

# Linear Algebra cheat sheet

## Vectors

dot product:  $u \cdot v = \|u\| \cdot \|v\| \cdot \cos(\phi) = u_x v_x + u_y v_y$

cross product:  $u \times v = \begin{pmatrix} u_y v_z - u_z v_y \\ u_z v_x - u_x v_z \\ u_x v_y - u_y v_x \end{pmatrix}$

norms:

$$\|x\|_p := \sqrt[p]{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p}$$

$$\|x\|_1 := \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| \quad \|x\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|$$

enclosed angle:

$$\cos \phi = \frac{u \cdot v}{\|u\| \cdot \|v\|}$$
$$\|u\| \cdot \|v\| = \sqrt{(u_x^2 + u_y^2)(v_x^2 + v_y^2)}$$

## Matrices

### basic operations

transpose:  $[A^T]_{ij} = [A]_{ji}$ : "mirror over main diagonal"

conjugate transpose / adjugate:  $A^* = (\bar{A})^T = \overline{A^T}$

"transpose and complex conjugate all entries"

(same as transpose for real matrices)

multiply:  $A_{N \times M} \cdot B_{M \times K} = M_{N \times K}$

invert:  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$

norm:

$$\|A\|_p = \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|_p}{\|x\|_p}, \text{ induced by vector p-norm}$$

$$\|A\|_2 = \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)}$$

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_j \sum_{i=1}^m |a_{ij}|,$$

$$\|A\|_\infty = \max_i \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|,$$

condition:  $\text{cond}(A) = \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|$

### determinants

$$\det(A) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n A_{i, \sigma_i}$$

For 3x3 matrices (Sarrus rule):

**arithmetic rules:**

$$\det(A \cdot B) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$$

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \det(A)^{-1}$$

$\det(rA) = r^n \det A$ , for all  $A^{n \times n}$  and scalars  $r$

## eigenvalues, eigenvectors, eigenspace

1. Calculate **eigenvalues** by solving  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

2. Any vector  $x$  that satisfies  $(A - \lambda_i I)x = 0$  is **eigenvector** for  $\lambda_i$ .

3.  $\text{Eig}_A(\lambda_i) = \{x \in \mathbb{C}^n : (A - \lambda_i)x = 0\}$  is **eigenspace** for  $\lambda_i$ .

## definiteness

defined on  $n \times n$  square matrices:

$\forall \lambda \in \sigma(A)$ .

$\lambda > 0 \iff$  positive-definite

$\lambda \geq 0 \iff$  positive-semidefinite

$\lambda < 0 \iff$  negative-definite

$\lambda \leq 0 \iff$  negative-semidefinite

if none true (positive and negative  $\lambda$  exist): indefinite

equivalent: eg.  $x^T A x > 0 \iff$  positive-definite

## obvious properties

**square:**  $N \times N$

**symmetric:**  $A = A^T$

**diagonal:** 0 except  $a_{kk}$

$\Rightarrow$  implies triangular (eigenvalues on main diagonale)

## orthogonal

$A^T = A^{-1} \Rightarrow$  normal and diagonalizable

## unitary

Complex analogy to orthogonal: A complex square matrix is unitary

if all column vectors are orthonormal

$\Rightarrow$  diagonalizable

$\Rightarrow \text{cond}_2(A) = 1$

$\Rightarrow |\det(A)| = 1$

## nonsingular

A is nonsingular = invertible = regular iff:

There is a matrix  $B := A^{-1}$  such that  $AB = I = BA$

$\det(A) \neq 0$

$TAx = b$  has exactly one solution for each  $b$

The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent

$\Rightarrow \det(A)^{-1} = \det(A^{-1})$

$\Rightarrow (A^{-1})^{-1} = A$

$\Rightarrow (A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$

## diagonalizable

$A^{N \times N}$  can be diagonalized iff it has  $n$  linear independent eigenvectors. Then, there is an invertible  $T$ , such that:

$$D := T^{-1}AT = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = T^{-1}DT \quad \text{and} \quad AT = T \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

T can be created with eigenvectors of A.

## diagonally dominant matrix

$\forall i, |a_{ii}| \geq \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$

$\Rightarrow$  nonsingular

## Hermitian

### triangular

A square matrix R is right triangular:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Eigenvalues on main diagonale

## idempotent

## adjugate

## block matrices

Let B, C be submatrices, and A, D square submatrices. Then:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} = \det(A) \det(D)$$

## minors

## rank

## kernel

## trace

defined on  $n \times n$  square matrices:  $\text{tr}(A) = a_{11} + a_{22} + \dots + a_{nn}$   
(sum of the elements on the main diagonal)

## span

## spectrum

$\sigma(A) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \lambda \text{ is eigenvalue of } A\}$