



CIS 678 Machine Learning

Introduction to Linear Algebra



Basic Math - Concept of Vectors, and Vector Space



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Is a vectorized representation of a person
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[1.72, 72, 100],
[1.65, 70, 120],
[1.81, 110, 90],
...
[1.45, 65, 130],

And here we are talking about a number of
people through same features: height,
weight, salary



Formal definition of Vectors

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Formal definition of Vectors

1. Vectors

We begin by defining a mathematical abstraction known as a **vector space**. In linear algebra the fundamental concepts relate to the **n -tuples** and their algebraic properties.

Definition: An ordered n -tuple is considered as a sequence of n **terms** (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) , where n is a positive integer.

We see that an ordered **n -tuple** has **terms** whereas a set has **members**.

Example: A sequence (5) is called an ordered **1-tuple**. A **2-tuple**, for example (3, 6) (where 6 appears after 3) is called an ordered pair, and **3-tuple** is called an ordered triple. A sequence (9, 3, 4, 4, 1) is called an ordered **5-tuple**.

Let us denote the set of all ordered **1-tuples** of real numbers by \mathbb{R} . We will write for example $(3.5) \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\mathbf{X} = [1.78, 72, 100]$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$



Basic Math - Concept of Vectors

We are aware of Scalars: A person's height, weight, salary

Physics vector: velocity (scalar value + direction)

Algebraic vector (in general): Common representation of an entity (1 to n dimension):

- A person's (height, weight, salary), say [\[1.78, 72, 100\]](#): once defined, we have to follow it.

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Basic Math - Vector Operations

Vector operation rules

1. $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
2. $\alpha \cdot \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
3. $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ *(commutativity)*
4. $\alpha \cdot (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \alpha \cdot \mathbf{x} + \alpha \cdot \mathbf{y}$ *(distributivity)*
5. $(\alpha + \beta) \cdot \mathbf{x} = \alpha \cdot \mathbf{x} + \beta \cdot \mathbf{x}$ *(distributivity)*
6. $(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z})$ *(associativity)*
7. $(\alpha\beta) \cdot \mathbf{x} = \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \mathbf{x})$ *(associativity)*



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Vector Operation

1.1.2. Vector Addition

Addition of vectors is defined:

$$\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n + y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:

$$\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 9 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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1.1.4. Zero Vector

The **zero** vector **sometimes denoted** **0** is a vector having all elements equal to zero, e.g., the 2-dimensional **0** vector:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{A.7})$$



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1.1.9. Inner Product

The **inner** or **dot** product of two vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} of the same dimension is a **scalar** defined by:

$$\mathbf{x}^T \cdot \mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = x_1y_1 + x_2y_2 + \cdots + x_ny_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_iy_i \quad (\text{A.11})$$

Note that the inner product of vector \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} requires that a transposed vector \mathbf{x} be multiplied by the \mathbf{y} vector. Sometimes the inner product is denoted simply by juxtaposition of the vectors x and y , for example, as $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle$ or (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) .

Example: The inner product of two vectors $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = [4 \ 1 \ 7]^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 2 + 7 \cdot (-3) = 19$$



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1.1.10. Orthogonal Vectors

Two vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} are said to be **orthogonal** if their inner product is equal to zero

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \quad (\text{A.12})$$

here 0 is a scalar.

Example: Two vectors $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and are orthogonal, since their inner product is equal to zero

$$\mathbf{x}^T \cdot \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = [0 \ 2] = 4 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 2 = 0$$



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1.1.11. Vector Norm

The magnitude of a vector may be measured in different ways. One method, called the vector **norm**, is a function from \mathbb{R}^n into \mathbb{R} for \mathbf{x} an element of \mathbb{R}^n . It is denoted $\|\mathbf{x}\|$ and satisfies the following conditions:

1. $\|\mathbf{x}\| \geq 0$, and the equality holds if and only if $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
2. $\|\alpha\mathbf{x}\| = |\alpha| \cdot \|\mathbf{x}\|$, where $|\alpha|$ is the absolute value of scalar α

and is defined as:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}} = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \cdots + x_n^2} \quad (\text{A.13})$$

Example: For the vector $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ the norm is

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}} = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5$$



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