

# Some recalls

Lectures for PHD course on  
Numerical Optimization

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## 1 Determinant

- Some property of determinant
- Existence and uniqueness
- Matrix product and determinant



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- We always work with finite dimensional Euclidean vector spaces  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the natural number  $n$  denote the dimension of the space.
- Elements  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  will be referred to as vectors, and we think them as composed of  $n$  real numbers stacked on top of each other, i.e.,

$$v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)^T = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$v_k$  being real numbers, and  $T$  denotes the **transpose** operator.



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# Basic operation

The basic operations defined for two vectors  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and an arbitrary scalar  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)^T \quad \mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)^T$$

are as follows:

- 1 addition:  $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = (a_1 + b_1, \dots, a_n + b_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ;
- 2 multiplication by a scalar:  $\alpha \mathbf{a} = (\alpha a_1, \dots, \alpha a_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ;
- 3 A linear subspace  $L \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a set enjoying the following two properties:
  - 1 for every  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in L$  it holds that  $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} \in L$ ;
  - 2 and for every  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{a} \in L$  it holds that  $\alpha \mathbf{a} \in L$ .
- 4 An affine subspace  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is any set that can be represented as  $\mathbf{v} + L := \{\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{x} | \mathbf{x} \in L\}$  for some vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and some linear subspace  $L \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .



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# Scalar Product (real case)

A scalar product is a map  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  with the following properties:

## 1 Linearity

$$(\mathbf{a}, \alpha \mathbf{b} + \beta \mathbf{c}) = \alpha(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) + \beta(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c}) \quad (\alpha \mathbf{b} + \beta \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{a}) = \alpha(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{a}) + \beta(\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{a})$$

## 2 Symmetry

$$(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) = (\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{a})$$

## 3 Positivity

$$(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}) \geq 0 \quad (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}) = 0 \quad \text{iif} \quad \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$$

for example, the following product is a scalar product:

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$



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# Scalar Product (complex case)

A scalar product is a map  $\mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \mapsto \mathbb{C}$  with the following properties:

## 1 Linearity

$$(a, \alpha b + \beta c) = \alpha(a, b) + \beta(a, c) \quad (\alpha b + \beta c, a) = \overline{\alpha}(b, a) + \overline{\beta}(c, a)$$

## 2 (Conjugate) Symmetry

$$(a, b) = \overline{(b, a)}$$

## 3 Positivity

$$(a, a) \geq 0 \quad (a, a) = 0 \quad \text{iif} \quad a = 0$$

for example, the following product is a scalar product:

$$a \cdot b = \overline{a}^T b = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{a_i} b_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$



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A norm is a map  $\mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}^+$  with the following properties:

1 Positivity

$$\|a\| \geq 0 \quad \|a\| = 0 \quad \text{iif} \quad a = 0$$

2 Homogeneity

$$\|\lambda a\| = |\lambda| \|a\|$$

3 Triangle inequality

$$\|a + b\| \leq \|a\| + \|b\|$$



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# Most used norm in $\mathbb{R}^n$

## 1 Euclidean norm or 2-norm

$$\|\mathbf{a}\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}$$

## 2 1-norm

$$\|\mathbf{a}\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |a_i|$$

## 3 $\infty$ -norm

$$\|\mathbf{a}\|_\infty = \max_{i=1}^n |a_i|$$



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# Cauchy–Bunyakowski–Schwarz inequality

## Lemma

The Cauchy–Bunyakowski–Schwarz inequality says that

$$|(a, b)|^2 \leq (a, a)(b, b)$$

with equality iff  $a = \alpha b$ , i.e.  $a$  and  $b$  are parallel.

**Proof:** consider the vector  $a - \beta b$ :

$$0 \leq (a - \beta b, a - \beta b) = (a, a) + \beta \bar{\beta} (b, b) - \beta (a, b) - \bar{\beta} (b, a)$$

choosing  $\beta = \overline{(a, b)} / (b, b)$

$$0 \leq (a, a) - |(a, b)|^2 / (b, b)$$

if  $a = \alpha b$  then  $\beta = \alpha$  and inequality becomes equality. □



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# Induced norm

A scalar product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  induce a norm  $\|\cdot\|$  as follows:

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{(v, v)}$$

- 1 Positivity  $\|a\| = \sqrt{(a, a)}$  follows from property 3 of scalar product.
- 2 Homogeneity, from properties 1 and 2 of scalar product

$$\|\lambda a\| = \sqrt{(\lambda a, \lambda a)} = \sqrt{\lambda^2 (a, a)} = |\lambda| \sqrt{(a, a)}$$

- 3 Triangle inequality (by using Cauchy inequality for real case)

$$\begin{aligned} \|a + b\|^2 &= (a + b, a + b) = (a, a) + (b, b) + 2(a, b) \\ &\leq (a, a) + (b, b) + 2\sqrt{(a, a)(b, b)} \\ &= \|a\|^2 + \|b\|^2 + 2\|a\|\|b\| = (\|a\| + \|b\|)^2 \end{aligned}$$



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# Orthogonality

- By the Cauchy inequality the number  $\frac{(a, b)}{\|a\| \|b\|}$  is in the interval  $[-1, 1]$
- The angle  $\theta$  between two vectors  $a$  and  $b$  is defined as

$$\theta = \arccos \frac{(a, b)}{\|a\| \|b\|}.$$

- We say that  $a$  is **orthogonal** to  $b$  if and only if  $(a, b) = 0$ .
- The only vector orthogonal to itself is  $\mathbf{0} = (0, \dots, 0)^T$ ; moreover, this is the only vector with zero norm.



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# Linear and affine dependence

- A collection of vectors  $(v_1, \dots, v_k)$  is said to be **linearly independent** if and only if

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i v_i = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_k = 0.$$

- Similarly, a collection of vectors  $(v_1, \dots, v_k)$  is said to be **affinely independent** if and only if the collection

$$(v_2 - v_1, v_3 - v_1, \dots, v_k - v_1)$$

is linearly independent.



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- The largest number of linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is  $n$ ;
- $n$  linearly independent vectors from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is referred to as **basis**.
- The basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is said to be **orthogonal** if  $(v_i, v_j) = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$ . If, in addition  $\|v_i\| = 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , the basis is called **orthonormal**.
- Given the basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  every vector  $v$  can be written in a unique way as  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i$ , and the  $n$ -tuple  $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$  will be referred to as **coordinates** of  $v$  in this basis.
- If the basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is orthonormal, the coordinates  $\alpha_i$  are computed as  $\alpha_i = (v, v_i)$ .
- The space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  will be typically equipped with the standard basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  where  $e_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)^T$ .
- For every vector  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)^T$  we have  $(v, e_i) = v_i$  which allows us to identify vectors and their coordinates.



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- All linear functions from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^k$  can be represented by using a linear space of real matrices  $\mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$  (i.e., with  $k$  row and  $n$  columns).
- Given a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$  it will often be convenient to view it as a row of its columns, which are thus vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .
- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$  have elements  $A_{ij}$  we write  $A = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ , where  $a_i = (A_{1i}, \dots, A_{ki})^T \in \mathbb{R}^k$ .
- The addition of two matrices and scalar-matrix multiplication are defined in a straightforward way. For  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$  we define

$$Av = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i a_i \in \mathbb{R}^k$$



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# Matrix norm

Let be  $A$  an  $n \times m$  matrix. If we have two vector norms  $\|\cdot\|_a$  and  $\|\cdot\|_b$  defined in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , respectively, we can define a **matrix norm** as follows:

$$\|A\| = \max_{\|v\|_a=1} \|Av\|_b \quad (*)$$

This is a norm and has the property

$$\|Av\|_b \leq \|A\| \|v\|_a$$

We say that matrix norm  $\|\cdot\|$  is compatible with the vector norms  $\|\cdot\|_a$  and  $\|\cdot\|_b$ . A compatible matrix norm not necessarily must be defined by a relation like (??), for example Frobenius norm

$$\|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} A_{ij}^2}$$

is compatible with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_2$ .



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# Most used matrix norm

## 1 1-norm

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_1 = \max_{\|\mathbf{v}\|_1=1} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}\|_1 = \max_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n |A_{ij}|$$

## 2 $\infty$ -norm

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_\infty = \max_{\|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty=1} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}\|_\infty = \max_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m |A_{ij}|$$

## 3 2-norm

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 = \max_{\|\mathbf{v}\|_2=1} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}\|_2 = \sqrt{\varrho(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})}$$

$\varrho(\mathbf{B})$  is the spectral ratio of matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  defined forward.



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# Matrix norm and transpose

## Definition

For a given matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$  we define  $A^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$  with elements  $(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji}$  as **matrix transpose**

## Definition

A more elegant definition:  $A^T$  is the unique matrix, satisfying the equality  $(Av) \cdot u = v \cdot (A^T u)$  for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $u \in \mathbb{R}^k$ .

## Remark

Using different scalar products in the previous definition produces different **transpose** matrices.

## Remark

From this definition it follows  $(A^T)^T = A$



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# Matrix product

- Given two matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ , we define the product matrix product  $C = AB \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$  elementwise by

$$C_{ij} = \sum_{\ell=1}^n A_{i\ell} B_{\ell j}, \quad i = 1, \dots, k \quad j = 1, \dots, m.$$

- In other words,  $C = AB$  iff for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $Cv = A(Bv)$ .
- The matrix product is:
  - **associative** i.e.,  $A(BC) = (AB)C$ ;
  - **not commutative** i.e.,  $AB \neq BA$  in general;
 for matrices of compatible sizes.



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Consider the vector spaces  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^k$  and  $\mathbb{R}^m$  with norms  $\|\cdot\|_a$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_b$  and  $\|\cdot\|_c$  respectively. We can define the matrix norms

$$\|A\|_{ab} = \max_{\|v\|_a=1} \|Av\|_b$$

$$\|A\|_{bc} = \max_{\|v\|_b=1} \|Av\|_c$$

$$\|A\|_{ac} = \max_{\|v\|_a=1} \|Av\|_c$$

If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$  it is easy (and instructive) to check that

$$\|AB\|_{ac} \leq \|A\|_{ab} \|B\|_{bc}$$



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- Vectors  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  can be (and sometimes will be) viewed as matrices  $v \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ .
- Check that this embedding is norm-preserving, i.e., the norm of  $v$  viewed as a vector equals the norm of  $v$  viewed as a matrix with one column.  
In fact consider the definition of the matrix norm  $\|\cdot\|'$  starting with the vector norm  $\|\cdot\|$

$$\|v\|' = \max_{|\alpha|=1} \|\alpha v\| = \max_{|\alpha|=1} |\alpha| \|v\| = \|v\|$$



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# Matrix inverse

For a square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  we can discuss the existence of the unique matrix  $A^{-1}$ , called **the inverse** of  $A$ , verifying  $A^{-1}Av = v$  for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Or equivalently  $A^{-1}A = I$  the identity matrix. If the inverse of a given matrix exist, we call the latter **nonsingular**.

## Theorem

*The inverse matrix exists iff*

- *the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent;*
- *the columns of  $A^T$  are linearly independent;*
- *the system  $Ax = v$  has a unique solution for every  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ;*
- *the system  $Ax = 0$  has  $x = 0$  as its unique solution.*



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# Matrix inverse

## Lemma

*From this definition it follows that  $A$  is nonsingular iff  $A^T$  is nonsingular, and, furthermore,  $(A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$  and therefore will be denoted simply as  $A^{-T}$ .*

At last, if  $A$  and  $B$  are two nonsingular matrices of the same size, then  $AB$  is nonsingular and  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ .



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# Determinant

## Definition

Is a function on matrix

$$|\cdot| : \mathbb{K}^{n \times n} \mapsto \mathbb{K},$$

a law that for each (square) matrix  $A \in \mathbb{K}^n$  that return a scalar. The field  $\mathbb{K}$  can be  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . Some properties must be verified.



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To simplify notation split matrices by columns. Let  $\mathbf{A}_{\bullet j}$  the  $j$ -th column of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ ,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & A_{n-1n} \\ A_{n1} & \cdots & A_{nn-1} & A_{nn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_{\bullet j} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1j} \\ A_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ A_{nj} \end{bmatrix},$$

in such a way matrix can be thought as **column partitioned**.

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}_{\bullet 1}, \dots, \mathbf{A}_{\bullet n}),$$

so that

$$|\mathbf{A}| := |\mathbf{A}_{\bullet 1}, \dots, \mathbf{A}_{\bullet n}|.$$



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# Determinant: axiomatic definition

## Definition (Determinant properties)

- 1 Is a *multi-linear* function of the columns

$$|\dots, \lambda a, \dots| = \lambda |\dots, b, \dots|,$$

$$|\dots, a + b, \dots| = |\dots, a, \dots| + |\dots, b, \dots|.$$

- 2 Is null if two consecutive columns are equal

$$|\dots, a, a, \dots| = 0.$$

- 3 The determinant of identity matrix is 1:

$$|I| = |e_1, \dots, e_n| = 1,$$



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# Determinant: particular cases

## Observation

1  $n = 1, 2$       $|A_{11}| = A_{11}, \quad \begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{vmatrix} = A_{11} A_{22} - A_{21} A_{12};$

2  $n = 3$

$$\begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{cases} A_{11} A_{22} A_{33} + A_{12} A_{23} A_{31} + A_{21} A_{32} A_{13} \\ -A_{13} A_{22} A_{31} - A_{12} A_{21} A_{33} - A_{11} A_{23} A_{32}. \end{cases}$$

3 *Upper triangular*

$$\begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ 0 & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & A_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = A_{11} A_{22} \dots A_{nn}.$$



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## Lemma (Multiply by a scalar)

$$|\lambda A| = \lambda^n |A|$$

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} |\lambda A_{\bullet 1}, \lambda A_{\bullet 2}, \lambda A_{\bullet 3}, \dots, \lambda A_{\bullet n}| &= \lambda |A_{\bullet 1}, \lambda A_{\bullet 2}, \lambda A_{\bullet 3}, \dots, \lambda A_{\bullet n}| \\ &= \lambda^2 |A_{\bullet 1}, A_{\bullet 2}, \lambda A_{\bullet 3}, \dots, \lambda A_{\bullet n}| \\ &= \lambda^3 |A_{\bullet 1}, A_{\bullet 2}, A_{\bullet 3}, \dots, \lambda A_{\bullet n}| \\ &= \dots \\ &= \lambda^n |A_{\bullet 1}, A_{\bullet 2}, \dots, A_{\bullet n}| \end{aligned}$$

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## Observation (Somma di matrici)

*Notice that*

$$|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}| \neq |\mathbf{A}| + |\mathbf{B}|$$

*for example*

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \neq \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

*in fact*

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot 0 - 2 \cdot 0 = 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \cdot 4 - 0 \cdot 3 = 0,$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 3 = 4 - 6 = -2$$



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## Lemma

*If a column is 0 the determinant is 0.*

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} |\dots, \mathbf{0}, \dots| &= |\dots, 0 \cdot \mathbf{0}, \dots|, \\ &= 0 \cdot |\dots, \mathbf{0}, \dots|, \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

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## Lemma

If *two consecutive* columns are exchanged determinant sign change

**Proof:** from property 2 it follows  $|\dots, w + z, w + z, \dots| = 0$  and using multi-linearity

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= |\dots, w + z, w + z, \dots|, \\ &= |\dots, w, w + z, \dots| + |\dots, z, w + z, \dots|, \\ &= |\dots, w, w, \dots| + |\dots, w, z, \dots| + |\dots, z, w, \dots| + |\dots, z, z, \dots|, \end{aligned}$$

from property 2  $|\dots, w, w, \dots| = |\dots, z, z, \dots| = 0$  so that

$$0 = |\dots, w, z, \dots| + |\dots, z, w, \dots|,$$



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**Proof:** Let  $v_i = v_j$  for two column such that  $i < j$ . By exchanging consecutive columns it is possible to move  $v_i$  close to  $v_j$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |\dots, \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \mathbf{v}_{i+2}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_j, \dots| &= (-1) |\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_{i+2}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_j, \dots|, \\ &= (-1)^2 |\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \mathbf{v}_{i+2}, \mathbf{v}_i, \dots, \mathbf{v}_j, \dots|, \\ &= \dots \\ &= \sigma |\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \mathbf{v}_{i+2} \dots, \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j, \dots| \end{aligned}$$

$$|\dots, a, a, \dots| = 0.$$


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## Lemma

If two columns are exchanged (e.g.  $i$ -th and  $j$ -th with  $i \neq j$ ) determinant change sign.

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= |\dots, w + z, \dots, w + z, \dots|, \\
 &= |\dots, w, \dots, w + z, \dots| + |\dots, z, \dots, w + z, \dots|, \\
 &= |\dots, w, \dots, w, \dots| + |\dots, w, \dots, z, \dots| + |\dots, z, \dots, w, \dots| + \\
 &\quad |\dots, z, \dots, z, \dots|.
 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$0 = |\dots, w, \dots, z, \dots| + |\dots, z, \dots, w, \dots|,$$



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## Lemma

*If to a column of the determinant we add a linear combination of the others the value of the determinant do not change.*

**Proof:** Let  $\mathbf{b} = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \beta_j \mathbf{v}_j$ , with  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$  scalars, then

$$\begin{aligned} |\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i-1}, \mathbf{v}_i + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \dots| &= \left| \dots, \mathbf{v}_{i-1}, \mathbf{v}_i + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \beta_j \mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \dots \right|, \\ &= |\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i-1}, \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \dots| + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \beta_j |\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i-1}, \mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \dots|. \end{aligned}$$

but  $|\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i-1}, \mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \dots| = 0$  for  $j \neq i$  and

$$|\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i-1}, \mathbf{v}_i + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \dots| = |\dots, \mathbf{v}_{i-1}, \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_{i+1}, \dots|.$$



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## Theorem

*There exists a unique function that satisfy properties 1, 2, 3 of the determinant.*

Let

$$\mathbf{A}_{\bullet j} = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{kj} \mathbf{e}_k,$$

and from multi-linearity

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{A}_{\bullet 1}, \dots, \mathbf{A}_{\bullet n}| &= \left| \sum_{i_1=1}^n A_{i_1 1} \mathbf{e}_{i_1}, \sum_{i_2=1}^n A_{i_2 2} \mathbf{e}_{i_2}, \dots, \sum_{i_n=1}^n A_{i_n n} \mathbf{e}_{i_n} \right|, \\ &= \sum_{i_1=1}^n A_{i_1 1} \left| \mathbf{e}_{i_1}, \sum_{i_2=1}^n A_{i_2 2} \mathbf{e}_{i_2}, \dots, \sum_{i_n=1}^n A_{i_n n} \mathbf{e}_{i_n} \right|, \\ &= \sum_{i_1=1}^n A_{i_1 1} \sum_{i_2=1}^n A_{i_2 2} \cdots \sum_{i_n=1}^n A_{i_n n} |\mathbf{e}_{i_1}, \mathbf{e}_{i_2}, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{i_n}|. \end{aligned}$$



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The summation contains  $n^n$  terms, but only  $n!$  are not null. The term of the form

$$|\dots, e_{i_s}, \dots, e_{i_t}, \dots|$$

with  $i_s = i_t$  are 0. The only non zero terms are the ones with  $i_1, \dots, i_n$  all different, i.e. are permutations of  $1, 2, \dots, n$ . Each permutation can be obtained by column exchange it follows

$$|e_{i_1}, e_{i_2}, \dots, e_{i_n}| = \sigma(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n) |e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n|,$$

where  $\sigma(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n) = \pm 1$  is called **sign** of the permutation. From  $|I| = 1$  it follows

$$|A| = \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(n)} \sigma(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n) A_{i_1 1} A_{i_2 2} \cdots A_{i_n n}$$



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## Corollary

Let  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{A})$  a function that satisfy property 1 and 2 (not 3) then

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{A}) = |\mathbf{A}| \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{I}).$$

**Proof:** In the theorem without using property 3 it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{A}) &= \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(n)} \sigma(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n) A_{i_1 1} A_{i_2 2} \cdots A_{i_n n} \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{e}_{i_1}, \mathbf{e}_{i_2}, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{i_n}) \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(n)} \sigma(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n) A_{i_1 1} A_{i_2 2} \cdots A_{i_n n} \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{I}) \\ &= |\mathbf{A}| \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{I}) \end{aligned}$$



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## Theorem (of Jacques Philippe Marie Binet 1786–1856)

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$$|AB| = |A||B|.$$

**Proof:** Let  $C = AB = A[B_{\bullet 1}, \dots, B_{\bullet n}] = [AB_{\bullet 1}, \dots, AB_{\bullet n}]$ . The determinant of the product is

$$|C| = |AB| = |AB_{\bullet 1}, AB_{\bullet 2}, \dots, AB_{\bullet n}|.$$

The function

$$\mathcal{D}_A(v_1, \dots, v_n) = |Av_1, \dots, Av_n|,$$

satisfy property 1 and 2 of the determinant and thus

$$\mathcal{D}_A(B) = |A|\mathcal{D}_A(I),$$

and finally

$$\mathcal{D}_A(I) = |A_{\bullet 1}, \dots, A_{\bullet n}| = |A|$$



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# Outline

## 1 Determinant

- Some property of determinant
- Existence and uniqueness
- Matrix product and determinant



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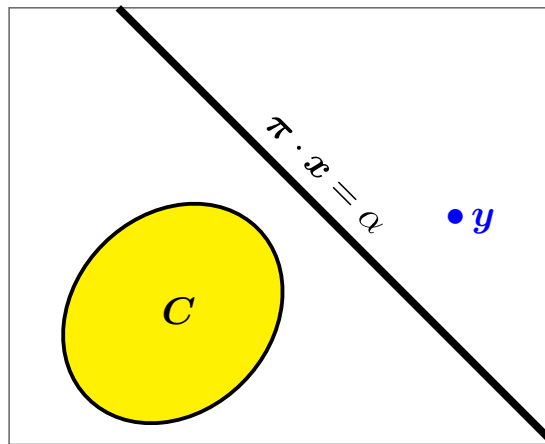
# The Separation Theorem

## Theorem (Separation Theorem)

Let be  $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  closed and convex, and  $y \notin C$ .

Then there exist a real  $\alpha$  and a vector  $\pi \neq 0$  such that:

- 1  $\pi \cdot y > \alpha;$
- 2  $\pi \cdot x \leq \alpha$  for all  $x \in C$ .



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**Proof:** Define the function  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2$ . Now by the **Weierstrass Theorem** there exists  $\mathbf{z} \in C$  such that:

$$f(\mathbf{z}) \leq f(\mathbf{x}), \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in C$$

due to the convexity of  $C$  we have  $\mathbf{z} + t(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}) \in C$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and then

$$0 \leq \frac{f(\mathbf{z} + t(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})) - f(\mathbf{z})}{t},$$

taking the limit  $t \rightarrow 0$  and noticing that  $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}$  we have

$$0 \leq \nabla f(\mathbf{z})(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}) = (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}) \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})$$

Now setting  $\boldsymbol{\pi} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z}$  and  $\alpha = \boldsymbol{\pi} \cdot \mathbf{z}$  gives the result. □



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# The Farkas's lemma

## Lemma (Farkas's lemma)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and consider the following two problems

(A) Find  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$  such that:  $Ax = b$  and  $x \geq 0$ ;

(B) Find  $\pi \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that:  $A^T \pi \leq 0$  and  $\pi \cdot b > 0$ ;

then exactly only one of them has a solution.

## Remark

$x \geq 0$  is intended component-wise, i.e.,  $x_k \geq 0$  for all  $k$ .

**Proof:**  $\Rightarrow$  If (A) IS feasible the (B) IS NOT feasible:

Let (A) has a feasible solution, say  $x \geq 0$ , then  $Ax = b$  so if there is a solution to (B), say  $\pi$ , then  $x^T A^T \pi = \pi \cdot b > 0$ . But then  $A^T \pi > 0$  (since  $x \geq 0$ ), a contradiction. Hence (B) is infeasible.

□



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**Proof:**  $\Rightarrow$  If (A) IS NOT feasible then (B) IS feasible:

Let  $C = \{z \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid z = Ax, x \geq 0\}$ . If (B) is infeasible then  $b \notin C$ . The set  $C$  is **convex** and **closed** (see next slide) so by the Separation Theorem there exists a real  $\alpha$  and a vector  $\pi$  such that  $\pi \cdot b > \alpha$  and  $\pi \cdot z \leq \alpha$  for all  $z \in C$ , that is,

$$x^T A^T \pi \leq \alpha, \quad \forall x \geq 0$$

Since  $0 \in C$  it follows that  $\alpha \geq 0$ , so  $\pi \cdot b > 0$ . If there exists an  $z \geq 0$  such that  $z^T A^T \pi > 0$  then

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda z^T) A^T \pi = \infty$$

Therefore we must have  $x^T A^T \pi \leq 0$  for all  $x \geq 0$ , and this holds if and only if  $A^T \pi \leq 0$ , which means that (B) is feasible.  $\square$



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**Proof:** The set  $C$  is convex:

Let  $C = \{z \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid z = Ax, x \geq 0\}$ . Let  $z_1$  and  $z_2 \in C$  then there exists  $x_1 \geq 0$  and  $x_2 \geq 0$  such that  $z_1 = Ax_1$  and  $z_2 = Ax_2$ .  
Moreover

$$\alpha z_1 + (1 - \alpha)z_2 = A(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2),$$

$$\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2 \geq 0, \quad \forall \alpha \in [0, 1].$$

so that  $C$  is convex. □



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**Proof:** The set  $C$  is closed:

To see that the set  $C$  is closed we prove that the complementary set is open. Let be  $z \in \mathbb{R}^m \setminus C$  than we have:

$$\inf_{x \geq 0} \|Ax - z\| = \epsilon > 0$$

If  $\epsilon > 0$  consider a  $w$  such that  $\|w - z\| < \epsilon/2$  than we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Ax - w\| &= \|Ax - w + z - z\| \\ &\geq \|Ax - z\| - \|w - z\| = \epsilon - \epsilon/2 = \epsilon/2 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\inf_{x \geq 0} \|Ax - w\| \geq \epsilon/2 > 0$$

for all  $w$  such that  $\|w - z\| < \epsilon/2$ .

□



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**Proof:** If  $\epsilon = 0$  ...

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...so that  $z \in \mathbb{R}^m \setminus C$  is open and thus  $C$  **closed**.

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