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{L} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be differentiation. Find the matrix representation,  $A$ , which will be a real  $4 \times 4$  matrix.

Solution: Compute  $A$  column by column, where  $A = [A_1 | A_2 | A_3 | A_4]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= [\mathcal{L}(1)]_{\{1, t, t^2, t^3\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_2 &= [\mathcal{L}(t)]_{\{1, t, t^2, t^3\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_3 &= [\mathcal{L}(t^2)]_{\{1, t, t^2, t^3\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_4 &= [\mathcal{L}(t^3)]_{\{1, t, t^2, t^3\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let's check that it makes sense

$$p(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3$$

and

$$[p(t)]_{\{1,t,t^2,t^3\}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A[p(t)]_{\{1,t,t^2,t^3\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ 2a_2 \\ 3a_3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Does this correspond to differentiating the polynomial  $p(t)$ ? We see that

$$\frac{d}{dt}p(t) = a_1 + 2a_2t + 3a_3t^2$$

$$[\frac{d}{dt}p(t)]_{\{1,t,t^2,t^3\}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ 2a_2 \\ 3a_3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and thus, yes indeed,

$$A[p(t)]_{\{1,t,t^2,t^3\}} = [\frac{d}{dt}p(t)]_{\{1,t,t^2,t^3\}}$$

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**Abstract Linear Algebra (Continued)****Elementary Properties of Matrices (Assumed Known)** $A = n \times m$  matrix with coefficients in  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .Def. Rank of  $A = \#$  of linearly independent columns of  $A$ .Theorem:  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^\top) = \text{rank}(AA^\top) = \text{rank}(A^\top A)$ .Corollary:  $\#$  of linearly independent rows  $= \#$  of linearly independent columns.**Normed Spaces:**Let Field  $\mathcal{F}$  be  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ,**Def.** A function  $\|\cdot\|: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a norm if it satisfies

- (a)  $\|x\| \geq 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $\|x\| = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$
- (b) Triangle inequality:  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|, \forall x, y \in \mathcal{X}$
- (c)  $\|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \cdot \|x\|, \forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \alpha \in \mathcal{F}, \begin{cases} \text{If } \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, |\alpha| \text{ means the absolute value} \\ \text{If } \alpha \in \mathbb{C}, |\alpha| \text{ means the magnitude} \end{cases}$

**Examples:**①  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}, \mathcal{X} = \mathbb{F}^n$ .

- i)  $\|x\|_2 = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , Two norm, Euclidean norm
- ii)  $\|x\|_p = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, 1 \leq p < \infty$ , p-norm

iii)  $\|x\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |x_i|$ , max-norm, sup-norm,  $\infty$ -norm

②  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{D} = [a, b]$ ,  $a < b < \infty$ ,  
 $\mathcal{X} = \{f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}.$

i)  $\|f\|_2 = (\int_a^b |f(t)|^2 dt)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

ii)  $\|f\|_p = (\int_a^b |f(t)|^p dt)^{\frac{1}{p}}$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$

iii)  $\|f\|_\infty = \max_{a \leq t \leq b} |f(t)|$ , which is also written  $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{a \leq t \leq b} |f(t)|$

**Def.**  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a normed space.

Distance: For  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $d(x, y) := \|x - y\|$  is called the distance from  $x$  to  $y$ .

Note:  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ .

Distance to a set: Let  $S \subset \mathcal{X}$  be a subset.

$$d(x, S) := \inf_{y \in S} \|x - y\|$$

If  $\exists x^* \in S$  such that  $d(x, S) = \|x - x^*\|$ , then  $x^*$  is a best approximation of  $x$  by elements of  $S$ .

Sometimes, write  $\hat{x}$  for  $x^*$  because we are really thinking of the solution as an approximation.

### Important questions:

- a) When does an  $x^*$  exist?
- b) How to characterize (compute)  $x^*$  such that  $\|x - x^*\| = d(x, S)$ ,  $x^* \in S$ ?
- c) If a solution exists, is it unique?

**Notation:** When  $x^*$  (or  $\hat{x}$ ) exists, we write  $x^* = \arg \min_{y \in S} \|x - y\|$ .

### Inner Product Space:

Recall:  $z = \alpha + j\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\bar{z} = z$ 's complex conjugate  $= \alpha - j\beta$



**Def.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{C})$  be a vector space, a function  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an inner product if

- (a)  $\langle a, b \rangle = \overline{\langle b, a \rangle}$ .
- (b)  $\langle \alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2, y \rangle = \alpha_1 \langle x_1, y \rangle + \alpha_2 \langle x_2, y \rangle$ , linear in the left argument. Sum can also appear on the right, just use the property (a).
- (c)  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$  for any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , and  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$ . ( $\langle x, x \rangle$  is a real number. Therefore, it can be compared to 0.)

**Remarks:**

- 1)  $\langle x, x \rangle = \overline{\langle x, x \rangle}$ , by (a). Hence,  $\langle x, x \rangle$  is always a real number.
- 2) If the vector space is defined as  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{R})$ , replace (a) with (a')  $\langle a, b \rangle = \langle b, a \rangle$

**Examples:**

- a)  $(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C})$ ,  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^\top \bar{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{y}_i$ .
- b)  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^\top y = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$ .
- c)  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{X} = \{A \mid n \times m \text{ real matrices}\}$ ,  $\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(AB^\top) = \text{tr}(A^\top B)$ .
- d)  $\mathcal{X} = \{f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \text{ continuous}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt$ .

**Theorem:** (Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be an inner product space. Then, for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \langle x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle y, y \rangle^{1/2}.$$

Proof: (Will assume  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ).

If  $y = 0$ , the result is clearly to true.

Assume  $y \neq 0$  and let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  to be chosen, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \langle x - \lambda y, x - \lambda y \rangle \\
 &= \langle x, x - \lambda y \rangle - \lambda \langle y, x - \lambda y \rangle \\
 &= \langle x, x \rangle - \lambda \langle x, y \rangle - \lambda \langle y, x \rangle + \lambda^2 \langle y, y \rangle \\
 &= \langle x, x \rangle - 2\lambda \langle x, y \rangle + \lambda^2 \langle y, y \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, select  $\lambda = \langle x, y \rangle / \langle y, y \rangle$ .

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \langle x - \lambda y, x - \lambda y \rangle \\
 &= \langle x, x \rangle - 2|\langle x, y \rangle|^2 / \langle y, y \rangle + |\langle x, y \rangle|^2 / \langle y, y \rangle \\
 &= \langle x, x \rangle - |\langle x, y \rangle|^2 / \langle y, y \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $|\langle x, y \rangle|^2 \leq \langle x, x \rangle \langle y, y \rangle \Rightarrow |\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \langle x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle y, y \rangle^{1/2}$ .  $\square$

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## Orthogonal Bases

**Corollary:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be an inner product space. Then,

$$\|x\| := \langle x, x \rangle^{1/2} = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$$

is a norm.

Proof: (For  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ) will only check the triangle inequality  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$ , which is equivalent to showing

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x + y\|^2 &\leq \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 + 2\|x\| \cdot \|y\| \\
 \|x + y\|^2 &= \langle x + y, x + y \rangle \\
 &= \langle x, x + y \rangle + \langle y, x + y \rangle \\
 &= \langle x, x \rangle + \langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle \\
 &= \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 + 2\langle x, y \rangle \\
 &\leq \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 + 2|\langle x, y \rangle| \\
 &\leq \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 + 2\|x\| \cdot \|y\| \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

**Def.**

- (a) Two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  are orthogonal if  $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$ . Notation:  $x \perp y$
- (b) A set of vectors  $S$  is orthogonal if

$$\forall x, y \in S, x \neq y \Rightarrow \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \text{ (i.e. } x \perp y)$$

- (c) If in addition,  $\|x\| = 1$  for all  $x \in S$ , then  $S$  is an orthonormal set.

**Remark:**  $x \neq 0$ ,  $\frac{x}{\|x\|}$  has norm 1.

$$\left\| \frac{x}{\|x\|} \right\| = \left| \frac{1}{\|x\|} \right| \cdot \|x\| = \frac{1}{\|x\|} \cdot \|x\| = 1$$

**Pythagorean Theorem:** If  $x \perp y$ , then

$$\|x + y\|^2 = \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2$$

.

Proof: From the proof of the triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + y\|^2 &= \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 + 2\langle x, y \rangle \\ &= \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 \quad (\text{because } \langle x, y \rangle = 0) \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Pre-projection Theorem:** Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a finite-dimensional (real) inner product space,  $M$  be a subspace of  $\mathcal{X}$ , and  $x$  be an arbitrary point in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

(a) If  $\exists m_0 \in M$  such that

$$\|x - m_0\| \leq \|x - m\| \quad \forall m \in M$$

then  $m_0$  is unique.

(b) A necessary and sufficient condition that  $m_0$  is a minimizing vector in  $M$  is that the vector  $x - m_0$  is orthogonal to  $M$ .

**Remarks:**

(a') If  $\exists m_0 \in M$  such that  $\|x - m_0\| = d(x, M) = \inf_{m \in M} \|x - m\|$ , then  $m_0$  is unique. (equivalent to (a))

(b')  $\|x - m_0\| = d(x, M) \Leftrightarrow x - m_0 \perp M$ . (equivalent to (b))

**Proof:**

Claim 1: If  $m_0 \in M$  satisfies  $\|x - m_0\| = d(x, M)$ , then  $x - m_0 \perp M$ .

Proof: (By contrapositive) Assume  $x - m_0 \not\perp M$ , we will find  $m_1 \in M$  such that  $\|x - m_1\| < \|x - m_0\|$ .

Suppose  $x - m_0 \not\perp M$ . Hence,  $\exists m \in M$  such that  $\langle x - m_0, m \rangle \neq 0$ . We know  $m \neq 0$ , and hence we define  $\tilde{m} = \frac{m}{\|m\|} \in M$ .

Define  $\delta := \langle x - m_0, \tilde{m} \rangle \neq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 &= m_0 + \delta \tilde{m} \\
 \therefore m_1 &\in M \\
 \|x - m_1\|^2 &= \|x - m_0 - \delta \tilde{m}\|^2 \\
 &= \langle x - m_0 - \delta \tilde{m}, x - m_0 - \delta \tilde{m} \rangle \\
 &= \langle x - m_0, x - m_0 \rangle - \underbrace{\delta \langle x - m_0, \tilde{m} \rangle}_{\delta} - \underbrace{\delta \langle \tilde{m}, x - m_0 \rangle}_{\delta} + \underbrace{\delta^2 \langle \tilde{m}, \tilde{m} \rangle}_{=1} \\
 &= \|x - m_0\|^2 - \delta^2 \\
 \therefore \|x - m_1\|^2 &< \|x - m_0\|^2 \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Claim 2: If  $x - m_0 \perp M$ , then  $\|x - m_0\| = d(x, M)$  and  $m_0$  is unique.

Proof: Recall the Pythagorean Theorem:

$$\|x + y\|^2 = \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 \text{ when } x \perp y$$

Let  $m \in M$  be arbitrary and suppose  $x - m_0 \perp M$ .

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x - m\|^2 &= \|x - m_0 + \underbrace{m_0 - m}_{\in M}\|^2 \\
 &= \|x - m_0\|^2 + \|m_0 - m\|^2 \quad (x - m_0 \perp M)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \inf_{m \in M} \|x - m\| = \|x - m_0\|$  and the unique minimizer is  $m_0$ .  $\square$

**How to Construct Orthogonal Sets**

**Gram-Schmidt Process:** Let  $\{y^1, \dots, y^n\}$  be a linearly independent set of vectors. We will produce  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  orthogonal, such that

$$\forall 1 \leq k \leq n, \quad \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\} = \text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}.$$

Step 1:  $v^1 = y^1$

Remark:  $v^1 \neq 0$  because  $\{y^1, \dots, y^n\}$  linearly independent.

Step 2:  $v^2 = y^2 - a_{21}v^1$  and choose  $a_{21}$  such that  $v^1 \perp v^2$ .

$$0 = \langle v^2, v^1 \rangle = \langle y^2 - a_{21}v^1, v^1 \rangle = \langle y^2, v^1 \rangle - a_{21}\langle v^1, v^1 \rangle$$

$$\therefore a_{21} = \frac{\langle y^2, v^1 \rangle}{\|v^1\|^2} \quad (\|v^1\| \neq 0 \text{ because } v^1 \neq 0)$$

Claim:  $\text{span}\{y^1, y^2\} = \text{span}\{v^1, v^2\}$ .

Proof: Know  $\text{span}\{y^1\} = \text{span}\{v^1\}$ .

To show:  $y^2 \in \text{span}\{v^1, v^2\}$  and  $v^2 \in \text{span}\{y^1, y^2\}$ .

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## Orthogonal Bases (Continued)

**Gram-Schmidt Process:** Let  $\{y^1, \dots, y^n\}$  be a linearly independent set of vectors. We will produce  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  orthogonal such that,  $\forall 1 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $\text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\} = \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$ .

Step 1

$$v^1 = y^1$$

Step 2

$$v^2 = y^2 - a_{21}v^1$$

$$\langle v^2, v^1 \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow a_{21} = \frac{\langle y^2, v^1 \rangle}{\|v^1\|^2}$$

Step 3

$$v^3 = y^3 - a_{31}v^1 - a_{32}v^2$$

Choose coefficients such that  $\langle v^3, v^1 \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle v^3, v^2 \rangle = 0$ ,

$$0 = \langle v^3, v^1 \rangle = \langle y^3, v^1 \rangle - a_{31}\langle v^1, v^1 \rangle - a_{32}\underbrace{\langle v^2, v^1 \rangle}_{=0}$$

$$0 = \langle v^3, v^2 \rangle = \langle y^3, v^2 \rangle - a_{31}\underbrace{\langle v^1, v^2 \rangle}_{=0} - a_{32}\langle v^2, v^2 \rangle$$

$$\therefore a_{31} = \frac{\langle y^3, v^1 \rangle}{\|v^1\|^2} \quad a_{32} = \frac{\langle y^3, v^2 \rangle}{\|v^2\|^2}$$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $v_k = y_k - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{\langle y_k, v_j \rangle}{\|v_j\|^2} v_j$ .

Proof of G-S Process: Need to show  $\text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\} = \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \{v^1, \dots, v^k\} \subseteq \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\} \Leftrightarrow v^k \in \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\} \\ \{y^1, \dots, y^k\} \subseteq \text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\} \Leftrightarrow y^k \in \text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\} \end{cases}.$$

### Intermediate Facts

**Proposition:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space and let  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$  be a linearly independent set with  $0 < k < n$ . Then,  $\exists v^{k+1}$  such that  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k, v^{k+1}\}$  is linearly independent.

Proof: (By contradiction)

Suppose no such  $v^{k+1}$  exists. Hence,  $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, x \in \text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$ .

$\therefore \mathcal{X} \subset \text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$ .

$\therefore \dim(\mathcal{X}) \leq \dim(\text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\})$ .

$\therefore n \leq k$ , which contradicts  $k < n$ .  $\square$

**Corollary:** In a finite dimensional vector space, any linearly independent set can be completed to a basis. More precisely, let  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$  be linearly independent,  $n = \dim(\mathcal{X}), k < n$ .

Then,  $\exists v^{k+1}, \dots, v^n$  such that  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k, v^{k+1}, \dots, v^n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{X}$ .

Proof: Previous proposition + Induction

**Def.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be an inner product space, and  $S \subseteq \mathcal{X}$  a subset. (Doesn't have to be a subspace.)

$$S^\perp := \{x \in \mathcal{X} | x \perp S\} = \{x \in \mathcal{X} | \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } y \in S\}$$

is called the orthogonal complement of  $S$ .

**Exercise:**  $S^\perp$  is always a subspace.

**Proposition:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite dimensional inner product space,



$M$  a subspace of  $\mathcal{X}$ . Then,

$$\mathcal{X} = M \oplus M^\perp.$$

Proof: If  $x \in M \cap M^\perp$ ,  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$ .

Hence,  $M \cap M^\perp = \{0\}$ .

Let  $\{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$  be a basis of  $M$ . Complete it to be a basis for  $\mathcal{X}$ :

$$\{y^1, y^2, \dots, y^k, y^{k+1}, \dots, y^n\}$$

Apply G.S. to produce orthogonal vectors  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k, v^{k+1}, \dots, v^n\}$  such that  $\text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^k\} = \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\} = M$ .

An easy calculation gives

$$M^\perp = \text{span}\{v^{k+1}, \dots, v^n\}$$

Why?

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \alpha_1 v^1 + \dots + \alpha_k v^k + \alpha_{k+1} v^{k+1} + \dots + \alpha_n v^n \\ x \perp M &\Leftrightarrow \langle x, v^i \rangle = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq k \\ \langle x, v^i \rangle &= \alpha_1 \underbrace{\langle v^1, v^i \rangle}_{=0} + \dots + \alpha_i \langle v^i, v^i \rangle + \dots + \alpha_n \underbrace{\langle v^n, v^i \rangle}_{=0} \\ &= \alpha_i \langle v^i, v^i \rangle \\ &= \alpha_i \|v^i\|^2 \\ \therefore x &= \alpha_{k+1} v^{k+1} + \dots + \alpha_n v^n \Leftrightarrow x \in \text{span}\{v^{k+1}, \dots, v^n\}. \\ \therefore x &\in M^\perp \Leftrightarrow x \in \text{span}\{v^{k+1}, \dots, v^n\}. \end{aligned}$$

## Projection Theorem

**Theorem:** (Classical Projection Theorem)

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a finite dimensional inner product space and  $M$  a subspace of  $\mathcal{X}$ . Then,  $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \exists$  unique  $m_0 \in M$  such that

$$\|x - m_0\| = d(x, M) = \inf_{m \in M} \|x - m\|.$$

Moreover,  $m_0$  is characterized by  $x - m_0 \perp M$ .

Proof: To show:  $m_0$  exists. Uniqueness and orthogonality were shown in the Pre-projection Theorem.

From G.S., we learnt that  $\mathcal{X} = M \oplus M^\perp$ .

Hence, we can write

$$x = m_0 + \tilde{m}$$

where

$$m_0 \in M \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{m} \in M^\perp$$

Hence,

$$x - m_0 = \tilde{m} \in M^\perp \Rightarrow x - m_0 \perp M. \quad \square$$

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**Orthogonal Projection and Normal Equations**

**Projection Theorem (Continued)**

**Orthogonal Projection Operator**

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a finite dimensional (real) inner product space and  $M$  a subspace of  $\mathcal{X}$ . For  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $m_0 \in M$ . The Projection Theorem shows the TFAE:

- (a)  $x - m_0 \perp M$ .
- (b)  $\exists \tilde{m} = M^\perp$  such that  $x = m_0 + \tilde{m}$ .
- (c)  $\|x - m_0\| = d(x, M) = \inf_{m \in M} \|x - m\|$ .

**Def.**  $P: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow M$  by  $P(x) = m_0$ , where  $m_0$  satisfies any of (a),(b) or (c), is called the orthogonal projection of  $\mathcal{X}$  onto  $M$ .

**Exercise1:**  $P: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow M$  is a linear operator.

**Exercise2:**  $P$ : Let  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$  be an orthonormal basis for  $M$ . Then

$$P(x) = \sum_{i=1}^k \langle x, v^i \rangle v^i.$$

### Normal Equations

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a finite dimensional (real) inner product space and  $M = \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$ , with  $\{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$  linearly independent. Given  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , seek  $\hat{x} \in M$  such that

$$\|x - \hat{x}\| = d(x, M) = \inf_{m \in M} \|x - m\| = \min_{m \in M} \|x - m\|$$

where we can write “min” because the Projection Theorem assures the existence of a minimizing vector  $\hat{x} \in M$ .

**Notation:**  $\hat{x} = \text{argmin } d(x, M)$

**Remark:** One solution is Gram Schmidt and the orthogonal projection operator. We provide an alternative way to compute the answer.

By the Projection Theorem,  $\hat{x}$  exists and is characterized by  $x - \hat{x} \perp M$ . Write

$$\hat{x} = \alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k$$

and impose  $x - \hat{x} \perp M \Leftrightarrow x - \hat{x} \perp y^i, 1 \leq i \leq k$ .

Then,  $\langle x - \hat{x}, y^i \rangle = 0, \forall 1 \leq i \leq k$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{x}, y^i \rangle &= \langle x, y^i \rangle \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k \\ \Leftrightarrow \langle \alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k, y^i \rangle &= \langle x, y^i \rangle \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k. \end{aligned}$$

We now write this out in matrix form.

$i = 1$

$$\alpha_1 \langle y^1, y^1 \rangle + \alpha_2 \langle y^2, y^1 \rangle + \dots + \alpha_k \langle y^k, y^1 \rangle = \langle x, y^1 \rangle$$

$i = 2$

$$\alpha_1 \langle y^1, y^2 \rangle + \alpha_2 \langle y^2, y^2 \rangle + \dots + \alpha_k \langle y^k, y^2 \rangle = \langle x, y^2 \rangle$$

$\vdots$

$i = k$

$$\alpha_1 \langle y^1, y^k \rangle + \alpha_2 \langle y^2, y^k \rangle + \dots + \alpha_k \langle y^k, y^k \rangle = \langle x, y^k \rangle$$

These are called the Normal Equations.

**Def.**  $G = G(y^1, \dots, y^k) = \begin{bmatrix} \langle y^1, y^1 \rangle & \langle y^1, y^2 \rangle & \cdots & \langle y^1, y^k \rangle \\ \langle y^2, y^1 \rangle & \langle y^2, y^2 \rangle & \cdots & \langle y^2, y^k \rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \langle y^k, y^1 \rangle & \langle y^k, y^2 \rangle & \cdots & \langle y^k, y^k \rangle \end{bmatrix}$

$G_{ij} = \langle y^i, y^j \rangle$  is called the Gram matrix.

**Remark:** Because we are assuming  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\langle y^i, y^j \rangle = \langle y^j, y^i \rangle$ , and we therefore have  $G = G^T$ .

Let  $\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_k \end{bmatrix}$ , we have

$$G^T \alpha = \beta \text{ (normal equation in the matrix form)}$$

where

$$\beta_i = \langle x, y^i \rangle, \quad \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Def.**  $g(y^1, y^2, \dots, y^k) = \det G(y^1, \dots, y^k)$  is the determinant of the Gram Matrix.

**Prop.**  $g(y^1, y^2, \dots, y^k) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$  is linearly independent.

The proof is given at the end of the handout.

**Summary:** Here is the solution of our best approximation problem by the normal equations. Assume the set  $\{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$  is linearly independent and  $M := \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$ . Then  $\hat{x} = \arg \min d(x, M)$  if, and only if,

$$\hat{x} = \alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k$$

$$G^T \alpha = \beta$$

$$G_{ij} = \langle y^i, y^j \rangle$$

$$\beta_i = \langle x, y^i \rangle.$$

**Application:** Over determined system of linear equations in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$A\alpha = b,$$

where  $A = n \times m$  real matrix,  $n \geq m$ ,  $\text{rank}(A) = m$  (columns of  $A$  are linearly independent). From the dimension of  $A$ , we have that  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Original Problem Formulation:

Seek  $\hat{\alpha}$  such that

$$\|A\hat{\alpha} - b\| = \min_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m} \|A\alpha - b\|,$$

where

$$\|x\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i)^2.$$

Solution:

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}, \quad \langle x, y \rangle = x^T y = y^T x = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$$

Therefore,

$$\|x\|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2.$$

Write

$$A = [A_1 | A_2 | \cdots | A_m] \text{ and } \alpha = [\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \cdots, \alpha_m]^T$$

and we note that

$$A\alpha = \alpha_1 A_1 + \alpha_2 A_2 + \cdots + \alpha_m A_m.$$

New Problem Formulation:

Seek

$$\hat{x} = A\hat{\alpha} \in \text{span}\{A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_m\} =: M$$

such that

$$\|\hat{x} - b\| = d(b, M) \Leftrightarrow \hat{x} - b \perp M.$$

From the Projection Theorem and the Normal Equations,

$$\hat{x} = \hat{\alpha}_1 A_1 + \hat{\alpha}_2 A_2 + \cdots \hat{\alpha}_m A_m$$

and  $G^\top \hat{\alpha} = \beta$ , with

$$\begin{aligned} G_{ij} &= \langle A_i, A_j \rangle = A_i^\top A_j \\ \beta_i &= \langle b, A_i \rangle = b^\top A_i = A_i^\top b. \end{aligned}$$

Aside

$$\begin{aligned} A^\top &= \begin{bmatrix} A_1^\top \\ A_2^\top \\ \vdots \\ A_m^\top \end{bmatrix} & A &= [A_1 | \cdots | A_m] \\ (A^\top A)_{ij} &= A_i^\top A_j \\ G &= G^\top = A^\top A \\ (A^\top b)_i &= A_i^\top b \end{aligned}$$

Normal Equations are

$$A^\top A \hat{\alpha} = A^\top b.$$

From the Proposition,  $G^\top = A^\top A$  is invertible  $\Leftrightarrow$  columns of  $A$  are linearly independent. Hence,

$$\hat{\alpha} = (A^\top A)^{-1} A^\top b.$$



**Prop.**  $g(y^1, y^2, \dots, y^k) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$  is linearly independent.

**Proof:**  $g(y^1, y^2, \dots, y^k) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \exists \alpha \neq 0$  such that  $G^\top \alpha = 0$ .

From our construction of the normal equations,  $G^\top \alpha = 0$  if, and only if

$$\langle \alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k, y^i \rangle = 0 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$$

This is equivalent to

$$(\alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k) \perp y^i = 0 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k$$

which is equivalent to

$$(\alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k) \perp \text{span}\{y^1, \dots, y^k\} =: M$$

and thus

$$(\alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k) \in M^\perp.$$

Because  $\alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k \in M$ , we have that

$$(\alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k) \in M \cap M^\perp$$

and therefore

$$\alpha_1 y^1 + \alpha_2 y^2 + \dots + \alpha_k y^k = 0.$$

By the linear independence of  $\{y^1, \dots, y^k\}$ , we deduce that

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_k = 0. \quad \square$$

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## Symmetric Matrices

**Def.** An  $n \times n$  real matrix  $A$  is symmetric if  $A^\top = A$ .

**Claim 1:** The eigenvalues of a symmetric matrix are real.

Proof: Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  be an eigenvalue. To show:  $\lambda = \bar{\lambda}$  where  $\bar{\lambda}$  is the complex conjugate of  $\lambda$ .

Because  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an eigenvalue,  $\exists v \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $v \neq 0$ , such that

$$Av = \lambda v.$$

Take the complex conjugate of both sides, yielding

$$\bar{A}\bar{v} = \bar{\lambda}\bar{v}.$$

Because  $A$  is real, we have  $\bar{A} = A$  and thus

$$A\bar{v} = \bar{\lambda}\bar{v}.$$

Now, take the transpose of both sides to obtain

$$\bar{v}^\top A^\top = \bar{\lambda}\bar{v}^\top.$$

Because  $A$  is symmetric,  $A^\top = A$ , and hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{v}^\top A &= \bar{\lambda}\bar{v}^\top \\
 \Rightarrow \bar{v}^\top Av &= \bar{\lambda}\bar{v}^\top v \\
 \Rightarrow \bar{v}^\top \lambda v &= \bar{\lambda}\bar{v}^\top v \\
 \therefore \lambda \|v\|^2 &= \bar{\lambda} \|v\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^\top \bar{y}$  and  $\|x\|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle = x^\top \bar{x} = \bar{x}^\top x$ . Because  $\|v\|^2 \neq 0$ , we deduce that  $\lambda = \bar{\lambda}$ , proving the result.  $\square$

**Remark:** We now know that when  $A$  is real and symmetric, an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  is real, and therefore we can assume the corresponding eigenvector is real. Indeed,

$$\underbrace{(A - \lambda I)}_{\text{real}} v = 0.$$

Hence we have  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and we can use the real inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , namely  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^\top y$ .

**Claim 2:** Eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal. That is, let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}, v^1, v^2 \in \mathbb{R}^n, Av^1 = \lambda_1 v^1, Av^2 = \lambda_2 v^2, v^1 \neq 0, v^2 \neq 0$ . Then,

$$\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \langle v^1, v^2 \rangle = 0.$$

Proof:  $Av^1 = \lambda_1 v^1$ .

Take the transpose of both sides, and use  $A = A^\top$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} (v^1)^\top A &= \lambda_1 (v^1)^\top \\ (v^1)^\top Av^2 &= \lambda_1 (v^1)^\top v^2 \\ (v^1)^\top \lambda_2 v^2 &= \lambda_1 (v^1)^\top v^2 \\ (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(v^1)^\top v^2 &= 0 \\ \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2, \Rightarrow (v^1)^\top v^2 &= 0. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Def.:** A matrix  $Q$  is orthogonal if  $Q^\top Q = I$ . That is,  $Q^{-1} = Q^\top$ .

**Claim 3:** Suppose the eigenvalues of  $A$  are all distinct. Then there exists an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  such that

$$Q^\top A Q = \Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n).$$

Proof:  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  distinct implies that the eigenvectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are orthog-

onal, and thus

$$\langle v^i, v^j \rangle = (v^i)^\top v^j = 0 \quad i \neq j.$$

WLOG (without loss of generality), we can assume:  $\|v^i\| = 1$

$$\therefore \|v^i\|^2 = 1 \Leftrightarrow (v^i)^\top v^i = \|v^i\|^2 = 1.$$

We define

$$Q = [v^1 | v^2 | \cdots | v^n]$$

Then

$$[Q^\top Q]_{ij} = (v^i)^\top v^j = \begin{cases} 1, & i = j \\ 0, & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore Q^\top Q = I, \text{ is orthogonal. } \square$$

**Fact:** [See HW06] Even if the eigenvalues are repeated,  $A = A^\top \Rightarrow \exists Q$  orthogonal such that  $Q^\top A Q = \Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ . Symmetric matrices are rather special in that one can ALWAYS find a basis consisting of e-vectors.

**Useful Observation:** Let  $A$  be  $m \times n$  real matrix. Then both  $A^\top A$  and  $AA^\top$  are symmetric, and hence their eigenvalues are real.

**Claim 4:** Eigenvalues of  $A^\top A$  and  $AA^\top$  are non-negative.

Proof: We do the proof for  $A^\top A$ .

Let  $A^\top A v = \lambda v$  where  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $v \neq 0$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . To show:  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

Multiply both sides by  $v^\top$

$$v^\top A^\top A v = v^\top \lambda v$$

$$\langle Av, Av \rangle = \lambda \langle v, v \rangle$$

$$\therefore \|Av\|^2 = \lambda \|v\|^2$$

$\therefore \lambda \geq 0$ , because  $\|v\|^2 > 0$ ,  $\|Av\|^2 \geq 0$ .  $\square$

## Quadratic Forms

**Def.** Let  $M$  be an  $n \times n$  real matrix and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $x^\top Mx$  is called a quadratic form.

**Def.** An  $n \times n$  matrix  $W$  is skew symmetric if  $W = -W^\top$ .

**Exercise:** If  $W$  is skew symmetric, then  $x^\top Wx = 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Exercise:**  $M$  a real matrix,  $M = \underbrace{\frac{M + M^\top}{2}}_{\text{symmetric}} + \underbrace{\frac{M - M^\top}{2}}_{\text{skew symmetric}}.$

**Def.**  $\frac{M+M^\top}{2}$  is the symmetric part of  $M$ .

**Exercise:**  $x^\top Mx = x^\top \left( \frac{M+M^\top}{2} \right) x.$

**Consequence:** When working with a quadratic form, always assume  $M$  is symmetric.

**Def.** A real symmetric matrix  $P$  is positive definite, if, for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x \neq 0 \Rightarrow x^\top Px > 0$ .

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## Positive Definite Matrices and Schur Complement

**Notation:**  $P > 0$ :  $P$  is positive definite. (Does not mean all entries of  $P$  are positive)

**Theorem:** A symmetric matrix  $P$  is positive definite if and only if all of its eigenvalues are greater than 0.

**Proof:**

Claim 1:  $P$  is positive definite.  $\Rightarrow$  All eigenvalues of  $P$  are greater than 0.

Proof: Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $Px = \lambda x$ ,  $x \neq 0$ . ( $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $P$ ).

Then, we have:

$$x^\top Px = x^\top \lambda x = \lambda \|x\|^2 > 0$$

$\therefore \|x\| > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda > 0$ .  $\square$

Claim 2: All eigenvalues of  $P$  are greater than 0.  $\Rightarrow P$  is positive definite.

Proof: To show  $x \neq 0 \Rightarrow x^\top Px > 0$ .

Without loss of generality, assume  $\|x\| = 1$ ,

$$\therefore x^\top x = 1.$$

$$x^\top Px \geq \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|x\|=1} x^\top Px = \lambda_{\min}(P)$$

where  $\lambda_{\min}(P)$  is the smallest eigenvalue of  $P$ .

Meanwhile,  $\lambda_{\min}(P) > 0$  because all eigenvalues of  $P$  are positive and there is only a finite number of them.

$$\therefore x^\top Px \geq \lambda_{\min}(P) > 0. \square$$

**Exercise:** Show

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} > 0$$

**Definition:**  $P = P^\top$  is positive semidefinite if  $x^\top Px \geq 0$  for all  $x \neq 0$ .

**Theorem:**  $P$  is positive semidefinite if and only if all eigenvalues of  $P$  are non-negative. (Notation:  $P \geq 0$  or  $P \succcurlyeq 0$ .)

**Definition:**  $N$  is a square root of a symmetric matrix  $P$  if  $N^\top N = P$ .

Note:  $N^\top N = (N^\top N)^\top \Rightarrow N^\top N$  is always symmetric.

**Theorem:**  $P \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \exists N$  such that  $N^\top N = P$ .

Proof:

1. Suppose  $N^\top N = P$ , and let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$x^\top Px = x^\top N^\top Nx = (Nx)^\top (Nx) = \|Nx\|^2 \geq 0.$$

2. Now suppose  $P \geq 0$ . To show  $\exists N$  such that  $N^\top N = P$ .

Since  $P$  is symmetric, there exists an orthogonal matrix  $O$  such that

$$P = O^\top \Lambda O$$

where  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$ .

Since  $P \geq 0$ ,  $\lambda_i \geq 0$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Define  $\Lambda^{1/2} := \text{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \sqrt{\lambda_2}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_n})$ ,

$$\Lambda = (\Lambda^{1/2})^\top \Lambda^{1/2} = \Lambda^{1/2} \Lambda^{1/2}.$$

Let  $N = \Lambda^{1/2} O$ , then

$$N^\top N = O^\top (\Lambda^{1/2})^\top \Lambda^{1/2} O = O^\top \Lambda O = P.$$

$$\therefore N^\top N = P. \quad \square$$

**Exercise:** For a symmetric matrix  $P$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , prove  $(x + y)^\top P(x + y) = x^\top Px + y^\top Py + 2x^\top Py$ . (Because  $y^\top Px$  is scalar)

**Theorem:** (Schur Complement) Suppose that  $A = n \times n$  is symmetric and invertible,  $B = n \times m$ ,  $C = m \times m$  is symmetric and invertible, and

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^\top & C \end{bmatrix}$$

symmetric.

Then the following are equivalent:

1.  $M > 0$ .
2.  $A > 0$ , and  $C - B^\top A^{-1}B > 0$ .
3.  $C > 0$ , and  $A - BC^{-1}B^\top > 0$ .

**Definition:**  $C - B^\top A^{-1}B$  is the Schur Complement of  $A$  in  $M$ .

**Definition:**  $A - BC^{-1}B^\top$  is the Schur Complement of  $C$  in  $M$ .

Proof: We will show  $1. \Leftrightarrow 2..$  The proof of  $1. \Leftrightarrow 3.$  is identical.

Firstly, let's show  $1. \Rightarrow 2..$

Suppose  $M > 0$ , then for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x \neq 0$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^\top M \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} > 0$$

$$0 < \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^\top & C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Ax \\ B^\top x \end{bmatrix} = x^\top Ax.$$

$\therefore A$  is positive definite.

We will make a nice choice of  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$  to show  $C - B^\top A^{-1}B > 0$ .



We want  $Ax + By = 0$ , thus let  $x = -A^{-1}By$ ,  $y \neq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &< \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^\top & C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -A^{-1}By \\ y \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^\top & C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -A^{-1}By \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -y^\top B^\top A^{-1} & y^\top \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -B^\top A^{-1}By + Cy \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= y^\top Cy - y^\top B^\top A^{-1}By \\
 &= y^\top (C - B^\top A^{-1}B)y.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore C - B^\top A^{-1}B > 0.$$

Secondly, let's show  $2. \Rightarrow 1..$

Suppose  $A > 0$ ,  $C - B^\top A^{-1}B > 0$ . To show  $M > 0$ .

(Equivalently, to show: for an arbitrary  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}^\top M \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} > 0$ )

For an arbitrary  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ , define  $\bar{x} = x + A^{-1}By$ .

Note that  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ y \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}^\top M \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} - A^{-1}By \\ y \end{bmatrix}^\top M \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} - A^{-1}By \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^\top M \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -A^{-1}By \\ y \end{bmatrix}^\top M \begin{bmatrix} -A^{-1}By \\ y \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^\top M \begin{bmatrix} -A^{-1}By \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \bar{x}^\top A \bar{x} + y^\top (C - B^\top A^{-1}B)y + 0 > 0. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

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**Weighted Least Squares**

Let  $Q$  be an  $n \times n$  positive definite matrix ( $Q > 0$ ) and let the inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  be

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^\top Q y.$$

We re-do  $A\alpha = b$ , where  $A = n \times m, n \geq m, \text{rank}(A) = m, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . We want to seek  $\hat{\alpha}$  such that

$$\|A\hat{\alpha} - b\| = \min_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m} \|A\alpha - b\|$$

where  $\|x\| = \langle x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} = (x^\top Q x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  and  $Q > 0$ .

Solution:  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}, \langle x, y \rangle = x^\top Q y$

Write  $A = [A_1 \mid A_2 \mid \cdots \mid A_m]$

Normal Equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x} &= \hat{\alpha}_1 A_1 + \hat{\alpha}_2 A_2 + \cdots + \hat{\alpha}_m A_m \\ G^\top \hat{\alpha} &= \beta, \text{ with } G = G^\top \\ [G^\top]_{ij} &= [G]_{ij} = \langle A_i, A_j \rangle = A_i^\top Q A_j = [A^\top Q A]_{ij} \\ \beta_i &= \langle b, A_i \rangle = b^\top Q A_i = A_i^\top Q b = [A^\top Q b]_i.\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore A^\top Q A \hat{\alpha} = A^\top Q b.$$

Since  $A^\top Q A$  is invertible by  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ , we can conclude that

$$\underline{\hat{\alpha} = (A^\top Q A)^{-1} A^\top Q b.}$$

## Recursive Least Squares

**Model:**

$$y_i = C_i x + e_i, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$C_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$i$  = time index

$x$  = an unknown constant vector  $\in \mathbb{R}^n$

$y_i$  = measurements  $\in \mathbb{R}^m$

$e_i$  = model "mismatch"  $\in \mathbb{R}^m$

**Objective 1:** Compute a least squared error estimate of  $x$  at time  $k$ , using all available data at time  $k$ ,  $(y_1, \dots, y_k)$ !

**Objective 2:** Discover a computationally attractive form for the answer.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}_k &:= \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^k (y_i - C_i x)^\top S_i (y_i - C_i x) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^k e_i^\top S_i e_i \right) \end{aligned}$$

where  $S_i = m \times m$  positive definite matrix. ( $S_i > 0$  for all time index  $i$ )

**Batch Solution:**

$$Y_k = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_k \end{bmatrix}, A_k = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \\ \vdots \\ C_k \end{bmatrix}, E_k = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ \vdots \\ e_k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_k = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & & & \mathbf{0} \\ & S_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ \mathbf{0} & & & S_k \end{bmatrix} = \text{diag}(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_k) > 0$$

$$Y_k = A_k x + E_k, \text{ [model for } 1 \leq i \leq k]$$

$$\|Y_k - A_k x\|^2 = \|E_k\|^2 := E_k^\top R_k E_k$$

Since  $\hat{x}_k$  is the value minimizing the error  $\|E_k\|$ , which is the unexplained part of the model,

$$\hat{x}_k = \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{argmin}} \|E_k\| = \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{argmin}} \|Y_k - A_k x\|,$$

which satisfies the Normal Equations  $(A_k^\top R_k A_k) \hat{x}_k = A_k^\top R_k Y_k$ .

$\therefore \underline{\hat{x}_k = (A_k^\top R_k A_k)^{-1} A_k^\top R_k Y_k}$ , which is called a Batch Solution.

**Drawback:**  $A_k = km \times n$  matrix, and grows at each step!

**Solution:** Find a recursive means to compute  $\hat{x}_{k+1}$  in terms of  $\hat{x}_k$  and the new measurement  $y_{k+1}$ !

Normal equations at time  $k$ ,  $(A_k^\top R_k A_k) \hat{x}_k = A_k^\top R_k Y_k$ , is equivalent to

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^k C_i^\top S_i C_i \right) \hat{x}_k = \sum_{i=1}^k C_i^\top S_i y_i.$$

We define

$$Q_k = \sum_{i=1}^k C_i^\top S_i C_i$$

so that

$$Q_{k+1} = Q_k + C_{k+1}^\top S_{k+1} C_{k+1}.$$

At time  $k + 1$ ,

$$\underbrace{\left( \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} C_i^\top S_i C_i \right)}_{Q_{k+1}} \hat{x}_{k+1} = \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} C_i^\top S_i y_i$$

or

$$Q_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1} = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^k C_i^\top S_i y_i}_{Q_k \hat{x}_k} + C_{k+1}^\top S_{k+1} y_{k+1}.$$

$$\underline{\therefore Q_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1} = Q_k \hat{x}_k + C_{k+1}^\top S_{k+1} y_{k+1}}$$

**Good start on recursion!** Estimate at time  $k + 1$  expressed as a linear combination of the estimate at time  $k$  and the latest measurement at time  $k + 1$ .

Continuing,

$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = Q_{k+1}^{-1} [Q_k \hat{x}_k + C_{k+1}^\top S_{k+1} y_{k+1}].$$

Because

$$Q_k = Q_{k+1} - C_{k+1}^\top S_{k+1} C_{k+1},$$

we have

$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = \hat{x}_k + \underbrace{Q_{k+1}^{-1} C_{k+1}^\top S_{k+1}}_{\text{Kalman gain}} \underbrace{(y_{k+1} - C_{k+1} \hat{x}_k)}_{\text{Innovations}}.$$

Innovations  $y_{k+1} - C_{k+1} \hat{x}_k$  = measurement at time  $k + 1$  minus the "predicted" value of the measurement = "new information".

In a real-time implementation, computing the inverse of  $Q_{k+1}$  can be time consuming. An attractive alternative can be obtained by applying the Matrix Inversion Lemma:

$$(A + BCD)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B (DA^{-1}B + C^{-1})^{-1} DA^{-1}$$

Now, following the substitution rule as shown below,

$$A \leftrightarrow Q_k \quad B \leftrightarrow C_{k+1}^\top \quad C \leftrightarrow S_{k+1} \quad D \leftrightarrow C_{k+1},$$

we can obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{k+1}^{-1} &= (Q_k + C_k^\top S_{k+1} C_{k+1})^{-1} \\ &= Q_k^{-1} - Q_k^{-1} C_{k+1}^\top [C_{k+1} Q_k^{-1} C_{k+1}^\top + S_{k+1}^{-1}]^{-1} C_{k+1} Q_k^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

which is a recursion for  $Q_k^{-1}$ !

Upon defining

$$P_k = Q_k^{-1},$$

we have

$$P_{k+1} = P_k - P_k C_{k+1}^\top [C_{k+1} P_k C_{k+1}^\top + S_{k+1}^{-1}]^{-1} C_{k+1} P_k$$

We note that we are now inverting a matrix that is  $m \times m$ , instead of one that is  $n \times n$ . Typically,  $n > m$ , sometimes by a lot!

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## Weighted Least Square

We suppose the inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is defined by  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^\top S y$ , where  $S$  is an  $n \times n$  positive definite matrix. We denote the corresponding norm by  $\|x\|_S := (x^\top S x)^{1/2}$ .

Overdetermined Equation:

Let  $Ax = b$ , where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $A = m \times n$ ,  $n < m$ , and  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ . Then, we conclude that  $\hat{x} = (A^\top S A)^{-1} A^\top S b$ , where  $\hat{x} = \underset{Ax=b}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|x\|_S$ .

Underdetermined Equation:

Let  $Ax = b$ , where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $A = m \times n$ ,  $n > m$ , and  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ . In other words, we are assuming the rows of  $A$  are linearly independent instead of the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent.

**Def.** If  $\forall b_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m, \exists x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , such that  $b_0 = Ax_0$ ,  $b = Ax$  is consistent.

**Fact:** If  $\text{rank}(A) =$  the number of rows, then the equation  $b = Ax$  is consistent.

**Fact:** Suppose  $x_0$  is such that  $b_0 = Ax_0$ , and  $V = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | y = Ax\}$  is the set of solutions. Then,  $V = x_0 + \mathcal{N}(A)$ , where  $\mathcal{N}(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | Ax = 0\}$  is the null space of  $A$ . Therefore,  $V$  is the translate of a subspace. We can also say that  $V$  is an "affine" space.

**Theorem:** If the rows of  $A$  are linearly independent, then

$$\hat{x} := \underset{x \in V}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|x\|_S = \underset{Ax=b}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|x\|_S = \underset{Ax=b}{\operatorname{argmin}} (x^\top S x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

exists, is unique, and is given by

$$\hat{x} = S^{-1}A^\top (AS^{-1}A^\top)^{-1}b.$$

### Best Linear Unbiased Estimator (BLUE)

Let  $y = Cx + \epsilon$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $E\{\epsilon\} = 0$ ,  $\text{cov}\{\epsilon, \epsilon\} = E\{\epsilon\epsilon^\top\} = Q > 0$ .

We assume no stochastic (random) model for the unknown  $x$ . We also assume that columns of  $C$  are linearly independent.

**Seek:**  $\hat{x} = Ky$  that minimizes  $E\{\|\hat{x} - x\|^2\} = E\{\sum_{i=1}^n |\hat{x}_i - x_i|^2\}$  where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the standard Euclidean norm on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Aside:

$$\begin{aligned} (v + w)^\top(v + w) &= v^\top v + w^\top w + v^\top w + w^\top v \\ &= \|v\|^2 + \|w\|^2 + 2v^\top w \text{ (Because } v^\top w \text{ is a scalar.)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E\{\|\hat{x} - x\|^2\} &= E\{\|Ky - x\|^2\} \\ &= E\{\|KCx + K\epsilon - x\|^2\} \\ &= E\{(KCx - x + K\epsilon)^\top(KCx - x + K\epsilon)\} \\ &= E\{(KCx - x)^\top(KCx - x) + 2(K\epsilon)^\top(KCx - x) + \epsilon^\top K^\top K\epsilon\} \end{aligned}$$

From  $E\{\epsilon\} = 0$  and  $x$  is deterministic, we have

$$2E\{(K\epsilon)^\top(KCx - x)\} = 0.$$

Moreover, by using the properties of the trace, we have

$$\epsilon^\top K^\top K\epsilon = \text{tr}(\epsilon^\top K^\top K\epsilon) = \text{tr}(K\epsilon\epsilon^\top K^\top).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E\{\|x - \hat{x}\|^2\} &= \|KCx - x\|^2 + \text{tr} E\{K\epsilon\epsilon^\top K^\top\} \\ &= \|KCx - x\|^2 + \text{tr}(KQK^\top). \end{aligned}$$

Difficulty: Optimal  $K$  depends on the unknown  $x$  through  $\|KCx - x\|^2$ !



Observation: If  $KC = I$ , then the problematic term disappears, i.e.,

$$\|KCx - x\|^2 = 0.$$

Interpretation: Estimator is unbiased.

$$\begin{aligned} E\{\hat{x}\} &= E\{Ky\} \\ &= E\{KCx + K\epsilon\} \\ &= KCx \\ &= x. \quad (\text{if } KC = I) \end{aligned}$$

New Problem:

$$\hat{K} = \operatorname{argmin}\{\operatorname{tr}(KQK^\top)\} \text{ subject to } KC = I.$$

New Observation:

$$\text{Write } K = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \\ \vdots \\ k_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{partition } K \text{ by rows}).$$

$$\text{Then, } K^\top = [k_1^\top | k_2^\top | \cdots | k_n^\top]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ \vdots \\ k_n \end{bmatrix} Q [k_1^\top | \cdots | k_n^\top] \right) &= \sum_{i=1}^n k_i Q k_i^\top \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \|k_i^\top\|_Q^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} KC = I &\Leftrightarrow C^\top K^\top = I_{n \times n} \\ &\Leftrightarrow C^\top [k_1^\top | \cdots | k_n^\top] = [e_1 | \cdots | e_n] \\ &\Leftrightarrow C^\top k_i^\top = e_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  We have  $n$ -separate optimization problems involving the column vectors  $k_i^\top$ .

$$\hat{k}_i^\top = \operatorname{argmin} \|k_i^\top\|_Q^2 \text{ subject to } C^\top k_i^\top = e_i.$$

From our formula for under determined equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \hat{k}_i^\top &= Q^{-1}C(C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1}e_i, \text{ which yields} \\ \therefore \hat{K}^\top &= [\hat{k}_1^\top | \cdots | \hat{k}_n^\top] = Q^{-1}C(C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\underline{\hat{K} = (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1}C^\top Q^{-1}}$$

**Theorem:** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $y = Cx + \epsilon$ ,  $E\{\epsilon\} = 0$ ,  $E\{\epsilon\epsilon^\top\} =: Q > 0$ , and  $\text{rank}(C) = n$ . The Best Linear Unbiased Estimator (BLUE) is  $\hat{x} = \hat{K}y$  where

$$\hat{K} = (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} C^\top Q^{-1}.$$

Moreover, the covariance of the error is

$$E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\} = (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1}.$$

**Remark:** Error covariance computation is an exercise. Solution (from previous calculations)

$$\begin{aligned} E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\} &= KQK^\top \\ &= (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} C^\top Q^{-1}QQ^{-1}C (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} \\ &= (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} [C^\top Q^{-1}C] (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} \\ &= (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Indeed

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x} - x &= Ky - x \\ &= KCx + K\epsilon - x \\ &= K\epsilon \text{ (because } KC = I) \\ \therefore E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\} &= E\{(K\epsilon)(K\epsilon)^\top\} \\ &= E\{K\epsilon\epsilon^\top K^\top\} \\ &= KQK^\top \end{aligned}$$

**Remarks:**

- Comparing Weighted Least Squares to BLUE, we see that they are identical when the weighting matrix is taken as the inverse of the covariance matrix of the noise term:  $S = Q^{-1}$ .
- Another way to say this, if you solve a least squares problem with weight matrix  $S$ , you are implicitly assuming that your uncertainty in the measurements has zero mean and a covariance matrix of  $Q = S^{-1}$ .
- If you know the uncertainty has zero mean and a covariance matrix of  $Q$ , using  $S = Q^{-1}$  makes a lot of sense! For simplicity, assume that  $Q$  is diagonal. A large entry of  $Q$  means high variance, which means the measurement is highly uncertain. Hence, the corresponding component of  $y$  should not be weighted very much in the optimization problem....and indeed, taking  $S = Q^{-1}$  does just that because, the weight term  $S$  is small for large terms in  $Q$ .
- The inverse of the covariance matrix is sometimes called the *information* matrix. Hence, there is low information when the variance (or covariance) is large!
- Wow! We do all this abstract math, and the answer makes sense!

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## Minimum Variance Estimator

$$y = Cx + \epsilon, y \in \mathbb{R}^m, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \text{ and } \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

### Stochastic assumptions:

$$E\{x\} = 0, E\{\epsilon\} = 0 \text{ (means).}$$

$$E\{\epsilon\epsilon^\top\} = Q, E\{xx^\top\} = P, E\{\epsilon x^\top\} = 0 \text{ (covariances).}$$

**Remark:**  $E\{\epsilon x^\top\} = 0$  implies that the states and noise are uncorrelated. Recall that uncorrelated does NOT imply independence, except for Gaussian random variables.

**Assumptions:**  $Q \geq 0, P \geq 0, CPC^\top + Q > 0$ . (will see why later)

**Objective:** minimize the variance

$$E\{\|\hat{x} - x\|^2\} = E\left\{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{x}_i - x_i)^2\right\} = \sum_{i=1}^n E\{(\hat{x}_i - x_i)^2\}.$$

We see that there are  $n$  separate optimization problems.

**Remark:** suppose  $\hat{x} = Ky$ . It is automatically unbiased, because

$$E\{\hat{x}\} = E\{Ky\} = E\{KCx + K\epsilon\} = KCE\{x\} + KE\{\epsilon\} = 0 = E\{x\}$$

**Problem Formulation:** We will pose this as a minimum norm problem in a vector space of random variables.

$$\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R},$$

$$\mathcal{X} = \text{span}\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_m\},$$

where

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_m \end{bmatrix}.$$

For  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathcal{X}$ , we define their inner product by:

$$\langle z_1, z_2 \rangle = E\{z_1 z_2\}$$

$$M = \text{span}\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m\} \subset \mathcal{X} \text{ (measurements),}$$

$$y_i = C_i x + \epsilon_i = \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} x_j + \epsilon_i, 1 \leq i \leq m, \text{ (} i\text{-th row of } y \text{)}$$

$$\hat{x}_i = \arg \min_{m \in M} \|x_i - m\| = d(x, M).$$

**Fact:**  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m\}$  is linearly independent if, and only if,  $CPC^\top + Q$  is positive definite. This is proven below when we compute the Gram matrix. (Recall,  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m\}$  linearly independent if, and only if  $G$  is full rank, where  $G_{ij} := \langle y_i, y_j \rangle$ .)

## Solution via the Normal Equations

By the normal equations,

$$\hat{x}_i = \hat{\alpha}_1 y_1 + \hat{\alpha}_2 y_2 + \cdots + \hat{\alpha}_m y_m$$

where  $G^\top \hat{\alpha} = \beta$ .

$$\begin{aligned} G_{ij} = \langle y_i, y_j \rangle &= E\{y_i y_j\} = E\{[C_i x + \epsilon_i][C_j x + \epsilon_j]\} \\ &= E\{[C_i x + \epsilon_i][C_j x + \epsilon_j]^\top\} \\ &= E\{[C_i x + \epsilon_i][x^\top C_j^\top + \epsilon_j]\} \\ &= E\{C_i x x^\top C_j^\top\} + E\{C_i x \epsilon_j\} + E\{\epsilon_i x^\top C_j^\top\} + E\{\epsilon_i \epsilon_j\} \\ &= C_i E\{x x^\top\} C_j^\top + E\{\epsilon_i \epsilon_j\} \\ &= C_i P C_j^\top + Q_{ij} \\ &= [C P C^\top + Q]_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the fact that  $x$  and  $\epsilon$  are uncorrelated. We conclude that

$$G = C P C^\top + Q.$$

We now turn to computing  $\beta$ . Let's note that  $x_i$ , the  $i$ -th component of  $x$  is equal to  $x^\top e_i$ , where  $e_i$  is the standard basis vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_j = \langle x_i, y_j \rangle &= E\{x_i y_j\} \\ &= E\{x_i [C_j x + \epsilon_j]\} \\ &= E\{x_i C_j x\} + E\{x_i \epsilon_j\} \\ &= C_j E\{x x_i\} \\ &= C_j E\{x x^\top e_i\} \\ &= C_j E\{x x^\top\} e_i \\ &= C_j P e_i \\ &= C_j P_i \end{aligned}$$

where  $P = [P_1 | P_2 | \cdots | P_n]$ .

Putting all this together, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 G^\top \hat{\alpha} &= \beta \\
 &\Updownarrow \\
 [CPC^\top + Q]\hat{\alpha} &= CP_i \\
 &\Updownarrow \\
 \hat{\alpha} &= [CPC^\top + Q]^{-1}CP_i
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{x}_i = \hat{\alpha}_1 y_1 + \hat{\alpha}_2 y_2 + \cdots + \hat{\alpha}_m y_m = \hat{\alpha}^\top y = (\text{row vector} \times \text{column vector.})$$

$$\hat{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\alpha}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{\alpha}_m \end{bmatrix}.$$

We now seek to identify the gain matrix  $K$  so that

$$\hat{x} = Ky \Leftrightarrow \hat{x}_i = K_i y, \text{ where } K = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{K_1} \\ \overline{K_2} \\ \vdots \\ \overline{K_n} \end{bmatrix};$$

that is,  $K_i$  is the  $i$ -th row of  $K$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_i^\top &= \hat{\alpha} = [CPC^\top + Q]^{-1}CP_i \\
 [K_1^\top | \dots | K_n^\top] &= [CPC^\top + Q]^{-1}CP \\
 K &= PC^\top [CPC^\top + Q]^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\hat{x} = Ky = PC^\top [CPC^\top + Q]^{-1}y}$$

**Remarks:**

1. Exercise:  $E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\} = P - PC^\top[CPC^\top + Q]^{-1}CP$
2. The term  $PC^\top[CPC^\top + Q]^{-1}CP$  represents the “value” of the measurements. It is the reduction in the variance of  $x$  given the measurement  $y$ .
3. If  $Q > 0$  and  $P > 0$ , then from the Matrix Inversion Lemma

$$\boxed{\hat{x} = Ky = [C^\top Q^{-1}C + P^{-1}]^{-1}C^\top Q^{-1}y.}$$

This form of the equation is useful for comparing BLUE vs MVE

4. BLUE vs MVE

- **BLUE:**  $\hat{x} = [C^\top Q^{-1}C]^{-1}C^\top Q^{-1}y$
- **MVE:**  $\hat{x} = [C^\top Q^{-1}C + P^{-1}]^{-1}C^\top Q^{-1}y$
- Hence, BLUE = MVE when  $P^{-1} = 0$ .
- $P^{-1} = 0$  roughly means  $P = \infty I$ , that is infinite covariance in  $x$ , which in turn means *no idea* about how  $x$  is distributed!
- For BLUE to exist, we need  $\dim(y) \geq \dim(x)$
- For MVE to exist, we can have  $\dim(y) < \dim(x)$  as long as

$$(CPC^\top + Q) > 0$$



### Solution to Exercise

We seek  $E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\}$  To get started, let's note that

$$\hat{x} - x = Ky - x = KCx + K\epsilon - x = (KC - I)x + K\epsilon$$

and thus

$$(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top = (KC - I)xx^\top(KC - I)^\top + K\epsilon\epsilon^\top K^\top - 2(KC - I)x\epsilon^\top K^\top$$

Taking expectations, and recalling that  $x$  and  $\epsilon$  are uncorrelated, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\} &= (KC - I)P(KC - I)^\top + KQK^\top \\ &= KCPC^\top K^\top + P - 2PC^\top K^\top + KQK^\top \\ &= P + K[CPC^\top + Q]K^\top - 2PC^\top K^\top \end{aligned}$$

substituting with  $K = PC^\top[CPC^\top + Q]^{-1}$  and simplifying yields the result.

## Solution to MIL

We will show that if  $Q > 0$  and  $P > 0$ , then

$$PC^\top [CPC^\top + Q]^{-1} = [C^\top Q^{-1}C + P^{-1}]^{-1}C^\top Q^{-1}$$

**MIL:** Suppose that  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$  are compatible<sup>1</sup> matrices. If  $A$ ,  $C$ , and  $(C^{-1} + DA^{-1}B)$  are each square and invertible, then  $A + BCD$  is invertible and

$$(A + BCD)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(C^{-1} + DA^{-1}B)^{-1}DA^{-1}$$

We apply the MIL to  $[C^\top Q^{-1}C + P^{-1}]^{-1}$ , where we identify  $A = P^{-1}$ ,  $B = C^\top$ ,  $C = Q^{-1}$ ,  $D = C$ . This yields

$$[C^\top Q^{-1}C + P^{-1}]^{-1} = P - PC^\top [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1}CP$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} [C^\top Q^{-1}C + P^{-1}]^{-1}C^\top Q^{-1} &= PC^\top Q^{-1} - PC^\top [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1}CPC^\top Q^{-1} \\ &= PC^\top [I - [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1}CPC^\top] Q^{-1} \\ &= PC^\top [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1} [Q + CPC^\top - [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1}CPC^\top] Q^{-1} \\ &= PC^\top [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1} [[Q + CPC^\top] - CPC^\top] Q^{-1} \\ &= PC^\top [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1} [Q + CPC^\top - CPC^\top] Q^{-1} \\ &= PC^\top [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1} [Q] Q^{-1} \\ &= PC^\top [Q + CPC^\top]^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>1</sup>The sizes are such the matrix products and sum in  $A + BCD$  make sense.

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## Matrix Factorizations

**QR Decomposition or Factorization:** Let  $A$  be a real  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent columns (rank of  $A = n = \#$  columns). Then there exist an  $m \times n$  matrix  $Q$  with orthonormal columns and an upper triangular  $n \times n$  matrix  $R$  such that

$$A = QR.$$

**Notes:**

1)  $Q^T Q = I_{n \times n}$

2)  $[R]_{ij} = 0, \text{ for } i < j, R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & \cdots & \cdots & r_{1n} \\ \vdots & r_{22} & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & r_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$

3) Columns of  $A$  linearly independent  $\Leftrightarrow R$  is invertible

**Utility of QR Decomposition:**

1) Suppose  $Ax = b$  is overdetermined with columns of  $A$  linearly independent.

Write  $A = QR$  and consider

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^\top A \hat{x} &= A^\top b \\
 A^\top A &= R^\top Q^\top QR = R^\top R \\
 A^\top b &= R^\top Q^\top b \\
 \therefore R^\top R \hat{x} &= R^\top Q^\top b \\
 R \hat{x} &= Q^\top b \quad (\text{because } R \text{ is invertible})
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Solve for  $\hat{x}$  by back substitution using triangular nature of  $R$ .

For example, when  $n = 3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ 0 & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \hat{x} = Q^\top b$$

Then,  $\hat{x}_3$  to  $\hat{x}_1$  can be obtained easily without using the matrix inversion.

- 2) Suppose  $Ax = b$  is under determined with rows of  $A$  linearly independent.

Recall:  $\hat{x} = A^\top (AA^\top)^{-1}b$  is  $x$  of smallest norm satisfying  $Ax = b$ .

$A^\top$  has linearly independent columns.

$\therefore A^\top = QR$ ,  $Q^\top Q = I$ ,  $R$  is upper triangular and invertible.

$$\begin{aligned}
 AA^\top &= R^\top Q^\top QR = R^\top R \\
 \hat{x} &= QR(R^\top R)^{-1}b \\
 &= QRR^{-1}(R^\top)^{-1}b \\
 \hat{x} &= Q(R^\top)^{-1}b
 \end{aligned}$$

### Computation of QR Factorization:

Gram Schmidt with Normalization:

$$A = [A_1 | A_2 | \cdots | A_n], \quad A_i \in \mathbb{R}^m, \quad \langle x, y \rangle = x^\top y.$$

For  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $\{A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n\} \rightarrow \{v_1, v_2, \cdots, v_n\}$

by

$$\begin{aligned}
v^1 &= \frac{A_1}{\|A_1\|}; \\
v^2 &= A_2 - \langle A_2, v^1 \rangle v^1; \\
v^2 &= \frac{v^2}{\|v^2\|}; \\
&\vdots \\
v^k &= A_k - \langle A_k, v^1 \rangle v^1 - \langle A_k, v^2 \rangle v^2 - \dots - \langle A_k, v^{k-1} \rangle v^{k-1}; \\
v^k &= \frac{v^k}{\|v^k\|};
\end{aligned}$$

For  $k = 1 : n$

$$v^k = A_k$$

For  $j = 1 : k - 1$

$$v^k = v^k - \langle A_k, v^j \rangle v^j$$

End

$$v^k = \frac{v^k}{\|v^k\|}$$

End

$Q = [v^1 | v^2 | \dots | v^n]$  has orthonormal columns, and hence  $Q^\top Q = I_{n \times n}$  because  $[Q^\top Q]_{ij} = \langle v^i, v^j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ .

What about  $R$ ?

$$A_i \in \text{span}\{v^1, \dots, v^i\}$$

$$A_i = \langle A_1, v^1 \rangle v^1 + \langle A_2, v^2 \rangle v^2 + \dots + \langle A_i, v^i \rangle v^i$$

$$\text{We define } R_i = \begin{bmatrix} \langle A_1, v^1 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle A_i, v^i \rangle \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where the value becomes 0 in } R_i \text{ from the } (i+1)\text{-th}$$

element to the  $n$ -th element.

$$\therefore QR_i = A_i \Leftrightarrow QR = A$$

### Modified Gram Schmidt Algorithm:

We have been using the classical Gram-Schmidt Algorithm. It behaves poorly under round-off error.

Here is a standard example:

$$y^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \varepsilon \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, y^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \varepsilon \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, y^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix}, \varepsilon > 0$$

Let  $\{e^1, e^2, e^3, e^4\}$  be the standard basis vectors  $\left( \text{Yes, } (e_j^i) = \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq j \\ 1 & i = j \end{cases} \right)$

We note that

$$\begin{aligned} y^2 &= y^1 + \varepsilon(e^3 - e^2) \\ y^3 &= y^2 + \varepsilon(e^4 - e^3) \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \text{span}\{y^1, y^2\} &= \text{span}\{y^1, (e^3 - e^2)\} \\ \text{span}\{y^1, y^2, y^3\} &= \text{span}\{y^1, (e^3 - e^2), (e^4 - e^3)\} \end{aligned}$$

Then, GS applied to  $\{y^1, y^2, y^3\}$  and  $\{y^1, (e^3 - e^2), (e^4 - e^3)\}$  should produce the same orthonormal vectors.

We go to MATLAB, and for  $\varepsilon = 0.1$ , we do indeed get the same results. See MATLAB.

But with  $\varepsilon = 10^{-8}$ ,

$$\|Q_1 - Q_2\| = 0.5$$

Initial data  $\{y^1, \dots, y^n\}$  linearly independent.

For  $k = 1 : n$

$$v^k = y^k$$

end

For  $i = 1 : n$

$$v^i = \frac{v^i}{\|v^i\|}$$

For  $j = i + 1 : n$

$$v^j = v^j - \langle v^i, v^j \rangle v^i$$

end  
end

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## Singular Value Decomposition

We will use the SVD (Singular Value Decomposition) to understand "numerical" rank of a matrix, "numerical linear independence", etc.

**Def.** Rectangular diagonal matrix:  $\Sigma$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix.

a)  $m > n$      $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} S \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $S$  is an  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix

b)  $m < n$      $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $S$  is an  $m \times m$  diagonal matrix

Diagonal of  $\Sigma$  is equal to diagonal of  $S$ .

Another way to say Rectangular Diagonal Matrix is  $[\Sigma]_{ij} = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ .

**SVD Theorem:** Any  $m \times n$   $\mathbb{R}$  matrix  $A$  can be factorized as  $A = Q_1 \Sigma Q_2^\top$ , where  $Q_1$  is an  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix,  $Q_2$  is an  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix,  $\Sigma$  is an  $m \times n$  rectangular diagonal matrix, and diagonal of  $\Sigma$   $\text{diag}(\Sigma) = [\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_k]$ , which satisfies  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_k \geq 0$ , where  $k = \min(n, m)$ . Moreover, the columns of  $Q_1$  are eigenvectors of  $AA^\top$ , the columns of  $Q_2$  are eigenvectors of  $A^\top A$ , and  $(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_k^2)$  are eigenvalues of  $A^\top A$  and  $AA^\top$ .



**Remark:** The entries of  $\text{diag}(\Sigma)$  are called singular values.

Generalizes decomposition of symmetric matrix.

$$P = O\Lambda O^\top$$

**Projection process embedded in SVD:** Interpret SVD in the case of over-determined system of equations.

$$Y = Ax, \quad Y \in \mathbb{R}^m, \quad X \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

where  $\text{rank}(A) = n$  ( $m > n$ ),  $A = Q_1 \Sigma Q_2^\top$ ,  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} S \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $S$  is an  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} A^\top A &= Q_2 \Sigma^\top Q_1^\top Q_1 \Sigma Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} S \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \end{bmatrix} I \begin{bmatrix} S \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_2 S^2 Q_2^\top \\ A^\top Y &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top Y \\ \tilde{Y} &= Q_1^\top Y = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{Y}_1 \\ \tilde{Y}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{Y}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \tilde{Y}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \\ A^\top Y &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{Y} \\ &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{Y}_1 \\ \tilde{Y}_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= Q_2 S \tilde{Y}_1 \end{aligned}$$

Projection! Notice how  $\tilde{Y}_2$  gets multiplied by 0, in the last line above. Here we are throwing away the orthogonal parts.

We decomposed  $Y$  into part in column span of  $A$ ,  $\tilde{Y}_1$ , and a part not in the

span  $\tilde{Y}_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 Ax &= Y \\
 \Rightarrow A^\top A \hat{x} &= A^\top Y \\
 \Rightarrow Q_2 S^2 Q_2^\top \hat{x} &= Q_2 S \tilde{Y}_1 \\
 \Rightarrow S^2 Q_2^\top \hat{x} &= S \tilde{Y}_1 \text{ (rank}(A) = \# \text{ columns} \Rightarrow S \text{ invertible.)} \\
 \Rightarrow S Q_2^\top \hat{x} &= \tilde{Y}_1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \hat{x} = Q_2 S^{-1} \tilde{Y}_1$$

**Remarks:**

- $Q_2$  only rotates, no scaling.
- Only  $S^{-1}$  scales.
- If  $S$  has small elements, elements of  $S^{-1}$  are big. Therefore,  $\hat{x}$  is too sensitive to the noise perturbation in measurements.

**Hermitian of X:** Consider  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then we define the vector " $x$  Hermitian" by  $x^H := \bar{x}^\top$ . That is,  $x^H$  is the complex conjugate transpose of  $x$ . Similarly, for a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ , we define  $A^H \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  by  $\bar{A}^\top$ . We say that a square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is a Hermitian matrix if  $A = A^H$ .

**Another common way to write the SVD:**

$$A = \begin{cases} U \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} V^H, & m > n \\ U \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma & 0 \end{bmatrix} V^H, & m < n \end{cases}$$

**Unitary Matrix:** A matrix  $U \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is unitary if  $U^H U = U U^H = I_n$ .

**Numerical Rank:**  $\text{numerical rank}(A) = \#$  of nonzero singular values larger than a threshold.

**Fact:** The numerical rank of  $A$  is the number of singular values that are larger than a given threshold. Often the threshold is chosen as a percentage of the largest singular value.

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**Probability Review**

## 1 Random Variables

I will assume known the definition of a probability space, a set of events, and random variable. My scanned lecture notes are attached at the end of this handout.

Given:  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  a probability space

$X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  random variable

## 2 Random Vectors

**Def.** A random vector is a function  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  where each component of  $X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ \vdots \\ X_p \end{pmatrix}$  is a random variable, that is,  $X_i : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq p$ .

**Assumption:**  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^p$ , the set  $\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \leq x\} \in \mathcal{F}$  where the inequality is understood pointwise, that is,

$$\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \leq x\} = \bigcap_{i=1}^p \{\omega \in \Omega \mid X_i(\omega) \leq x_i\}$$

**Distributions and Densities** For a random vector  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ , the cumulative probability distribution function is

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = P(\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \leq x\})$$

The probability density function of a continuous random vector  $X$  is

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\partial^p F_X(x)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2 \dots \partial x_p}$$

which is equivalent to

$$F_X(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_p} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} f_X(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \dots, \bar{x}_p) d\bar{x}_1 d\bar{x}_2 \dots d\bar{x}_p$$

Suppose the vector  $X$  is partitioned into two components  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , so that, by abuse notation, we have

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} X_1 : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ X_2 : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \end{matrix}$$

$$X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p \text{ with } p = n + m$$

**Def.**  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent if the distribution function factors

$$F_X(x) = F_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = F_{X_1}(x_1)F_{X_2}(x_2).$$

The same is true for densities.

### 3 Conditioning

**Recall** For two events  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $P(B) > 0$

$$P(A \mid B) := \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

**Note**

$$B \subset A, P(A \mid B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B)}{P(B)} = 1$$

$$A \subset B, P(A \mid B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A)}{P(B)} \geq P(A)$$

**Def.** The conditional distribution of  $X_1$  given  $X_2 = x_2$  is

$$F_{X_1|X_2}(x_1 | x_2) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} P(X_1 \leq x_1 | x_2 - \varepsilon \leq X_2 \leq x_2 + \varepsilon) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(A \cap B_\varepsilon)}{P(B_\varepsilon)}$$

where  $A = \{\omega \in \Omega | X_1(\omega) \leq x_1\}$  and  $B_\varepsilon = \{\omega \in \Omega | x_2 - \varepsilon \leq X_2(\omega) \leq x_2 + \varepsilon\}$

In general, this is unpleasant to compute, but for Gaussian random vectors, the handout “*Useful Facts About Gaussian Random Variables and Vectors*” shows that it is quite easy.

**Def.** The conditional density is  $f_{X_1|X_2}(x_1 | x_2) = \frac{f_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2)}{f_{X_2}(x_2)}$ . Sometimes we simply write  $f(x_1 | x_2)$

**Very important:**  $X_1$  given  $X_2 = x_2$  is a random vector. We have produced its distribution and density!

## 4 Moments

Suppose  $g : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow R$

$$E\{g(X)\} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} g(x)f_X(x)dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x_1 \dots x_p)f_X(x_1 \dots x_p)dx_1 \dots dx_p$$

### Mean or Expected Value

$$\mu = E\{X\} = E\left\{\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_p \end{pmatrix}\right\} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_p \end{pmatrix}$$

### Covariance Matrices

$$cov(X) = cov(X, X) = E\{(X - \mu)(X - \mu)^T\}$$

where

$$(X - \mu) \text{ is } p \times 1, (X - \mu)^T \text{ is } 1 \times p, (X - \mu)(X - \mu)^T \text{ is } p \times p$$

**Exercise**  $cov(X)$  is positive semidefinite

If we have  $X$  decomposed in blocks  $X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$   $X_1 : \Omega \rightarrow R^n$   $X_2 : \Omega \rightarrow R^m$  we may compute

$$cov(X_1, X_2) = E\{(X_1 - \mu_1)(X_2 - \mu_2)^T\}$$

where

$$(X_1 - \mu_1) \text{ is } m \times 1, (X_2 - \mu_2)^T \text{ is } 1 \times n, (X_1 - \mu_1)(X_2 - \mu_2)^T \text{ is } m \times n$$

**Def.**  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are uncorrelated if  $cov(X_1, X_2) = 0$

**Fact:** In general, independence  $\Rightarrow$  uncorrelated, but the converse is false.

**5 Derivation of the conditional density formula from the definition of the conditional distribution:**

$$P(A \cap B_\varepsilon) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \int_{x_2-\varepsilon}^{x_2+\varepsilon} f_{X_1 X_2}(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) d\bar{x}_2 d\bar{x}_1$$

$$P(B_\varepsilon) = \int_{x_2-\varepsilon}^{x_2+\varepsilon} f_{X_2}(\bar{x}_2) d\bar{x}_2$$

$$F_{X_1|X_2}(x_1 | x_2) = \frac{P(A \cap B_\varepsilon)}{P(B_\varepsilon)} = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \int_{x_2-\varepsilon}^{x_2+\varepsilon} f_{X_1 X_2}(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) d\bar{x}_2 d\bar{x}_1}{\int_{x_2-\varepsilon}^{x_2+\varepsilon} f_{X_2}(\bar{x}_2) d\bar{x}_2}, \varepsilon \text{ small}$$

Density: differentiate w.r.t.  $x_1$

$$f_{X_1|X_2}(x_1 | x_2) = \frac{\int_{x_2-\varepsilon}^{x_2+\varepsilon} f_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, \bar{x}_2) d\bar{x}_2}{\int_{x_2-\varepsilon}^{x_2+\varepsilon} f_{X_2}(\bar{x}_2) d\bar{x}_2} = \frac{f_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2) \cdot 2\varepsilon}{f_{X_2}(x_2) \cdot 2\varepsilon} = \frac{f_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2)}{f_{X_2}(x_2)}$$



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## Multivariate Random Variables or Vectors

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a probability space.

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $X_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $X_2 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , and let  $p = n + m$ .

Then, the distribution function

$$\begin{aligned} F_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2) &= P(X_1 \leq x_1, X_2 \leq x_2) \\ &= P(\{\omega \in \Omega | X_1(\omega) \leq x_1, X_2(\omega) \leq x_2\}) \end{aligned}$$

### Conditioning:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{X_1|X_2}(x_1|x_2) &= P(X_1 \leq x_1 | X_2 = x_2) \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(A \cap B_\epsilon)}{P(B_\epsilon)} \end{aligned}$$

where  $A = \{\omega | X_1(\omega) \leq x_1\}$ ,  $B_\epsilon = \{\omega | x_2 - \epsilon \leq X_2(\omega) \leq x_2 + \epsilon\}$

### Conditional Density:

$$f_{X_1|X_2} = \frac{f_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2)}{f_{X_2}(x_2)}$$

Sometimes, it is convenient to write  $f(x_1|x_2)$ .

**Conditional Mean (Expectation):**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu(x_2) &= E\{X_1|X_2 = x_2\} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} x_1 f(x_1|x_2) dx_1 \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} x_1 f_{X_1|X_2}(x_1|x_2) dx_1
\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem:** Let  $\hat{x} = \operatorname{argmin}_{z=g(x_2)} E\{\|X_1 - z\|^2|X_2 = x_2\}$ , where  $g$  varies over all functions  $g : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then,  $\hat{x} = \mu(x_2) = E\{X_1|X_2 = x_2\}$ .

**Remark:**  $g : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  includes linear, quadratic, cubic ... terms.

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## Luenberger Observers

**Luenberger Observers:** It is deterministic estimator. We consider the easiest case

$$\begin{aligned}x_{k+1} &= Ax_k \\ y_k &= Cx_k\end{aligned}$$

where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , and  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$ .

**Question 1:** When can we reconstruct the initial condition  $(x_o)$  from the measurements  $y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}y_o &= Cx_o \\ y_1 &= Cx_1 = CAx_o \\ y_2 &= Cx_2 = CAx_1 = CA^2x_o \\ &\vdots \\ y_k &= CA^kx_o\end{aligned}$$

Represent the above matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_o \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^k \end{bmatrix} x_o$$

We note that if  $\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^k \end{bmatrix} = n$ , then we can determine  $x_0$  uniquely on the basis of the measurements.

**Caley Hamilton Theorem:**

$$\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^k \end{bmatrix} \text{ for all } k \geq n-1$$

**Theorem:**  $\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = n$  means that we can determine  $x_o$  uniquely from the measurements. (This called the Kalman observability rank condition.)

**Question 2:** Can we process the measurements dynamically (i.e. recursively) and “estimate”  $x_k$ ?

**Full-State Luenberger Observer:**

$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = A\hat{x}_k + L(y_k - C\hat{x}_k)$$

We define the error to be  $e_k = x_k - \hat{x}_k$ . We want conditions such that  $e_k \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Want  $e_k \rightarrow 0$  because then  $\hat{x}_k \rightarrow x_k$ !!!

$$\begin{aligned} e_{k+1} &= x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1} \\ &= Ax_k - [A\hat{x}_k + L(y_k - C\hat{x}_k)] \\ &= A(x_k - \hat{x}_k) - LC(x_k - \hat{x}_k) \\ &= Ae_k - LCe_k \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{e_{k+1} = (A - LC)e_k}$$

**Theorem:** Let  $e_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and define  $e_{k+1} = (A - LC)e_k$ . The the sequence  $e_k \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $e_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  if, and only if,  $|\lambda_i(A - LC)| < 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Theorem:** A sufficient condition for the existence of  $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  that places eigenvalues of  $(A - LC)$  in the unit circle is:

$$\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = n = \dim(x)$$

**Remarks:**  $L$  = constant similar to  $K_{ss}$  = steady-state Kalman Gain

1. Reason to choose one gain over the other: Optimality of the estimate when you know the noise statistics.
2. Kalman Filter works for time varying models  $A_k, C_k, G_k$ , etc.

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**Real Analysis**

Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$  be a real normed space.

Recall  $\|\cdot\| : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  such that

1.  $\|x\| \geq 0$  and  $\|x\| = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$
2.  $\|\alpha \cdot x\| = |\alpha| \cdot \|x\|$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, x \in \mathcal{X}$
3.  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Recall:

**Def.**

1. For  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $d(x, y) := \|x - y\|$ .
2. For  $x \in X$ ,  $S \subset \mathcal{X}$  a subset

$$d(x, S) := \inf_{y \in S} \|x - y\|.$$

**Def.** Let  $x_0 \in X$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}, a > 0$ . The open ball of radius  $a$  center at  $x_0$  is

$$B_a(x_0) = \{x \in \mathcal{X} \mid \|x - x_0\| < a\}.$$

**Examples:**

1.  $(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2)$ : Euclidean norm



2.  $(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_1)$ : One norm

$$\|(x_1, x_2)\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2|$$

3.  $(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ : Max norm

$$\|\cdot\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |x_i|$$

**Lemma:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed space,  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , and  $S \subset \mathcal{X}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, S) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists y \in S, \|x - y\| < \epsilon \\ &\Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, B_\epsilon(x) \cap S \neq \emptyset. \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary:**

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, S) > 0 &\Leftrightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0, \forall y \in S, \|x - y\| \geq \epsilon \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0 \text{ such that } B_\epsilon(x) \cap S = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

In the following, we assume  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot\|)$  is given.

**Def.**

1. Let  $P \subset \mathcal{X}$ , a subset of  $\mathcal{X}$ . A point  $p \in P$  is an interior point of  $P$  if  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  such that  $B_\epsilon(p) \subset P$ .

2.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathring{P} &= \{p \in P \mid p \text{ is an interior point}\} \\ &= \{p \in P \mid \exists \epsilon > 0 \text{ such that } B_\epsilon(p) \subset P\} \end{aligned}$$

Remark for later use:  $p \in \mathring{P} \Leftrightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0, B_\epsilon(p) \subset P \Leftrightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0$  such that  $B_\epsilon(p) \cap (\sim P) = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow d(p, \sim P) > 0$

$$\sim P = P^C = \text{complement} = \{x \in \mathcal{X} \mid x \notin P\}$$

3.  $P$  is open if  $P = \mathring{P}$ . (Every point in  $P$  is an interior point.)

**Proposition:**  $x \in \overset{\circ}{P} \Leftrightarrow d(x, \sim P) > 0$

**Example:**

- $P = (0, 1) \subset (\mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$  is open

$$x \in P, 0 < x \leq \frac{1}{2}, \epsilon = \frac{x}{2}, B_\epsilon(x) \subset P, \text{ and}$$

$$x \in P, \frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1, \epsilon = 1 - \frac{x}{2}, B_\epsilon(x) \subset P.$$

- $P = [0, 1) \subset (\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$  is not open because  $0 \in P, \forall \epsilon > 0, B_\epsilon(0) \cap (\sim P) \neq \emptyset$   
or  $0 \in P, d(0, \sim P) = 0$ .

**Def.**

1. A point  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  is a closure point of  $P$  if  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists p \in P$  such that  $\text{dis}\|x - p\| < \epsilon, [d(x, \overline{P}) = 0]$ .
- 2.

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{Closure of P}} = \overline{P} &:= \{x \in \mathcal{X} \mid \mathcal{X} \text{ is a closure point}\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathcal{X} \mid d(x, P) = 0\} \end{aligned}$$

3.  $P$  is closed if  $P = \overline{P}$ .

**Example:**

1.  $P = \{x \in [0, 1] \mid x \text{ rational}\} \Rightarrow \overline{P} = [0, 1]$
2.  $P = (0, 1) \Rightarrow \overline{P} = [0, 1]$

**Proposition:**

$$x \in \mathcal{X}, x \in \overline{P} \Leftrightarrow d(x, P) = 0.$$

$$x \in \mathcal{X}, x \in \overset{\circ}{P} \Leftrightarrow d(x, \sim P) > 0.$$

**Proposition:**

$$P \text{ is closed} \Leftrightarrow P = \overline{P}.$$

$$P \text{ is open} \Leftrightarrow P = \overset{\circ}{P}.$$

**Proposition:**

$$P \text{ is closed} \Leftrightarrow \sim P \text{ is open.}$$

$$P \text{ is open} \Leftrightarrow \sim P \text{ is closed.}$$

Proof:

$$\underbrace{\sim P = \sim (\overset{\circ}{P})}_{P \text{ is open}} = \{x \in \mathcal{X} \mid d(x, \sim P) = 0\} = \underbrace{\overline{\sim P} = \sim P}_{\sim P \text{ is closed}} \quad \square$$

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## Sequence

**Def.** A set of vectors indexed by the non-negative integers is called a sequence  $(x_n)$  or  $\{x_n\}$ . Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence and  $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \cdots$  be an infinite set of strictly increasing integers. Then,  $(x_{n_i})$  is called a subsequence of  $(x_n)$ .

Example:

$$n_i = 2i + 1 \text{ or } n_i = 2^i$$

**Def.** A sequence of vectors  $(x_n)$  converges to  $x \in X$  if,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N(\varepsilon) < \infty$  such that,  $n \geq N$ , then  $\|x_n - x\| < \varepsilon$ , i.e.,  $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n \in B_\varepsilon(x)$ . One writes

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \text{ or } x_n \rightarrow x \text{ or } x_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} x.$$

**Proposition:** Suppose  $x_n \rightarrow x$ . Then,

1.  $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\|$
2.  $\sup_n \|x_n\| < \infty$  (The sequence is bounded.)
3. If  $x_n \rightarrow y$  then  $y = x$ . (Limits are unique.)

**Aside:** Useful inequality (Triangular inequality)

For  $\bar{x}, \bar{y} \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\bar{x}\| &= \|\bar{x} - \bar{y} + \bar{y}\| \leq \|\bar{x} - \bar{y}\| + \|\bar{y}\| \\
 \Rightarrow \|\bar{x}\| - \|\bar{y}\| &\leq \|\bar{x} - \bar{y}\| \\
 \therefore \|\bar{x}\| - \|\bar{y}\| &\leq \|\bar{x} - \bar{y}\|
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof:

1.  $\|x\| - \|x_n\| \leq \|x - x_n\| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.$
2. Set  $\varepsilon = 1$ ,  $\exists N(1) < \infty$  such that  $n \geq N$ ,  $\|x_n - x\| \leq 1$ .  
 $\therefore \forall n \geq N$ ,  $\|x_n\| = \|x_n - x + x\| \leq \|x_n - x\| + \|x\| \leq 1 + \|x\|.$   

$$\sup_k \|x_k\| \leq \max\{\underbrace{\|x_1\|, \|x_2\|, \dots, \|x_{n-1}\|}_{\text{finite}}, 1 + \|x\|\} < \infty.$$
3.  $\|x - y\| = \|x - x_n + x_n - y\| \leq \|x - x_n\| + \|x_n - y\| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.$

**Def.**  $x \in X$ ,  $P \subset X$  a subset.  $x$  is a limit point of  $P$  if  $\exists$  a sequence of elements of  $P$  that converges to  $x$ . That is,  $\exists(x_n)$ ,  $x_n \in P$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ .

**Proposition:**  $x$  is a limit point of  $P \Leftrightarrow x \in \overline{P}$ .

Proof:

1. Suppose  $x$  is a limit point. Then,  $\exists(x_n)$  such that  $x_n \in P$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$ .  
 Because  $x_n \rightarrow x$ ,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists x_n \in P$  such that  $\|x_n - x\| < \varepsilon \Rightarrow d(x, P) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x \in \overline{P}.$
2. Suppose  $x \in \overline{P}$ . Then,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists y \in P$  such that  $\|x - y\| < \varepsilon$ . Let  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{n}$ . Then,  $\exists x_n \in P$  such that  $\|x - x_n\| < \frac{1}{n}$   
 $\Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow x.$   
 $\therefore x$  is a limit point.

**Corollary:**  $P$  is closed  $\Leftrightarrow$  it contains its limit points.

## Complete Spaces (Banach Spaces)

**Def.** A sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Cauchy sequence if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N(\varepsilon) < \infty$ , such that  $n, m \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_n - x_m\| < \varepsilon$ .

**Notation:**  $\|x_n - x_m\| \xrightarrow{n, m \rightarrow \infty} 0$

**Proposition:** If  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $(x_n)$  is Cauchy.

Proof: Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose  $N < \infty$  such that  $n \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_n - x\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - x_m\| &= \|x_n - x + x - x_m\| \\ &\leq \|x_n - x\| + \|x - x_m\| \\ &< 0.5\varepsilon + 0.5\varepsilon \\ &< \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } n, m \geq N \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Unfortunately, not all Cauchy sequences are convergent. For a reason we will understand shortly, all counter examples are infinite dimensional.

Example:

$$X = \{f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ continuous}\}$$

where  $\|f\|_1 = \int_0^1 |f(\tau)| d\tau$ .

Define a sequence as follow

$$f_n(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n} \\ 1 + n(t - \frac{1}{2}) & \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & t \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

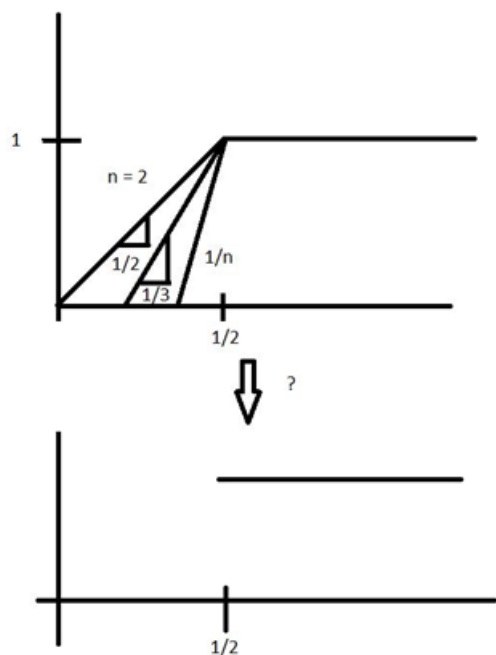
$\|f_n - f_m\|_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m} \right| \xrightarrow{n, m \rightarrow \infty} 0$ , but there is no continuous  $f(t)$ , such that  $f_n(t) \rightarrow f$ .

**Def.** A normed space  $(X, \mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$  is complete if every Cauchy Sequence in  $X$  has a limit in  $X$ . Such spaces are called Banach spaces.

There are many useful and known Banach spaces.

In EECS562, you will use  $(C[0, T], \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ .

**Def.** A subset  $P$  of a normed space is complete if every Cauchy Sequence in  $P$  has a limit in  $P$ .



**Remark:**  $P$  is complete  $\Rightarrow P$  is closed.

**Theorem:**

1. In a normed linear space, any finite dimensional subspace is complete.
2. Any closed subset of a complete set is also complete.
3.  $C[a, b], \|\cdot\|_\infty$  is complete where  $C[a, b] = \{f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ continuous}\}$   
 Note:  $a < b$ , both finite.

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## Newton-Raphson & Contraction Mapping

Let  $h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfy,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the Jacobian  $\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x)$  exists, is continuous and is invertible. Moreover,  $\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x)$  is a continuous function.

**Remark:** One says  $h$  is  $C^1$  when its derivative exists and is continuous.

**Problem:** For  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , find a solution to  $y = h(x)$ , i.e., seek  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.  $h(x^*) = y$ .

**Approach:** Generate a sequence of approximate solutions. Then, refer to the literature to ensure convergence.

**Idea:** Have  $x_k$ , seek  $x_{k+1}$  such that  $h(x_{k+1}) - y \approx 0$ . We write  $x_{k+1} = x_k + \Delta x_k$  so that  $h(x_k + \Delta x_k) - y \approx 0$ . Applying Taylor's Theorem and keeping only the zeroth and first order terms,

$$\begin{aligned}
 h(x_k) + \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x_k) \Delta x_k - y &\approx 0 \\
 \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x_k) \Delta x_k &\approx -(h(x_k) - y) \\
 \Delta x_k &\approx - \left[ \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x_k) \right]^{-1} (h(x_k) - y) \\
 \therefore x_{k+1} &= x_k - \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x_k) \right]^{-1} (h(x_k) - y)}_{T(x_k)}
 \end{aligned}$$



As indicated, we define  $T(x) = x - \left[\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x)\right]^{-1} (h(x) - y)$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} x^* &= T(x^*) \quad (\text{Fixed Point}) \\ \Leftrightarrow x^* &= - \left[\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x^*)\right]^{-1} (h(x^*) - y) \\ \Leftrightarrow 0 &= \left[\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x^*)\right]^{-1} (h(x^*) - y) \\ \Leftrightarrow y &= h(x^*) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed space,  $S \subset \mathcal{X}$ , and  $T : S \rightarrow S$ .

### Questions:

1. When does  $\exists x^*$  s.t.  $T(x^*) = x^*$ ? (Fixed point)
2. If a fixed point exists, is it unique?
3. When can a fixed point be determined by the Method of Successive Approximations:  $x_{n+1} = T(x_n)$ ?

**Def.**  $T : S \rightarrow S$  is a contraction mapping if,

$$\exists 0 \leq \alpha < 1 \text{ s.t. } \forall x, y \in S, \|T(x) - T(y)\| \leq \alpha \|x - y\|$$

.

**Contraction Mapping Theorem:** If  $T$  is a contraction mapping on a complete subset  $S$  of a normed space  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$ , then there exists a unique vector  $x^* \in S$  such that  $T(x^*) = x^*$ . Moreover, for every initial point  $x_0 \in S$ , the sequence  $x_{n+1} = T(x_n), n \geq 0$ , is Cauchy, and  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ .

Proof: For all  $n \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| &= \|T(x_n) - T(x_{n-1})\| \\ &\leq \alpha \|x_n - x_{n-1}\| \end{aligned}$$

By induction,  $\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \leq \alpha^n \|x_1 - x_0\|$ . Consider  $\|x_m - x_n\|$ , and WLOG, suppose  $m = n + p$ ,  $p > 0$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_m - x_n\| &= \|x_{n+p} - x_n\| \\
 &= \|x_{n+p} - x_{n+p-1} + x_{n+p-1} - \cdots + x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\
 &\leq \|x_{n+p} - x_{n+p-1}\| + \cdots + \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\
 &\leq (\alpha^{n+p-1} + \alpha^{n+p-2} + \cdots + \alpha^n) \|x_1 - x_0\| \\
 &= \alpha^n \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} \alpha^i \|x_1 - x_0\| \\
 &\leq \alpha^n \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \alpha^i \|x_1 - x_0\| \\
 &= \frac{\alpha^n}{1 - \alpha} \|x_1 - x_0\| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{m \rightarrow \infty} 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (x_n)$  is Cauchy sequence in  $S$ , and by completeness,  $\exists x^* \in S$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ .  $\square$

**Claim:**  $x^* = T(x^*)$

Proof: For every  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x^* - T(x^*)\| &= \|x^* - x_n + x_n - T(x^*)\| \\
 &= \|x^* - x_n + T(x_{n-1}) - T(x^*)\| \\
 &\leq \|x^* - x_n\| + \|T(x_{n-1}) - T(x^*)\| \\
 &\leq \|x^* - x_n\| + \alpha \|x_{n-1} - x^*\| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

**Claim:**  $x^*$  is unique.

Proof: Suppose  $y^* = T(y^*)$ .

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x^* - y^*\| &= \|T(x^*) - T(y^*)\| \\
 &\leq \alpha \|x^* - y^*\| \text{ and } 0 \leq \alpha < 1
 \end{aligned}$$

The only non-negative real number  $\gamma$  that satisfies  $\gamma \leq \gamma\alpha$  for some  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  is  $\gamma = 0$ . Hence, due to the property of norms,  $0 = \|x^* - y^*\| \Leftrightarrow x^* = y^*$ .  $\square$

## Continuous Functions and Compact Sets

**Def.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot\|)$ , and  $(\mathcal{Y}, |||\cdot|||)$ , be two normed spaces.

(a)  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta(\varepsilon, x_0) > 0$  such that

$$\|x - x_0\| < \delta \Rightarrow |||f(x) - f(x_0)||| < \varepsilon$$

, i.e.  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$ , s.t.  $x \in B_\delta(x_0) \Rightarrow f(x) \in B_\varepsilon(f(x_0))$ .

(b)  $f$  is continuous if it is continuous at  $x_0$  for all  $x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$ .

**Theorem:** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot\|)$ , and  $(\mathcal{Y}, |||\cdot|||)$  be two normed spaces.  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  a function.

- (a) If  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$  and the sequence  $(x_n)$  converges to  $x_0$  (i.e.  $x_n \rightarrow x_0$ ). Then,  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x_0)$ .
- (b) If  $f$  is not continuous at  $x_0$  (discontinuous), then there exists a sequence  $(x_n)$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x_0$ , and  $f(x_n) \not\rightarrow f(x_0)$ , that is,  $f(x_n)$  does not converge to  $f(x_0)$ .

The proof is done in HW 10.

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## Continuous Functions and Compact Sets (Continued)

**Def.** A set  $C$  is bounded if  $\exists r < \infty$  such that  $C \subset B_r(0)$ .

**Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem (Sequential Compactness Theorem):** In a finite dimensional normed space  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$ , the following two properties are equivalent for a set  $C \subset \mathcal{X}$ .

- (a)  $C$  is closed and bounded;
- (b) For every sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $C$  (i.e.  $x_n \in C$ ), there exists  $x_0 \in C$  and a subsequence  $(x_{n_i})$  of  $(x_n)$  such that  $x_{n_i} \rightarrow x_0$  (Every sequence in  $C$  contains a convergent subsequence).  
 Subsequence:  $1 \leq n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \dots$

**Def.**  $C$  satisfies (a) or (b) is said to be compact.

**Example:**  $C = [0, 1]$  is a compact subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . For all  $(x_n)$  in  $C$ , it will have two following possibilities.

- (a)  $(x_n)$  has finite number of distinct values and at least one of them has to be used for infinite times.
- (b)  $(x_n)$  has infinite number of distinct values.

**Weierstrass Theorem:** If  $C$  is compact and  $f : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous, then  $f$

achieves its extreme values. That is,

$$\exists x^* \in C, \text{ s.t. } f(x^*) = \sup_{x \in C} f(x)$$

and

$$\exists x_* \in C, \text{ s.t. } f(x_*) = \inf_{x \in C} f(x).$$

Proof: Let  $f^* := \sup_{x \in C} f(x)$ . To show  $\exists x^* \in C, \text{ s.t. } f(x^*) = f^*$ .

Assume  $f^*$  is finite (Can be shown, but we skip it).

$$f^* = \text{supremum} = \text{least upper bound}$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists x_\varepsilon \in C, \text{ s.t. } |f^* - f(x_\varepsilon)| < \varepsilon.$$

Set  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{n}$ , and deduce that  $\exists(x_{n_i})$  in  $C$  such that  $|f^* - f(x_{n_i})| < \frac{1}{n}$   
 $C$  is compact  $\Rightarrow \exists(x_{n_i})$  and  $x^* \in C, \text{ s.t. } x_{n_i} \rightarrow x^*$ .

By  $f$  continuous,  $f(x_{n_i}) \rightarrow f(x^*)$

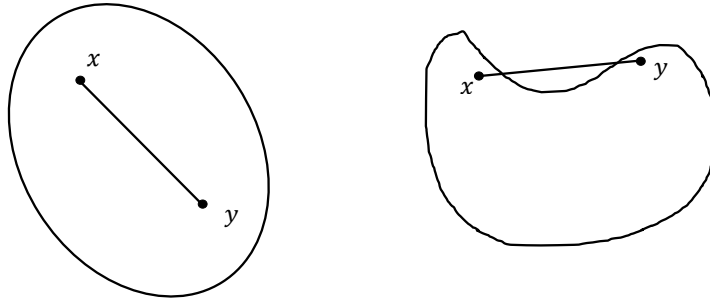
$$\begin{aligned} |f^* - f(x^*)| &= |f^* - f(x_{n_i}) + f(x_{n_i}) - f(x^*)| \\ &\leq |f^* - f(x_{n_i})| + |f(x_{n_i}) - f(x^*)| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n_i} + |f(x_{n_i}) - f(x^*)| \\ &\xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f^* = f(x^*)$ .  $\square$

## Convex Sets and Convex Functions

**Def.** Let  $(V, \mathbb{R})$  is a vector space.  $C \subset V$  is convex if  $\forall x, y \in C, 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ .  
Then,  $\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in C$ .

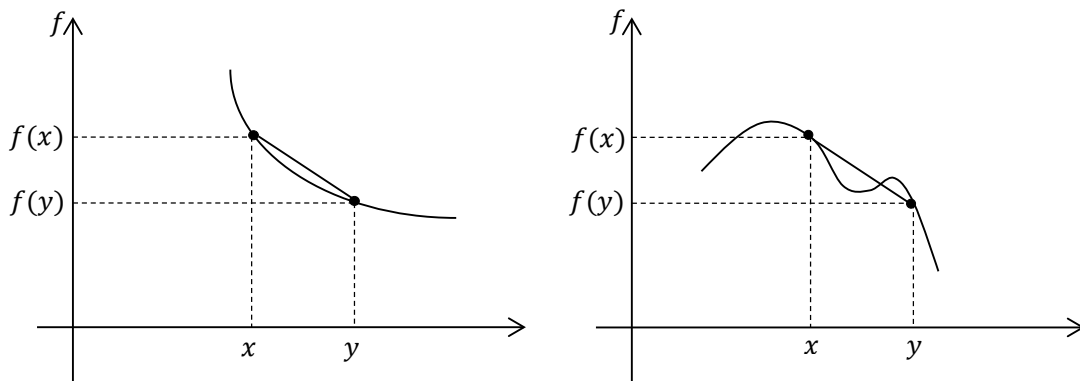
**Remark:**



(a)  $x, y \in C$ , then line connecting  $x$  and  $y$  also lies in  $C$ .

(b) Balls are always convex.

**Def.** Suppose  $C$  is convex. Then  $f : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex if  $\forall x, y \in C, 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ ,  $f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y)$ .



**Def.** Suppose  $(V, \mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$  a normed space.  $D \subset V$  a subset, and  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a function.

- (a)  $x^* \in D$  is a local minimum of  $f$  if  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $\forall x \in B_\delta(x^*)$ ,  $f(x^*) \leq f(x)$ .  
 (b)  $x^* \in D$  is a global minimum if  $\forall y \in D$ ,  $f(x^*) \leq f(y)$ .

**Theorem:** If  $D$  and  $f$  are both convex, then any local minimum is also a global minimum.

Proof: We prove by contrapositive statement.

We show that if  $x$  is not a global minimum, then it cannot be a local minimum.

$x \in D$ ,  $x$  is not a global minimum, hence  $\exists y \in D$  s.t.  $f(y) < f(x)$ .

To show:  $\forall \delta > 0$ .  $\exists z \in B_\delta(x)$ , s.t.  $f(z) < f(x)$ .

**Claim:**  $\forall \delta > 0$ ,  $\exists 0 < \lambda < 1$ , s.t.  $z = (1 - \lambda)x + \lambda y \in B_\delta(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|z - x\| &= \|(1 - \lambda)x + \lambda y - x\| \\ &= \|\lambda(y - x)\| \\ &= \lambda\|y - x\| \\ &< \delta \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \lambda < \frac{\delta}{\|y-x\|}$ . It works!

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= f((1 - \lambda)x + \lambda y) \\ &\leq (1 - \lambda)f(x) + \lambda f(y) \\ &< (1 - \lambda)f(x) + \lambda f(x) \\ &= f(x) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f(z) < f(x)$ .  $x$  is not a local minimum.  $\square$

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## Convex Sets and Convex Functions (Continued)

### Additional Facts:

- All norms  $\|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  are convex. (proof using triangle inequality)
- For all  $1 \leq \beta < \infty$ ,  $\|\cdot\|^\beta$  is convex. (Convex function  $\times$  strictly increasing function) Hence, on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^3$$

is convex.

- Let  $r > 0$ ,  $\|\cdot\|$  a norm,  $B_r(x_0)$  is a convex set.

Special case:  $B_1(0)$  convex set. (unit ball about the origin)

Let  $C$  be an open, bounded and convex set,  $0 \in C$ . Then,  $\exists \|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $C = \{x \in X \mid \|x\| < 1\} = B_1(0)$ .

- $K_1$  convex,  $K_2$  convex  $\rightarrow K_1 \cap K_2$  is convex. (Proved by line inside the set)
- Consider  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $A$  is a real  $m$  by  $n$  matrix,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Then:
  - $K = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax \leq b\}$  is also convex. (linear inequality)
  - $K = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = b\}$  is convex. (linear equality)
  - $K = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid A_{eq}x = b_{eq}, A_{in}x \leq b_{in}\}$  is convex as well. (intersection property)

**Remark:**  $\tilde{A}x \geq \tilde{b} \Leftrightarrow -\tilde{A}x \leq -\tilde{b}$ .



## Quadratic Programming

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n, Q \geq 0.$$

$$\text{Minimize: } \underbrace{x^T Q x}_{\text{quadratic term}} + \underbrace{f x}_{\text{linear term}} \quad \text{subject to } A_{in} x \leq b_{in} \text{ and } A_{eq} x = b_{eq}$$

**Note:**  $f(x)$ ,  $Q$ ,  $A_{in}$  and  $A_{eq}$  are all convex. Also, check if constraints form the empty set.

There are special purposes solvers available! See S. Boyd's website!

Example using robot equation:

$$D(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + G(q) = Bu$$

where  $q \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

Further, the ground reaction forces can be modeled as:

$$F = \Lambda_0(q, \dot{q}) + \Lambda_1(q)u = \begin{bmatrix} F^h \\ F^v \end{bmatrix}.$$

Suppose the desired feedback signal is  $u = \gamma(q, \dot{q})$ , but we need to respect bounds on the ground reaction forces

$$F^v \geq 0.2m_{total}g.$$

Therefore, the normal force should be at least 20% of the total weight

$$|F^h| \leq 0.6F^v.$$

Therefore, the friction force has a cone shape, and its magnitude is less than

60% of the total vertical force. Putting it all together:

$$\begin{bmatrix} F^v \geq 0.2m_{total}g \\ F^h \leq 0.6F^v \\ -F^h \leq 0.6F^v \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_{in}(q)u \leq b_{in}(q, \dot{q}).$$

QP:

$$\begin{aligned} u^* &= \operatorname{argmin} u^T u + d^T d p \\ A_{in}(q)u &\leq b_{in}(q, \dot{q}) \\ u &= \gamma(q, \dot{q}) + d^T d \end{aligned}$$

where  $d^T d$  is often called the relaxation parameter. Further,  $p$  is an weighting factor and it should be  $\gggg 1 \cdot 10^4$ . Dr. Grizzle finished by showing his handout in linear programming and quadratic programming. And remember Stephen Boyd!