

Foundations of Linear Algebra for Robotics

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Mathematical Foundations

1. Set of Real Numbers:

- \mathbb{R} : Denotes the set of real numbers.
- \mathbb{R}^n : Represents the vector space of n -tuples over \mathbb{R} .

2. Notations:

- **Scalars**: Represented by lowercase letters a, b, c, x, y, \dots (e.g., $a \in \mathbb{R}$).
- **Vectors**: Represented as column vectors. For $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad x_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Alternatively:

$$x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T,$$

where T denotes the transpose.

- **Matrices**: Represented by uppercase letters A, B, C, R, \dots

Mathematical Foundations

3. Vector Norm:

- The length or norm of a vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is given by:

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \cdots + x_n^2}.$$

Python Example

```
import numpy as np

# Define the vector
X = np.array([-2, 3, -1])

# Compute the norm of the vector
norm_X = np.linalg.norm(X)

# Output the result
print(f"The norm of X is: {norm_X:.4f}")
```

MATRICES (Notation)

1. Definition:

- A real $m \times n$ matrix is represented as:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \dots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \dots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}, \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}.$$

- Where m is the number of rows and n is the number of columns.
- If $m = n$, the matrix is square.

Matrix Multiplication

- Two matrices A and B can be multiplied if the number of columns in A equals the number of rows in B .
- If A is $m \times n$ and B is $n \times p$, the resulting matrix C will be $m \times p$.
- The entry in row i and column j of C is computed as:

$$C[i, j] = \sum_{k=1}^n A[i, k] \cdot B[k, j]$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = A \cdot B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 7 & 1 \cdot 6 + 2 \cdot 8 \\ 3 \cdot 5 + 4 \cdot 7 & 3 \cdot 6 + 4 \cdot 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 19 & 22 \\ 43 & 50 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
import numpy as np

# Define matrices A and B
A = np.array([[1, 2],
              [3, 4]])
B = np.array([[5, 6],
              [7, 8]])

# Perform matrix multiplication
C = np.dot(A, B)

# Print the result
print("Matrix A:")
print(A)
print("\nMatrix B:")
print(B)
print("\nMatrix Multiplication Result (C = A * B):")
print(C)
```

Matrix-Vector Multiplication

- A matrix A can be multiplied by a vector \mathbf{v} if the number of columns in A equals the number of entries in \mathbf{v} .
- If A is $m \times n$ and \mathbf{v} is $n \times 1$, the resulting vector \mathbf{u} will be $m \times 1$.
- The i -th entry of \mathbf{u} is computed as:

$$u[i] = \sum_{k=1}^n A[i, k] \cdot v[k]$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{u} = A \cdot \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 5 \\ 0 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
import numpy as np

# Define matrix A and vector v
A = np.array([[2, 1],
              [0, 3]])
v = np.array([4, 5])

# Perform matrix-vector multiplication
u = np.dot(A, v)

# Print the result
print("Matrix A:")
print(A)
print("\nVector v:")
print(v)
print("\nMatrix-Vector Multiplication Result (u = A * v):")
print(u)
```

Scalar Product

1. Definition:

- The scalar product (dot product) of two vectors $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined as:

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T y = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \cdots + x_n y_n.$$

2. Properties:

- Norm Relation:** The norm of a vector can be derived from the scalar product:

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}.$$

- Commutativity:**

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle.$$

3. Useful Inequalities:

- Cauchy-Schwarz:**

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|.$$

- Triangle Inequality:**

$$\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|.$$



Scalar Product

4. Geometric Interpretation (for vectors in \mathbb{R}^3):

- The scalar product can also be expressed as:

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \|x\| \|y\| \cos(\theta),$$

where θ is the angle between x and y .

```
import numpy as np

# Define two vectors
x = np.array([1, 2, 3])
y = np.array([4, 5, 6])

# Compute the dot (scalar) product
dot_product = np.dot(x, y)
print(f"Dot product <x, y>: {dot_product}")

# Compute the norms of x and y
norm_x = np.linalg.norm(x)
norm_y = np.linalg.norm(y)
print(f"||x||: {norm_x:.4f}")
print(f"||y||: {norm_y:.4f}")

# Verify Cauchy-Schwarz inequality
cauchy_schwarz = abs(dot_product) <= norm_x * norm_y
print(f"Cauchy-Schwarz inequality holds: {cauchy_schwarz}")

# Verify Triangle inequality
triangle_inequality = np.linalg.norm(x + y) <= norm_x + norm_y
print(f"Triangle inequality holds: {triangle_inequality}")

# Geometric interpretation (cosine of the angle)
cos_theta = dot_product / (norm_x * norm_y)
theta = np.arccos(cos_theta) # Angle in radians
print(f"cos(θ): {cos_theta:.4f}")
print(f"Angle θ (in degrees): {np.degrees(theta):.2f}")
```


Trace of a Matrix

The **trace** of a matrix A is defined as:

$$\text{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ii}$$

where A_{ii} represents the diagonal elements of the matrix.

Additionally, the trace can also be expressed as the sum of the eigenvalues λ_i of the matrix:

$$\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$$

Exercise

Find the trace of the matrix

Given the matrix A :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 & 5 \\ 4 & -1 & 2 \\ -3 & 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

The trace is defined as the sum of its diagonal elements:

$$\text{tr}(A) = 5 + (-1) + 7 = 11$$

```
import numpy as np

# Define the matrix
A = np.array([[5, 3, 5],
              [4, -1, 2],
              [-3, 8, 7]])

# Calculate the trace
trace_A = np.trace(A)
print("Trace of matrix A:", trace_A)
```

Answer:

$$\text{Trace}(A) = 11$$

Exercises

1. Find the dot product

Compute the dot product of two vectors:

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} -12 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} -14 \\ 10 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Verify the norm relation

Verify that the norm of a vector can be derived from the dot product:

$$||a|| = \sqrt{\langle a, a \rangle}$$

For $a = \begin{bmatrix} -12 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, calculate $||a||$.

```
import numpy as np

# Define vectors
a = np.array([-12, 2, -2])
b = np.array([-14, 10, -4])

# Calculate the dot product
dot_product = np.dot(a, b)
print("Dot Product:", dot_product)
```

Answer:

Dot Product = 160

```
# Norm of vector a
norm_a = np.sqrt(np.dot(a, a))
print("Norm of vector a:", norm_a)
```

Answer:

$||a|| = 12.3288$

Exercises

Check the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

Confirm that:

$$|\langle a, b \rangle| \leq \|a\| \cdot \|b\|$$

```
# Norm of vector b
norm_b = np.sqrt(np.dot(b, b))

# Cauchy-Schwarz inequality
left_side = abs(np.dot(a, b))
right_side = norm_a * norm_b
print("Cauchy-Schwarz inequality holds:", left_side <= right_side)
```

Answer:

The inequality holds because:

$$|\langle a, b \rangle| = 160, \quad \|a\| \cdot \|b\| = 169.651$$

Expressing Vectors as Linear Combinations of Unit Vectors

We define the standard unit vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 as follows:

$$\mathbf{i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{j} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Using this notation, any vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^3 , represented as:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix},$$

can also be written as:

$$\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{i} + x_2\mathbf{j} + x_3\mathbf{k}.$$

```
import numpy as np

# Define the unit vectors
i = np.array([1, 0, 0])
j = np.array([0, 1, 0])
k = np.array([0, 0, 1])

# Define the vector x
x = np.array([2, -3, 4])

# Express x as a combination of i, j, k
x1, x2, x3 = x
linear_combination = x1 * i + x2 * j + x3 * k

# Print the result
print("Vector x:", x)
print("Linear combination: {}i + {}j + {}k".format(x1, x2, x3))
```

```
Vector x: [ 2 -3  4]
Linear combination: 2i + -3j + 4k
```

Vector Product or Cross Product

1. **Definition:** The vector product (cross product) of two vectors x and y in \mathbb{R}^3 is a vector c , defined as:

$$c = x \times y = \det \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Expanding this determinant, the result is:

$$c = (x_2y_3 - x_3y_2)\mathbf{i} + (x_3y_1 - x_1y_3)\mathbf{j} + (x_1y_2 - x_2y_1)\mathbf{k}.$$

2. **Magnitude of the Cross Product:** The magnitude of the cross product $\|c\|$ is given by:

$$\|c\| = \|x\|\|y\| \sin(\theta),$$

where θ is the angle between the vectors x and y .

3. **Direction:** The direction of the vector c is determined by the **right-hand rule**.
 - Curl the fingers of your right hand from vector x towards vector y , and your thumb will point in the direction of c .

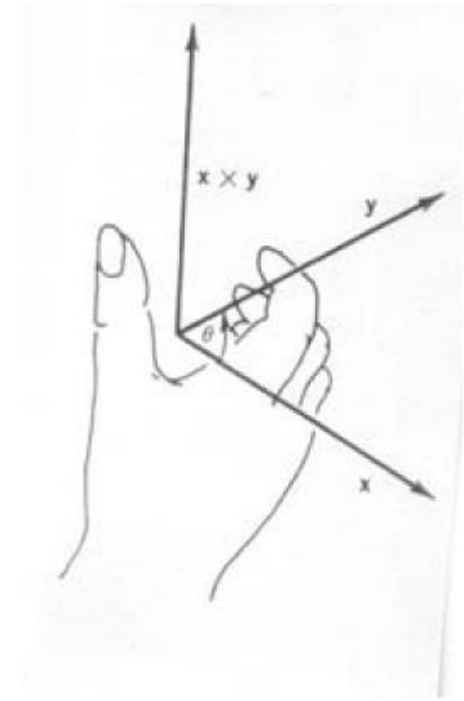
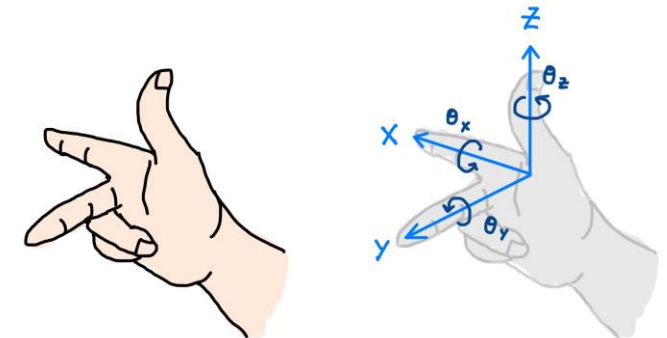


Fig. B.1 The right hand rule.



4. Properties of the Cross Product:

1. Anticommutativity:

$$\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y} = -\mathbf{y} \times \mathbf{x}$$

2. Distributivity:

$$\mathbf{x} \times (\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{z}$$

3. Scalar Multiplication:

$$\alpha(\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y}) = (\alpha\mathbf{x}) \times \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} \times (\alpha\mathbf{y})$$

These properties highlight key algebraic behaviors of the cross product.

Exercises

Given:

Two vectors $\mathbf{u} = 3\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{v} = 2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$.

Tasks:

1. Find the cross product $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$ and verify that this vector is orthogonal to both \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .
2. Compute $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u}$ and compare it with $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$.

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1. Computing the cross product $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$:

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = (2, -1, -7)$$

2. Verifying orthogonality:

- $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = 0$
- $\mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = 0$

This confirms that the resulting vector is orthogonal to both \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

3. Computing the cross product $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u}$:

$$\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u} = (-2, 1, 7)$$

We observe that $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u} = -(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})$, which is consistent with the antisymmetric property of the cross product.



cross_product_verification.py

```
1 import numpy as np
2
3 # Define vectors u and v
4 u = np.array([3, -1, 1])
5 v = np.array([2, -3, 1])
6
7 # Compute the cross product u x v
8 cross_u_v = np.cross(u, v)
9
10 # Compute the cross product v x u
11 cross_v_u = np.cross(v, u)
12
13 # Verify orthogonality: dot product should be 0
14 # If u x v is orthogonal to both u and v, then their dot product should be zero
15 dot_u_cross = np.dot(u, cross_u_v)
16 dot_v_cross = np.dot(v, cross_u_v)
17
18 # Print results
19 print("Cross product u x v:", cross_u_v)
20 print("Cross product v x u:", cross_v_u)
21 print("Dot product u · (u x v):", dot_u_cross)
22 print("Dot product v · (u x v):", dot_v_cross)
23
```

Visual Studio Code installation



<https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/setup/mac> [choose your operating system]

<https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/python/python-tutorial> Python tutorial for visual studio code including virtual environment setup



```
1  import numpy as np
2  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3
4  # Define the vectors a, b, and their sum c
5  a = np.array([4, -2, 1]) # Vector a
6  b = np.array([1, -1, 3]) # Vector b
7  c = a + b                # Vector c as the sum of a and b
8
9  # Define the starting points of the vectors (all starting at the origin)
10 starts = np.zeros((3, 3)) # A 3x3 array of zeros representing the origin [0, 0, 0] for all vectors
11
12 # Define the endpoints of the vectors
13 ends = np.array([a, b, c]) # Each row corresponds to the endpoint of a, b, and c
14
15 # Create a 3D plot
16 fig = plt.figure() # Initialize a new figure for the plot
17 ax = fig.add_subplot(111, projection='3d') # Add a 3D subplot to the figure
18
19 # Plot the vectors using quiver
20 ax.quiver(
21     starts[:, 0], starts[:, 1], starts[:, 2], # Starting points of the vectors (all at the origin)
22     ends[:, 0], ends[:, 1], ends[:, 2],      # Endpoints of the vectors (defined by vectors a, b, and c)
23     color=['r', 'g', 'b'],                  # Colors for each vector (red, green, blue)
24     arrow_length_ratio=0.1                  # Adjust the arrow size relative to the vector length
25 )
26
27 # Set axis labels for better understanding of the plot
28 ax.set_xlabel('X-axis')
29 ax.set_ylabel('Y-axis')
30 ax.set_zlabel('Z-axis')
31
32 # Set the aspect ratio to be equal for better visualization
33 ax.set_box_aspect([1, 1, 1]) # Make the axes scale equally
34
35 # Show the plot
36 plt.show()
37
```

Orthogonal and Orthonormal Vectors

Orthogonal Vectors

- Two vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal if their dot product is zero:

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

- In three-space, multiple vectors can be mutually perpendicular.

Orthonormal Vectors

- Vectors that are both **orthogonal** and **unit vectors** are called orthonormal.
- Example: If $\|\mathbf{u}\| = 1$, $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 1$, and $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$, then \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthonormal.

Orthogonal Matrix

- A square matrix Q is orthogonal if:

$$Q^T Q = Q Q^T = I$$

where I is the identity matrix.

- Properties:**

- The transpose of an orthogonal matrix equals its inverse:

$$Q^T = Q^{-1}$$

Examples of Orthogonal Matrices

1. **Identity Transformation:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. **Rotation Matrix** (e.g., rotation by 16.26°):

$$R(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

For $\theta = 16.26^\circ$:

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0.96 & -0.28 \\ 0.28 & 0.96 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. **Reflection Across the x-axis:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. **Permutation of Coordinate Axes:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Differentiation of Vectors

1. Definition

Suppose the vector $x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix}$ is a function of time. Then, the time derivative \dot{x} of x is

defined as:

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_n(t) \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. Coordinate-Wise Differentiation

- The derivative $\frac{dA}{dt}$ of a matrix $A = (a_{ij})$ is just the matrix $\dot{A} = (\dot{a}_{ij})$.
- Similar statements hold for integration of vectors and matrices.

3. Product Rules

Scalar and vector products satisfy product rules similar to differentiation of ordinary functions:

- **Dot Product Rule:**

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle x, y \rangle = \langle \frac{dx}{dt}, y \rangle + \langle x, \frac{dy}{dt} \rangle.$$

- **Cross Product Rule:**

$$\frac{d}{dt} (x \times y) = \frac{dx}{dt} \times y + x \times \frac{dy}{dt}.$$

This provides the rules for differentiating scalar and vector products, ensuring consistency in their application.

```
import sympy as sp # Import SymPy for symbolic computation

# Define the symbolic variable
x = sp.Symbol('x')

# Define the vector as a column matrix
X = sp.Matrix([
    sp.sin(x),      # First component: sin(x)
    x**2,           # Second component: x^2
    sp.cos(x) - 3*x # Third component: cos(x) - 3x
])

# Compute the derivative of the vector with respect to x
dX_dx = X.diff(x)

# Display the result in a readable format
sp.pprint(dX_dx)
```



symbol_derivative.py

Linear Dependence and Independence

1. Linear Dependence

A set of vectors $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ in a vector space V is **linearly dependent** if there exist scalars a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k , **not all zero**, such that:

$$a_1\vec{v}_1 + a_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_k\vec{v}_k = \vec{0}.$$

This means at least one vector in the set can be written as a combination of the others.

2. Linear Independence

A set of vectors $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is **linearly independent** if the equation:

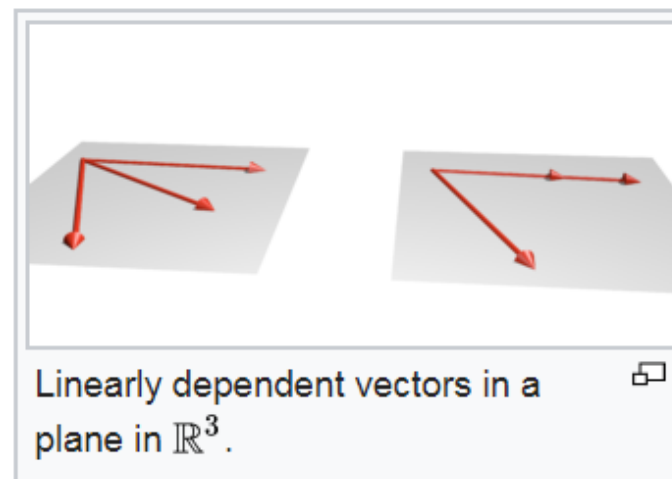
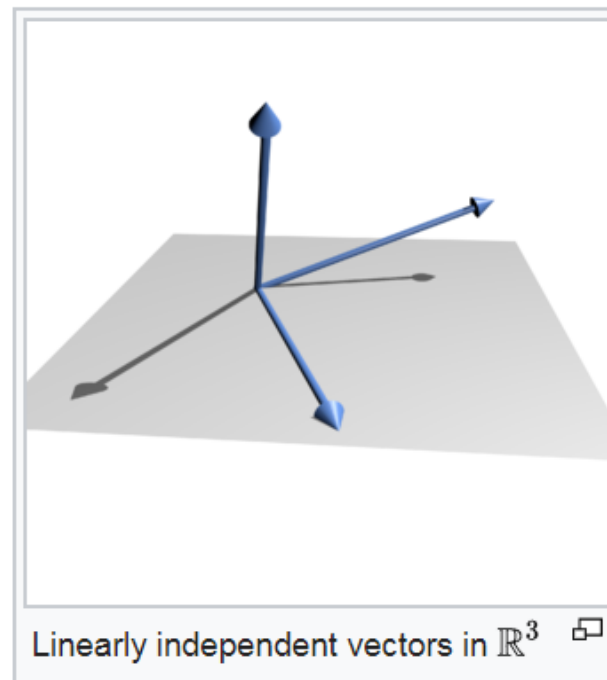
$$a_1\vec{v}_1 + a_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_n\vec{v}_n = \vec{0}$$

holds **only** when **all the scalars a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n are zero**.

This means none of the vectors can be expressed as a combination of the others.

Simplified Explanation:

- If you can express one vector in the set as a mix of the others, the vectors are **dependent**.
- If no vector can be made using the others, they are **independent**.



Exercise

Problem: Matrix Reduction Using Gauss-Jordan Elimination

Given the following augmented matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 9 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 11 & 5 & 35 \end{bmatrix}$$

The goal is to transform it into its **reduced row echelon form (RREF)** using the **Gauss-Jordan elimination method**.

Step 1: Make the pivot in the first column a 1.

The pivot element in the first column is already 1 (in row 1). No operation is needed here.

Step 2: Eliminate the other elements in the first column (make them 0).

- Subtract row 1 from row 2 ($R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$):

$$R_2 = [1, 1, -1, 1] - [1, 3, 1, 9] = [0, -2, -2, -8]$$

- Subtract 3 x row 1 from row 3 ($R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1$):

$$R_3 = [3, 11, 5, 35] - 3 \cdot [1, 3, 1, 9] = [0, 2, 2, 8]$$

Updated matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 9 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & -8 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3: Make the pivot in the second column a 1.

- Divide row 2 by -2 ($R_2 \rightarrow R_2 / -2$):

$$R_2 = [0, -2, -2, -8] / -2 = [0, 1, 1, 4]$$

Updated matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 4: Eliminate the other elements in the second column (make them 0).

- Subtract 3 x row 2 from row 1 ($R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 3R_2$):

$$R_1 = [1, 3, 1, 9] - 3 \cdot [0, 1, 1, 4] = [1, 0, -2, -3]$$

- Subtract 2 x row 2 from row 3 ($R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2$):

$$R_3 = [0, 2, 2, 8] - 2 \cdot [0, 1, 1, 4] = [0, 0, 0, 0]$$

Updated matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 5: Make the pivot in the third column a 1 (if applicable).

In this case, the third row is all zeros, so no further operations are needed.

Final RREF Matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
from sympy import Matrix
```

```
# Define the augmented matrix
```

```
A = Matrix([
    [1, 3, 1, 9],
    [1, 1, -1, 1],
    [3, 11, 5, 35]
])
```

```
# Perform row reduction (Gauss-Jordan)
```

```
reduced_matrix = A.rref()
```

```
# Display the result
```

```
print("Reduced Row Echelon Form:")
print(reduced_matrix[0])
```

reduced_matrix = (M_rref, pivot_columns)

Matrix Rank

- **Definition:**

The rank of a matrix A is the maximum number of linearly independent rows or columns in A .

- **Key Points:**

- Rank represents the dimension of the column space or row space of the matrix.
- A matrix is **full rank** if its rank equals the smaller of its dimensions ($\min(n, m)$ for an $n \times m$ matrix).

- **Properties:**

- $\text{rank}(A) \leq \min(n, m)$.
- Rank remains unchanged under row or column operations.
- If A is square and full rank, $\det(A) \neq 0$.

- **Example:**

For $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$,

$\text{rank}(A) = 2$, as only 2 rows/columns are linearly independent.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Two **columns** are linearly independent

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Two **rows** are linearly independent

Exercise

Determine whether the set of vectors $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is linearly independent or dependent over the field of real numbers (\mathbb{R}) in each case.

Part (a)

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Part (b)

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Part (a): Linear Independence or Dependence

To check if the vectors are linearly independent, solve the equation:

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + c_3 v_3 = 0$$

This translates to solving the following augmented system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Part (b): Linear Independence or Dependence

Similarly, solve the equation:

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + c_3 v_3 = 0$$

This translates to solving:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -5 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & -7 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



linear_independence_check.py

```
1  from sympy import Matrix
2
3  # Part (a): Define the matrix with vectors as columns
4  A = Matrix([
5      [1, 1, -2],
6      [-1, 1, 3],
7      [2, -2, 1]
8  ])
9
10 # Compute the rank of the matrix
11 rank_a = A.rank()
12
13 # Check linear independence for Part (a)
14 if rank_a == A.shape[1]:
15     result_a = "Linearly Independent"
16 else:
17     result_a = "Linearly Dependent"
18
19 # Part (b): Define the matrix with vectors as columns
20 B = Matrix([
21     [1, -1, -5],
22     [3, 1, -7],
23     [3, 3, 3]
24 ])
25
26 # Compute the rank of the matrix
27 rank_b = B.rank()
28
29 # Check linear independence for Part (b)
30 if rank_b == B.shape[1]:
31     result_b = "Linearly Independent"
32 else:
33     result_b = "Linearly Dependent"
34
35 # Print results
36 print("Part (a):", result_a)
37 print("Part (b):", result_b)
38
```

Unit Vector

- **Definition:**

A unit vector is a vector with **magnitude equal to 1**, also referred to as a direction vector.

- **Formula:**

The unit vector $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ in the direction of a given nonzero vector \mathbf{v} is computed as:

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}$$

where $\|\mathbf{v}\|$ is the norm (magnitude) of \mathbf{v} .

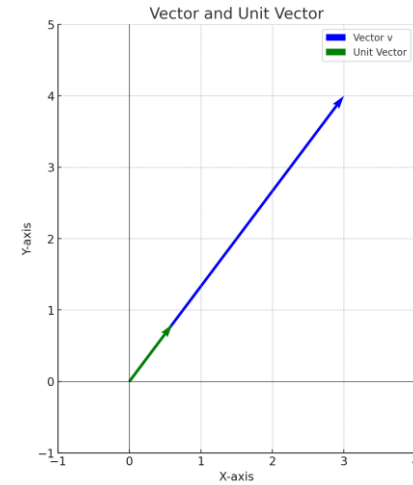
- **Properties:**

- Unit vectors retain the **direction** of \mathbf{v} .
- Any vector can be converted to a unit vector by dividing it by its norm.

- **Example:**

For $\mathbf{v} = [3, 4]$,

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = 5, \quad \hat{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{[3, 4]}{5} = [0.6, 0.8].$$



```
1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3
4 # Define the vector v
5 v = np.array([3, 4])
6
7 # Compute the magnitude (norm) of v
8 norm_v = np.linalg.norm(v)
9
10 # Compute the unit vector of v
11 unit_v = v / norm_v
12
13 # Create a 2D plot
14 plt.figure()
15 plt.quiver(0, 0, v[0], v[1], angles='xy', scale_units='xy', scale=1, color='blue', label='Vector v')
16 plt.quiver(0, 0, unit_v[0], unit_v[1], angles='xy', scale_units='xy', scale=1, color='green', label='Unit Vector \hat{v}')
17
18 # Set axis limits
19 plt.xlim(0, 4)
20 plt.ylim(0, 4.5)
21
22 # Add grid, labels, and legend
23 plt.grid()
24 plt.axhline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.5)
25 plt.axvline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.5)
26 plt.xlabel('x')
27 plt.ylabel('y')
28 plt.legend()
29 plt.title('Vector and Unit Vector')
30
31 # Show the plot
32 plt.show()
33
```


Linear Algebraic Equations

Definition:

Given the equation:

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y},$$

where:

- A : an $m \times n$ real matrix,
- \mathbf{x} : an $n \times 1$ unknown vector,
- \mathbf{y} : an $m \times 1$ vector of constants.

The goal is to solve for \mathbf{x} , where:

- m : the number of equations,
- n : the number of unknowns.

Key Concepts:

1. Range Space of A :

- The range space (or column space) of A consists of all possible linear combinations of the columns of A .

2. Rank of A :

- Defined as the dimension of the range space (number of linearly independent columns of A).

3. Null Vector and Null Space:

- A vector \mathbf{x} is a null vector if $A\mathbf{x} = 0$.
- The null space consists of all null vectors of A .

4. Nullity of A :

- The nullity is the dimension of the null space, i.e., the number of linearly independent null vectors of A .
- Related to the rank by:

$$\text{Nullity}(A) = \text{Number of Columns of } A - \text{Rank}(A).$$

Exercise

Consider the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Determine the rank of A .
2. Identify the basis of the range space (column space) of A .
3. Compute the nullity of A .
4. Find the basis of the null space of A .

Finding the Basis:

1. **Null Space Definition:** The null space of a matrix A is the set of all vectors \mathbf{n} such that $A\mathbf{n} = 0$.
2. **Solve $A\mathbf{n} = 0$:**
 - Write the augmented matrix for the homogeneous system $A\mathbf{n} = 0$.
 - Perform row reduction to bring the matrix to its reduced row echelon form (RREF).
 - Express the free variables in terms of the pivot variables to get the general solution.
3. **Identify Basis Vectors:**
 - The solution vector will include parameters (free variables).
 - Each parameter corresponds to a linearly independent vector in the null space.
 - Collect these vectors to form the basis of the null space.

Solution

1. Rank of A :

- A has 2 linearly independent columns (\mathbf{a}_1 and \mathbf{a}_2).
- $\text{Rank}(A) = 2$.

2. Basis of the Range Space:

- The basis of the column space is formed by the first two columns:

$$\text{Basis of Range Space: } \{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

3. Nullity of A :

- Using the formula:

$$\text{Nullity}(A) = \text{Number of Columns} - \text{Rank}(A) = 4 - 2 = 2$$

4. Basis of the Null Space:

- Solve $A\mathbf{n} = 0$:

$$\mathbf{n}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The basis of the null space is:

$$\text{Basis of Null Space: } \{\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{n}_2\}$$

Transpose of a Matrix

Transpose of a Matrix

- **Definition:**

The transpose of a matrix A , denoted as A^T , is a new matrix formed by interchanging the rows and columns of A .

- **Notation:**

If $A = [a_{ij}]$, then $A^T = [a_{ji}]$.

- **Properties:**

1. $(A^T)^T = A$
2. $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
3. $(cA)^T = cA^T$ (for scalar c)
4. $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

- **Example:**

If

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix},$$

then

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

```
import numpy as np

# Define the matrix
A = np.array([
    [1, 2],
    [3, 4],
    [5, 6]
])

# Compute the transpose
A_transpose = A.T

# Display the original matrix and its transpose
print("Original Matrix A:")
print(A)

print("\nTranspose of Matrix A (A^T):")
print(A_transpose)
```

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

- **Definition:**

For a square matrix A , an eigenvector \mathbf{v} and eigenvalue λ satisfy:

$$A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v},$$

where $\mathbf{v} \neq 0$ is the eigenvector and λ is the eigenvalue.

- **Properties:**

1. Eigenvalues can be real or complex.
2. The eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are linearly independent.
3. The determinant of $A - \lambda I = 0$ gives the eigenvalues.

- **Applications:**

Used in stability analysis, dimensionality reduction (PCA), vibration analysis, etc.

- **Example:**

For matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

- Eigenvalues: $\lambda_1 = 5, \lambda_2 = 2$
- Eigenvectors:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

```
import numpy as np

# Define the matrix
A = np.array([
    [4, 1],
    [2, 3]
])

# Compute eigenvalues and eigenvectors
eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eig(A)

# Display the results
print("Matrix A:")
print(A)

print("\nEigenvalues of A:")
print(eigenvalues)

print("\nEigenvectors of A (columns correspond to eigenvalues):")
print(eigenvectors)
```

1. Scaling of Eigenvectors

- Eigenvectors associated with an eigenvalue are unique only up to a **scaling factor** (multiplication by a nonzero constant).
- If \mathbf{v} is an eigenvector, then any scaled version $c\mathbf{v}$ (where $c \neq 0$) is also a valid eigenvector.

Example:

If an eigenvector is $[1, 1]^T$, another valid one could be $[0.707, 0.707]^T$ (normalized) or $[2, 2]^T$ (scaled).

Exercise: Stability Analysis of a Linear System with Varying Dynamics

We aim to analyze the behavior of a linear system of first-order differential equations under different dynamic conditions, characterized by different choices of the system matrix A . The system is given by:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x}$$

where:

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}, \quad \mathbf{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Instructions

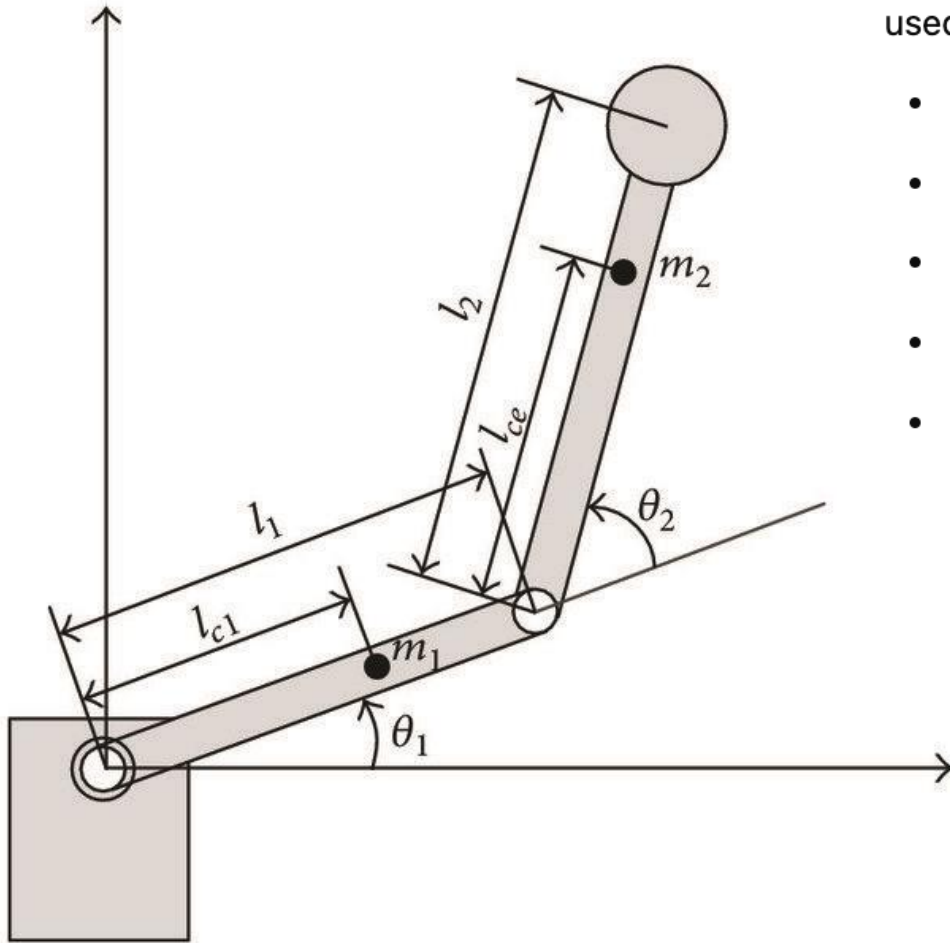
1. **Define the system function:** Implement the differential equation in a Python function.
2. **Experiment with different system matrices:** Choose different matrices A that yield:
 - Real and distinct eigenvalues.
 - Complex conjugate eigenvalues.
 - Repeated eigenvalues.
 - Eigenvalues with positive, negative, or zero real parts.
3. **Solve the system:** Use `solve_ivp` to integrate the differential equation over the time interval $t \in [0, 10]$.
4. **Explore different initial conditions:** Try multiple initial conditions and analyze how the system evolves in each case.
5. **Plot the solutions:** For each combination of A and initial conditions, plot $x_1(t)$ and $x_2(t)$



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Two-Link Planar Manipulator



The figure illustrates a **two-link planar robotic manipulator**, a common model in robotics used for kinematic and dynamic analysis. The notation follows standard conventions:

- θ_1, θ_2 : Joint angles that define the position of each link relative to the previous one.
- l_1, l_2 : Lengths of the first and second links, respectively.
- l_{c1}, l_{c2} : Distances from each joint to the center of mass of the respective links.
- m_1, m_2 : Masses of the links, with their centers of mass indicated by the black dots.
- **End-effector (circular shape)**: The terminal point of the second link, representing where a tool or sensor would be attached.

Exercise: Singularity Analysis of a 2-DOF Robotic Manipulator

Problem Statement

A 2-DOF planar robotic manipulator consists of two links with lengths L_1 and L_2 , connected by two revolute joints. The end-effector position is determined by the joint angles θ_1 and θ_2 .

In this exercise, you will **analyze the singularity conditions** of this manipulator by evaluating its **Jacobian matrix**.

Given Jacobian Matrix

The Jacobian matrix $J(\theta_1, \theta_2)$ for the manipulator's end-effector velocity is:

$$J(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \begin{bmatrix} -L_1 \sin \theta_1 - L_2 \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2) & -L_2 \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos (\theta_1 + \theta_2) & L_2 \cos (\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

Tasks

1. **Compute the determinant of J** and determine when $\det(J) = 0$.
2. **Find the singular configurations**, i.e., values of θ_1 and θ_2 where the manipulator loses rank.
3. **Explain the effect of singularities** on the robot's motion. What happens when the determinant is zero?
4. **Visualize the singular configurations** by plotting them over a range of joint values.

💡 **Hint:** A singularity occurs when the determinant of the Jacobian is zero, meaning the robot loses the ability to move in certain directions.

What is the Jacobian Matrix? 📌

The **Jacobian matrix** in robotics describes how the motion of a robot's **joint variables** (e.g., angles of revolute joints) translates into the **velocity of the end-effector** in Cartesian space.

For a **robotic manipulator**, the Jacobian J is a matrix that relates the joint velocities $\dot{\theta}$ to the **linear and angular velocity** of the end-effector:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = J(\theta)\dot{\theta}$$

where:

- $\dot{\mathbf{x}}$ represents the end-effector velocity,
- $J(\theta)$ is the Jacobian matrix, which depends on the current joint angles,
- $\dot{\theta}$ represents the joint velocities.

Why is the Jacobian Important?

- It determines how joint movements affect the robot's position and orientation.
- It helps in **inverse kinematics**, where we compute the required joint velocities to achieve a desired motion.
- It is crucial for **singularity analysis**, since when $\det(J) = 0$, the robot loses mobility in some directions, making it harder or impossible to move in certain ways.

👉 In this exercise, we will analyze when the Jacobian becomes singular and what that means for the manipulator's motion.

Solution:

Let's simplify the determinant expression step by step.

We start with:

$$\det(J) = (-L_1 \sin \theta_1 - L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2))(L_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2)) - (-L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2))(L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2))$$

Step 1: Expand Both Terms

Expanding the first product:

$$\begin{aligned} & (-L_1 \sin \theta_1 - L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)) \cdot L_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ &= -L_1 L_2 \sin \theta_1 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - L_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

Expanding the second product:

$$\begin{aligned} & (-L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)) \cdot (L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2)) \\ &= -L_1 L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos \theta_1 - L_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Combine Like Terms

$$\begin{aligned} \det(J) &= (-L_1 L_2 \sin \theta_1 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - L_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2)) \\ &\quad - (-L_1 L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos \theta_1 - L_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2)) \end{aligned}$$

Distribute the negative sign:

$$\begin{aligned} &= -L_1 L_2 \sin \theta_1 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - L_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ &\quad + L_1 L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos \theta_1 + L_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

Cancel the common terms:

$$\det(J) = -L_1 L_2 \sin \theta_1 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + L_1 L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos \theta_1$$

Step 3: Factor Terms

Factor $L_1 L_2$:

$$\det(J) = L_1 L_2 (\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos \theta_1 - \sin \theta_1 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2))$$

Using the **sine angle subtraction identity**:

$$\sin A \cos B - \sin B \cos A = \sin(A - B)$$

with $A = \theta_1 + \theta_2$ and $B = \theta_1$:

$$\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos \theta_1 - \sin \theta_1 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) = \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 - \theta_1) = \sin \theta_2$$

Thus, the determinant simplifies to:

$$\det(J) = L_1 L_2 \sin \theta_2$$

Final Result

$$\det(J) = L_1 L_2 \sin \theta_2$$

Singular Configurations

The determinant is zero when:

$$L_1 L_2 \sin \theta_2 = 0$$

Since L_1 and L_2 are nonzero, we get:

$$\sin \theta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \theta_2 = 0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots$$

This means the **robot is in a singular configuration** when $\theta_2 = 0$ or $\theta_2 = \pi$, which corresponds to when the manipulator is fully extended or fully folded.

