

Linear Algebra Course Notes

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1 Chapter 1: Vectors, Matrices, and Linear Systems

Preliminary Definitions

Definition 1.1. The **dot product** is defined as follows: for $\vec{v} = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n]$, $\vec{w} = [w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n] \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i w_i$$

Equivalently, $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\| \cos \theta$ where θ is the angle between \vec{v}, \vec{w} .

Theorem 1.1 (Properties of Dot Product). Let $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

- (1: Commutativity) $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}$
- (2: Distributivity) $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$
- (3: Homogeneity) $r(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}) = (r\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w} = \vec{v} \cdot (r\vec{w})$
- (4: Positivity) $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} \geq 0$ and $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \iff \vec{v} = 0$

Definition 1.2. The **norm/magnitude/length** of a vector \vec{v} is $\sqrt{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}} = \|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$ for $\vec{v} = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n]$.

Dot Product Theorems

Definition 1.3. Two vectors $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are **orthogonal** (aka perpendicular) if $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$.

Theorem 1.2 (Schwarz Inequality/Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality). $|\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}| \leq \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\|$

Theorem 1.3 (Triangle Inequality). $\|\vec{v}\| + \|\vec{w}\| \geq \|\vec{v} + \vec{w}\|$

Matrices and Their Algebra

Definition 1.4. A $m \times n$ **matrix** is an array of m rows, n columns.

$M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$ is our notation for the set of all $m \times n$ matrices whose entities are real numbers.

To multiply matrices, $(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^n a_{il}b_{lj}$

Definition 1.5. Let $A = [a_{ij}] = M_{m,n}$. We define the **transpose** of A to be the matrix whose (ij) th entry is the (ji) th entry of A . The rows of A become the columns of A^T .

Definition 1.6. $I_n \in M_{nn}$, also called the **Identity Matrix**, is
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem 1.4 (Associated Matrix Properties). $A + B = B + A$, $AB \neq BA$, $IA = AI = A$.

Scalar Multiplication Properties

$$r(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = r\mathbf{A} + r\mathbf{B}$$

$$(r + s)\mathbf{A} = r\mathbf{A} + s\mathbf{A}$$

$$r(s\mathbf{A}) = (rs)\mathbf{A}$$

$$1\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}$$

Transpose Properties

$$(\mathbf{A}^T)^T = \mathbf{A}$$

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^T = \mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{B}^T$$

$$(\mathbf{AB})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$$

Solving Systems of Linear Equations

Definition 1.7. A vector $\vec{s} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a solution to $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ if $\mathbf{A}\vec{s} = \vec{b}$. There are 3 flavors of solutions: unique, infinite, or no solutions to a given equation of this form.

Linear systems $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ that have one or more solutions are called **consistent systems** while linear systems that have no solutions are called **inconsistent systems**.

A key observation is that the equation $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent if and only if \vec{b} is in the **span**, or the set of all linear combinations, of the columns of \mathbf{A} .

Definition 1.8. A matrix \mathbf{M} is in **row-echelon form** if:

- (1) any rows of \mathbf{M} without pivots are below all rows of \mathbf{M} with pivots
- (2) a pivot in row i of \mathbf{M} is in a column to the right of a pivot in row $i - 1$ of \mathbf{M} .

Definition 1.9 (Elementary Row Operations of a Matrix). (1) interchange two rows

(2) multiply all entries of a row by the same nonzero scalar

(3) replace a row by the sum of itself and a multiple of another row (i.e. add a multiple of one row to another)

Gaussian Elimination is the process of using elementary row operations to transform a matrix into row-echelon form. Every matrix can be transformed into row echelon form with elementary row operations.

Definition 1.10 (More on Elementary Row Operations). A matrix \mathbf{M} is **row equivalent** to a matrix \mathbf{N} if you can get from \mathbf{M} to \mathbf{N} by performing a sequence of elementary row operations. This is denoted $\mathbf{M} \sim \mathbf{N}$.

Theorem 1.5. If $[\mathbf{A}|\vec{b}] \sim [\mathbf{H}|\vec{c}]$ then the solutions to the system $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ are the same solutions to $\mathbf{H}\vec{x} = \vec{c}$.

Definition 1.11. A matrix that is the result of performing one elementary row operation to an identity matrix \mathbf{I}_m is called an **elementary matrix**.

Definition 1.12. A matrix is in **reduced row-echelon form (rref)** if it is in row echelon form AND every pivot is 1 and the pivot is the only nonzero entry in its column.

The process of putting a matrix into rref is called the **Gauss-Jordan Method**.

Theorem 1.6. Let \mathbf{A} be a $m \times n$ matrix and \mathbf{E} be an elementary matrix of size $m \times m$. Then \mathbf{EA} is the matrix obtained by transforming \mathbf{A} by the same elementary row operations that was needed to create \mathbf{E} .

Theorem 1.7 (Solutions of $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$). Let $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ be a linear system with $[\mathbf{A}|\vec{b}] \sim [\mathbf{H}|\vec{c}]$ where \mathbf{H} is in row-echelon form. Then

(1) If $[\mathbf{H}|\vec{c}]$ has a pivot in the last column then $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is inconsistent.

(2) If $[\mathbf{H}|\vec{c}]$ does not have a pivot in the last column then (a) if every column of \mathbf{H} has a pivot, then $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a **unique solution**, (b) if some columns of \mathbf{H} have no pivot, then $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has an **infinite number of solutions**.

Inverses of Square Matrices

Definition 1.13. A $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} is **invertible** (or nonsingular) if there is a $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{C} such that $\mathbf{CA} = \mathbf{AC} = \mathbf{I}$. We say that \mathbf{C} is the **inverse** of \mathbf{A} , denoted as \mathbf{A}^{-1} ,

Theorem 1.8 (Unique Inverse). If \mathbf{A} has an inverse, it is unique.

Theorem 1.9. Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in M_n$ be invertible matrices. Then \mathbf{AB} is invertible and $\mathbf{AB}^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$.

Theorem 1.10. Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{C} \in M_n$. Then if $\mathbf{AC} = \mathbf{I}$ then $\mathbf{CA} = \mathbf{I}$.

Lemma 1.11. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. If $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for any choice of $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then $\mathbf{A} \sim \mathbf{I}$.

Corollary 1.11.1. If $\mathbf{A} \sim \mathbf{I}$, then \mathbf{A} is invertible.

Theorem 1.12. If \mathbf{A} is invertible, then $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for all \vec{b} .

Theorem 1.13 (TFAE). Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. The following are equivalent:

- (1) \mathbf{A} is invertible.
- (2) $\mathbf{A} \sim \mathbf{I}$
- (3) $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for all $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
- (4) The span of the columns of \mathbf{A} is \mathbb{R}^n / the column space of \mathbf{A} is \mathbb{R}^n / the columns form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .
- (5) \mathbf{A} is a product of elementary matrices.
- (6) $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$.
- (7) $\text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$.
- (8) $\det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$,
- (9) No eigenvalue of \mathbf{A} is 0.

Homogeneous Linear Systems

Definition 1.14. A **homogeneous linear system** is a linear system of the form $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{0}$. These are always consistent (as a solution is the zero vector).

Theorem 1.14. If \vec{u}, \vec{v} are solutions to a homogeneous linear system, so is $r\vec{u} + s\vec{v}$ for any $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 1.15. Let \vec{p} be a particular solution to $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and \vec{s} be a solution to $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{0}$. Then

(1) $\vec{p} + \vec{s}$ is a solution to $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

(2) Every solution set to $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has the form $\vec{p} + \vec{h}$ where $\mathbf{A}\vec{h} = \vec{0}$.

Subspaces

Definition 1.15. Let $\mathbf{W} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. We say that \mathbf{W} is closed under addition if $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbf{W}$ then $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in \mathbf{W}$. We say that \mathbf{W} is closed under scalar multiplication if $\vec{u} \in \mathbf{W}, r \in \mathbb{R}$ then $r\vec{u} \in \mathbf{W}$.

Definition 1.16 (Definition of a **Subspace**). Let $\mathbf{W} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. We say that \mathbf{W} is a **subspace** if it is closed under addition and scalar multiplication.

Definition 1.17 (Important Subspaces). Let \mathbf{A} be a $m \times n$ matrix. Some important subspaces associated with \mathbf{A} . The **nullspace** of \mathbf{A} is the set of solutions $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{0}$. The **row space** of \mathbf{A} is the span of the rows of \mathbf{A} . The **column space** of \mathbf{A} is the span of columns of \mathbf{A} .

Definition 1.18 (Basis of a Subspace). Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . A subset $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \dots, \vec{w}_k$ is a **basis** for \mathbf{W} if for all $\vec{w} \in \mathbf{W}$, there are unique scalars r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k such that $r_1\vec{w}_1 + r_2\vec{w}_2 + \dots + r_k\vec{w}_k = \vec{w}$.

A couple notes on a basis:

A basis of \mathbf{W} is the smallest possible set that generates \mathbf{W} .

Let \mathbf{A} be a matrix w/ column vectors $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \dots, \vec{w}_k$. Let \mathbf{W} be the column space of \mathbf{A} . The column vectors form a basis for \mathbf{W} iff $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a unique solution for all $\vec{b} \in \mathbf{W}$.

Theorem 1.16. $\mathbf{A} \in M_n, \mathbf{A} \sim \mathbf{I} \iff \mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a unique solution for all $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Theorem 1.17. $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a basis for $\mathbf{W} = \text{sp}(\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k)$ iff $r_1\vec{w}_1 + r_2\vec{w}_2 + \dots + r_k\vec{w}_k = \vec{0} \implies r_1 = r_2 = \dots = r_k = 0$.

Theorem 1.18. A homogeneous linear system $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ that has fewer equations (rows) than unknowns (columns) has an infinite number of solutions.

Theorem 1.19. Let \mathbf{A} be a $n \times k$ matrix. TFAE:

(1) The column vectors of \mathbf{A} form a basis for the column space of \mathbf{A} .

(2) The rref of \mathbf{A} is \mathbf{I}_k followed by $(n - k)$ rows of zeros.

(3) Each consistent system $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a unique solution.

2 Chapter 2: Dimension, Rank, and Linear Transformations

Independence and Dimension

Definition 2.1. Let $\{\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. If the only linear combination of these vectors that gives $\vec{0}$ is the trivial one, we say that the set is **linearly independent**. If there is a nontrivial linear combination, the set is **linearly dependent**.

Theorem 2.1 (New Definition of a Basis). Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . A subset $\{\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k\} \subseteq \mathbf{W}$ is a **basis** for \mathbf{W} iff $\{\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k\}$ is linearly independent and $\text{span}(\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k) = \mathbf{W}$. In other words, a basis of \mathbf{W} is a linearly independent, spanning set of \mathbf{W} .

Theorem 2.2. Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\{\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k\} \subseteq \mathbf{W}$ be a spanning set of \mathbf{W} . Let $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m \subseteq \mathbf{W}$ be a linearly independent set. Then $k \geq m$.

In other words, no spanning set has fewer vectors than any linearly independent set.

Corollary 2.2.1. Any 2 bases of \mathbf{W} have the same size. Similarly, every basis of \mathbb{R}^n has n vectors.

Definition 2.2. Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . The number of elements in a basis of \mathbf{W} is called the **dimension** of \mathbf{W} . In particular, $\dim(\mathbb{R}^n) = n$.

NOTE: How exactly do we find the basis for $\text{span}(\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k)$?

- (1) Form matrix \mathbf{A} whose columns are $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k$.
- (2) Use Gaussian Elimination on \mathbf{A} to transform to \mathbf{H} , a matrix in rref.
- (3) The set $\{\vec{w}_j\}$ where the j th column of \mathbf{H} has a pivot is a basis for $\text{span}(\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k)$.

Theorem 2.3. Every subspace of \mathbb{R}^n has a basis, and that basis has no more than n vectors.

Theorem 2.4. Every linearly independent set in a subspace $\mathbf{W} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ can be enlarged (if necessary) to obtain a basis for \mathbf{W} .

Theorem 2.5. Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n of $\dim(\mathbf{W}) = k$.

- (1) every linearly independent set of k vectors in \mathbf{W} must span \mathbf{W} .
- (2) every spanning set of \mathbf{W} with k vectors is linearly independent.

Finding Bases of Special Subspaces

Nullspaces

Every free variable corresponds to an element in the basis.

Example: if $\text{nullspace}(\mathbf{A}) = [2r - s, r, s, 0]$ for $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$, then $[2r - s, r, s, 0] = r[2, 1, 0, 0] + s[-1, 0, 1, 0]$, and the basis is $\{[2, 1, 0, 0], [-1, 0, 1, 0]\}$.

Column Spaces

If $\mathbf{A} \sim \mathbf{H}$, where \mathbf{H} is in row echelon form, then the columns of \mathbf{A} that correspond to the columns of \mathbf{H} with pivots form a basis for the column space.

The dimension of the column space is the number of columns in the rref of \mathbf{A} with a pivot.

Row Spaces

If we have already transformed \mathbf{A} into row echelon form \mathbf{H} , we can simply use nonzero rows of \mathbf{H} as the basis for the row space of \mathbf{A} .

The Rank of a Matrix

Theorem 2.6 (Dimension of Row and Column Spaces). *The dimension of the row space of \mathbf{A} is the same as the dimension of the column space of \mathbf{A} , i.e. $\dim(\text{rowsp}(\mathbf{A})) = \dim(\text{colsp}(\mathbf{A}))$*

Definition 2.3. *Let \mathbf{A} be a $n \times n$ matrix. The **rank** of \mathbf{A} is the dimension of the column and row spaces of \mathbf{A} . The **nullity** is the dimension of the nullspace of \mathbf{A} .*

Theorem 2.7 (Rank-Nullity Theorem). *Let \mathbf{A} be a $m \times n$ matrix. Then $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) + \text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}) = n$.*

Linear Transformations

Definition 2.4 (Domain and Codomain). *For $f : X \rightarrow Y$, X is called the **domain** of f , and Y is called the **codomain** of f .*

Definition 2.5. *Let $H \subseteq X$. The **image** of H under f is the set $\{f(x) \mid x \in H\}$. This is denoted $f[H]$, or the set of elements in Y that are mapped to when the elements of H are plugged into f .*

Definition 2.6. *$f[X]$ is called the **range** of f (the set of all elements in Y that are mapped to by f).*

Definition 2.7. *Let $K \subseteq Y$. The **preimage** (or **inverse image**) of K is $\{x \in X \mid f(x) \in K\}$ and is denoted $f^{-1}[K]$ (the set of all elements of X that map to elements of K).*

Definition 2.8. $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a **linear transformation** if for all $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n, r \in \mathbb{R}$,

- (1) $T(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v})$ (preserves structure of addition)
- (2) $T(r\vec{u}) = rT(\vec{u})$ (preserves structure of scalar multiplication)

Theorem 2.8. $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a linear transformation iff $f(x) = kx$ where $k \in \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 2.9. Let $B = \{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $T(\vec{v}) = r_1T(\vec{b}_1) + \dots + r_nT(\vec{b}_n)$ where r_1, \dots, r_n are the unique scalars such that $\vec{v} = r_1\vec{b}_1 + \dots + r_n\vec{b}_n$. This means $T(\vec{v})$ is determined by $T(\vec{b}_1), \dots, T(\vec{b}_n)$.

Corollary 2.9.1. Let S, T be linear transformations from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^n . If $S(\vec{b}_i) = T(\vec{b}_i)$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ then $S = T$.

Corollary 2.9.2 (Very Important Corollary). Let $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a linear transformation. Let \mathbf{A} be the matrix whose i th column is $T(\vec{e}_i)$; i.e.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & \cdots & | \\ T(\vec{e}_1) & T(\vec{e}_2) & \cdots & T(\vec{e}_n) \\ | & | & \cdots & | \end{bmatrix}$$

which is a $m \times n$ matrix. Then, for any $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n, T(\vec{v}) = \mathbf{A}\vec{v}$. Note that all linear transformations are matrix transformations.

The matrix \mathbf{A} represented above is called the **standard matrix representation of \mathbf{A}** .

Definition 2.9 (Important Relations between a Linear Transformation T and the Standard Matrix Representation of \mathbf{A}).

- (1) The **column space** of \mathbf{A} , $\{\mathbf{A}\vec{x} \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$, is the **range** of T , $\{T(\vec{x}) \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$.
- (2) The **nullspace** of \mathbf{A} , $\{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{0}\}$, is the **kernel** of T , $\{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}\}$.
- (3) The **rank** of \mathbf{A} is the **rank** of T .
- (4) The **nullity** of \mathbf{A} is the **nullity** of T .

Theorem 2.10. For $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, then $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = n$.

Compositions of Linear Transformations

Definition 2.10. For $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, $S : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$, the **composition** of S and T is $S \circ T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is defined as $(S \circ T)\vec{x} = S(T(\vec{x}))$.

Definition 2.11. If the standard matrix representation \mathbf{A} of a linear transformation T is invertible, and S is the linear transformation associated with \mathbf{A}^{-1} , $S \circ T = T \circ S = \text{identity function}$.

We say that T has an inverse function S and denote S as T^{-1} . T is an **invertible linear transformation** (which corresponds to invertible matrices).

Theorem 2.11. Let $\mathbf{T} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a linear transformation. Then

- (1) If \mathbf{W} is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , then $\mathbf{T}[\mathbf{w}]$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^m .
- (2) If \mathbf{u} is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^m , then $\mathbf{T}^{-1}[\mathbf{u}]$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

3 Chapter 3: Vector Spaces

Preliminary Definitions and Properties of Vector Spaces

Definition 3.1. Let V be a set of objects (called vectors) that is closed under addition and scalar multiplication. We say that V is a **vector space** if the following 8 properties hold for all $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in V$ and scalars r, s :

- (A1, Associativity of $+$): $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$
- (A2, Commutativity of $+$): $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$
- (A3, Additive Identity): $\exists \vec{z} \in V$ such that $\vec{z} + \vec{v} = \vec{v}$
- (A4, Additive Inverse): For all $\vec{v}, \exists \vec{w} \in V$ such that $\vec{v} + \vec{w} = \vec{0}$.

- (S1, Distributivity): $r(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = r\vec{v} + r\vec{w}$
- (S2, Distributivity): $(r + s)\vec{v} = r\vec{v} + s\vec{v}$
- (S3, Associativity): $r(s\vec{v}) = (rs)\vec{v}$
- (S4, Preservation of Scalar): $1\vec{v} = \vec{v}$

Theorem 3.1. Let V be a vector space. The following are true:

- (1, Uniqueness of $\vec{0}$) If $\vec{x} + \vec{v} = \vec{v}$ for all $\vec{v} \in V$, then $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.
- (2, Uniqueness of Additive Inverse) For every $\vec{v} \in V$, there is only one vector \vec{x} with $\vec{x} + \vec{v} = \vec{0}$.
- (3, Cancellation Property) If $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{u} + \vec{w}$, then $\vec{v} = \vec{w}$.
- (4) $0\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ for any $\vec{v} \in V$.
- (5) $r\vec{0} = \vec{0}$ for any $r \in \mathbb{R}$
- (6) $(-1)\vec{v}$ is the additive inverse of \vec{v} , $-\vec{v}$.

Basic Concepts of Vector Spaces

Definition 3.2. Let V be a vector space with vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$. A **linear combination** of these vectors is any vector of the form $\vec{v} = r_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + r_k\vec{v}_k$ for scalars r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k .

Definition 3.3. Let V be a vector space and let $X \subseteq V$. The **span** of X (denoted $sp(X)$) is the set of all finite linear combinations of elements of X . If $W = sp(X)$, we say that X generates W .

Definition 3.4. If a vector space $V = sp(X)$ for some finite subset X , then V is **finitely generated**. Otherwise if no finite subset exists, V is **infinitely generated**.

Definition 3.5. A subset W of vector space V is a **subspace** of V if, using the same definitions of addition and scalar multiplication as V , W is itself a vector space. All vector spaces V have $\{\vec{0}\}$ and V as subspaces. $\{\vec{0}\}$ is the **trivial subspace**. All other subspaces of V are called **proper subspaces**.

Theorem 3.2. A nonempty subset W of a vector space V is a subspace of V if it is closed under addition/scalar multiplication.

Corollary 3.2.1. Let V be a vector space and suppose X is a subset of V . Then $\text{sp}(X)$ is a subspace of V .

Definition 3.6. Let V be a vector space and suppose X is a subset of V . A **dependence relation** in X is an equation $r_1\vec{v}_1 + r_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + r_k\vec{v}_k = 0$ where $\{\vec{v}_i\} \subseteq X$ and some $r_i \neq 0$. If \exists a dependence relation, then X is **linearly dependent**; if \nexists dependence relation, then X is **linearly independent**.

Definition 3.7. A **basis for a vector space V** is a set X such that (1) $\text{sp}(X) = V$ and (2) X is linearly independent.

Theorem 3.3. A subset X of a vector space V is a **basis for V** iff every element in V can be uniquely expressed as a linear combination of elements of X .

Theorem 3.4. Let V be a vector space. Let $\{\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k\} \subseteq V$ with $\text{sp}(\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k) = V$. Let $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\}$ be a linearly independent set. Then $k \geq m$.

Corollary 3.4.1. Any two bases of a vector space V have the same size/dimension.

Definition 3.8. The **dimension** of a vector space V is the number of elements in the bases.

Theorem 3.5. Any linearly independent subset of vector space V can be enlarged to create a basis for V ; any spanning set of V can be also be trimmed to create a basis.

Theorem 3.6. Let V be a vector space of dimension k . Then
(1) any linearly independent subset of V with k elements is a basis for V .
(2) any subset of k elements of V that spans V is a basis for V .

Theorem 3.7. Let V be finitely generated (i.e. \exists finite set X with $\text{sp}(X) = V$). Then V has a basis.

Theorem 3.8. Every vector space has a basis.

Theorem 3.9 (Axiom of Choice). Given a collection of disjoint nonempty sets, there is a set (called the "choice set") that contains exactly 1 element from each set in the collection.

Theorem 3.10 (Banach-Tarski Paradox). Given a solid ball, there is a way to cut it into a finite number of pieces and reassemble into 2 solid balls of the same size.

Coordinization of Vector Spaces

Definition 3.9. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space. An **ordered basis** of V is a basis of V with a fixed order, denoted by $(\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \dots, \vec{b}_n)$.

Ex: The **standard ordered basis** of $\mathbb{R}^n : (\vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n)$.

Definition 3.10 (Coordinate Vector relative to an Ordered Basis). Let V be a vector space with ordered basis $B = (\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n)$. Let $\vec{v} \in V$. The **coordinate vector of \vec{v} relative to V** is the vector $\vec{v}_B = [r_1, \dots, r_n] \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $\vec{v} = r_1\vec{b}_1 + r_2\vec{b}_2 + \dots + r_n\vec{b}_n$.

Definition 3.11. We define a **map** $T_B : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ with $T_B(\vec{v}) = \vec{v}_B$. All the important features of V are preserved by T_B (ex. linear independence is preserved).

Definition 3.12. Let V, W be vector spaces. A map $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a **linear transformation** if

- (1) For all $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V$, $T(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v})$.
- (2) For all $\vec{u} \in V, r \in \mathbb{R}$, $T(r\vec{v}) = rT(\vec{v})$.

Theorem 3.11. Let $B : (\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n)$ be an ordered basis for a vector space V . Then the map $T_B : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear transformation.

Lemma 1: $T(\vec{0}_V) = T(0 * \vec{0}_V) = 0T(\vec{0}_V) = \vec{0}_W$, for $T : V \rightarrow W$, a linear transformation.

Lemma 2: $\ker(T_B) = \{\vec{0}_V\}$ (i.e. if $T_B(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$ then $\vec{x} = \vec{0}_V$).

Theorem 3.12. Let V be a vector space with ordered basis B with n elements. Then $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ linearly independent in $V \iff \{T_B(\vec{v}_1), \dots, T_B(\vec{v}_k)\}$ linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^n .

Linear Transformations for Vector Space

Definition 3.13. Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation of vector spaces V, W . The **kernel of T** is the set of vectors $\vec{v} \in V$ that map to $\vec{0}_W$, i.e. $\ker(T) = T^{-1}[\{\vec{0}_W\}] = \{\vec{v} \in V \mid T(\vec{v}) = \vec{0}_W\}$.

Theorem 3.13. $T : V \rightarrow W$, a linear transformation of vector spaces. Then:

- (1: Zero maps to zero) $T(\vec{0}_V) = \vec{0}_W$
- (2: Subspaces map to subspaces) If U is a subspace of V , then $T[U]$ is a subspace of W .
- (3: Inverse Images of Subspaces are Subspaces) If X is a subspace of W , then $T^{-1}[X]$ is a subspace of V .
- (4: Linear Transformations are uniquely determined by what they do to a basis): Let B be a basis for a vector space V . If $T : V \rightarrow V'$ and $S : V \rightarrow V'$ are linear transformations such that $T(\vec{b}) = S(\vec{b})$ for all $\vec{b} \in B$, then $S = T$.

Definition 3.14 (Injective Function). $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is **one-to-one** (aka **injective**) if $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \implies x_1 = x_2$ i.e. different elements must map to different places.

Definition 3.15 (Surjective Function). $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is **onto** (aka **surjective**) if for all $y \in Y$ there is an $x \in X$ with $f(x) = y$ i.e. $\text{range}(f) = Y$; $\text{range}(f) = \text{codomain}$; every element in Y is mapped to.

Definition 3.16 (Bijective Function). $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is **bijective** (aka a **bijection**) if it is both one-to-one/onto (or both injective and surjective).

Definition 3.17 (Invertible Function). $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is **invertible** if there is a function $g : Y \rightarrow X$ with $(g \circ f)(x) = x$ for all $x \in X$ and $(f \circ g)(y) = y$ for all $y \in Y$. Denote y by f^{-1} .

Theorem 3.14. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is invertible $\iff f$ is bijective.

Corollary 3.14.1. Let $T : V \rightarrow W$, a linear transformation of vector spaces. Then T bijective \iff there is a linear transformation S such that $S = T^{-1}$ i.e. if T is invertible, then T^{-1} is a linear transformation.

Definition 3.18. A function $T : V \rightarrow W$ between vector spaces V and W is an **isomorphism** iff T is a linear transformation and a bijection.

Definition 3.19. V and W are **isomorphic vector spaces** if there is an isomorphism $T : V \rightarrow W$. Write $V \cong W$ // isomorphic means "essentially the same"

Corollary 3.14.2. A linear transformation $T : V \rightarrow W$ is an isomorphism iff T is invertible.

Theorem 3.15. Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation. T is one-to-one $\iff \ker(T) = \{\vec{0}\}$.

Theorem 3.16. Let V be a vector space of dimension n and let B be an ordered basis for V . The coordinization map $T_B : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined by $T_B(\vec{v}) = \vec{v}_B$ is an isomorphism.

Corollary 3.16.1. If $\dim(V) = n$, $V \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ (isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n).

Definition 3.20. Let $T : V \rightarrow V'$ be a linear transformation, $B = (\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n)$ be an ordered basis of V , and B' be an ordered basis of V' . Then the matrix A given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \left| T(\vec{b}_1)_{B'} \right. & \left| T(\vec{b}_2)_{B'} \right. & \cdots & \left| T(\vec{b}_n)_{B'} \right. \\ \hline \end{bmatrix}$$

is called the **matrix representation of T relative to B, B'** .

Theorem 3.17. Let $T : V \rightarrow V'$ be a linear transformation, B be an ordered basis of V , B' be an ordered basis of V' , and A be the matrix representation of T with respect to B, B' . Then T is invertible $\iff A$ is invertible.

Inner Product Spaces An **inner product** is a generalization of the dot product.

Definition 3.21. Let V be a vector space with scalars from \mathbb{R} . An **inner product on V** is a map from an ordered pair of vectors \vec{v}, \vec{w} to \mathbb{R} , denoted $\langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle$, such that for all $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in V$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$,

- (1, Symmetry) $\langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle = \langle \vec{w}, \vec{v} \rangle$
- (2, Additivity/Distributivity) $\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} + \vec{w} \rangle = \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle + \langle \vec{u}, \vec{w} \rangle$
- (3, Homogeneity) $r\langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle = \langle r\vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle = \langle \vec{v}, r\vec{w} \rangle$
- (4, Positivity) $\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle \geq 0$, and $\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle = 0 \iff \vec{v} = \vec{0}$

Definition 3.22. A vector space with scalars from \mathbb{R} that has an inner product is called a **(real) inner product space**.

Definition 3.23. Let V be an inner product space. We define the **norm** (aka **length**) of $\vec{v} \in V$ as $\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle}$
the **distance** between two vectors \vec{x}, \vec{y} in V as $\|(\vec{x} - \vec{y})\|$
the **angle** between \vec{x}, \vec{y} in V as $\arccos \frac{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle}{\|\vec{x}\| \|\vec{y}\|}$.

Theorem 3.18. Let V be an inner product space. Then $\vec{x} \perp \vec{y} \iff \langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = 0$.

Additionally, theorems proved about the dot product apply to inner product spaces.

4 Chapter 4: Determinants

Preliminary Definitions: Every $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} has a number associated with it called its **determinant**, denoted $\det(\mathbf{A})$. We define the $\det(\mathbf{A})$ recursively, i.e. the def of $\det(\mathbf{A})$ will involve determinants of smaller matrices.

Definition 4.1. Let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{1,1}]$. a 1×1 matrix. $\det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,1}$.

Definition 4.2. Let \mathbf{A} be a $n \times n$ matrix. The matrix obtained by deleting the i th row and j th column of \mathbf{A} is called a **minor** of \mathbf{A} and is denoted \mathbf{A}_{ij} .

Definition 4.3. Let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$ be an $n \times n$ matrix. The **cofactor** of a_{ij} is $(-1)^{i+j} \det(\mathbf{A}_{ij})$ and is denoted a'_{ij} .

Definition 4.4. Let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$ be a $n \times n$ matrix, with $n > 1$. The **determinant** of \mathbf{A} , denoted $\det(\mathbf{A})$, is

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j}a'_{1j} + \dots + a_{1n}a'_{1n} = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(\mathbf{A}_{ij})$$

Sarrus' Rule/Mnemonic can also be used to find determinants of 3×3 matrices.

Theorem 4.1 (General Expansion by Minors). Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$ and $r, s \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Then $\det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{r1}a'_{r1} + a_{r2}a'_{r2} + \dots + a_{rn}a'_{rn} = a_{1s}a'_{1s} + \dots + a_{ns}a'_{ns}$, i.e. the determinant of \mathbf{A} is equal to an expansion along row r or column s .

Corollary 4.1.1. $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. If \mathbf{A} has an entire row/column with only 0 entries, $\det(\mathbf{A}) = 0$.

Definition 4.5. Let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}] \in M_n$. We say that \mathbf{A} is **upper triangular** if $a_{ij} = 0$ when $i > j$. We say that \mathbf{A} is **lower triangular** if $a_{ij} = 0$ when $i < j$.

Theorem 4.2. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$ be upper/lower triangular. Then

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = \prod_{i=1}^n a_{ii} = a_{11}a_{22}\dots a_{nn}$$

Theorem 4.3. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Then $\det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{A}^T)$.

What effect does performing an elementary row operation have on the determinant?

Theorem 4.4. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Let \mathbf{B} be the matrix obtained by switching 2 rows of \mathbf{A} . Then $\det(\mathbf{B}) = -\det(\mathbf{A})$.

Corollary 4.4.1. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$ have two equal rows. Then $\det(\mathbf{A}) = 0$.

Theorem 4.5. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Let \mathbf{B} be the matrix obtained by multiplying row k of \mathbf{A} by r . Then $\det(\mathbf{B}) = r(\det(\mathbf{A}))$.

Theorem 4.6. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Let \mathbf{B} be the matrix obtained by performing the row operation $R_j \rightarrow r * R_i + R_j$. Then $\det(\mathbf{B}) = \det(\mathbf{A})$.

Theorem 4.7. \mathbf{A} invertible $\iff \det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$

(In Summary): Effects of 3 "flavors" of elementary row operations

- (1) Switching 2 rows \rightarrow multiply by -1
- (2) Multiplying a row by a nonzero scalar $r \rightarrow$ multiply by r
- (3) Adding a multiple of one row to another \rightarrow no effect

Determinants and their Geometry

- **Area of a parallelogram** determined by $[a, b]$ and $[c, d]$ is

$$\mathbf{A} = \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \right| = ad - bc$$

- **Volume of a parallelepiped** determined by $\vec{a} = [a_1, a_2, a_3]$, $\vec{b} = [b_1, b_2, b_3]$, and $\vec{c} = [c_1, c_2, c_3]$ is

$$\mathbf{V} = \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{bmatrix} \right|$$

- **Volume of a n-box** determined by $\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n$ with $\vec{a}_i = [a_{i1}, a_{i2}, \dots, a_{in}]$ is

$$\mathbf{V} = \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \right|$$

- **Cross Product** of $\vec{a} = [a_1, a_2, a_3]$ and $\vec{b} = [b_1, b_2, b_3]$:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \times \vec{b} &= \det \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2 & b_3 \end{bmatrix} \vec{i} - \det \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_3 \end{bmatrix} \vec{j} + \det \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{k} \\ &= \|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\| \sin(\theta) \vec{n} \end{aligned}$$

- **Area of parallelogram** denoted by $\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is $\mathbf{A} = \|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}\|$.

Notes on Cross Product

- $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -(\vec{b} \times \vec{a})$
- $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} \neq \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$
- \mathbb{R}^3 under cross product forms a structure called a **Lie Algebra**

Theorem 4.8. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$, then $\det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{A}^T)$.

Theorem 4.9. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n, n \geq 2$. Let \mathbf{B} be a matrix obtained by swapping 2 rows of \mathbf{A} . Then $\det(\mathbf{B}) = -\det(\mathbf{A})$.

Theorem 4.10. Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in M_n$. $\det(\mathbf{AB}) = \det(\mathbf{A}) \det(\mathbf{B})$.

Lemma 4.11. Consider \mathbf{EA} , where $\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{A} \in M_n$ and \mathbf{E} is an elementary matrix. Then $\det(\mathbf{EA}) = \det(\mathbf{E}) \det(\mathbf{A})$

5 Chapter 5: Eigenvalues

Preliminary Definitions

Definition 5.1. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. A scalar λ is said to be an **eigenvalue** of \mathbf{A} if there is a nonzero vector \vec{x} such that $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$. The vector \vec{x} is called an **eigenvector** of \mathbf{A} that corresponds to λ .

$\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$ means \vec{x} gets mapped to a scalar multiple of itself by \mathbf{A} // \vec{x} is scaled by a factor of λ by \mathbf{A} // $\mathbf{A}\vec{x}$ is in $\text{span}(\vec{x})$.

Definition 5.2. If λ is an eigenvalue of \mathbf{A} , we call $\text{nullspace}(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})$ the **eigenspace** corresponding to λ , denoted E_λ .

Definition 5.3. If $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$, $\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})$ is a polynomial of degree n in the variable λ called the **characteristic polynomial** of \mathbf{A} .

Theorem 5.1. $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Suppose \vec{v} is an eigenvector of \mathbf{A} with eigenvalue λ . Then

- (1) \vec{v} is an eigenvector of \mathbf{A}^T
- (2) If \mathbf{A} is invertible, \vec{v} is an eigenvector of \mathbf{A}^{-1} with eigenvalue $\frac{1}{\lambda}$.
- (3) E_λ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

Theorem 5.2 (Extension of TFAE). \mathbf{A} invertible \iff no eigenvalue of \mathbf{A} is 0.

Definition 5.4. Let V be a vector space and $T: V \rightarrow V$ be a linear transformation. A scalar λ is said to be an **eigenvalue** of T if there is a nonzero vector $\vec{v} \in V$ such that $T(\vec{v}) = \lambda\vec{v}$. \vec{v} is called an **eigenvector** of T corresponding to λ .

Theorem 5.3. $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Suppose $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ are distinct eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} . Let \vec{x}_i be an eigenvector corresponding to λ_i . Then $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$ are linearly independent.

Diagonalization

Definition 5.5. Let $\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q} \in M_n$. We say that \mathbf{P} is similar to \mathbf{Q} if \exists an invertible matrix $\mathbf{C} \in M_n$ such that $\mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{Q}$.

A note is that if \mathbf{P} is similar to $\mathbf{Q} \implies \mathbf{Q}$ similar to \mathbf{P} . Additionally, similar matrices have the same rank, nullity, determinant, and have (potentially) different eigenvalues.

Definition 5.6. An $n \times n$ matrix $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$ is **diagonal** if $a_{ij} = 0$ whenever $i \neq j$ (the entries not on the diagonal are 0).

Definition 5.7. A matrix $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$ is **diagonalizable** if it is similar to a diagonal matrix; i.e. if $\exists \mathbf{C} \in M_n$ such that $\mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{D}$ where \mathbf{D} is diagonal.

Definition 5.8. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$ and suppose $\hat{\lambda}$ is an eigenvalue of \mathbf{A} . The **algebraic multiplicity** of $\hat{\lambda}$ is the number of factors of the form $(\hat{\lambda} - \lambda)$ that appear in the factorization of the characteristic polynomial of \mathbf{A} , $p(\lambda) = \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})$.

The **geometric multiplicity** of $\hat{\lambda}$ is the dimension of the eigenspace $\mathbf{E}_{\hat{\lambda}}$ of \mathbf{A} .

Theorem 5.4 (Jordan Canonical Form). Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Then \mathbf{A} is similar to a matrix \mathbf{J} of the form

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & * & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & * & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \lambda_{n-1} & * \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

where the $*$ entries are 0 or 1. \mathbf{J} is called the **Jordan Canonical Form** of \mathbf{A} . The diagonal entries of \mathbf{J} are the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} , which appear the same number of times as their algebraic multiplicity.

Lemma 5.5. Let $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ be scalars (in \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}) and $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ be vectors in \mathbb{R}^n (or \mathbb{C}^n). Suppose

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & \cdots & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \cdots & \vec{v}_n \\ | & | & \cdots & | \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then $\mathbf{AC} = \mathbf{CD} \iff \vec{v}_i$ is the **eigenspace** \mathbf{E}_{λ_i} of \mathbf{A} , (i.e. $\mathbf{A}\vec{v}_i = \lambda_i\vec{v}_i$).

Theorem 5.6. \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable $\iff \mathbf{A}$ has n linearly independent eigenvectors (i.e. there is a basis consisting of eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} , called an **eigenbasis**).

Corollary 5.6.1. Suppose $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$ has n distinct eigenvalues. Then \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable (the converse is not true).

Theorem 5.7. If $\mathbf{A} \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ and \mathbf{A} is symmetric (i.e. $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^T$), then \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable. Moreover, there is a diagonalizing matrix \mathbf{C} such that

- (1) $\mathbf{C} \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ (implying all eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are real numbers).
- (2) The columns of \mathbf{C} are unit vectors that are orthogonal to each other (columns of \mathbf{C} form an **orthonormal** basis of \mathbb{R}^n).

Theorem 5.8. Let λ be an eigenvalue of a matrix $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. Then the algebraic multiplicity of λ is no less than the geometric multiplicity of λ .

Theorem 5.9. \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable if and only if for every eigenvalue λ of \mathbf{A} , the algebraic multiplicity equals the geometric multiplicity.

6 Chapter 6: Projections

Definition 6.1. Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of a vector space \mathbf{V} with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. The **orthogonal complement** of \mathbf{W} in \mathbf{V} is defined as $\mathbf{W}^\perp = \{\vec{v} \in \mathbf{V} \mid \langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle = 0, \forall \vec{w} \in \mathbf{W}\}$

Theorem 6.1. \mathbf{W}^\perp is a subspace of \mathbf{V} .

Theorem 6.2. $\mathbf{W} \cap \mathbf{W}^\perp = \{\vec{0}\}$.

Given a subspace \mathbf{W} of \mathbb{R}^n , how do we find \mathbf{W}^\perp ?

- (1) Find a spanning set $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$ for \mathbf{W}
- (2) Construct a matrix \mathbf{A} whose rows are $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$.
- (3) Solve $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ (i.e. find the nullspace of \mathbf{A}). The nullspace of \mathbf{A} is \mathbf{W}^\perp

Theorem 6.3. Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

- (1) $\dim(\mathbf{W}^\perp) = n - \dim(\mathbf{W})$
- (2) $(\mathbf{W}^\perp)^\perp = \mathbf{W}$
- (3) Each vector $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ can be uniquely written $\vec{v} = \vec{x} + \vec{y} = \vec{v}_W + \vec{v}_{W^\perp}$ where $\vec{x} \in \mathbf{W}, \vec{y} \in \mathbf{W}^\perp$

Definition 6.2. Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and let $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The **projection of \vec{v} onto \mathbf{W}** is the unique vector $\vec{x} \in \mathbf{W}$ such that $\vec{v} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}, \vec{y} \in \mathbf{W}^\perp$. We denote \vec{x} by \vec{v}_W and \vec{y} by \vec{v}_{W^\perp} .

How do we find \vec{v}_W ?

- (1) Find a basis for \mathbf{W} ($\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$).
- (2) Find a basis for \mathbf{W}^\perp , ($\vec{v}_{k+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n$), (i.e. find basis for nullspace of $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{0}$, where the rows of \mathbf{A} are the basis for \mathbf{W}).
- (3) Coordinatize \vec{v} with respect to $\mathbf{B} = (\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n)$, (i.e. solve $\mathbf{C}\vec{x} = \vec{v}$, where the columns of \mathbf{C} are $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$).
- (4) $\vec{v}_W = r_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + r_k\vec{v}_k$, using $\vec{v}_B = [r_1, \dots, r_n]$ from step 3 to find r_i .

Theorem 6.4. Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and \vec{v}_W be the projection of \vec{v} onto \mathbf{W} . Then $\|\vec{v} - \vec{v}_W\| \leq \|\vec{v} - \vec{w}\|$ for all $\vec{w} \in \mathbf{W}$ (i.e. the distance between \vec{v}, \vec{v}_W is less than or equal to the distance between \vec{v}, \vec{w}).

Note: this theorem is used when we want to determine a vector in \mathbf{W} that best approximates the solution to $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$: we simply project the solution onto \mathbf{W} .

Theorem 6.5 (Projection Formula). Another way to calculate the **projection of \vec{v} onto $\text{sp}(\vec{a})$** is

$$\vec{v}_W = \left(\frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{a}}{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}} \right) \vec{a}$$

The Gram-Schmidt Process

Definition 6.3. A subset of nonzero vectors S in V is **orthonormal** if

$$\langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \vec{v} = \vec{w} \\ 0 & \vec{v} \neq \vec{w} \end{cases}$$

An **orthonormal set** is an orthogonal set in which all vectors have length (norm) 1.

Bonus notation: $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ is orthonormal if $\langle \vec{v}_i, \vec{v}_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$, where the **Kronecker Delta**,

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Theorem 6.6. Let V be a finite dimensional inner product space. Then every nonzero subspace of V has an orthonormal basis.

Constructive Proof: Algorithm called the **Gram-Schmidt Process**

- Start with a subspace W of V and a basis for $W = \{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_k\}$
- Use this to construct an orthogonal basis $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ for W . To do this, use facts about projection from 6.1.
- Normalize the vectors to get an orthonormal basis $\{\vec{q}_1, \dots, \vec{q}_k\}$ for W . Note that then $\vec{q}_i = \frac{\vec{v}_i}{\|\vec{v}_i\|}$.

Orthogonal Matrices

Definition 6.4. An $n \times n$ matrix A is orthogonal if $A^T A = I$.

Note:

- Orthogonal matrices are invertible ($A^{-1} = A^T$).
- If A is orthogonal, the columns of A are orthogonal vectors of length 1/the columns of A form an orthonormal set.
- A is orthogonal \iff columns of A are orthonormal.

Theorem 6.7. $A \in M_n$. The columns of A are orthonormal \iff the rows of A are orthonormal.

Theorem 6.8. $\mathbf{A} \in M_n$. TFAE:

- (1) \mathbf{A} is orthogonal.
- (2) The rows of \mathbf{A} form an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n .
- (3) The columns of \mathbf{A} form an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n .
- (4, Orthogonal matrices preserve the dot product) For all $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $(\mathbf{A}\vec{x}) \cdot (\mathbf{A}\vec{y}) = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}$

Corollary 6.8.1. For \mathbf{A} , an orthogonal $n \times n$ matrix $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then

- (1, Orthogonal matrices preserve length) $\|\mathbf{A}\vec{x}\| = \|\vec{x}\|$
- (2, Orthogonal matrices preserve angles) The angle between \vec{x}, \vec{y} is the same as the angle between $\mathbf{A}\vec{x}, \mathbf{A}\vec{y}$.

Definition 6.5. For \mathbf{V} , a vector space with a defined inner product. We say a linear transformation $\mathbf{T} : \mathbf{V} \rightarrow \mathbf{V}$ is **orthogonal** if $\langle \mathbf{T}(\vec{v}), \mathbf{T}(\vec{w}) \rangle = \langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle$ for all $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbf{V}$ (i.e. dot product is preserved).

Theorem 6.9 (Fundamental Theorem of Real Symmetric Matrices). Every $n \times n$ real symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} can be diagonalized by an **orthogonal matrix** i.e. not only can we find a basis for \mathbb{R}^n consisting of eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} , but we can also find an **orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^n** consisting of eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} .

Theorem 6.10. Let \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} be orthogonal $n \times n$ matrices. Then \mathbf{AB} is orthogonal (i.e. orthogonal matrices are **closed** under multiplication).

7 Change of Bases

How to translate from any ordered basis to any other ordered basis

How do we move from vector expressed in $B : \vec{v}_B$ to translation in $B' : \vec{v}_{B'}$?

Claim: $\vec{v}_{B'} = (M_{B'})^{-1}(M_B)\vec{v}_B$

Definition 7.1. Let B, B' be ordered bases of \mathbb{R}^n . Let $M_B, M_{B'}$ be the $n \times n$ matrices whose columns are determined by B, B' , respectively. The **change of basis (aka, change of coordinate) matrix from B to B'** is defined as

$$c_{B,B'} = (M_{B'})^{-1}(M_B) \text{ and } c_{B,B'}\vec{v}_B = \vec{v}_{B'}$$