

# Linear Algebra

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## 1. Matrices and Gaussian Eliminations

### 1.1. Geometry of linear equations

Matrix representation:  $Ax = b$

- *Row picture*: Lines in a  $(\mathbb{R}^2)$  or planes  $(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .
- *Column picture*:  $b$  is linear combination of the columns of  $A$ .  $\therefore b$  is in the column space of  $A$ .

**Singular case**: No solution or infinite solution.

### 1.2. Gaussian Elimination

- Apply row operations and row exchange to convert the system of linear equations to triangular form.
- Use back substitution to solve the system.

Row operations preserve the nullspace and row space of  $A$ , but this normally alters the eigenvalues.

#### Gaussian elimination in matrix form

- Each row operation on  $A$  can be represented as a matrix multiplication on  $A$ . If a triangular form  $U$  is obtained by three row operations on  $A$ , each of them can be represented by matrices, say  $G, F$  and  $E$ . Then,  $G \times F \times E \times A = U$ .
- The product of  $G, F$  and  $E$  would be a lower triangular matrix (L). The matrix  $A$  can be written as  $PA = LU$ .  $L$  can be found by keeping track of the row operations.  $P$  is a permutation matrix.
- $LU$  can also be written as  $LDU$  by splitting  $U$  to  $DU$ .  $D$  is a diagonal matrix containing the pivot elements.

### 1.3. Matrix multiplication

#### 5 ways to multiply matrices

Given,  $A \times B = C$

- Standard.
- Each column of  $C$  is a linear combination of columns of  $A$ .  $[Ab_1 \ \cdots \ Ab_n]$ , where  $b_i$ s are columns of  $B$ .
- Each row of  $C$  is a linear combination of rows of  $B$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 B \\ \vdots \\ a_n B \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } a_i \text{s are rows of } A.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n [ca_i] \times [rb_i]$$

Where,  $ca_i$  and  $rb_i$  are  $i$ -th column and row of  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively.

- Multiplying Blocks of matrix. Eg:  
 $\begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ A_3 & A_4 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} B_1 & B_2 \\ B_3 & B_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_2 \\ C_3 & C_4 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $A_i, B_i$  and  $C_i$  are blocks of the matrices  $A, B$  and  $C$ . The blocks are treated as a single entity and multiplied like a normal matrix. Eg:  $C_1 = A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_3$   
Last approach would be useful for proving matrix theorems by inductions.

#### Properties

- Associative:  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ .
- Distributive:  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ ;  $(B + C)D = BD + CD$ .
- **NOT** commutative: Usually  $EF \neq FE$ .
- $AB = 0 \not\Rightarrow A = 0$  (or)  $B = 0$ .
- $AC = AD \not\Rightarrow C = D$
- Let  $A, B, C$  be  $n \times n$  matrices. Then:
  - If  $\text{rank}(A) = n$  and  $AB = AC$ , then  $B = C$ .
  - If  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ , then  $AB = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$ . If  $AB = 0$  but  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$ , then  $\text{rank}(A) < n$  and  $\text{rank}(B) < n$ .

### 1.4. Inverse and Transpose of a Matrix

If the system of equations is non-singular, then it could be solved by using inverse of  $A$ .

- $A^{-1}$  is inverse of  $A \Leftrightarrow A^{-1}A = A^{-1}A = I$ .
- If  $A^{-1}$  exist, then  $A$  is invertible or non-singular matrix.

#### Properties

- A square matrix is singular or not invertible if:
  - Its determinant is 0.
  - Dimension(Column Space) < Matrix dimension.  
Proof (by contradiction):  $\exists x \neq 0, \exists Ax = 0$ .  
Assuming  $A^{-1}$  exists  $\Rightarrow A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ .
- If  $A$  is invertible, then the one and only solution to  $Ax = b$  is  $x = A^{-1}b$
- $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$
- $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$
- $(A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$
- For any rectangular matrix  $R$ ,  $RR^T$  and  $R^T R$  is symmetric.
- A symmetric matrix could be decomposed to  $LDL^T$ .

#### Finding inverse by Gauss-Jordan elimination

Start with augmented matrix. Achieve upper triangular matrix on the left part and then identity matrix by row operations:

$$[A|I] \longrightarrow [U|X] \longrightarrow [I|A^{-1}]$$

## 2. Vector Spaces

### 2.1. Vector spaces and subspaces

**Vector space** Set of vectors with vector addition and scalar multiplication, satisfying the following properties.

- Associativity of vector addition.
- Commutativity of vector addition.
- Identity element of vector addition.
- Inverse elements of vector addition.
- Compatibility of scalar multiplication with field multiplication. i.e.,  $a(bv) = ab(v)$
- Identity element of scalar multiplication.
- Distributivity of scalar multiplication w.r.t. vector addition. i.e.,  $a(u + v) = au + av$
- Distributivity of scalar addition w.r.t. vector multiplication. i.e.  $(a + b)v = av + bv$

If  $S$  and  $P$  are two vector spaces,  $S \cup P$  need not be a vector space, but  $S \cap P$  is a vector space.

**Subspace**  $Q \subseteq P$  is a subspace of  $P$ , if it satisfies the following property in addition to all the properties of a vector space.

- $a \in Q$  and  $b \in Q \Rightarrow a + b \in Q$ .
- $a \in Q \Rightarrow ca \in Q$  for all scalar  $c$ .

### 2.2. Solving $Ax = b$ [Revisited]

Augmented matrix  $[A|b] \rightarrow$  Row operation leading to echelon form.

**Pivot elements** First non-zero element in a row with a column of zeroes below it.

**Rank** = number of pivot elements.

**Free columns** = Columns without pivot elements.

**Null space**: of a matrix  $A$ , is the set of all  $x$  that satisfies  $Ax = 0$ .

**General solution**:  $x = x_p + x_n$ , where  $x_n$  is a vector from the nullspace of  $A$ .

The existence and number of solutions depends on the rank of  $A$  and that of the augmented matrix  $[A|b]$ .

### 2.3. Linear independence, basis and dimension

**Linear independence**: A set of vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  are said to be linearly independent iff

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_k = 0$$

Columns of  $A$  are linearly independent iff  $N(A) = \{0\}$

**Spanning a vector space**:  $W = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k\}$  is said to span a vector space  $V$ , if for all  $v \in V$ ,  $\exists c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $v = c_1 w_1 + c_2 w_2 + \dots + c_k w_k$

**Basis**: Basis of a vector space is a set of vectors with the following two properties.

- The vectors in the set are linearly independent.
- They span the vector space.

**Dimension of a vector space**: Number of basis vectors.

## 2.4. Four fundamental subspaces

For a matrix  $A$  of dimensions  $m \times n$  and rank  $r$ .

- Column space of  $A$ ,  $C(A)$ : Smallest subspace containing the columns of  $A$ .  
 $C(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ .  
Dimension of  $C(A)$  is  $r$ .
- Row space of  $A$ ,  $R(A)$ : Smallest subspace containing the rows of  $A$ .  
 $R(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .  
Dimension of  $R(A)$  is  $r$ .
- Null space of  $A$ ,  $N(A)$ : Set of all  $x$  such that  $Ax = 0$ .  
 $N(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .  
Dimension of  $N(A)$  is  $n - r$ .
- Null space of  $A^T$ ,  $N(A^T)$ : Set of all  $x$  such that  $A^T x = 0$ .  
 $N(A^T) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ .  
Dimension of  $N(A^T)$  is  $m - r$ .

**Relationship between the subspaces:**

- $C(A) \perp N(A^T)$  and  $C(A) \cup N(A^T) = \mathbb{R}^m$ .
- $R(A) \perp N(A)$  and  $R(A) \cup N(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

## 2.5. Linear Transformation

**Linear Transformation:** A transformation  $T$  that converts a vector  $u$  to  $v (= T(x))$ , is a linear transformation if it satisfies the following properties.

- $T(0) = 0$ .
- $T(u + v) = T(u) + T(v)$
- $T(au) = aT(u)$

**Important notes:**

- Every matrix multiplication to a vector is a linear transformation.
- Every linear transformation can be represented by a matrix multiplication.
- NOTE: The transformation matrix need not be a square matrix.
- If  $Ax / T(x)$  is known for all the basis of the vector space, then it is known for all the vectors in vector space.

**Examples of linear transformation:**

Scaling, Rotation, Reflection, Projection, Differentiation and Integration.

## 3. Orthogonality

### 3.1. Orthogonal vectors and subspaces

**Orthogonal vectors:**  $x$  and  $y$  are orthogonal iff  $x^T y = 0$ .

**Length of a vector:**  $\|x\| = \sqrt{x^T x}$ .

If a set of vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  of non-zero length are mutually perpendicular, then those vectors are linearly independent.

**Proof:**

Assume they are not linearly independent.  $\therefore$  there exist non-zero constants  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  such that,  
 $c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k = 0$   
 $\therefore v_1^T (c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k) = 0$   
 $\implies c_1 = 0$ , a contradiction.

**Orthogonal subspaces:** Two subspaces  $V$  and  $W$  are said to be orthogonal if  $\forall v \in V$  and  $\forall w \in W$   $v \perp w$ .

**Fundamental theorem of linear algebra part-I:**

Row space is orthogonal to nullspace (in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ) and column space is orthogonal to the left nullspace (in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ).

**Proof-1:**

If  $x$  is in  $N(A)$ ,  $Ax = 0$ . This implies Product of every row in  $A$  to  $x$  is 0. Therefore  $x \perp$  rowspace of  $A$ .

**Proof-2:**

Let  $x \in N(A) \implies Ax = 0$  and,  
 $y \in \text{Rowspace}(A) \implies \exists z \ni y = A^T z$ .  
 $y^T x = (A^T z)^T x = z^T Ax = z^T 0 = 0 \implies x \perp y$ .

**I think:**

If  $V$  and  $W$  are subspaces of dimensions  $p$  and  $q$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and if  $p + q > n$  then,  $V$  cannot be orthogonal to  $W$ .

**Orthogonal complement:** Given a subspace  $V$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the space of all vectors orthogonal to  $V$  is called orthogonal complement of  $V$ . It is denoted by  $V^\perp$ .

**Fundamental theorem of linear algebra part-II:**

Nullspace is orthogonal complement of row-space in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  
Left nullspace is orthogonal complement of column-space in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

### A deeper meaning of matrix multiplication

The matrix multiplication  $Ax$  transforms the row-space component of  $x$  ( $x_r$ ) to column-space of  $A$  and the nullspace component of  $x$  ( $x_n$ ) to 0.

Here  $x = x_r + x_n$ .

*The real action is between row-space and column space.*

**Theorem:** From row-space to column-space  $A$  is invertible.

Every  $b$  in the column space comes from one exactly one  $x_r$  in the row-space.

### 3.2. Cosines and Projections onto lines

**Cosine** The cosine of the angle between any two non-zero vectors is defined as follows:

$$\cos\theta = \frac{a^T b}{\|a\| \|b\|}$$

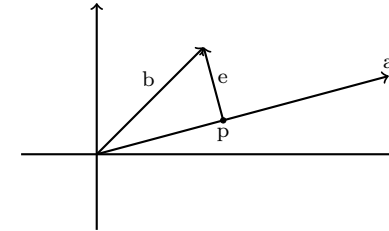
**Law of cosines**

$$\|b - a\|^2 = \|a\|^2 + \|b\|^2 - 2\|a\| \|b\| \cos\theta$$

**Schwarz inequality**

$$\|a^T b\| \leq \|a\| \|b\|, \because \cos\theta \leq 1$$

### Projection onto a line (1D subspace)



$p$  is projection of  $b$  on  $a$ .  $\therefore p = xa$  for some  $x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} e &= b - p \text{ and } e \perp a, \\ \therefore a^T (b - xa) &= 0 \\ xa^T a &= a^T b \\ \implies x &= \frac{a^T b}{a^T a} \end{aligned}$$

$$p = a \frac{a^T b}{a^T a}$$

This can be written as,

$$p = \frac{aa^T}{a^T a} b = Pb, \text{ where } P = \frac{aa^T}{a^T a} \text{ is the projection matrix of } a.$$

**Properties of P**

- $C(P)$  = line through  $a$ .
- $\text{Rank}(P) = 1$ .
- $P$  is symmetric:  $P = P^T$
- $P^2 = P$

### Projection onto a higher dimension subspace

**Finding projection of  $b$  on  $A$**

Let  $p$  be the projection of  $b$  on subspace spanned by columns of  $A$ , then there exists  $\hat{x}$  such that  $A\hat{x} = p$

$$b - p \perp A \implies A^T (b - A\hat{x}) = 0$$

$$\therefore \hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

$$\therefore p = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

Here the projection matrix  $P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$

If  $A$  is invertible then  $P = I$

$A^T A$  has the same nullspace of  $A$   
i.e.,  $A^T A$  is invertible if columns of  $A$  are independent.

**Least squares problem** Solve:  $Ax = b$

- Normal equations:  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$
- Best estimate:  $\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$
- Projection:  $p = A \hat{x} = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$
- $b = p + e$
- $p$  is in  $C(A)$
- $e$  is in  $N(A^T)$
- If  $b$  is in  $C(A)$ ,  
 $p = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T A x = A x = b$
- If  $b$  is in  $N(A^T)$ ,  $p = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b = A(A^T A)^{-1} 0 = 0$
- If  $A$  is invertible,  $p = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b = b$
- (I think)  $\|e\|^2 = \|b - p\|^2$  is the squared error.

### 3.3. Orthogonal basis and Gram-Schmidt

**Orthogonal basis:** A set of bases,  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k$ , is said to be orthogonal bases, if for all  $i \neq j$   $q_i^T q_j = 0$ .

**Orthonormal basis:** Orthonormal bases,  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k$ , satisfies the following property:

$$q_i^T q_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j. \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

#### Gram-Schmidt process

- Eg: A case with two bases  $a$  and  $b$ :  
 $a' = a$   
 $b' = b - \frac{aa^T}{a^T a} b$ , here,  $b' = e$  and  $b = p + e$
- Eg: Case with three bases  $a, b$  and  $c$ .  
 $a' = a$   
 $b' = b - \frac{aa^T}{a^T a} b$   
 $c' = c - \frac{aa^T}{a^T a} c - \frac{bb^T}{b^T b} c$   
From  $c$  subtract projection of  $c$  on  $a$  and projection of  $c$  on  $b$ .

## 4. Determinants

### 4.1. Properties of determinants

#### Three most basic properties of determinants

1.  $\det I = 1$ .
2. Determinant changes sign when two rows are exchanged.
3. Determinant depend linearly on the first row.  
Eg:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a+a' & b+b' \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a' & b' \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} ta & tb \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = t \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

### Derivative properties of determinants

4.  $|cA| = c^n |A|$ .
5. If two rows of  $A$  are equal, then  $\det A = 0$   
Follows from rule 2.
6. Adding a multiple of one row to another does not alter the value of the matrix.  
Follows from rule 3 and rule 4.
7. If  $A$  has a row of 0s, then  $\det A = 0$ .  
Follows from rule 4 and rule 5.
8. If  $A$  is triangular,  $\det A = \prod d_i$ .  
Proof: Convert  $A$  to an equivalent diagonal determinant by row operation. Now apply rule 3 and finally rule 1.
9. If  $A$  is singular, then  $\det A = 0$ . If  $A$  is invertible, then  $\det A \neq 0$ .  
Proof:  
If  $A$  is singular, elimination leads to zero row,  $\therefore \det A = 0$   
If  $A$  is invertible, elimination leads to non-zero pivots.  
 $\det A = \prod \text{pivots} \neq 0$ .
10.  $\det(AB) = \det(A) \times \det(B)$   
Proof:  
For a diagonal matrix  $D$ ,  $\det(DB) = \det(D)\det(B)$   
 $A$  can be converted to a diagonal matrix  $D$  by row operations.  
Using the exact same row operation as above  $AB$  can be converted to  $DB$   
For another proof see book.
11.  $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$ .  
Proof:  
 $PA = LDU$  and  $\det(PA) = \det(LDU)$   
 $\det(A^T P^T) = \det(U^T D^T L^T) = \det(LDU) = \det(PA)$   
 $\det(P^T) = \det(P) \therefore \det(A^T) = \det(A)$ .

### 4.2. Formulae for determinant

#### Based on LDU decomposition

If  $A$  is invertible  $PA = LDU$ .  
 $\det(A) = \pm \det(L)\det(D)\det(U) = \pm(\text{product of pivots})$

#### Using linearity of determinants

Eg:  $2 \times 2$  case.

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b \\ c & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$$

#### Expansion in cofactors

The determinant of  $A$  is any row  $i$  times its cofactors

That is,  $\det(A) = a_{i1}C_{i1} + a_{i2}C_{i2} + \dots + a_{in}C_{in}$

Where,  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(M_{ij})$

**Proof:**

Split the  $n \times n$  matrix to sum of  $n \times n$  matrices by linearity property of determinants. Each of the constituent matrices can be converted to LDU form.

### Block matrices

- $\det \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \det(A)\det(D) = \det \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$
- If  $A$  is invertible  
 $\det \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \det(A)\det(D - CA^{-1}B)$
- If blocks are square matrices of the same size. And  $AC = CA$ .  
 $\det \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \det(AD - CB)$
- If blocks are square matrices of same size and if  $A = D$  and  $B = C$ . Here  $A$  and  $B$  need not commute.  
 $\det \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & A \end{bmatrix} = \det(A - B)\det(A + B)$

### 4.3. Application of determinants

**Definition 4.1 (Adjugate Matrix):**

Transpose of cofactor matrix:  $\text{adj}(A) = C^T$ . **NOTE:**  
 $|\text{adj}(A)| = |A|^{n-1}$ .

#### Computation of $A^{-1}$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{C^T}{\det(A)} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{\det(A)}$$

$C$  is cofactor matrix.

**Proof:**

$$A^{-1} = \frac{C^T}{\det(A)} \implies \det(A)I = AC^T$$

Now the diagonal of  $AC^T$  will be  $\det(A)$ . To complete the proof we just need to show that the off-diagonal elements are all 0.

Each off-diagonal element is represented as:

$$a_{i1}C_{j1} + a_{i2}C_{j2} + \dots + a_{in}C_{jn}$$

where  $i \neq j$

This is equal to the determinant of modified  $A$  where the  $j$ 'th row is replaced by a copy of  $i$ 'th row times  $\pm 1$ . This determinant = 0

#### Cramer's rule; Solution to $Ax = b$

$$x_j = \frac{\det(B_j)}{\det A}$$

Where,  $B_j$  is  $A$  with its  $j$ 'th column replaced by  $b$ .

**Proof:**  $x = A^{-1}b = \frac{1}{\det(A)} C^T b$

#### Volume of a box

$\det(A)$  represents the volume of a box (higher dimensional parallelogram) whose edges are represented by the row vectors of  $A$  (or the column vectors of  $A$ , I think).

## 5. Eigen values and eigen vectors

### 5.1. Introduction

Solve:  $Ax = \lambda x$

This give:  $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$

For a non-zero solution  $x$  must lie in the nullspace of  $A - \lambda I$ .

Therefore  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

This equation gives rise to a  $n$  dimensional polynomial equation in

$\lambda$ (**Characteristic equation**). Solving this gives eigen values.

Eigen vectors corresponding to each Eigen value form a vector space.

**Algebraic multiplicity**( $M_\lambda$ ): Order of the eigenvalue in the characteristic equation.

**Geometric multiplicity**( $m_\lambda$ ): Dimension of the eigenspace corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

$$m_\lambda \leq M_\lambda$$

**Theorem:**

- $\sum \lambda_i = \text{tr}(A)$
- $\prod \lambda_i = \det(A)$
- For a triangular matrix the Eigen values are along the diagonal.
- If  $Ax = \lambda x$ , then  $A^k x = \lambda^k x$ .

## 5.2. Diagonalization

If a  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  has  $n$  independent eigen vectors then, it can be written as follows:

$$A = SAS^{-1}$$

where, each column of  $S$  is one of the eigenvectors of  $A$  ( $e_i$ )

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $\Lambda$  is a diagonal matrix with corresponding eigen values in the diagonal.

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

**Proof:**

$$AS = [\lambda_1 x_1 \quad \cdots \quad \lambda_n x_n] = S\Lambda \\ \Rightarrow A = SAS^{-1}$$

**Corollary: Powers of  $A$** 

$$A^n = S\Lambda^n S^{-1}$$

**Caley-Hamilton's theorem.****Theorem 5.1:**

$A$  satisfies its own characteristic equation.

*Proof.*

Substitute  $A = SAS^{-1}$  in  $(A - \lambda_1 I)(A - \lambda_2 I) \cdots (A - \lambda_n I)$ .  $\square$

## 5.3. Difference equations and powers $A^k$

**Difference equations**

$$u_{k+1} = Au_k$$

In some sense difference equations are analogous to differential equations.

**Examples****Fibonacci numbers**

$$F_{k+2} = F_{k+1} + F_k$$

Let,  $u_k = \begin{bmatrix} F_{k+1} \\ F_k \end{bmatrix}$  then, difference representation of Fibonacci sequence would be:

$$u_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F_{k+1} \\ F_k \end{bmatrix} = Au_k$$

The solution to this difference equation,  $u_{k+1} = Au_k$  is

$$u_k = A^k u_0$$

If  $A$  can be diagonalized then  $u_k = S\Lambda^k S^{-1}u_0$ .

**Markov matrices**

Markov matrix is similar to the above examples along with the following two properties:

1. Each column of Markov matrix adds to 1.
2. The numbers outside and inside can never become negative.

$u_{k+1} = Au_k$  and the solution is  $u_k = A^k u_0$

If  $A$  can be diagonalized, then  $u_k = S\Lambda^k S^{-1}u_0$ . *Steady state* ( $u_\infty$ ):  $Au_\infty = u_\infty$ .

*Properties of a Markov matrix  $A$ :*

1.  $\lambda_1 = 1$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .
2. Its eigenvector  $x_1$  is nonnegative and  $Ax_1 = x_1$ .
3. The other eigenvalues satisfy  $|\lambda_i| \leq 1$ .
4. If  $A$  or any power of a  $A$  has all positive entries, these other  $|\lambda_i|$  are below 1.
5. The solution  $A^k u_0$  approaches a multiple of  $x_1$  which is the steady state  $u_\infty$ .

**Stability of  $u_{k+1} = Au_k$** 

The difference equation  $u_{k+1} = Au_k$  is:

- *stable* if all eigenvalues satisfy  $|\lambda_i| < 1$ .
- *neutrally stable* if some  $|\lambda_i| = 1$  and all other  $|\lambda_i| < 1$ .
- *unstable* if at least one  $|\lambda_i| > 1$ .

## 5.4. Differential equations and $e^{At}$

**System of differential equations**

Matrices are useful to solve a system of differential equations.

Eg:

$$\frac{du_1}{dt} = a_{11}u_1 + a_{12}u_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}u_n$$

$$\frac{du_2}{dt} = a_{21}u_1 + a_{22}u_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}u_n$$

$\vdots$

$$\frac{du_n}{dt} = a_{n1}u_1 + a_{n2}u_2 + \cdots + a_{nn}u_n$$

This system in matrix notation is  $\frac{du}{dt} = Au$ , where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

*Solution:*

$$u(t) = e^{At}u(0)$$

**Is the above solution valid if  $A$  is not diagonalizable.**

*Proof:* If  $A$  is diagonalizable then let  $v = S^{-1}u$ , where  $S$  is the eigenvector matrix of  $A$ . Using eigenvector matrix the system of linear equations is decoupled.

$$\therefore S \frac{dv}{dt} = ASv$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dt} = S^{-1}ASv = \Lambda v$$

$$v(t) = e^{\Lambda t}v(0)$$

$$u(t) = Se^{\Lambda t}S^{-1}u(0) = e^{At}u(0)$$

where  $e^{At}$  is the exponential of the matrix  $A$ .

**Matrix exponential**

**Matrix exponential** is defined as follows:

$$e^{At} = I + At + \frac{(At)^2}{2} + \cdots + \frac{(At)^n}{dt} + \cdots$$

This series **always converges** and has the following properties:

- $(e^{As})(e^{At}) = e^{A(s+t)}$
- $(e^{At})(e^{-At}) = I$
- $\frac{d}{dt}(e^{At}) = Ae^{At}$
- If  $A$  can be diagonalized,  $A = SAS^{-1}$ , then  $du/dt = Au$  has the solution  $u(t) = e^{At}u(0)$ .
- $e^{At}$  is never singular.  
*Proof 1:* If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then  $e^{\lambda t}$  is the corresponding eigenvalue of  $e^{At}$ , which is never 0.  
*Proof 2:*  $\det(e^{At}) = e^{\lambda_1 t} e^{\lambda_2 t} \cdots e^{\lambda_n t} = e^{\text{trace}(At)} \neq 0$ .

**Stability of differential equations**

Behaviour of  $u(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ : The differential equation  $du/dt = Au$  is:

- **stable:** and  $e^{At} \rightarrow 0$  whenever, all  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$ .
- **neutrally stable:** when all  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$  and  $\text{Re}(\lambda_1) = 0$ .
- **unstable:** and  $e^{At}$  is unbounded if any eigenvalue has  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) > 0$ .

These results are true even if  $A$  is not diagonalizable.

## 5.5. Complex matrices

**Length of a vector:**  $\|x\| = |x_1| + |x_2| + \cdots + |x_n|$

## Hermitian (and symmetric) matrices

**Conjugate transpose:**  $\bar{A}^T = A^H$  (Read as A Hermitian) has entries  $(A^H)_{ij} = \bar{A}_{ji}$

**Hermitian matrices:**  $A$  is Hermitian iff  $A^H = A$ .

**Theorem:** If  $A = A^H$  then  $\forall x, x^H A x$  is real.

*Proof:*  $(x^H A x)^H = x^H A^H x = x^H A x$ .

**Theorem:** If  $A = A^H$  then all the eigenvalues are real.

*Proof:*  $x^H A x = \lambda x^H x$ . LHS is real and  $x^H x$  is real, therefore  $\lambda$  is real.

**Theorem:** Eigenvectors of Hermitian matrices that come from two different eigenvalues are orthogonal.

*Proof:*

Let,  $Ax = \lambda x$  and  $Ay = \mu y$

$\lambda x^H y = (Ax)^H y = x^H A y = x^H \mu y \implies x^H y = 0, \because \lambda \neq \mu$

**Orthonormal matrices:**  $QQ^T = I$ .

**Theorem (Spectral theorem):** A real symmetric matrix can be factored into  $A = Q\Lambda Q^T$ . Its orthonormal eigenvectors are in the columns of  $Q$ .

## Unitary matrices

$$U^H U = I$$

Multiplication by  $U$  has no effect on inner products, angles and lengths.

**Property 1:**

- $(Ux)^T (Uy) = x^T U^T U y = x^T y$
- $\|Ux\|^2 = x^H U^H U x = x^H x = \|x\|^2$

**Property 2:**

For every eigenvalue( $\lambda$ ) of  $U$ ,  $|\lambda| = 1$

**Property 3:**

Eigen vectors corresponding different eigenvalues are orthogonal.

Let,  $Ux = \lambda x$  and  $Uy = \mu y$ .

$x^H y = (Ux)^H (Uy) = (\lambda x)^H (\mu y) = \bar{\lambda} \mu x^H y$

By property-2  $\bar{\lambda} \lambda = 1, \therefore \bar{\lambda} \mu \neq 1$

$\implies x^H y = 0$ .

If  $A$  is Hermitian then  $K = iA$  is skew-Hermitian.

**Theorem:** Eigenvalues of  $K$  are purely imaginary.

## Fourier matrix

THE FOLLOWING IS INCOMPLETE

$$F_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 & \dots & \omega^{n-1} \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \dots & \omega^{2(n-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \omega^{n-1} & \omega^{2(n-1)} & \dots & \omega^{(n-1)^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

## 5.6. Similarity transformation

**Definition:**  $A$  and  $B$  are similar if  $\exists M \ni B = M^{-1} A M$ .

Going from one to another is known as **similarity transformations**.

In the case where  $M = S$ ,  $M^{-1} A M$  becomes the diagonal matrix  $\Lambda$ . This is the best case scenario. But other  $M$ 's are also useful. Usually  $M$  is chosen such that,  $M^{-1} A M$  is easier to work with than  $A$ .

**Theorem:** Suppose  $B = M^{-1} A M$ , then  $A$  and  $B$  have the same eigenvalues.

*Proof:*  $Ax = \lambda x \implies B(M^{-1}x) = \lambda(M^{-1}x)$

$M^{-1}x$  is the eigenvector of  $B$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

## Change of Basis = Similarity transformation

Every linear transformation is represented by a matrix. Similar matrices represent the same transformation  $T$  with respect to different basis.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [T]_{V \text{ to } V} & = [I]_{V \text{ to } V} & [T]_{V \text{ to } V} \\ B & = M^{-1} & A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} [T]_{V \text{ to } V} & [I]_{V \text{ to } V} \\ A & M \end{array}$$

## Triangular forms with unitary M

**Schur's lemma:**

There is a unitary matrix  $M = U$  such that  $U^{-1} A U = T$  is triangular. The eigenvalues of  $A$  appear along the diagonal of this similar matrix  $T$ .

## Diagonalizing Hermitian matrices

**Theorem:**

If  $A = A^H$  This triangular form  $T$ , is a diagonal matrix.

*Proof:*  $(U^{-1} A U)^H = U^H A^H (U^{-1})^H = U^{-1} A U \implies T = T^H$ .

**Spectral theorem:**

Every real symmetric matrix can be diagonalized by an orthogonal matrix  $Q$ . Every Hermitian matrix can be diagonalized by a unitary matrix  $U$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{(real)} & Q^{-1} A Q = \Lambda & \text{or} & A = Q \Lambda Q^T \\ \text{(complex)} & U^{-1} A U = \Lambda & \text{or} & A = U \Lambda U^H \end{array}$$

**Normal matrices**

The matrix  $N$  is normal if it commutes with  $N^H$ :  $N N^H = N^H N$ .

**Theorem:**

A triangular matrix  $T$  that is normal must be diagonal

*Proof:*

Tip: Use induction and multiplication by blocks.

For details see: <https://math.stackexchange.com/a/2538528/633346>

**Theorem:**

$T = U^{-1} A U$  is diagonal if and only if  $A$  is a normal matrix.

*Proof:*

If  $A$  is normal,

$T T^H = U^{-1} A U U^H A^H U = U^{-1} A A^H U = U^{-1} A^H A U =$

$U^H A^H U U^{-1} A U = T^H T \implies T$  is diagonal.

## Jordan form

**Theorem:** If  $A$  has  $s$  independent eigenvectors, it is similar to a matrix with  $s$  blocks.

$$\text{Jordan form } J = M^{-1} A M = \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & J_s \end{bmatrix}$$

Each Jordan block is a triangular matrix that has only a single eigenvalue ( $\lambda_i$ ) along the diagonal corresponding to only one eigenvector. For each missing eigenvector there will be a 1 just above the diagonal.

$$\text{Jordan block } J_i = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i & 1 & & \\ & \lambda_i & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & \lambda_i \end{bmatrix}$$

## 6. Positive definite matrices

**Definition:**

A  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix  $A$  is positive-definite if  $\forall x \neq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$   $x^T A x > 0$ .

**Test for positive definiteness** Each of the following test is a necessary and sufficient condition for a matrix to be positive definite.

- $x^T A x > 0$  for all nonzero vectors  $x$ .

Definition.

- All eigenvalues of  $A$  satisfy  $\lambda_i > 0$ .

*Proof:*  $x^T A x = \lambda x^T x = \lambda \|x\|^2$

Converse: Every  $\forall y > 0, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y = a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_n x_n$

$Ay = a_1 \lambda_1 + \dots + a_n \lambda_n$

$y^T A y = a_1^2 \lambda_1 + \dots + a_n^2 \lambda_n > 0$

- All the upper left submatrices  $A_k$  have positive determinants.

Clue:  $x^T A x = \begin{bmatrix} x_k^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_k & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = x_k^T A_k x_k$

- All the pivots (without row exchanges) satisfy  $d_k > 0$ .

*Proof: Incomplete*

**Theorem: Another test for positive definiteness**

The symmetric matrix  $A$  is positive definite if and only if:  $\exists R$  with independent columns  $\ni A = R^T R$ .

## Positive semidefinite Matrices

The tests for semidefinite matrices will relax to allow zeros.

**Definition:**

$\forall x \ x^T A x \geq 0$

**Test for positive semi definiteness**

- $\forall x \neq 0 \ x^T A x \geq 0$ .
- All eigenvalues satisfy  $\lambda_i \geq 0$ .
- No principal submatrices of  $A$  have negative determinants.
- No pivots are negative.
- $\exists R$ , possibly with dependent columns such that  $A = R^T R$ .

## 6.1. Singular value decomposition

Any  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  can be decomposed in to:

$$A = U\Sigma V^T$$

$\Sigma$ : Diagonal matrix,  $m \times n$ . This diagonal matrix has eigenvalues from  $A^T A$ , not from  $A$ .

The positive entries  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_s$ , form the first  $r$  diagonal elements of  $\Sigma$ . These elements are called **singular values**. The remainder of entries in  $\Sigma$  is 0.

$U$ : Orthogonal matrix,  $m \times m$ .

The columns of  $U$  are the eigenvectors of  $A^T A$ .  $V$ : Orthogonal

matrix,  $n \times n$ .

The columns of  $V$  are the eigenvectors of  $AA^T$ .

### Remark 1

For positive definite matrices,  $\Sigma$  is  $\Lambda$  and  $U\Sigma V^T$  is identical to  $Q\Lambda Q^T$ .

### Remark 2

$U$  and  $V$  give orthonormal bases for all four fundamental subspaces.

first	$r$	columns of $U$ :	<b>column space</b> of $A$
last	$m - r$	columns of $U$ :	<b>left nullspace</b> of $A$
first	$r$	columns of $V$ :	<b>row space</b> of $A$
last	$n - r$	columns of $V$ :	<b>nullspace</b> of $A$

### Remark 3

$Av_j = \sigma_j u_j$  or  $AV = U\Sigma$

### Remark 4

Eigenvectors of  $AA^T$  and  $A^T A$  goes into columns of  $U$  and  $V$ .

$AA^T = (U\Sigma V^T)(V\Sigma^T U^T) = U\Sigma\Sigma^T U^T$ , and,

$A^T A = V\Sigma^T \Sigma V^T$ .

## 7. Matrix Factorizations

### LU factorizability

$$A = LU$$

#### Requirements:

An invertible matrix  $A$  is LU factorizable, if the determinant of all its **principal minors** are  $> 0$ . Or if  $A$  has rank  $k$ ,  $A$  is LU factorizable, if all its first  $k$  principal minors are  $> 0$ .

#### Procedure:

Do Gaussian elimination without row exchanges.

#### LDU:

Pivots in  $U$  are divided out into  $D$  to have 1s in the diagonal of  $U$ .

### PLU factorization

$$PA = LU$$

Always exists.

#### Procedure:

Do Gaussian elimination.

If  $A$  is invertible, then  $L$  and  $U$  are invertible.  $P$  is always invertible and  $P^{-1} = P^T$ .