

MATH 425 Lecture 8

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Linear independence Theorems

- A set of two vectors (non zero). $\{v_0, v_1\}$ is linearly dependent if the two are multiples of one another

This is to say that:

$$\exists \quad v_2 - cv_1 = 0$$

- If a set of vectors $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\} \in \mathbb{F}^n$ contains the zero vector then the set is linearly dependent as \exists some linear combination over the set such that all other elements are zero and the zero vector has a scalar of some c , $c \in \mathbb{R}$.
- If we have a set of vectors in $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\} \in \mathbb{F}^n$ and we have p vectors where p is greater than n then the set is linearly dependent as we have a surplus of vectors necessary to form a basis for \mathbb{F}^n . This is why when we augment a matrix no matter what since we have more vectors than necessary to build the basis we find a result. It is the linear combination of the vectors of A that yield a given desired vector when solving $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b}$
- * a system is linearly dependent if there exists some free variable after performing row reduction on the augmented matrix representing the set of vectors.
- The columns of a matrix are linearly independent \iff the equation $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution. The question $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{0}$ is a question asking can we form a linear combination of the columns of A such that we find the zero vector.
- If A is $\in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ with columns $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ and if b is in \mathbb{F}^n the matrix equation

$$Ax = b$$

has the same solution set as the vector equation

$$\{x_1 a_1, x_2 a_2, \dots, x_n a_n\} = b$$

Which in turn has the same solution set as the system of linear equations whose augmented matrix is:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n & b \end{array} \right]$$

- $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b}$ has an exact solution $\iff \mathbf{b}$ is a linear combination of the columns of \mathbf{A} . This is to say that $\mathbf{b} \in \text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n\}$ or that \mathbf{b} is in $\text{Col}(\mathbf{A})$ which is a shorthand for the span of \mathbf{A} .
- **EQUIVILANCE** Let \mathbf{A} be $\in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Then the following statements are either all true or all false.
 - $\forall \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{F}^m$ the equation $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b}$ has a solution
 - $\forall \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{F}^m$ is a linear combination of the columns of \mathbf{A}
 - $\text{Col}(\mathbf{A})=\mathbb{F}^m$
 - \mathbf{A} has a pivot in every row when reduced to rref (n pivots)
 - The columns of \mathbf{A} form a linearly independent set.
 - \mathbf{A} is invertible
 - \mathbf{A} is row equivalent to \mathbb{I}_n
 - \mathbf{A}^T is invertible
 - the rank of \mathbf{A} is n
 - the row space of \mathbf{A} $\text{Row}(\mathbf{A})$ is \mathbb{F}^n
 - 0 is not an eigenvalue of \mathbf{A} .
 - the null space of \mathbf{A} is the zero vector
 - the dimension of the column space is n
 - the columns of \mathbf{A} form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n
 - The orthogonal complement of the column space of \mathbf{A} is 0.
 - The orthogonal complement of the null space of \mathbf{A} is \mathbb{R}^n
 - The linear transformation $\mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{Ax}$ is a surjection.
 - The linear transformation $\mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{Ax}$ is one-to-one.
 - The matrix \mathbf{A} has n non-zero singular values.

$\text{Col}(\mathbf{A})$

is the span of the columns of a matrix, read as the column space of \mathbf{A} .

The python representation of matrices

For matrices in our python library we are using a dictionary where each tuple maps to an element. this is to say, for each index of the matrix the corresponding element contains some value that would otherwise be placed in that index of the matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \{(0,0) : 1, (0,1) : 2, (1,0) : 3, (1,1) : 4\}$$

The class does not come with a parameterized constructor meaning it will have to be typed manually or a constructor will have to be built.