

Linear Algebra

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Various remarks:

I recommend this
for any proofs!

1) Writing induction proofs



- clearly state the statement you are proving
- make sure the quantifiers in the induction hypothesis are correct

Example boilerplate:

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ let $P(n)$ denote the statement ...

Base case ($n=0$)

...

Induction hypothesis

Assume there is some $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $P(n)$ holds.

Induction step ($n \rightarrow n+1$)

... (prove the implication $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$ for an arbitrary $n \in \mathbb{N}$. This n may specifically be the one from the base case, we can't make any assumptions on it if we want to prove $P(n)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$)

Hence per the principle of induction $P(n)$ holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2) Computing the $A = QR$ decomposition

- When computing Q via the Gram-Schmidt Algorithm, process the columns of A in their order!
Column swaps affect the output of Gram-Schmidt.
- It is possible to extend the QR decomposition to allow column swaps giving us $AP = QR$ but we do not allow this with the definition from the lecture!

3 useful properties of the Pseudo inverse

1) If A is invertible, $A^+ = A^{-1}$

The formula for full column rank (or row rank) applies:

$$A^+ = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T = A^{-1} (A^T)^{-1} A^T = A^{-1}$$

\downarrow
this step only works as A is invertible

2) If $Ax = b$ has no solution, $x^+ = A^+ b$ is closest to a solution

$Ax^+ = AA^+b$ is the projection of b onto $C(A)$.

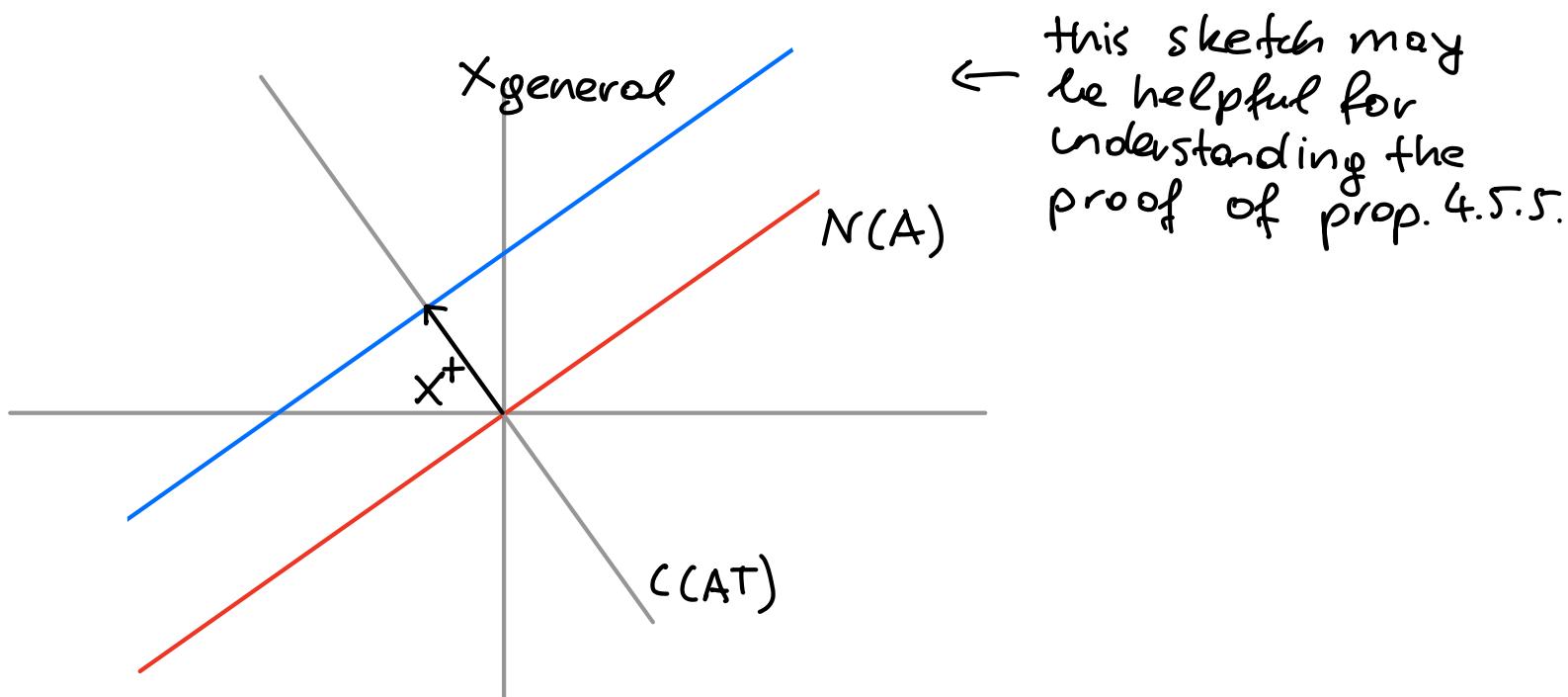
In particular, x^+ also satisfies the normal equations and solves the least squares problem $x^* = \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|Ax - b\|^2$

3) If $Ax = b$ has infinitely many solutions, $x^+ = A^+b$ is the solution of minimal norm

The set of solutions to $Ax = b$ is given by

$$x_{\text{general}} = \{x_p + x_H \mid x_H \in N(A)\}.$$

x^+ is exactly that solution in x_{general} which has $x_H = 0$, $x^+ \in C(A^T)$. The following sketch illustrates this:



$x^+ = A^+b$ also gives the minimum norm solution for the normal equations $A^T A x = A^T b$.

Exercise 9.1

a) Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$, $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B) = n$

We first prove $\text{rank}(AB) = n$ so we can apply Prop 4.5.9. on AB :

Claim $\text{rank}(AB) = n$

We show $C(AB) = C(A)$ by proving $C(A) \subseteq C(AB)$ and $C(AB) \subseteq C(A)$:

(\subseteq) Let $y \in C(AB)$, then

$$y = ABx, x \in \mathbb{R}^p.$$

$$ABx \in C(A)$$

$$\text{Hence } C(AB) \subseteq C(A).$$

(\supseteq) Let $y \in C(A)$

$$\Rightarrow y = Ax, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

B is surjective, hence there is some $z \in \mathbb{R}^p$ such that $x = Bz$

$$\Rightarrow y = ABz \in C(AB)$$

$$\text{Hence } C(A) \subseteq C(AB).$$

Now we get $\text{rank}(AB) = \dim C(AB) = \dim C(A) = \text{rank}(A) = n$. Finally, we can apply Prop. 4.5.9. on $M = AB$:

$$M^+ = (AB)^+ = B^+ A^+$$

Remark:

In general, $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min\{\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B)\}$. The reason that $\text{rank}(AB) = \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B)$ holds here is that A has full column rank (it is injective) and B has full row rank (it is surjective). An alternative approach is to prove $N(AB) = N(B)$ and use the rank nullity theorem.

b) Claim: $(A^+)^T = (A^T)^+$

We consider a full rank decomposition $A = ST$ of A where $S \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times r}$, $T \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$, $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(S) = \text{rank}(T) = r$.

$$(A^+)^T \stackrel{4.5.9.}{=} (T^+ S^+)^T = (S^+)^T (T^+)^T$$
$$(A^T)^+ = \underbrace{(T^T S^T)^+}_{\substack{\text{this is a full} \\ \text{rank decomp. of } A^T}} \stackrel{4.5.9.}{=} (S^T)^+ (T^T)^+$$

Now proving $(A^T)^+ = (A^+)^T$ for 1) A with full column rank
2) A with full row rank

suffices to conclude the claim: S has full column rank, T full row rank.

1) $(A^+)^T = ((ATA)^{-1} A^T)^T$ (A has full column rank)

$$= (A^T)^T ((A^T A)^{-1})^T$$
$$= (A^T)^T ((ATA)^T)^{-1}$$
$$= (A^T)^T (A^T (A^T)^T)^{-1}$$
$$= (A^T)^+ \quad (A^T \text{ has full row rank})$$

2) $(A^+)^T = (A^T (A^T A^T)^{-1})^T$ (A has full row rank)

$$= ((A^T A)^{-1})^T (A^T)^T$$
$$= ((A^T A)^T)^{-1} (A^T)^T$$
$$= ((A^T)^T A^T)^{-1} (A^T)^T$$
$$= (A^T)^+ \quad (A \text{ has full column rank})$$

Hence $(A^+)^T = (S^+)^T (T^+)^T \stackrel{1,2}{=} (S^T)^+ (T^T)^T = (A^T)^+$

c) Claim : AA^+ is symmetric and projection matrix onto $C(A)$

Let $A = CR$ be a CR decomposition of A .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We get } AA^+ &= CR(CR)^+ = CR R^+ C^+ = CC^+ \\ &= C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T \end{aligned}$$

$$(C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T)^T = (C^T)^T ((C^T C)^{-1})^T C^T = C((C^T C)^T)^{-1} C^T$$

$$= C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T, \text{ hence } AA^+ \text{ is symmetric.}$$

Per Theorem 4.2.6., this is the projection matrix onto $C(C) = C(A)$.

9.2. $f: C(AT) \rightarrow C(A), x \mapsto Ax$

Claim : f is bijective

Alternative to master solution : Per definition we prove that f is injective and surjective.

injectivity:

Let $x, y \in C(AT)$ such that $Ax = Ay$. Then $A(x-y) = 0$,
 $(x-y) \in N(A)$. Per assumption and as $C(AT)$ is closed under addition,
 $(x-y) \in C(AT)$. As $N(A) \cap C(AT) = \{0\}$, $x-y = 0$, $x = y$.

Per definition, f is injective.

surjectivity:

Prop 4.3.2 applied on A^T gives us $C(A) = C(AAT) = f(C(AT))$.

Per definition, f is surjective.

Injective and surjective linear maps

Recall: Let X, Y be vector spaces over some field \mathbb{F} :

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a **linear map** if:

1. $f(x_1 + x_2) = f(x_1) + f(x_2)$ for any $x_1, x_2 \in X$
2. $f(\alpha x_1) = \alpha f(x_1)$ for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}, x_1 \in X$

no information lost

injective:

$$x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2) \text{ or } f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

surjective: all elements of codomain reached

$$f(X) = Y, \text{ for any } y \in Y \text{ there is } x \in X \text{ such that } f(x) = y$$

bijection: injective and surjective ($\Rightarrow f^{-1}$ exists)

$$A: \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

injective if $\text{rank}(A) = n$ (full column rank)

surjective if $\text{rank}(A) = m$ (full row rank)

bijection if square, $\text{rank}(A) = n = m$

Comments:

- function composition of linear maps corresponds to matrix multiplication: cf. $(f \circ g)(x), ABx$
- Example: Coordinate vector regarding some basis

Consider $v = 5 + 6x - 3x^2 \in P_2$. The coordinate representation of v regarding the basis $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$ is given by

$$[v]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{tells us how to combine basis vectors to get } v.$$

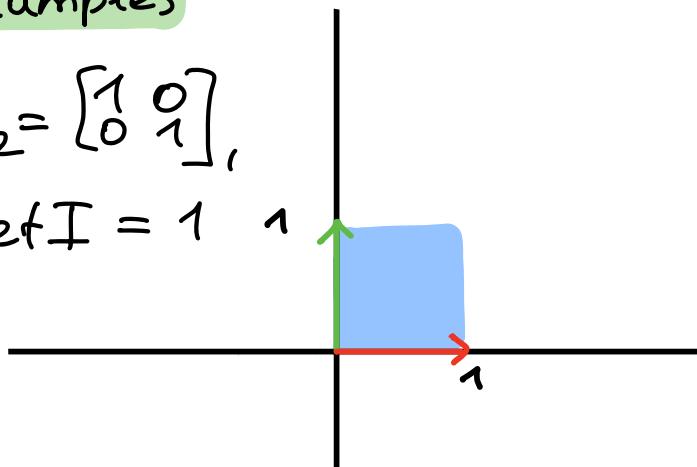
The determinant

We consider $\det A = D(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ where $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are the columns of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ as a function $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that gives us the oriented volume of the n -dimensional parallelogram spanned by a_1, \dots, a_n .

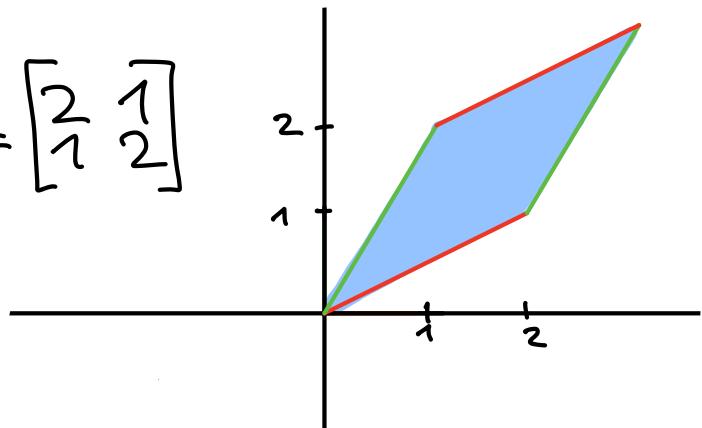
Examples

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\det I = 1 \cdot 1$$



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



Most important properties

- 1) Linear in each column/row
- 2) Swapping columns/rows changes sign
- 3) $\det A$ doesn't change if we add multiple of one column (row) to another
- 4) $\det A \neq 0 \iff A$ is invertible
- 5) $\det A = \det A^T$
- 6) $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$
- 7) $\det(\alpha A) = \alpha^n \det(A) \rightarrow$ *n times linearity per column/row*
- 8) determinant of triangular matrix is product of diagonal entries
↓ in particular of diagonal matrix

Computing the determinant

1) Laplace-Expansion → benefits from rows/columns that have many zeros

expand

$$k^{\text{th}} \text{ row : } \det A = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{k+j} a_{kj} \det A_{[k,j]}$$

$$l^{\text{th}} \text{ column : } \det A = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{j+l} a_{jl} \det A_{[j,l]}$$

general formula for 2×2 matrices:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

expansion along first row:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = a_{11} \left| \begin{array}{cc} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{array} \right| - a_{12} \left| \begin{array}{cc} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{array} \right| + a_{13} \left| \begin{array}{cc} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{array} \right|$$

2) Gauss-Elimination → used in practice

$$\det A = (-1)^r \prod_{i=1}^n r_{ii}$$

= #row swaps ↗ product of pivots
in $\text{REF}(A)$

References:

Last years course for some definitions

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