

# Finite Dimensional Inner Product Spaces

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# Preface

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# Chapter 1

## Vector Spaces

### 1.1 Spaces and Subspaces

**Definition 1.1.1.** A vector space  $V$  over a field  $\mathbb{F}$  is a set, along with a binary operation  $+$  :  $V \times V \rightarrow V$  and a binary operation  $\cdot$  :  $\mathbb{F} \times V \rightarrow V$  that satisfy the following properties:

1.  $a \cdot v + w \in V$
2.  $v + w = w + v$
3.  $v + (w + z) = (v + w) + z$
4.  $1v = v$
5.  $(a \cdot b)x = a \cdot (bx)$
6.  $a \cdot (v + w) = av + aw$
7.  $(a + b)v = a \cdot v + b \cdot v$
8. There exists an element  $\mathbf{0} \in V$  such that  $v + \mathbf{0} = v$
9. There exists an element  $v^{-1}$  such that  $v + v^{-1} = \mathbf{0}$

for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $v, w, z \in V$ .

The elements of  $V$  are called vectors, and the elements of  $\mathbb{F}$  are called scalars. The operations  $+$  and  $\cdot$  are called vector addition and scalar multiplication, respectively. We omit the  $\cdot$  and do not explicitly apply  $+$  for clarity. The  $\mathbf{1}$  is the identity element of  $\mathbb{F}$ .  $-a$  will denote the additive inverse of  $a \in \mathbb{F}$  for the field  $\mathbb{F}$ , and  $-v = v^{-1}$  will denote the additive inverse of a vector  $v \in V$  under vector addition, while  $-a(v)$  will denote multiplication of a vector by a scalar's additive inverse in  $\mathbb{F}$ .

**Theorem 1.1.1.** *Let  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  be vectors in  $V$ . If  $x + z = y + z$ , then  $x = y$ . The zero element of  $V$  is unique. The additive inverse in  $V$  is unique for each vector in  $V$ .*

**Theorem 1.1.2.** 1.  $0(x) = \mathbf{0}$

$$2. (-a)x = -(ax) = a(-x)$$

$$3. a(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$$

**Definition 1.1.2.** A subspace  $W$  of a vector space  $V$  is a set  $W \subseteq V$  that is itself a vector space.

**Theorem 1.1.3.** *Let  $V$  be a vector space with zero element  $\mathbf{0}$ . Then a subset  $W \subseteq V$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if*

$$\mathbf{0} \in W$$

and

$$cx + y \in W$$

for all  $x, y \in W$  and  $c \in \mathbb{F}$ .

## 1.2 Linear Independence

**Definition 1.2.1.** A set of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is linearly dependent if

$$a_1v_1 + a_2v_2 + \dots + a_nv_n = \mathbf{0}$$

for  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{F}$  not all zero. Similarly, a set of vectors is linearly independent if it is not linearly dependent.

**Theorem 1.2.1.** *If  $S_1 \subseteq S_2 \subseteq V$  and  $S_1$  is linearly dependent, then  $S_2$  is linearly dependent as well. Similarly, if  $S_2$  is linearly dependent, then  $S_1$  is linearly dependent.*

*Proof.* The proof should be clear when considering the above definition. ■

**Theorem 1.2.2.** *Let  $S$  be a linearly independent subset of  $V$  and  $v \in V$  such that  $v \in S$ . Then  $S \cup \{v\}$  is linearly dependent if and only if  $v \in \text{span}(S)$ .*

*Proof.* If  $S \cup \{v\}$  is linearly dependent then there exist scalars  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, a_v \in \mathbb{F}$  not all zero such that

$$a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_2 + \dots + a_n s_n + a_v v = \mathbf{0}.$$

Therefore,  $a_v \neq 0$ , for otherwise we would contradict the linear independence of  $S$ . This implies that

$$v = -\frac{a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_2 + \dots + a_n s_n}{a_v}.$$

and hence  $v \in \text{span}(S)$ . Conversely, if  $v \in \text{span}(S)$ , then

$$v = a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_2 + \dots + a_n s_n$$

for some scalars  $a_1, a_2, \dots \in \mathbb{F}$ . This implies that

$$1(v) - (a_1 s_1 + \dots + a_n s_n) = \mathbf{0}.$$

which is a nontrivial solution, so the set  $S \cup \{v\}$  is linearly dependent. ■

### 1.3 Bases

**Definition 1.3.1.** A subset  $\beta \subseteq V$  is a basis for  $V$  if it is a linearly independent set such that  $\text{span}(\beta) = V$ .

**Theorem 1.3.1.** *A subset  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  of  $V$  is a basis for  $V$  if and only if for any vector  $v \in V$*

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n$$

*for unique scalars  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{F}$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is a linearly independent generating set of  $V$ . Then  $v = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n$  for scalars  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{F}$ . Further, suppose that there exists another collection  $b_1, \dots, b_n$  of scalars such that  $v = b_1v_1 + \dots + b_nv_n$ . Subtracting, we have

$$(a_1 - b_1)v_1 + \dots + (a_n - b_n)v_n = \mathbf{0}.$$

Since  $\beta$  is linearly independent, it follows that  $a_i - b_i = 0$ , and hence  $a_i = b_i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Therefore, the linear combination  $a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n$  is the unique representation of  $V$  for  $\beta$ . Similarly, if we know that  $v = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n$  for unique scalars, then

$$(b_1)v_1 + \dots + (b_n)v_n = \mathbf{0} = v - v.$$

if and only if  $b_i = a_i - a_i = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . And certainly  $V = \text{span}(\beta)$ , so  $\beta$  is a basis for  $V$ . ■

see this source Jech [1].

**Theorem 1.3.2.** *Every vector space has a basis.*

*Proof.* Consider the set  $L$  of all linearly independent subsets of a vector space  $V$ . Let  $T \subseteq L$  be a chain. That is, for any two sets  $A$  and  $B$  in  $T$  either  $A \subseteq B$  or  $B \subseteq A$ . Hence, any finite subset of  $\bigcup T$  is in  $L$ . In other words, taking a union over a chain yields an upper bound under  $\subseteq$  which must necessarily be in the set from whence it came. This ensures that  $T$  is linearly ordered by  $\subseteq$ , for transitivity, reflexivity, and antisymmetry are already satisfied by definition of a subset. Therefore, Zorn's lemma implies that there exists a maximal element in  $L$ . That is, there exists an element  $l \in L$  such that for all  $A \in L$   $A \subseteq l$ . Moreover, we know that  $l$  is linearly independent by assumption.

To show that  $l$  spans  $V$ , suppose that there were an element  $v \in V$  such that  $v \notin \text{span}(l)$ . Then by theorem 1.2.2  $l \cup \{v\}$  would be a linearly independent set, in which case  $l \cup \{v\} \in L$ . But  $l \cup \{v\} \not\subseteq l$ , contradicting the fact that  $l$  is the maximal element of  $L$ . ■

**Corollary 1.3.1.** *If  $V$  is generated by a finite set, then there exists a finite basis for  $V$  contained within the generating set.*



*Proof.* Suppose that  $\text{span}(S) = V$  for a finite set  $S$ . Consider an arbitrary linearly independent subset  $\beta \subseteq S$  such that  $\beta \cup \{v\}$  is linearly dependent for any  $v \in S$  such that  $v \notin \beta$ . Such a set certainly exist because any set containing a single vector is linearly independent, and so we may continue to add vectors from  $S$  into  $\beta$  until another union results in a linearly dependent set. Hence if we demonstrate that  $S \subseteq \text{span}(\beta)$  we will have that  $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \text{span}(\beta)$ , and we already know that  $\text{span}(\beta) \subseteq V$ . To show this, note that for any  $v \in S$  if  $v \in \beta$  then trivially  $v \in \text{span}(\beta)$ , and if  $v \notin \beta$ , then by assumption  $\beta \cup \{v\}$  is linearly dependent, in which case  $v \in \text{span}(\beta)$  by theorem 1.2.2. ■

**Theorem 1.3.3.** *Let  $V$  be a vector space generated by a set  $G$  containing  $n$  vectors, and  $L \subseteq V$  be linearly independent containing  $m$  vectors. Then  $m \leq n$  and there exists a subset  $H \subseteq G$  containing  $n - m$  vectors such that  $\text{span}(L \cup H) = V$ .*

*Proof.* We proceed by induction on  $m$ . For  $m = 0$   $L = \emptyset \subseteq V$  and  $0 \leq n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Taking  $H = G$  we are done. So suppose our theorem is true for any linearly independent set with  $m - 1$  vectors. Now consider an arbitrary linearly independent subset of  $V$ ,  $L = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$ . The set  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m-1}\} \subseteq L$  is then linearly independent, and so by our induction hypothesis,  $m - 1 \leq n$  and there is a subset  $\{h_1, h_2, \dots, h_{n-(m-1)}\}$  of  $G$  such that  $\text{span}(\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m-1}\} \cup \{h_1, h_2, \dots, h_{n-(m-1)}\}) = V$ . That is

$$v_m = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_{m-1} v_{m-1} + b_1 h_1 + \dots + b_{n-(m-1)} h_{n-(m-1)}$$

for  $a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{F}$ . And  $n - (m - 1) \neq 0$ , for otherwise  $L$  would not be linearly independent by theorem 1.2.2. This means that  $n - (m - 1) > 0$ , or,  $n > (m - 1)$ , from which it follows that  $m \leq n$ . Moreover, there exists some  $b_i \neq 0$  as otherwise we would, once again, contradict the linear independence of  $L$ . Without loss of generality, we have

$$h_1 = \frac{v_m - (a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + \dots + a_{m-1} v_{m-1} + b_2 h_2 + \dots + b_{n-(m-1)} h_{n-(m-1)})}{b_1}.$$

It follows that  $h_1 \in \text{span}(L \cup \{h_2, \dots, h_{n-(m-1)}\})$ , in which case,

$$\{v_1, \dots, v_m, h_1, \dots, h_{n-(m-1)}\} \subseteq \text{span}(L \cup \{h_2, \dots, h_{n-(m-1)}\}).$$

But by our induction hypothesis,  $\text{span}(\{v_1, \dots, v_m, h_1, \dots, h_{n-(m-1)}\}) = V$ , and hence,

$$\text{span}(L \cup \{h_2, \dots, h_{n-(m-1)}\}) = V.$$

since  $\{h_2, \dots, h_{n-(m-1)}\}$  is a subset of  $G$  that contains  $n - (m - 1) - 1 = n - m$  vectors, we have demonstrated the theorem for  $L$  with  $m$  vectors. ■

**Corollary 1.3.2.** *If a vector space  $V$  is generated by a finite basis then any basis for  $V$  is finite and of equal cardinality.*

*Proof.* Let  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be bases for  $V$  with  $m$  and  $n$  vectors respectively. We have that  $m \leq n$  and  $n \leq m$  by theorem 1.3.3. ■

Thus we may safely define the dimension of a vector space:

**Definition 1.3.2.** The dimension of a vectors space  $V$ , denoted  $\dim(V)$ , is the unique cardinality of any basis for  $V$ .

**Corollary 1.3.3.** *Suppose that  $V$  is a vector space with dimension  $n$ . Then any linearly independent subset of  $V$  containing  $n$  vectors is a basis for  $V$ . And any generating set for  $V$  contains at least  $n$  vectors. Additionally, any linearly independent subset of  $V$  can have at most  $n$  vectors.*

**Corollary 1.3.4.** *Let  $W \subseteq V$  be a subspace. Then  $\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$ , and if  $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$  then  $V = W$ .*

## 1.4 Direct Sum

yup

## 1.5 Tensor Product

yes

# Chapter 2

## Linear Functions

### 2.1 Linearity

### 2.2 Matrices

### 2.3 Abstract Spaces and Isomorphism

# Chapter 3

## Linear Systems of Equations

### 3.1 Rank

**Definition 3.1.1.** An elementary row or column operation on an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is defined as one of the following:

1. Interchanging any two rows or columns of  $A$
2. Scaling each entry in a row or or column of  $A$
3. Adding a multiple of one row or column to another row or column of  $A$

An elementary matrix is the result of applying one of the above to the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

**Theorem 3.1.1.** *Suppose that  $B$  is the result of applying an elementary row operation to  $A$ . Then there exists an elementary matrix  $E$  such that  $B = EA$ . Furthermore,  $E$  is the matrix obtained by performing the same elementary row operation to  $I_n$  as was performed to convert  $A$  into  $B$ . Similarly, if  $B$  is the result of applying an elementary column operation to  $A$ , then there exists an elementary matrix  $E$  such that  $B = AE$ , and  $E$  is the result of applying the same elementary column operation to  $I_m$  as was applied to  $A$ .*

The proof is a tedious verification of cases; the elementary matrices are defined precisely for this to work.

**Definition 3.1.2.** The rank of a matrix  $A$  is defined as the rank of the linear function  $L_A = Ax$

**Theorem 3.1.2.** *Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be linear and  $A = [T]_\beta^\gamma$ . Then  $\text{rank}(T) = \text{rank}(L_A)$*

*Proof.* Consider the map  $\phi_\beta : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^n$ . That is, the function mapping a vector to its representation in coordinates. This is linear by definition and invertible as we know that any basis represents a vector uniquely as a linear combination of its elements. We have

$$L_A(\mathbb{F}^n) = L_A\phi_\beta(V) = \phi_\gamma(T(V)).$$

It follows that

$$\dim(\text{im}(L_A)) = \dim(\text{im}(T))$$

because  $\phi_\gamma$  is an isomorphism. ■

**Theorem 3.1.3.** *Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$ . Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be invertible  $m \times m$  and  $n \times n$  matrices, respectively. Then*

1.  $\text{rank}(AQ) = \text{rank}(A)$
2.  $\text{rank}(PA) = \text{rank}(A)$
3.  $\text{rank}(PAQ)$

*Proof.*

$$\text{im}(L_{AQ}) = \text{im}(L_AL_Q) \tag{3.1}$$

$$= L_AL_Q(\mathbb{F}^n) \tag{3.2}$$

$$= L_A(L_Q(\mathbb{F}^n)) \tag{3.3}$$

$$= L_A(\mathbb{F}^n) \tag{3.4}$$

$$= \text{im}(L_A) \tag{3.5}$$

Thus,  $\text{rank}(L_{AQ}) = \text{rank}(L_A)$ . Similarly,  $\text{im}(L_PL_A) = L_P(\text{im}(L_A)) = \text{im}(L_A)$  and so  $\dim(\text{im}(L_PL_A)) = \dim(\text{im}(L_A))$  since  $P$  is an isomorphism. It follows, by applying the previous two results that  $\text{rank}(PAQ) = \text{rank}(A)$ . ■

**Theorem 3.1.4.** *Let*

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1m} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then } \text{rank}(A) = \dim \left( \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1m} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \right\} \right)$$

*Proof.*

$$\text{im}(L_A) = L_A(\mathbb{F}^n) \quad (3.6)$$

$$= L_A(\text{span} \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}) \quad (3.7)$$

$$= \text{span} \{Ae_1, \dots, Ae_n\} \quad (3.8)$$

$$= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1m} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad (3.9)$$

Furthermore,  $\dim(\text{span}(X))$  is nothing but the number of linearly independent vectors in  $X$  for any set of vectors  $X$ . Thus we have shown that the rank of a matrix is nothing but the number of linearly independent vectors in its columns.  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 3.1.5.** *Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Then a finite composition of elementary row and column operations applied to  $A$  results in a matrix of the form*

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_{\text{rank}(A)} & O_1 \\ O_2 & O_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $O_1, O_2, O_3$  are zero matrices.

*Proof.* First, note that if  $A$  is a zero matrix, then by theorem 3.1.4  $\text{rank}(A) = 0$ , and so  $A = I_0$ , the degenerate case of our claim. Suppose otherwise. We proceed by induction on  $m$ , the number of rows of  $A$ . In the case that  $m = 1$ , we may convert  $A$  to a matrix of the form

$$(1 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0)$$

by first making the leftmost entry 1 and adding the corresponding additive inverses of the others to the other columns. Clearly the rank of the above matrix is 1 and is of the form

$$(I_1 \quad O)$$

This is another degenerate case, as it lacks zeros below the identity. Now suppose that our theorem holds when  $A$  has  $m - 1$  rows.

To demonstrate that our theorem holds when  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, notice that when  $n = 1$ , we can argue that our theorem holds as before, but using row operations instead of column operations. This is another degenerate case. For  $n > 0$ , note that there exists an entry  $A_{ij} \neq 0$  and by applying at most an elementary row and column operation, we can move  $A_{ij}$  to position 1, 1. Additionally, we may transform  $A_{ij}$  to value 1, and as before, transform all of the entries in row and column 1 besides  $A_{ij}$  to 0. Thus we have a matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1 \ n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & x_{m-1 \ 1} & \cdots & x_{m-1 \ n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

■

The submatrix defined by  $x_{ij}$  is of dimension  $m - 1 \times n - 1$  and so must have rank  $\text{rank}(A) - 1$  as elementary operations preserve rank and deleting a row and column of a matrix reduces its rank by 1. Furthermore, by our induction hypothesis the above matrix may be converted via a finite number of elementary operations to a matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\text{rank}(A)-1} & O_1 \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & O_2 & O_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, for an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ , a finite number of elementary operations converts it into a matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_{\text{rank}(A)} & O_1 \\ O_2 & O_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

.

**Theorem 3.1.6.** *For any matrix  $A$ ,  $\text{rank}(A^T) = \text{rank}(A)$ .*

*Proof.* By theorem 3.1.5, we may convert  $A$  to a matrix  $D = BAC$  where  $B = E_1 \cdots E_p$  and  $C = G_1 \cdots G_q$  where  $E_i$  and  $G_i$  are elementary row and column matrices respectively. It follows that  $D^T = C^T A^T B^T$ , whence

$\text{rank}(A^T) = \text{rank}(D^T)$  by theorem (insert) because elementary matrices are invertible, and so is the transpose of the compositions thereof. Further,  $D^T$  must be of the same form as  $D$  since the only nonzero entries of  $D$  are along the diagonal from entry 1, 1 to entry  $\text{rank}(A)$ ,  $\text{rank}(A)$ . Hence, we have  $\text{rank}(A)$  linearly independent columns in the matrix  $D^T$ .

Since the columns of  $D^T$  are the rows of  $D$ , we see that the number of linearly independent columns of  $A$  is equal to the number of linearly independent columns of  $A^T$ . In other words, the dimension of the space generated by the columns of  $A$  is equal to the dimension of the space generated by its rows. ■

**Theorem 3.1.7.** *Let  $A$  be an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix. Then  $A$  is a product of elementary matrices.*

*Proof.* By the dimension theorem, if  $A$  is invertible, then  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ . So by theorem 3.1.5  $A$  may be converted into a matrix of the form  $I_n = E_1 \cdots E_p A G_1 \cdots G_q$ , whence  $A = E_1^{-1} \cdots E_p^{-1} I_n G_1^{-1} \cdots G_q^{-1}$ . ■

**Theorem 3.1.8.** *Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  and  $U : W \rightarrow Z$ . Then*

1.  $\text{rank}(TU) \leq \text{rank}(U)$
2.  $\text{rank}(TU) \leq \text{rank}(T)$

*Proof.* We have

$$\text{rank}(TU) = \dim(\text{im}(TU)) \quad (3.10)$$

$$= \dim(\text{im}(T(U(V)))) \quad (3.11)$$

$$\subseteq U(W) \quad (3.12)$$

$$= \text{im}(U) \quad (3.13)$$

Therefore,  $\dim(\text{im}(TU)) \leq \dim(\text{im}(U))$ . Next, let  $\beta, \gamma, \phi$  be ordered bases for  $V, W$ , and  $Z$ , respectively; and let  $A = [T]_\beta^\gamma$  and  $B = [U]_\gamma^\phi$ . By theorem 3.1.6

$$\dim(\text{im}(TU)) = \dim(\text{im}(AB)) \quad (3.14)$$

$$= \dim(\text{im}((AB)^T)) \quad (3.15)$$

$$= \dim(\text{im}(B^T A^T)) \quad (3.16)$$

$$\leq \dim(\text{im}(A^T)) \quad (3.17)$$

$$= \dim(\text{im}(A)) \quad (3.18)$$

$$= \dim(\text{im}(T)) \quad (3.19)$$





## 3.2 Form

We now apply the fruits of our investigation into vector spaces and linearity to solve systems of linear equations.

**Definition 3.2.1.** A linear system of equations is a collection of  $m$  equations of the form:

$$a_1x_1 + \cdots + a_nx_n = b$$

where  $a_i, x_i, b \in \mathbb{F}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Equivalently, we may say  $Ax = b$  for an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ , where  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $b = \mathbf{0}$ , the linear system is said to be homogenous.

**Definition 3.2.2.** A solution to a linear system is a vector  $s \in \mathbb{F}^n$  such that  $As = b$

**Theorem 3.2.1.** Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix over  $\mathbb{F}$ . If  $m < n$ , then the homogenous system  $Ax = 0$  has a nontrivial solution.

*Proof.* Notice that, the solution set to the system  $Ax = 0$  is  $\ker(L_A)$ , so by the dimension theorem,  $\dim(\ker(A)) = n - \text{rank}(L_A)$ . Additionally, we know that  $\text{rank}(A)$  is nothing but the number of linearly independent vectors defined by its rows which certainly cannot exceed  $m$ . Therefore  $\text{rank}(A) \leq m < n$ , in which case  $n - \text{rank}(A) = \dim(\ker(A)) > 0$ , and so  $\ker(A) \neq \{0\}$ . ■

**Theorem 3.2.2.** For any solution  $s$  to the linear system  $Ax = b$ ,

$$\{s + s_0 : As_0 = \mathbf{0}\}$$

is its solution set.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $As = b$  and  $As' = b$ . Then  $A(s' - s) = As' - As = b - b = 0$ . It follows that  $s + (s' - s) \in S$ . Conversely, if  $y \in S$ , then  $y = s + s'$ , in which case  $Ay = A(s + s') = As + As' = b + 0 = b$ . That is,  $Ay = b$ . ■

**Theorem 3.2.3.** Let  $Ax = b$  for an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ . If  $A$  is invertible, then the system has a single solution  $A^{-1}b$ . If the system has a single solution, then  $A$  is invertible.

*Proof.* Suppose  $A$  is invertible. Then  $A(A^{-1}b) = AA^{-1}(b) = b$ . Furthermore, if  $As = b$  for some  $s \in \mathbb{F}^n$ , then  $A^{-1}(As) = A^{-1}b$  and so  $s = A^{-1}b$ . Next, suppose that the system has a unique solution  $s$ . Then by theorem 3.2.2, we know that the solution set  $S = \{s + s_0 : As_0 = 0\}$ . But this is only the case if  $\ker(A) = \{0\}$ , lest  $s$  not be unique. And so, by the dimension theorem,  $A$  is invertible. ■

**Theorem 3.2.4.** *The linear system  $Ax = b$  has a nonempty solution set if and only if  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A|b)$ .*

*Proof.* If the system has a solution, then  $b \in \text{im}(L_A)$ . Additionally,  $\text{im}(L_A) = L_A(\mathbb{F}^n)$  and  $L_A(e_i) = Ae_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1i} \\ \vdots \\ a_{ni} \end{pmatrix}$ . Therefore, since  $L_A(\mathbb{F}^n) = \text{span}\{Ae_1, \dots, Ae_n\}$ ,  $\text{im}(L_A) = \text{span}\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$ , where  $A_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $A$ . Certainly,  $b \in \text{span}\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$  if and only if  $\text{span}\{A_1, \dots, A_n\} = \text{span}\{A_1, \dots, A_n, b\}$ , which is to say  $\dim(\text{im}(\text{span}\{A_1, \dots, A_n\})) = \dim(\text{im}(\text{span}\{A_1, \dots, A_n, b\}))$ , or,  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A|b)$ . ■

**Corollary 3.2.1.** *Let  $Ax = b$  be a linear system of  $m$  equations in  $n$  variables. Then its solution set is either, empty, of one element, or of infinitely many elements (provided that  $\mathbb{F}$  is not a finite field).*

*Proof.* By theorem 3.2.4  $Ax = b$  has a nonempty solution set if and only if  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A|b)$ . Therefore, it may be that our linear system has no solutions; however, supposing that this is not the case, by theorem 3.2.3 it has a unique solution if and only if  $A$  is invertible. Finally, assume that our linear system has neither no solution nor a single solution. This yields

$$Ax_1 = Ax_2 = b \tag{3.20}$$

for  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{F}^n$ , which implies

$$Ax_1 - Ax_2 = \mathbf{0} \tag{3.21}$$

$$= A(x_1 - x_2) \tag{3.22}$$

$$= nA(x_1 - x_2) \tag{3.23}$$

$$= A(n(x_1 - x_2)) \tag{3.24}$$

$$\tag{3.25}$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{F}$ . Thus, by theorem 3.2.2

$$A(x_1 + n(x_1 - x_2)) = b.$$

■

### 3.3 Solution

**Definition 3.3.1.** A matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

is said to be in reduced echelon form if

1.  $a_{ii} \neq 0$  implies that  $a_{ij} = 1$
2.  $a_{ij} \neq 1$  implies that  $a_{ij} = 0$
3.  $a_{ij} = 0$  for all  $1 \leq j \leq n$  implies that  $i < r$  for all nonzero rows  $(a_{r1} \ \cdots \ a_{rn})$

**Theorem 3.3.1.** Any matrix can be converted into reduced echelon form via a finite number of elementary row operations.

*Proof.* This is a restatement of theorem 3.1.5. ■

This form is of particular interest because reducing an augmented matrix is equivalent to solving a linear system of equations. We now have a procedure for solving arbitrary systems of linear equations. For example, we may now demonstrate that a set of vectors is linearly dependent by finding a nontrivial solution to a linear system of equations; similarly we may apply theorem 3.2.4 to demonstrate that a set of vectors is linearly dependent. In the following chapter, we will also see that computing the elements of an eigenspace is made possible by reducing a matrix. It follows that

**Corollary 3.3.1.** For any invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ .

$$A^{-1}(A|I_n) = E_1 \cdots E_p(A|I_n) = (I_n|A^{-1})$$

where  $E_1, \dots, E_p$  are elementary matrices.

Notice that the above elementary matrices may be either row or column matrices; however, since we are left multiplying, the product will result in a row operation. Thus we now have a procedure for finding the inverse of any matrix: perform row operations to convert it into the identity matrix, while accounting for each change. Additionally,

**Corollary 3.3.2.** *Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $C$  be an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix. Then the solutions sets to the linear systems*

$$Ax = b \text{ and } CAx = Cb$$

*are equal.*

This follows directly from the invertibility, and fits with our intuition: as we row reduce a linear system, its solutions do not change.

# Chapter 4

## The Determinant

### 4.1 Permutations

define determinant show equal to cofactor expansion

### 4.2 Cofactor Expansion

deduce enough properties to define the determinant more formally

### 4.3 Multilinear and Alternating

demonstrate cofactor expansion is unique multilinear alternating etc hence permutation=cofactor=unique such function

### 4.4 Properties

deduce remaining important properties need invertible iff det nonzero

### 4.5 Measure

# Chapter 5

## Eigenspaces

### 5.1 Characteristic Polynomial

### 5.2 Diagonalization and Similarity

# Chapter 6

## Orthogonality

### 6.1 Inner Products

Hello

### 6.2 Projections

**Definition 6.2.1.** Let  $V = W_1 \oplus W_2$ . A projection of  $V$  on  $W_1$  along  $W_2$  is a linear function  $T : V \rightarrow V$  such that for any  $x \in V$  where  $x = x_1 + x_2$   $x_1 \in W_1$  and  $x_2 \in W_2$   $T(x) = x_1$ .

**Theorem 6.2.1.** A linear function  $T : V \rightarrow V$  is a projection of  $V$  on  $W_1 = \{x : T(x) = x\}$  along  $\ker T$  if and only if  $T = T^2$ .

*Proof.* If  $T$  is a projection, then clearly  $T = T^2$  by definition. Conversely, for  $x \in V$  we know that  $x = Tx + (x - Tx)$ . But by assumption  $T^2x = Tx$ , which means  $T(Tx - x) = T(x - Tx)\mathbf{0}$ . That is,  $x - Tx \in \ker(T)$ . Hence,  $V = \{x \in V : Tx = x\} \oplus \ker(T)$  as  $Tx = x$  and  $Tx = 0$  implies  $x = 0$  ( $x \in \ker(T)$ ). And so for  $x \in V$ , we have  $x = y + z$  for  $y \in \{x \in V : Tx = x\}$  and  $z \in \ker(T)$ , and so  $Tx = Ty + Tz = y$ . ■

### 6.3 Orthogonal Projection

**Definition 6.3.1.** Let  $W \subseteq V$ . The orthogonal complement of  $W$  is defined as  $W^\perp = \{v \in V : \langle v, w \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } w \in W\}$ .

**Theorem 6.3.1.** *The following statements are true*

1.  $W^\perp$  is a subspace of  $V$
2.  $\dim(W^\perp) = \dim(V) - \dim(W)$

*Proof.* Firstly, note that  $\langle \mathbf{0}, w \rangle = 0$  for all  $w \in W$ , so  $\mathbf{0} \in W^\perp$ . Furthermore, if  $\langle w, c \rangle = 0$  for some  $w \in W$  then  $\langle aw, c \rangle = a\langle w, c \rangle = 0$  by linearity. Similarly, if  $\langle w, a \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle b, c \rangle = 0$  then  $\langle w, a \rangle + \langle b, c \rangle = \langle w + b, c \rangle = 0$ . Secondly, ■

**Theorem 6.3.2.** *Let  $W \subseteq V$ . Then for any  $x \in V$  there exist unique vectors  $y \in W$  and  $z \in W^\perp$  such that  $x = y + z$ . Furthermore, for all  $w \in W$*

$$\|y - x\| \leq \|w - x\|$$

*and we call  $y$  the orthogonal projection of  $x$  on  $W$ , denoted  $x_w$ . Similarly,  $z$  is denoted  $x_\perp$ .*

*Proof.* trivial ■

**Theorem 6.3.3.** *Let  $W \subseteq V$   $x \in V$  and  $\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be an orthonormal basis for  $W$  and  $A$  be the matrix whose  $j^{\text{th}}$  column is  $v_j$ . Then the orthogonal projection of  $x$  on  $W$   $x_w = AA^*x$ .*

*Proof.* We begin by demonstrating that  $W^\perp = \ker A^*$ . We have

$$A^*x = \begin{pmatrix} v_1^*x \\ \vdots \\ v_n^*x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle v_1, x \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle v_n, x \rangle \end{pmatrix}.$$

Certainly  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$  if and only if  $\langle v_i, x \rangle = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . But that is to say  $x \in W^\perp$ , and so

$$\ker(A^*) = W^\perp.$$

Note that  $Ax = \text{span } \beta$  by definition. Therefore, for some  $c \in \mathbb{F}^n$   $Ac = x_w$ , which means that  $x - x_w = x - Ac \in W^\perp$ . It follows that  $A^*(x - Ac) = 0$  and so

$$A^*Ac = A^*x.$$

Thus, if we see that  $x_w = Ac$ . Furthermore, since  $\beta$  is orthonormal,  $A$  must be unitary, in which case

$$Ac = AA^*x = x_w.$$

■



**Corollary 6.3.1.**  *$AA^*$  is a projection and  $\ker(AA^*) = W^\perp$ . Additionally,  $AA^*$  is the unique such linear function.*

*Proof.* Surely  $AA^*$  is linear, and since we know that  $x = x_W + x_{W^\perp}$  for all  $x \in V$  it follows that  $(AA^*)^2x = AA^*x_W = x_W = AA^*x$ . Thus the orthogonal projection is, in fact, a projection on  $W^\perp = \{x \in V : AA^*x = x\}$  along  $\ker(AA^*)$ , by theorem 6.2.1 ( $V = W \oplus W^\perp$ ). Furthermore, if  $x = x_W + x_{W^\perp}$  with  $x_W = 0$ ,  $AA^*x = x_W = 0$ . The converse follows in the same way. Thus,  $\ker(AA^*) = W^\perp$ . Similarly, we have  $\text{im}(AA^*) = W$ . Additionally, as a projection is defined uniquely in terms of its range, it is clear that any other projection  $T$  on  $W = \{x \in V : T(x) = x\}$  must be the same as  $AA^*$ . ■

## 6.4 The Adjoint

## 6.5 Normal and Unitary Operators

self adjoint iff orthogonal projection all unitary operators are rotations

## 6.6 Definiteness

# Chapter 7

## Matrix Decomposition

7.1 LU etc.

7.2 Schur's Theorem

7.3 Spectral Theorem

7.4 Singular Value Decomposition

7.5 Polar Decomposition

# Appendix A

## Set Theory

Axiom of choice

# Appendix B

## The Complex Field

fundamental theorem of algebra

# Appendix C

## Block Matrices

need to prove result for diagonalization proof

# Appendix D

## Multilinearity and Sesquilinearity

pos definite matrices generate inner products uniquely

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