# Linear Algebra Notes

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# Chapter 1.

#### Definition list

- If A and B are m X n matrices over the field F, we say that B is row-equivalent to A if B can be obtained from A by a finite sequence of elementary row operation.
- An m X n matrix R is called row-reduced if the first non-zero entry in each non-zero row of R is equal to 1 and each column of R which contains the leading non-zero entry of some row has all its other entries 0.
- An m X n matrix R is called a row-reduced echelon matrix if:
  - 1. R is row-reduced
  - 2. every row of R which has all its entries 0 occurs below every row which has a non-zero entry
  - 3. if row1,...,r are the non-zeros rows of R, and if the leading non-zero entry of row i occurs in column  $k_i$ , i =1,...,r, then  $k_1 < k_2 < \cdots < k_r$
- Let A be an (m,n) matrix over the field F and let B be an (n,p) matrix over F. The product AB is the (m,p) matrix C whose i,j entry is

$$C_{ij} = \sum_{r=1}^{n} A_{ir} B_{rj} \implies C_{i*} = \sum_{r=1}^{r} A_{ir} B_{r*}, C_{*j} = \sum_{r=1}^{r} A_{*r} B_{rj}$$
 (1)

- An (m,n) matrix is said to be an elementary matrix if it can be obtained from the (m,m) identity matrix by means of a single elementary row operation.
- Let A be an (n,n) matrix over the field F. An (n,n) matrix B such that BA = I is called a *left inverse* of A an (n,n) matrix B such that AB = I is called a *right inverse* of A. IfAB = BA = I, then B is called a *two-sided inverse* of A and A is said to be *invertible*.

**Lemma.** If A has a left inverse B and a right inverse C, then B = C.

#### Theorem list

- 1. Equivalent systems of linear equations have exactly the same solutions.
- 2. To each elementary row operation e there corresponds an elementary row operation  $e_1$  of the same type as e, s.t.  $e_1(e(A)) = A$ .
- 3. If A and B are row-equivalent m X n matrices, the homogeneous systems of linear equations AX = 0 and BX = 0 have exactly the same solutions.
- 4. Every m X n matrix over the field F is row-equivalent to a row-reduced matrix.
- 5. Every m X n matrix over the field F is row-equivalent to a row-reduced echelon matrix.
- 6. If A is an m X n matrix and m < n, then the homogeneous system of linear equations AX = 0 has a non-trivial solution.
- 7. If A is an n X N matrix, then A is row-equivalent to the identity matrix if and only if the system of equations AX = 0 has only the trivial solution.
- 8. If A,B,C are matrices over the field F such that the products BC and A (BC) are defined, then so are the products AB, (AB) C and

$$A(BC) = (AB)C (2)$$

9. Let e be an elementary row operation and let E be the (m,m) elementary matrix E = e(I). Then, for every (m,n) matrix A,

$$e(A) = EA \tag{3}$$

**Corollary.** Let A and B be (m,n) matrices over the field F. Then B is row-equivalent to A if and only if B = PA, where P is a product of (m,m) elementary matrices.

- 10. Let A and B be (n,n) matrices over F.
  - (a) If A is invertible, so is  $A^{-1}$  and  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ .
  - (b) If both A and B are invertible, so is AB, and  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ .

**Corollary.** A product of invertible matrices is invertible.

- 11. An elementary matrix is invertible.
- 12. If A is an (n,n) matrix, the following are equivalent.
  - (a) A is invertible.
  - (b) A is row-equivalent to the (n,n) identity matrix.
  - (c) A is a product of elementary matrices.

Corollary. If A is an invertible (n,n) matrix and if a sequence of elementary row operations reduces A to the identity, then that same sequence of operations when applied to I yields  $A^{-1}$ .

**Corollary.** Let A and B be (m,n) matrices. Then B is row-equivalent to A if and only if B = PA where P is an invertible (m,m) matrix.

13. For an (n,n) matrix A, the following are equivalent.

- (a) A is invertible.
- (b) The homogeneous system AX = 0 has only the trivial solution X = 0.
- (c) The system of equations AX = Y has a solution X for each (n,1) matrix Y.

Corollary. A square matrix with either a left or right inverse is invertible.

**Corollary.** Let  $A = A_1 A_2 \cdots A_k$ , where  $A_1 \ldots A_k$  are (n,n) matrices. Then A is invertible if and only if each  $A_i$  is invertible.

# Chapter 2.

#### Old definition list

- A vector space consists of the following:
  - 1. a field F of scalars
  - 2. a set V of objects, called vectors
  - 3. a rule (or operation), called vector addition, which associates with each pair of vectors  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  in V a vector  $\alpha + \beta$  in V, called the sum of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , in such a way thay
    - (a) addition is commutative,  $\alpha + \beta = \beta + \alpha$
    - (b) addition is associativ,  $\alpha + (\beta + \gamma) = (\alpha + \beta) + \gamma$
    - (c) there is a unique vector 0 in V, called the zero vector, such that  $\alpha + 0 = \alpha$  for all  $\alpha$  in V
    - (d) for each vector  $\alpha$  in V there is a unique vector  $-\alpha$  in V such that  $\alpha + (-\alpha) = 0$
  - 4. a rule (or operation), called scalar multiplication, which associates with each scalar c in F and vector  $\alpha$  in V, called the product of c and  $\alpha$ , in such a way thay
    - (a)  $1\alpha = \alpha$
    - (b)  $(c_1c_2)\alpha = c_1(c_2\alpha)$
    - (c)  $c(\alpha + \beta) = c\alpha + c\beta$
    - (d)  $(c_1 + c_2)\alpha = c_1\alpha + c_2\alpha$
- A vector  $\beta$  in V is said to be a **linear combination** of the vectors  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$  in V provided there exist scalars  $c_1, \ldots, c_n$  in F such that

$$\beta = \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i \alpha_i \tag{4}$$

- Let V be a vector space over the field F. A **subspace** of V is a subset W of V which is itself a vector space over F with the operations of vector addition and scalar multiplication on V.
- Let S be a set of vectors in a vector space V. The **subspace spanned** by S is defined to be the intersection W of all subspaces of V which contain S. When S is a finite set of vectors,  $S = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ , we shall simply call W the subspace spanned by the vectors  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ .

• If  $S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_k$  are subsets of a vector space V, the set of all sums

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_k \tag{5}$$

of vectors  $\alpha_i$  in  $S_i$  is called the **sum** of the subsets  $S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_k$  and is denoted by

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} S_i \tag{6}$$

If  $W_1, W_2, \ldots, W_k$  are subspaces of V, then the sum

$$W = W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_k \tag{7}$$

is easily seen to be a subspace of V which contains each of the subspaces  $W_i$ . From this it follows, as in the proof of Theorem 3, that W is the subspace spanned by the union of  $W_1, W_2, \ldots, W_k$ 

## Definition list

### Linearly dependnet

Let V be a vector space over F. A subset S of V is said to be **linearly dependent** if there exist distinct vectors  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n$  in S and scalars  $c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_n$  in F, not all of which are 0, such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i \alpha_i = 0 \tag{8}$$

A set which is not linearly dependent is called **linearly independent**. If the set S contains only finitely many vectors  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n$ , we sometimes say that the vectors are dependent instead of saying S is dependent.

#### **Basis**

Let V be a vector space. A **basis** for V is a linearly independent set of vectors in V which spans the space V. The space V is finite-dimensional if it has a finite basis.

#### Ordered basis

If V is a finite-dimensional vector space, an ordered basis for V is a finite sequence of vectors which is linearly independent and spans V.

## Theorem list

- 1. A non-empty subset W of V is a subspace of V if and only if for each pair of vectors  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  in W and each scalar c in F the vector  $c\alpha + \beta$  is again in W.
- 2. Let V be a vector space over the field F. The intersection of any collection of subspace of V is a subspace of V.
- 3. The subspace spanned by a non-empty subset S of a vector space V is the set of all linear combinations of vectors in S.
- 4. Let V be a vector space which is spanned by  $\beta_1, \ldots, \beta_m$ . Then any independent set of vectors in V is finite and contains no more tahn m elements.

Corollary If V is a finite-dimensional vector space, then any two bases of V have same number of elements.

Corollary Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space and let  $n = \dim V$ . Then

- any subset of V which contains more than n vectors is linearly dependent
- no subset of V which contains fewer than n vectors can span V.

**Lemma.** Let S be a linearly independent subset of a vector space V. Suppose  $\beta$  is a vector in V which is not in the subspace spanned by S. Then the set obtained by adjoining  $\beta$  to S is linearly independent.

5. If W is a subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space V, every linearly independent subset of W is finite and is part of a finite basis for W.

Corollary If W is a proper subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space V, then W is finite-dimensional and dim W < dim V

**Corollary** In a finite-dimensional vector space V every non-empty linearly independent set of vectors is part of a basis.

**Corollary** Let A be an (n,n) matrix over a field F, and suppose the row vectors of A form a linearly independent set of vectors in  $F^n$ . Then A is invertible.

6. If  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are finite-dimensional subspaces of a vector space V, then  $W_1 + W_2$  is finite dimensional and

$$\dim W_1 + \dim W_2 = \dim (W_1 \cap W_2) + \dim(W_1 + W_2) \tag{9}$$

7. Let V be an n-dimensional vector space over the field F, and let  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{B}'$  be two ordered bases of V. Then there is a unique, necessarily invertible, (n,n) matrix P with entries in F such that

$$[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}} = P[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}'} \tag{10}$$

$$[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}'} = P^{-1}[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}} \tag{11}$$

where  $\alpha'_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} P_{ij}\alpha_{i}$ . The columns of P are given by

$$P_j = [\alpha_j']_{\mathscr{B}}, \ j = 1, \dots, n. \tag{12}$$

8. Suppose P is an (n,n) invertible matrix over F and  $\mathscr{B}$  be an ordered basis of V. Then there is a unique ordered  $\mathscr{B}$  of V such that

$$[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}} = P[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}'} \tag{13}$$

$$[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}'} = P^{-1}[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}} \tag{14}$$

- 9. Row-equivalent matrices have the same row space.
- 10. Let R be a non-zero row-reduced echelon matrix. Then the non-zero row vectors of R form a basis for the row space of R.
- 11. Let m and n be postive integers and lef F be a field. Suppose W is a subspace of  $F^n$  and  $\dim W \leq m$ . Then there is precisely one (m,n) row-reduced echelon

# Chapter 3.

### Theorem list

1. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F and let  $\{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n\}$  be an ordered basis for V. Let W be a vector space over the same field F and let  $\beta_1, \ldots, \beta_n$  be any vectors in W. Then there is precisely one linear transforamtion T from V into W such that

$$T\alpha_j = \beta_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n. \tag{15}$$

2. Let V and W be vector space over the field F and let T be a linear transforamtion from V into W. Suppose that V is finite-dimensional.

$$rank(T) + nullity(T) = \dim V. \tag{16}$$

3. If A is an (m,n) matrix with entries in the field F, then

$$row rank(A) = column rank(A)$$
(17)

4. T and U are linear transforamtion from V into W. Define

$$(T+U)(\alpha) = T\alpha + U\alpha \tag{18}$$

$$(cT)(\alpha) = c(T\alpha) \tag{19}$$

then, the set of all linear transforamtions from V into W, is a vector space over the field F.

- 5. Let V be an n-dimensional vector space over the field F, and let W be an m-dimensional vector space over F. Then the space L(V,W) is finite-dimensional and has dimension mn.
- 6. Let V, W, and Z be vector spaces over the field F. Let T be a linear transforamtion from V into W and U a linear transforamtion from W into Z. Then the composed function UT defined by (UT)  $(\alpha) = U(T(\alpha))$  is a linear transforamtion from V into Z.

- 7. Let V and W be vector spaces over the field F and let T be a linear transforamtion from V into W. If T is invertible, then the inverse function  $T^{-1}$  is a linear transforamtion from W onto V.
- 8. Let T be a linear transforamtion from V into W. Then T is non-singular if and only if T carries each linearly independent subset of V onto a linearly independent subset of W.
- 9. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces over the field F such that  $\dim V = \dim W$ . If T is a linear transforamtion from V into W, the following are equivalent:
  - (a) T is invertible.
  - (b) T is non-singular.
  - (c) T is onto, that is, the range of T is W.
- 10. Every n-dimensional vector space over type field F is isomorphic to the space  $F^n$ .
- 11. Let V be an n-dimensional vector space over the field F and W an m-dimensional vector space over F. Let  $\mathscr{B}$  be an ordered basis for V and  $\mathscr{B}'$  an ordered basis for W. For each linear transformation T from V into W, there is an (m,n) matrix A with entries in F such that

$$[T\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}'} = A[\alpha]_{\mathscr{B}} \tag{20}$$

for every vector  $\alpha$  in V. Furthermore,  $T \to A$  is a one-one correspondence between the set of all linear transforamtions from V into W and the set of all (m,n) matrices over the field F.

- 12. Let V be an n-dimensional vector space over the field F and let W be an m-dimensional vector space over F. For each pair of ordered bases  $\mathscr{B}$ ,  $\mathscr{B}'$  for V and W respectively, the function which assigns to a linear transforamtion T its matrix relative to  $\mathscr{B}$ ,  $\mathscr{B}'$  is an isomorphism between the space L(V, W) and the space of all (m, n) matrices over the field F.
- 13. Let V, W, and Z be finite-dimensional vector spaces over the field F; let T be a linear transforamtion from V into W and U a linear transforamtion from W into Z. If  $\beta$ ,  $\beta'$ ,  $\beta''$  are ordered bases for the space V, W, and Z, respectively, if A is the matrix of T relative to the pair  $\beta$ ,  $\beta'$ , and B is the matrix of U relative to the pair  $\beta'$ ,  $\beta''$ , then the matrix of the composition UT relative to the pair  $\beta$ ,  $\beta''$  is the product matrix C=BA.
- 14. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F, and let

$$\beta = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\} \quad \beta' = \{\alpha'_1, \dots, \alpha'_n\}$$
(21)

be ordered bases for V. Suppose T is a linear operator on V. If  $P = [P_1, \ldots, P_n]$  is the (n,n) matrix with columns  $P_j = [\alpha'_j]_{\beta}$ , then

$$[T]_{\beta'} = P^{-1}[T]_{\beta}P \tag{22}$$

Alternatively, if  $U\alpha_j = \alpha'_j$ 

$$[T]_{\beta'} = [U]_{\beta}^{-1} [T]_{\beta} [U]_{\beta} \tag{23}$$

15. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F, and let  $\beta = \{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n\}$  be a basis for V. Then there is a unique dual basis  $\beta^* = \{f_1, \ldots, f_n\}$  for  $V^*$  such that  $f_i(\alpha_i) = \delta_{ij}$ . For each linear functional f on V we have

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^{n} f(\alpha_i) f_i \tag{24}$$

and for each vector  $\alpha$  in V we have

$$\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_i(\alpha)\alpha_i \tag{25}$$

16. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F, and let W be a subspace of V. Then

$$\dim W + \dim W^0 = \dim V. \tag{26}$$

17. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F.

For each vector  $\alpha$  in V define

$$L_{\alpha}(f) = f(\alpha), \qquad f \in V^*$$
 (27)

The mapping  $\alpha \to L_{\alpha}$  is then an isomorphism of V onto  $V^{**}$ .

#### Corollary

Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F. Each basis for  $V^*$  is the dual of some basis for V.

#### Corollary.

Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the fiel F. If L is a linear functional on the dual space  $V^*$  of V, then there is a unique vector  $\alpha$  in V such that

$$L(f) = f(\alpha) \tag{28}$$

for every f in  $V^*$