

Errata for Edition 1 of *Coding the Matrix*, October 7, 2013

- Definition 0.3.14: “there exists $x \in A$ such that $f(x) = z$ ” should be “there exists $x \in D$ such that $f(x) = z$.”
- Section 1.4.1: “Using the fact that $\mathbf{i}^2 = 1$ ” should be “Using the fact that $\mathbf{i}^2 = -1$ ”
- Example 2.9.1: “Consider the dot-product of $[1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$ with $[10, 20, 0, 40, 100]$ ” should be “Consider the dot-product of $[1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$ with $[10, 20, 0, 40, -100]$.”
- Example 2.9.5:

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- Definition 2.9.6: “A *linear equation* is an equation of the form $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \beta$, where \mathbf{x} is a vector variable.” should be “A *linear equation* is an equation of the form $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \beta$, where \mathbf{x} is a vector variable.”
- Definition 2.9.10: “In general, a *system of linear equations* (often abbreviated *linear system*) is a collection of equations:

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- Example 2.9.17:
 - “The password is $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = 10111$ ” should be “The password is $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = 10111$ ”,
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- Example 2.9.28: “Eve can use the distributive property to compute the dot-product of this sum with the password even though she does not know the password:

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- Quiz 3.1.7: the solution

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- In Example 3.2.7, “The secret password is a vector $\hat{\mathbf{a}}$ over $GF(2)$... the human must respond with the dot-product $\mathbf{a} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{a}}$ ” should be “The secret password is a vector $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ over $GF(2)$... the human must respond with the dot-product $\mathbf{a} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{x}}$.”
- Section 4.11.2: “and here is the same diagram with the walk 3 c 2 e 4 2 shown” should be “and here is the same diagram with the walk 3 c 2 e 4 e 2 shown”
- Section 4.7.2: “Applying Lemma 4.7.4 with $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}_1$ and $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_2$ ” should be “Applying Lemma 4.7.4 with $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}_2$ and $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_2$ ”
- Section 4.7.4: “because it is the same as $H * \mathbf{c}$, which she can compute” should be “because it is the same as $H * \tilde{\mathbf{c}}$, which she can compute”
- Problem 4.17.10 is the same as Problem 4.17.5.
- Section 5.3.1: The Grow algorithm should be:

```
def GROW( $\mathcal{V}$ )
     $B = \emptyset$ 
    repeat while possible:
        find a vector  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{V}$  that is not in Span  $B$ , and put it in  $B$ .
```

- Section 5.9.1:

$L = [[0,0,0], [1,0,0], [0,1,0], [1,1,0], [0,0,1], [1,0,1], [0,1,1], [1,1,1]]$

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- Section 5.12.6: The vector $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ xvec_2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ should be $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- Lemma 6.2.13 (Superset-Basis Lemma) states

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- Task 7.8.9: “gcd(a, b)” should be “gcd($a - b, N$)”.
- Section 9.2: In new spec for `project_orthogonal(b, vlist)`, output should be “the projection b^\perp of b orthogonal to the vectors in *vlist*”
- Proof of Lemma 11.3.6: “Let \mathcal{V}^* be the space dual to \mathcal{V} ” should be “Let \mathcal{V}^* be the annihilator of \mathcal{V} ”, and “the dual of the dual” should be “the annihilator of the annihilator”.
- Section 11.3.3: “...we provide a module `svd` with a procedure `factor(A)` that, given a Mat A , returns a triple (U , Σ , V) such that $A = U * \Sigma * V.\text{transpose}$ ” should end “such that $A = U * \Sigma * V.\text{transpose}()$ ”
- Task 11.6.6, “To help you debug, applying the procedure to with” should be “To help you debug, applying the procedure with”
- Section 11.4.1: The procedure `SVD.solve(A)` should take the vector b as a second argument: `SVD.solve(A, b)`.
- Problem 12.14.8: Error in statement of Lemma 12.14. The eigenvalue of A having smallest absolute value is the *reciprocal* of the eigenvalue of A^{-1} having largest absolute value.
- Section 12.8.4: “Once consecutive addresses have been requested in timesteps t and $t + 1$, it is very likely that the address requested in timestep $t + 1$ is also consecutive” should end “that the address requested in timestep $t + 2$ is also consecutive.”