

# Machine Learning Foundations

## **Intro to Linear Algebra**

An Interactive Primer on  
the Theory and Practice of  
Tensor Manipulation in Python

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# The Pomodoro Technique

Rounds of:

- 25 minutes of work
- with 5 minute breaks

Questions best handled at breaks, so save questions until then.

*When people ask questions that have already been answered, do me a favor and let them know, politely providing response if appropriate.*

*Except during breaks, I recommend attending to this lecture only as topics are not discrete: Later material builds on earlier material.*

# POLL

Where are you?

- The Americas
- Europe / Middle East / Africa
- Asia-Pacific
- Extra-Terrestrial Space

# POLL

What are you?

- Developer / Engineer
- Scientist / Analyst / Statistician / Mathematician
- Combination of the Above
- Other

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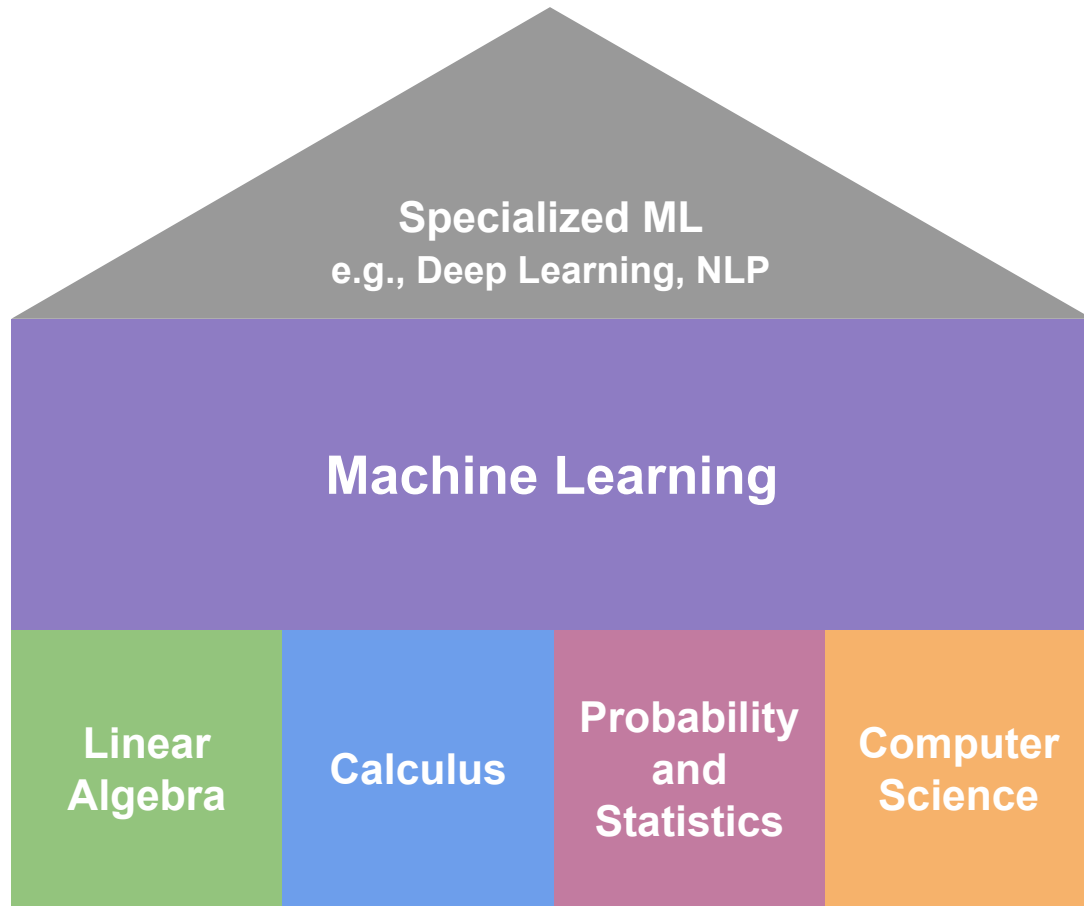
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- Some understanding of the theory
- Deep understanding of the theory
- Deep understanding of the theory and experience applying linear algebra operations with code

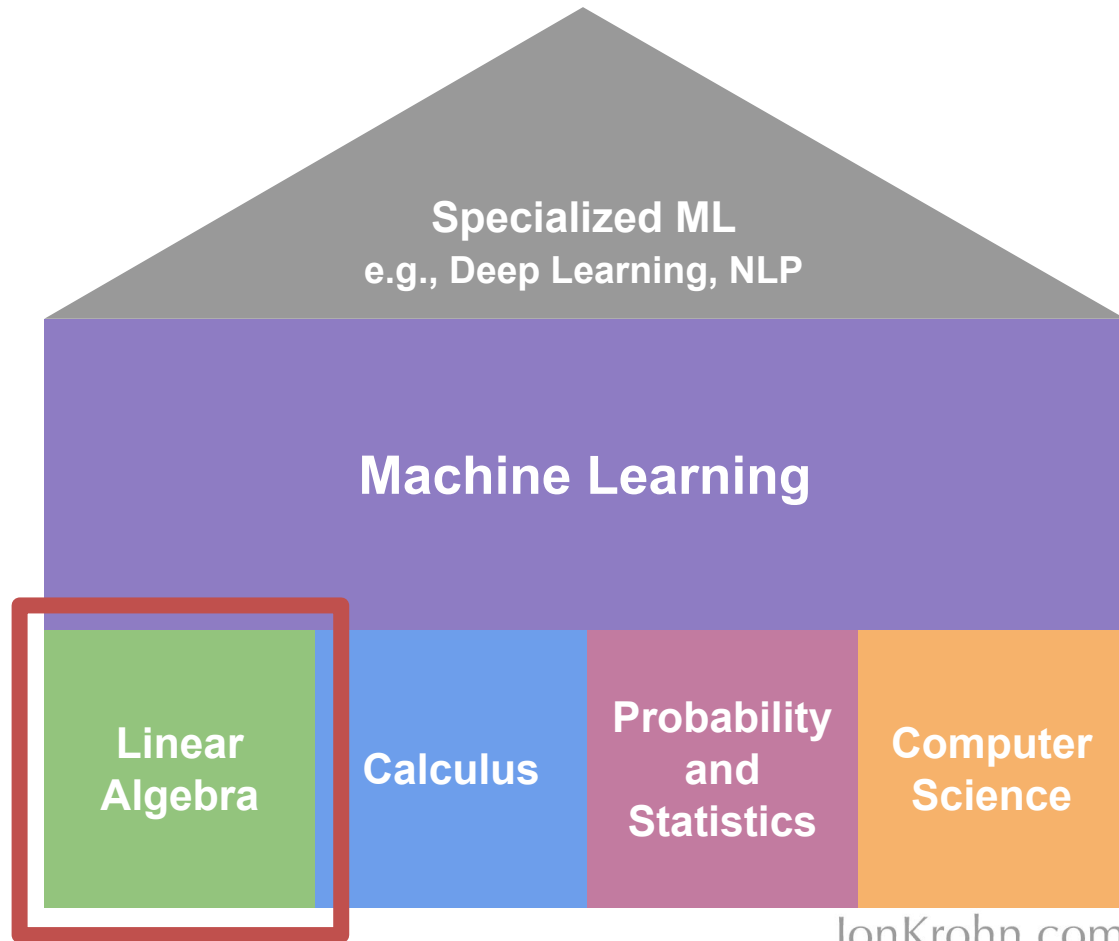
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- Experience applying machine learning with code and some understanding of the underlying theory
- Experience applying machine learning with code and strong understanding of the underlying theory







# ML Foundations Series

*Intro to Linear Algebra* is foundational for:

1. **Intro to Linear Algebra**
2. **Linear Algebra II: Matrix Operations**
3. Calculus I: Limits & Derivatives
4. Calculus II: Partial Derivatives & Integrals
5. Probability & Information Theory
6. Intro to Statistics
7. Algorithms & Data Structures
8. **Optimization**

# Intro to Linear Algebra

1. Data Structures for Algebra
2. Common Tensor Operations
3. Matrix Properties

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# Segment 1: Data Structures for Algebra

- What Linear Algebra Is
- A Brief History of Algebra
- Tensors
- Scalars
- Vectors and Vector Transposition
- Norms and Unit Vectors
- Basis, Orthogonal, and Orthonormal Vectors
- Arrays in NumPy
- Matrices
- Tensors in TensorFlow and PyTorch

# What Algebra Is

**Algebra** is arithmetic that includes non-numerical entities like  $x$ :

$$2x + 5 = 25$$

$$2x + 5 - 5 = 25 - 5$$

$$2x = 20$$

$$2x/2 = 20/2$$

$$x = 10$$

We have determined  $x$  **must equal 10** because  $2(10) + 5 = 25$

# What Linear Algebra Is

If it has an exponential term, it isn't linear algebra, e.g.:

$$2x^2 + 5 = 25$$

$$2\sqrt{x} + 5 = 25$$

# What Linear Algebra Is

## **“Solving for unknowns within system of linear equations”**

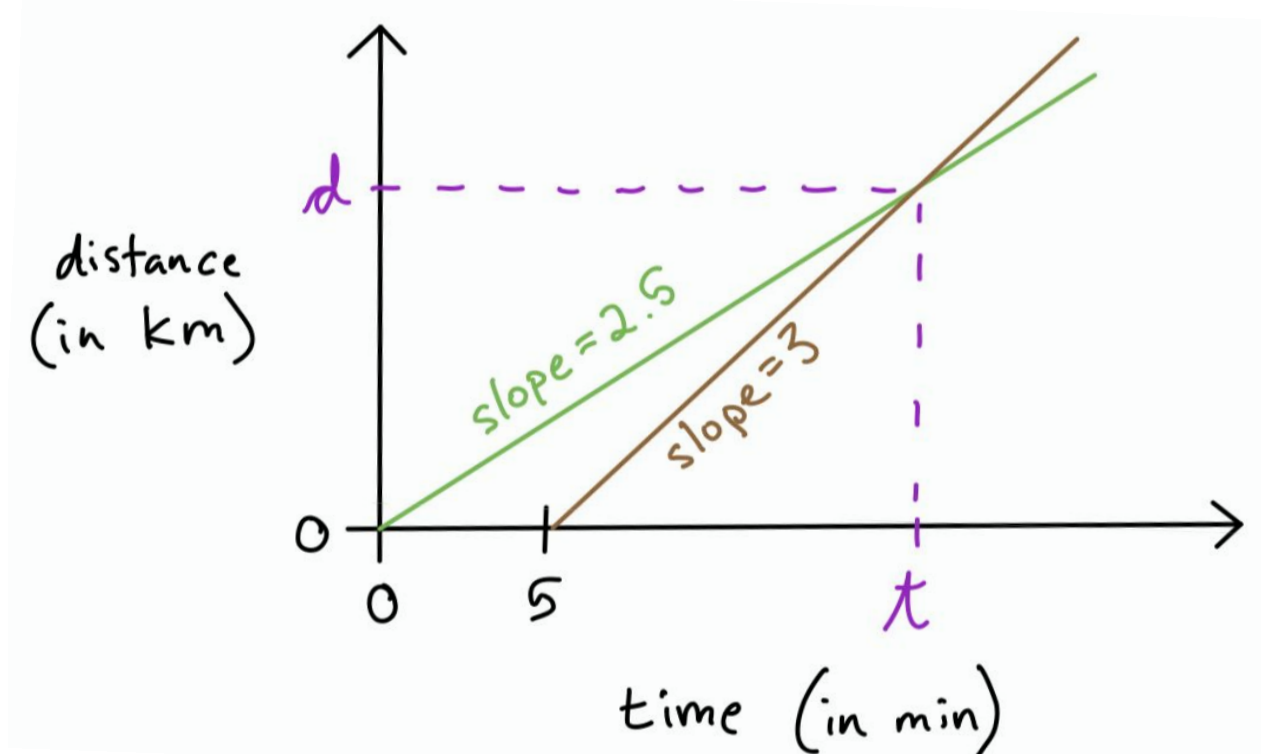
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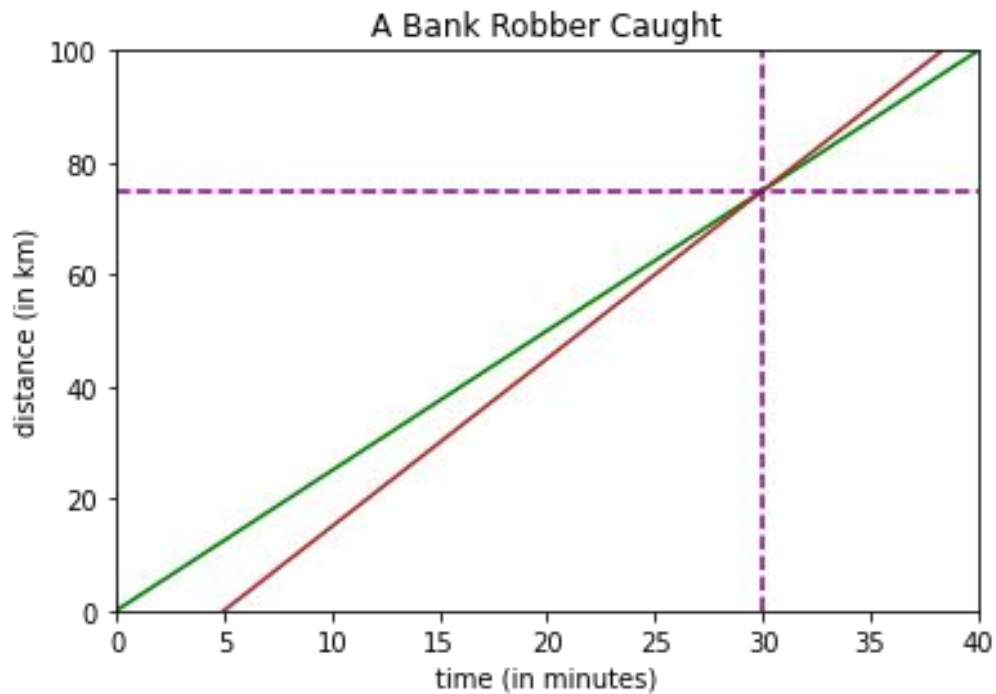
- Sheriff has 180 km/h car
- Bank robber has 150 km/h car and five-minute head start
- How long does it take the sheriff to catch the robber?
- What distance will they have traveled at that point?
- (For simplicity, let's ignore acceleration, traffic, etc.)



# What Linear Algebra Is

Problem could be solved graphically with a plot:





*Hands-on code demo: `1-intro-to-linear-algebra.ipynb`*

# What Linear Algebra Is

Alternatively, problem can be solved *algebraically*:

Equation 1:  $d = 2.5t$

Equation 2:  $d = 3(t - 5)$

$$2.5t = 3(t - 5)$$

$$2.5t = 3t - 15$$

$$2.5t - 3t = -15$$

$$-0.5t = -15$$

$$t = -15 / -0.5 = 30 \text{ min}$$

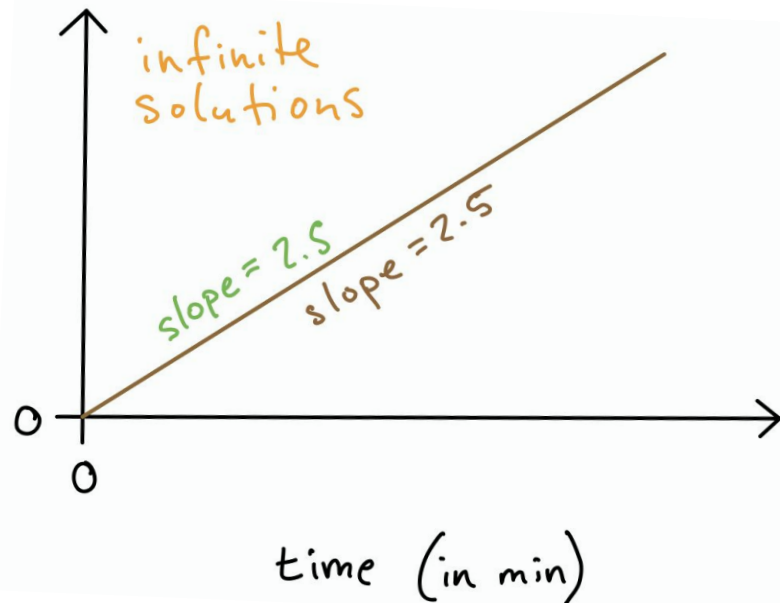
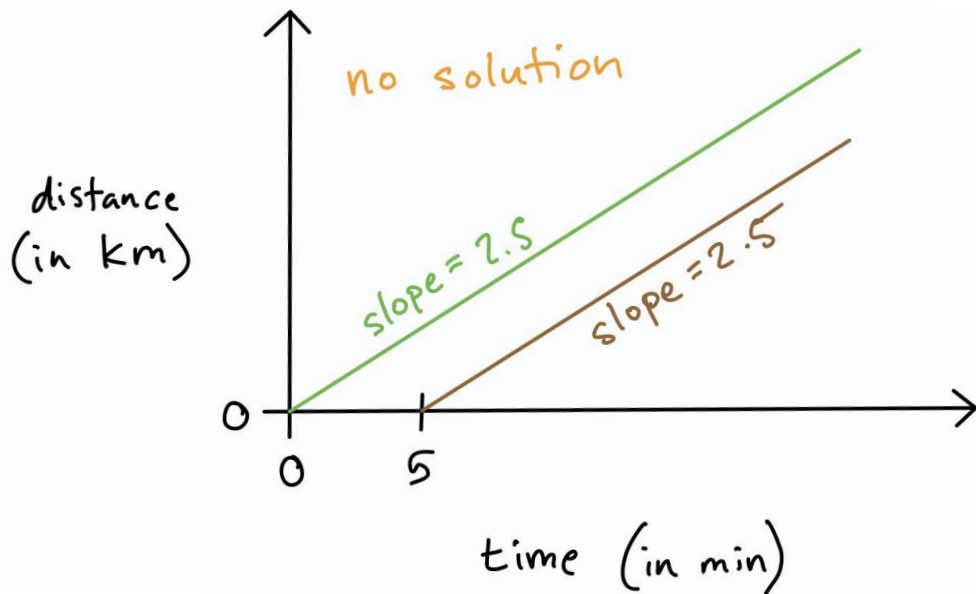
$$d = 2.5t = 2.5(30) = 75 \text{ km}$$

$$d = 3(t - 5) = 3(30 - 5) = 3(25) = 75 \text{ km}$$

# What Linear Algebra Is

**No solution** if sheriff's car is same speed as bank robber's.

**Infinite solutions** if same speed *and* same starting time.



*These are the only three options in linear algebra: one, no, or infinite solutions.*

**It is impossible for lines to cross multiple times.**

# What Linear Algebra Is

In a given system of equations:

- Could be *many* equations
- Could be *many* unknowns in each equation


A handwritten linear equation is shown with several annotations in different colors:

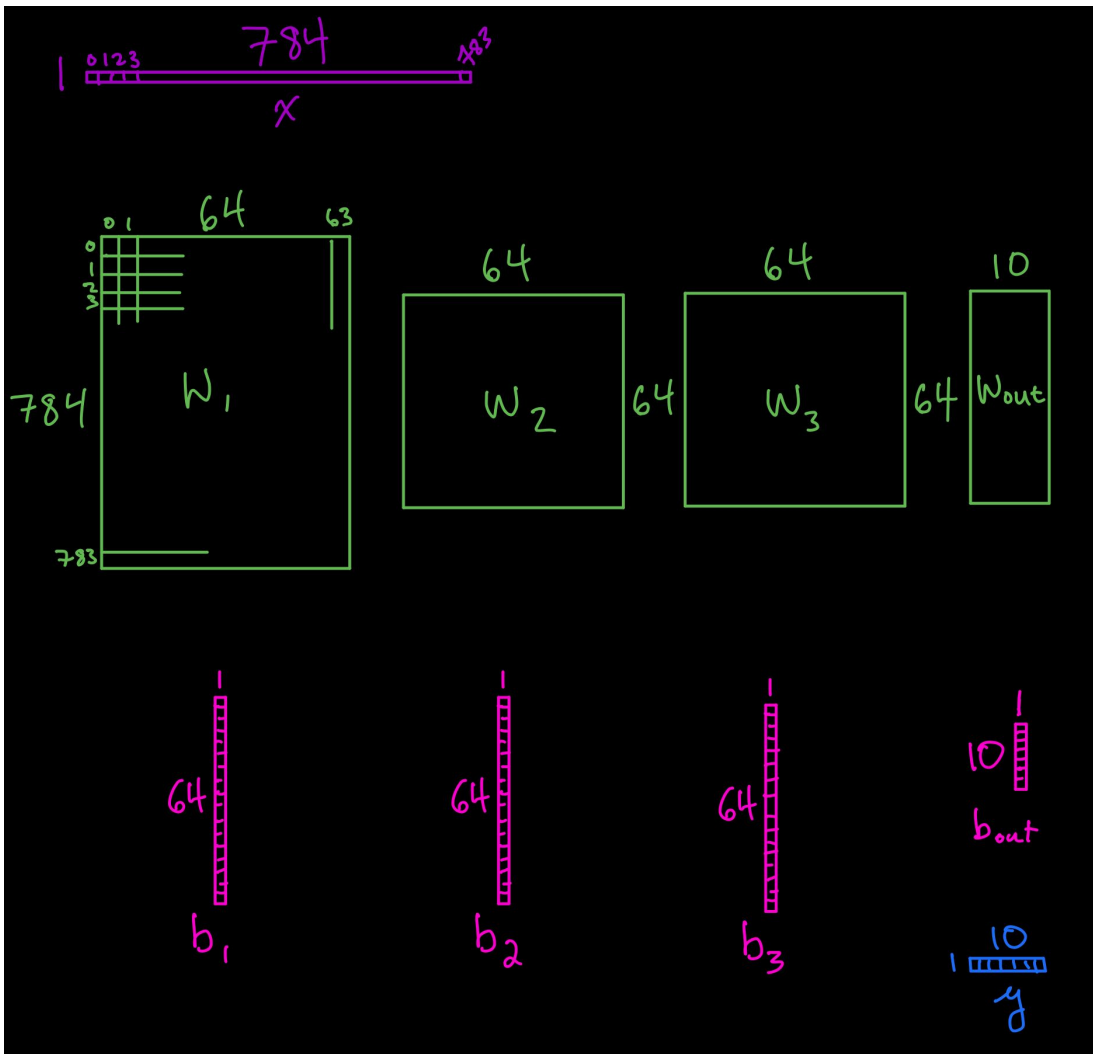
- $y$  is annotated with "house Price" in blue.
- $a$  is annotated with "y-intercept" in green.
- $b$  is annotated with "distance to school" in orange.
- $x_1$  is annotated with "distance to school" in orange.
- $x_2$  is annotated with "number of bedrooms" in brown.
- $x_m$  is annotated with "number of bedrooms" in brown.
- The entire equation is annotated with "there could be  $m$  features (many!)" in grey.

$$y = a + bx_1 + cx_2 + \dots + mx_m$$

$$y = a + b x_1 + c x_2 + \dots + m x_m$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a + b x_{1,1} + c x_{1,2} + \dots + m x_{1,m} \\ a + b x_{2,1} + c x_{2,2} + \dots + m x_{2,m} \\ \vdots \\ a + b x_{n,1} + c x_{n,2} + \dots + m x_{n,m} \end{bmatrix}$$


 For any house  $i$  in the dataset,  
 $y_i$  = price and  $x_{i,1}$  to  $x_{i,m}$  are its features.  
 We solve for parameters  $a, b, c$  to  $m$



See:

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# A Brief History of Algebra

Al-Khwārizmī'  
(c. 780 - c. 850)

wrote *The Compendious Book on Calculation by Completion* (Arabic: “al-jabr”) and *Balancing*

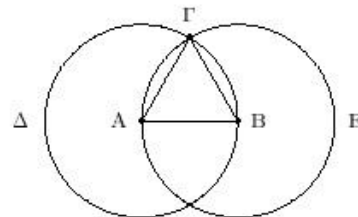




# A Brief History of Algebra

- 1900 BCE: Babylonian “rhetorical”
- 1650 BCE: Egyptians
- 6th century BCE: Indians
- 400-300 BCE: Greeks
- 250 BCE: Chinese
- Europeans much later:
  - 12th century: Arabic to Latin trans.
  - 13th century: rivaled others

Ἐπὶ τῆς δοθείσης εὐθείας πεπερασμένης τριγώνων ἰσοπλευρον συστήσασθαι.  
Ἐστω ἡ δοθείσα εὐθεῖα πεπερασμένη ἡ AB.  
Δεῖ δὴ ἐπὶ τῆς AB εὐθείας τριγώνων ἰσοπλευρον συστήσασθαι.



Κέντρῳ μὲν τῷ Α διαστήματι δὲ τῷ AB κύκλος γεγράφθω ὁ ΒΓΔ, καὶ πάλιν κέντρῳ μὲν τῷ Β διαστήματι δὲ τῷ ΒΑ κύκλος γεγράφθω ὁ ΑΓΕ, καὶ ἀπὸ τοῦ Γ σημείου, καθ' ὃ τέμνουσιν ἀλλήλους αἱ κύκλοι, ἐπὶ τὰ Α, Β σημεία ἐπεζεύχθωσαν εὐθεῖαι αἱ ΓΑ, ΓΒ.

Καὶ ἐπεὶ τὸ Α σημεῖον κέντρον ἐστὶ τοῦ ΓΔΒ κύκλου, ἴση ἐστὶν ἡ ΑΓ τῇ ΑΒ· πάλιν, ἐπεὶ τὸ Β σημεῖον κέντρον ἐστὶ τοῦ ΓΑΕ κύκλου, ἴση ἐστὶν ἡ ΒΓ τῇ ΒΑ. ἔδειχθη δὲ καὶ ἡ ΓΑ τῇ ΑΒ ἴση· ἑκατέρω ἄρα τῶν ΓΑ, ΓΒ τῇ ΑΒ ἐστὶν ἴση· τὰ δὲ τῷ αὐτῷ ἴσα καὶ ἀλλήλοις ἐστὶν ἴσα· καὶ ἡ ΓΑ ἄρα τῇ ΓΒ ἐστὶν ἴση· αἱ τρεῖς ἄρα αἱ ΓΑ, ΑΒ, ΒΓ ἴσαι ἀλλήλαις εἰσὶν.

Ἰσοπλευρον ἄρα ἐστὶ τὸ ΑΒΓ τρίγωνον, καὶ συνέσταται ἐπὶ τῆς δοθείσης εὐθείας πεπερασμένης τῆς ΑΒ.

[Ἐπὶ τῆς δοθείσης ἄρα εὐθείας πεπερασμένης τριγώνων ἰσοπλευρον συνέσταται]: ὅπερ ἔδει ποιῆσαι.

# A Brief History of Algebra

## **Contemporary applications:**

- Solving for unknowns in ML algos, including deep learning
- Reducing dimensionality (e.g., principal component analysis)
- Ranking results (e.g., with eigenvector)
- Recommenders (e.g., singular value decomposition, SVD)
- Natural language processing (e.g., SVD, matrix factorization)
  - Topic modeling
  - Semantic analysis

# Exercise

Jill designs solar panels as a hobby.

On April 1st, Jill's "Mark I" design begins generating power: 1 kJ/day.

On May 1st, her "Mark II" design begins generating 4 kJ of power per day.

1. What day is it when Jill's Mark II design has generated as much total energy as the Mark I design?
2. How much total energy have both generated by that day?
3. What would the solutions to (1.) and (2). be if Mark II design generated 1kJ of power per day?

# Solutions

1. 40 days from April 1st, which is May 10th
2. 40 kJ generated by each design for a total of 80 kJ
3. No solutions.

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$$e = 1t$$

$$e = 4(t - 30)$$

$$4(t - 30) = 1t$$

$$4t - 120 = t$$

$$4t - t = 120$$

$$3t = 120$$

$$t = 40$$

= May 10th

②

$$e = 1t = 1(40) = 40 \text{ kJ}$$

$$e = 4(t - 30) = 4t - 120$$

$$= 4(40) - 120$$

$$= 160 - 120$$

$$= 40 \text{ kJ}$$

$\therefore 80 \text{ kJ total}$

# Tensors

“ML generalization of vectors and matrices to any number of dimensions”

scalar

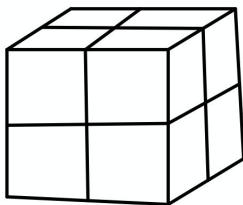
$x$

vector

$[x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3]$

matrix

$\begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} \\ x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$



3-tensor

Dimensions	Mathematical Name	Description
0	scalar	magnitude only
1	vector	array
2	matrix	flat table, e.g., square
3	3-tensor	3D table, e.g., cube
$n$	$n$ -tensor	higher dimensional

# Scalars

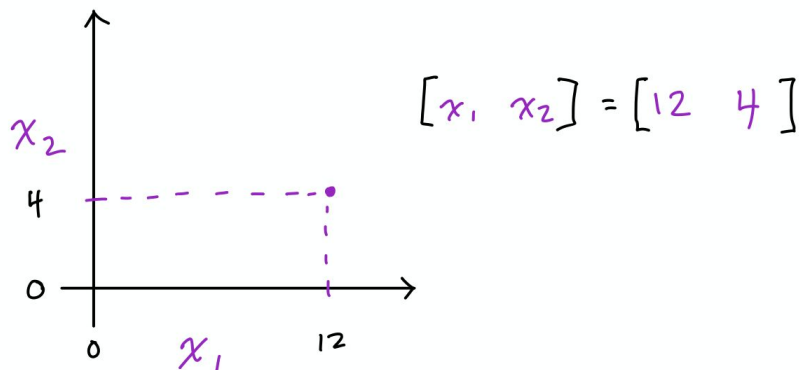
- No dimensions
- Single number
- Denoted in lowercase, italics, e.g.:  $x$
- Should be *typed*, like all other tensors: e.g., int, float32

*Hands-on code demo:* `1-intro-to-linear-algebra.ipynb`



# Vectors

- One-dimensional array of numbers
- Denoted in lowercase, italics, bold, e.g.:  $\mathbf{x}$
- Arranged in an order, so element can be accessed by its index
  - Elements are scalars so *not* bold, e.g., second element of  $\mathbf{x}$  is  $x_2$
- Representing a point in space:
  - Vector of length two represents location in 2D matrix (shown)
  - Length of three represents location in 3D cube
  - Length of  $n$  represents location in  $n$ -dimensional space



# Vector Transposition

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

row vector

shape is (1, 3)

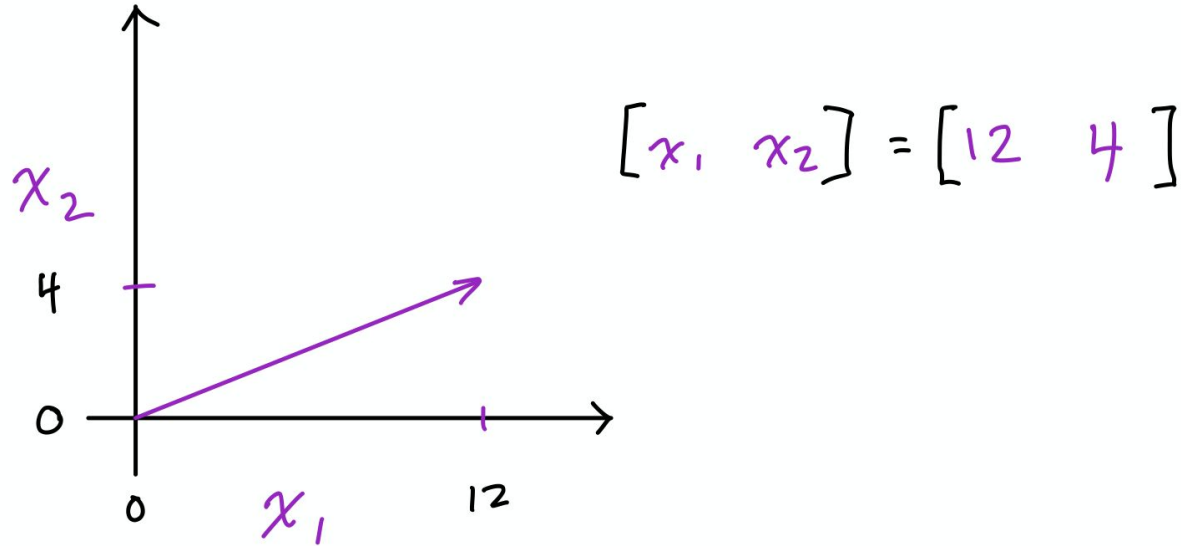
column  
vector

(3, 1)

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# Norms

Vectors represent a magnitude and direction from origin:



**Norms** are functions that quantify vector magnitude.

# $L^2$ Norm

- Described by:

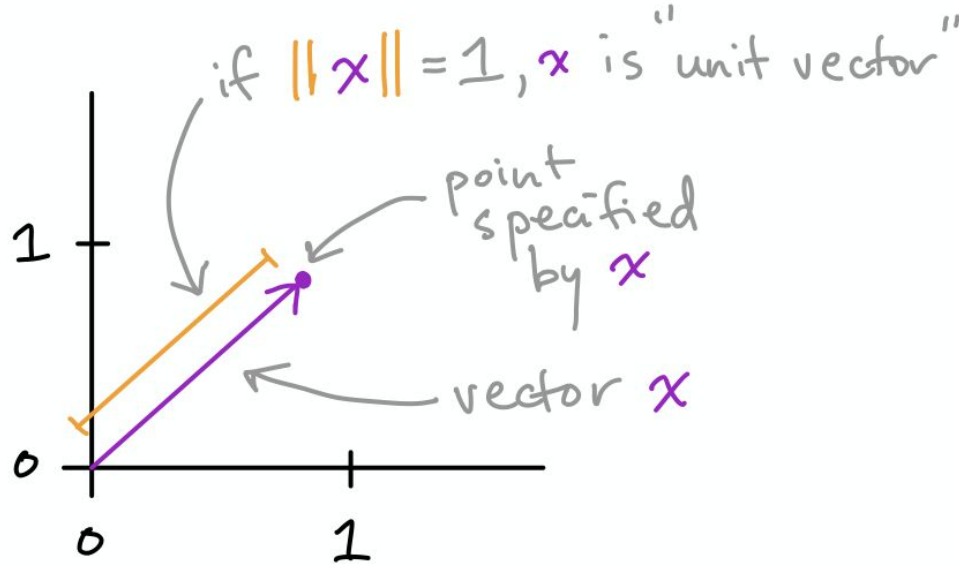
$$\| \mathbf{x} \|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_i x_i^2}$$

- Measures simple (Euclidean) distance from origin
- Most common norm in machine learning
  - Instead of  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2$ , it can be denoted as  $\|\mathbf{x}\|$

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# Unit Vectors

- Special case of vector where its length is equal to one
- Technically,  $\mathbf{x}$  is a unit vector with “unit norm”, i.e.:  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = 1$



# Beyond the $L^2$ Norm

- Over next few slides, we'll skim over other common norms in ML
- For our immediate purposes, only  $L^2$  is important

# $L^1$ Norm

- Described by:

$$\|x\|_1 = \sum_i |x_i|$$

- Another common norm in ML
- Varies linearly at all locations whether near or far from origin
- Used whenever difference between zero and non-zero is key

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# Squared $L^2$ Norm

- Described by: 
$$\| \mathbf{x} \|_2^2 = \sum_i x_i^2$$
- Computationally cheaper to use than  $L^2$  norm because:
  - Squared  $L^2$  norm equals simply  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}$
  - Derivative (used to train many ML algorithms) of element  $x$  requires that element alone, whereas  $L^2$  norm requires  $\mathbf{x}$  vector
- Downside is it grows slowly near origin so can't be used if distinguishing between zero and near-zero is important

*Hands-on code demo*



# Max Norm (or $L^\infty$ Norm)

- Described by:

$$\|x\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|$$

- Final norm we'll discuss; also occurs frequently in ML
- Returns the absolute value of the largest-magnitude element

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# Generalized $L^p$ Norm

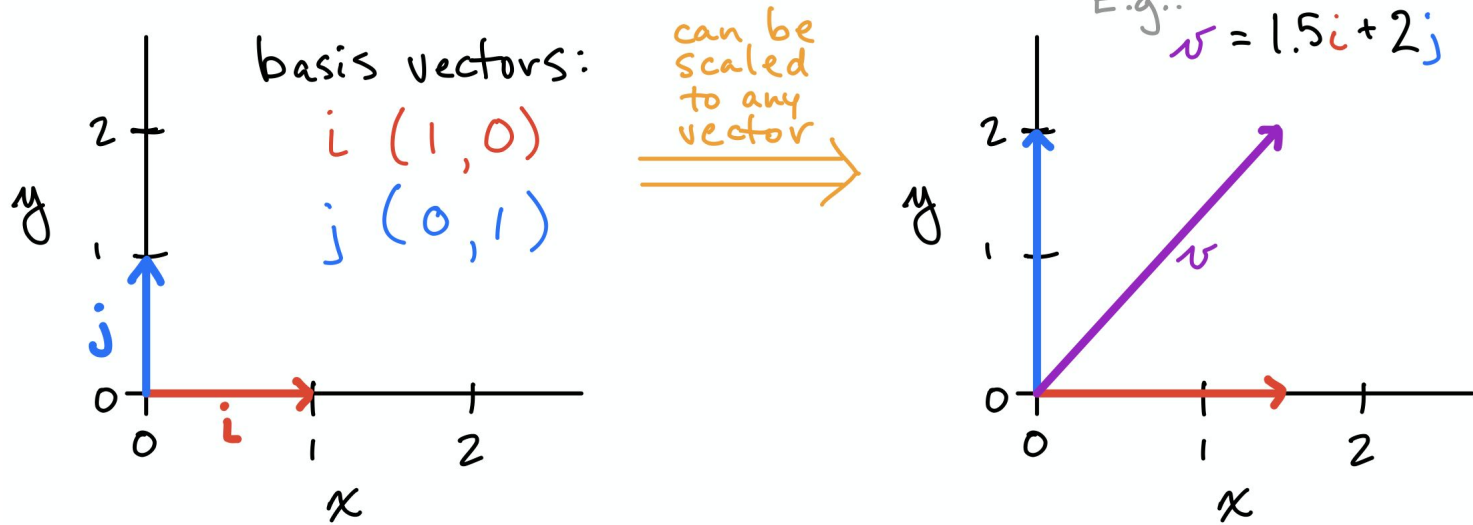
- Described by:

$$\| \mathbf{x} \|_p = \left( \sum_i |\mathbf{x}_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

- $p$  must be:
  - A real number
  - Greater than or equal to one
- Can derive  $L^1$ ,  $L^2$ , and  $L^\infty$  norm formulae by substituting for  $p$
- Norms, particularly  $L^1$  and  $L^2$ , used to regularize objective functions

# Basis Vectors

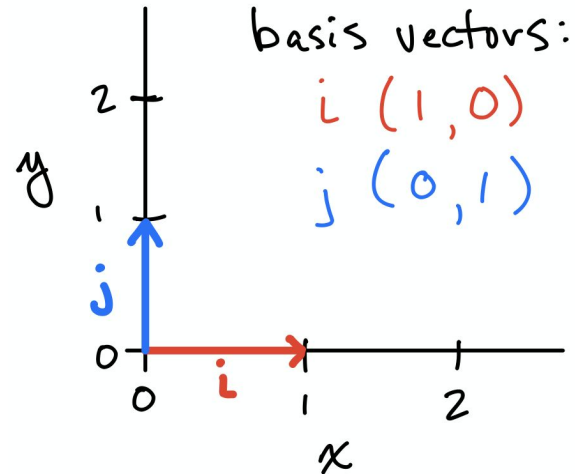
- Can be scaled to represent *any* vector in a given vector space
- Typically use unit vectors along axes of vector space (shown)



# Orthogonal Vectors

- $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are orthogonal vectors if  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0$
- Are at  $90^\circ$  angle to each other (assuming non-zero norms)
- $n$ -dimensional space has max  $n$  mutually orthogonal vectors (again, assuming non-zero norms)
- **Orthonormal** vectors are orthogonal *and* all have unit norm
  - Basis vectors are an example

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# Matrices

- Two-dimensional array of numbers
- Denoted in uppercase, italics, bold, e.g.:  $\mathbf{X}$
- Height given priority ahead of width in notation, i.e.:  $(n_{\text{row}}, n_{\text{col}})$ 
  - If  $\mathbf{X}$  has three rows and two columns, its shape is  $(3, 2)$
- Individual scalar elements denoted in uppercase, italics only
  - Element in top-right corner of matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  above would be  $X_{1,2}$
- Colon represents an entire row or column:
  - Left column of matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $\mathbf{X}_{:,1}$
  - Middle row of matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $\mathbf{X}_{2,:}$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{1,1} & X_{1,2} \\ X_{2,1} & X_{2,2} \\ X_{3,1} & X_{3,2} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 2 \\ 5 & 26 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Generic Tensor Notation

- Upper-case, bold, italics, sans serif, e.g., ***X***
- In a 4-tensor ***X***, element at position  $(i, j, k, l)$  denoted as ***X*** <sub>$(i, j, k, l)$</sub>

*Hands-on code demo of Higher-Rank Tensors*

# Exercises

1. What is the transpose of this vector?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ -23 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Using algebraic notation, what are the dimensions of this matrix  $Y$ ?

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} 42 & 4 & 7 & 99 \\ -99 & -3 & 17 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Using algebraic notation, what is the position of the element in this matrix  $Y$  with the value of 17?

# Solutions

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ -23 \end{bmatrix}^T = [25 \quad 2 \quad -3 \quad -23]$

2.  $(2, 4)$

3.  $Y_{2,3}$



# Intro to Linear Algebra

1. Data Structures for Algebra
2. **Common Tensor Operations**
3. Matrix Properties

# Segment 2: Tensor Operations

- Tensor Transposition
- Basic Tensor Arithmetic
- Reduction
- The Dot Product
- Solving Linear Systems

# Tensor Transposition

- Transpose of scalar is itself, e.g.:  $x^T = x$
- Transpose of vector, seen earlier, converts column to row (and vice versa)
- Scalar and vector transposition are special cases of **matrix transposition**:
  - Flip of axes over **main diagonal** such that:

$$(X^T)_{i,j} = X_{j,i}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} \\ x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} \\ x_{3,1} & x_{3,2} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{2,1} & x_{3,1} \\ x_{1,2} & x_{2,2} & x_{3,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Exercises

1. What is  $\mathbf{Y}^T$ ?

$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 42 & 4 & 7 & 99 \\ -99 & -3 & 17 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. What is the Hadamard product of these matrices?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 25 & 10 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \odot \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 7 \\ 10 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. What is the dot product of the tensors  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{x}$ ?

$$\mathbf{w} = [-1 \quad 2 \quad -2]$$

$$\mathbf{x} = [5 \quad 10 \quad 0]$$

# Solutions

$$y^T = \begin{bmatrix} 42 & -99 \\ 4 & -3 \\ 7 & 17 \\ 99 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 25 & 10 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \odot \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 7 \\ 10 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -25 & 70 \\ -20 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w = [-1 \quad 2 \quad -2]$$

$$x = [5 \quad 10 \quad 0]$$

$$\begin{aligned} w \cdot x &= w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + w_3 x_3 \\ &= (-1)(5) + (2)(10) + (-2)(0) \\ &= -5 + 20 + 0 \\ &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

# Answers

1.  $y^T = \begin{bmatrix} 42 & -99 \\ 4 & -3 \\ 7 & 17 \\ 99 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$

2.  $\begin{bmatrix} -25 & 70 \\ -20 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

3. 15

# Solving Linear Systems

In the next segment, we'll cover enough theory to use matrices to solve some simple linear systems *computationally*.

To understand the problem of solving linear systems more intimately, let's first solve some *algebraically on paper*.

# Solving Linear Systems

## Method 1: Substitution

- Use whenever there's a variable in system with coefficient of 1

For example, when solving for  $x$  and  $y$  in the following system:

$$y = 3x$$

$$-5x + 2y = 2$$

...we can substitute  $y$  with  $3x$  in the second equation.



# Substitution

$$\begin{cases} y = 3x \\ -5x + 2y = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -5x + 2y &= 2 \\ -5x + 2(3x) &= 2 \\ -5x + 6x &= 2 \\ x &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 3x \\ &= 3(2) \\ &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = (2, 6)$$

*Hands-on code demo*

# Exercises

Solve for the unknowns in the following systems of equations:

1.  $x + y = 6$  and  $2x + 3y = 16$

2.  $-x + 4y = 0$  and  $2x - 5y = -6$

3.  $y = 4x + 1$  and  $-4x + y = 2$

# Solutions

1.  $(2, 4)$
2.  $(-8, -2)$
3. No solution.

# Solving Linear Systems

## Method 2: Elimination

- Typically best option if no variable in system has coefficient of 1
- Use *addition property* of equations to eliminate variables
  - If necessary, multiply one or both equations to make elimination of a variable possible

For example, solve for the unknowns in the following system:

$$2x - 3y = 15$$

$$4x + 10y = 14$$

...by multiplying the first equation by **-2** and adding the equations.

# Elimination

$$\begin{cases} (2x - 3y = 15) \times -2 \\ 4x + 10y = 14 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} -4x + 6y = -30 \\ 4x + 10y = 14 \end{cases}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} 16y &= -16 \\ y &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$2x - 3y = 15$$

$$2x - 3(-1) = 15$$

$$2x + 3 = 15$$

$$2x = 12$$

$$x = 6$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = (6, -1)$$

# Exercises

Solve for the unknowns in the following systems of equations:

1.  $4x - 3y = 25$  and  $-3x + 8y = 10$

2.  $-9x - 15y = -15$  and  $3x + 5y = -10$

3.  $4x + 2y = 4$  and  $-5x - 3y = -7$

# Solutions

1.  $(10, 5)$
2. No solution.
3.  $(-1, 4)$

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# Segment 3: Matrix Properties

- The Frobenius Norm
- Matrix Multiplication
- Symmetric and Identity Matrices
- Matrix Inversion
- Diagonal Matrices
- Orthogonal Matrices

# Frobenius Norm

- Described by:

$$\|X\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} x_{i,j}^2}$$

- Analogous to  $L^2$  norm of vector
- Measures the size of matrix in terms of Euclidean distance
  - It's the sum of the magnitude of all the vectors in  $X$

*Hands-on code demo*

# Matrix Multiplication

$$\begin{matrix} m \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} C \end{array} \right] \\ p \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} m \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} A \end{array} \right] \\ n \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} n \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} B \end{array} \right] \\ p \end{matrix}$$

$$C_{i,k} = \sum_j A_{i,j} B_{j,k}$$

# Matrix Multiplication (with a Vector)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 \\ 5 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 2 \\ 7 \cdot 1 + 8 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 + 8 \\ 5 + 12 \\ 7 + 16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 17 \\ 23 \end{bmatrix}$$

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# (Matrix-by-)Matrix Multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 9 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 & 3 \cdot 9 + 4 \cdot 0 \\ 5 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 2 & 5 \cdot 9 + 6 \cdot 0 \\ 7 \cdot 1 + 8 \cdot 2 & 7 \cdot 9 + 8 \cdot 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 27 \\ 17 & 45 \\ 23 & 63 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$y = a + b x_1 + c x_2 + \dots + m x_m$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a + b x_{1,1} + c x_{1,2} + \dots + m x_{1,m} \\ a + b x_{2,1} + c x_{2,2} + \dots + m x_{2,m} \\ \vdots \\ a + b x_{n,1} + c x_{n,2} + \dots + m x_{n,m} \end{bmatrix}$$

Strictly speaking,  
 $x$  extends  
 rightward to  $m-1$   
 not  $m$  because of  
 the presence of  $a$   
 on the far left.

↖ For any house  $i$  in the dataset,  
 $y_i$  = price and  $x_{i,1}$  to  $x_{i,m}$  are its features.  
 We solve for parameters  $a, b, c$  to  $m$

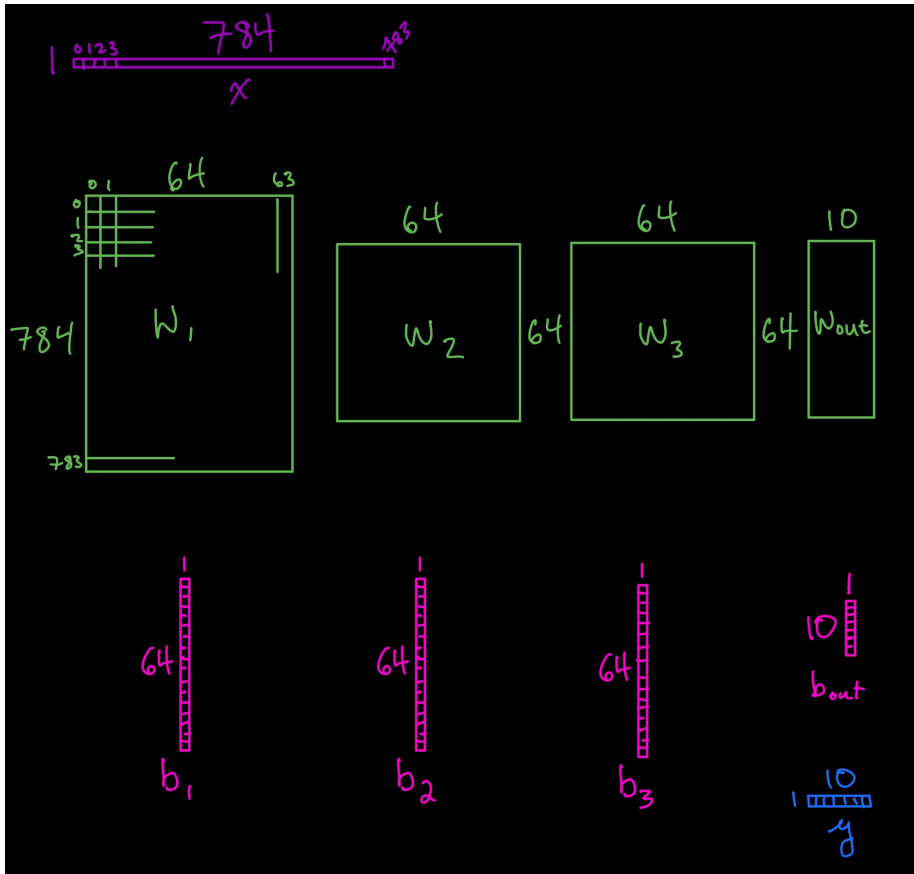
# Matrix Multiplication (in Regression)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{\textit{n}} \\ \text{cases} \\ \text{tall} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} | & x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} & \cdots & x_{1,m} \\ | & x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} & \cdots & x_{2,m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ | & x_{n,1} & x_{n,2} & \cdots & x_{n,m} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ \vdots \\ m \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{m \text{ features wide}}$

In other words, the matrix represents an  $m$ -dimensional space.

# Matrix Multiplication (in Deep Learning)



See:

- [artificial-neurons.ipynb](#)
- [jonkrohn.com/deepTF1](#)
- [jonkrohn.com/convTF1](#)
- [jonkrohn.com/convTF2](#)
- [jonkrohn.com/deepPT](#)



# Symmetric Matrices

Special matrix case with following properties:

- Square
- $\mathbf{X}^T = \mathbf{X}$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Identity Matrices

Symmetric matrix where:

- Every element along main diagonal is 1
- All other elements are 0
- Notation:  $I_n$  where  $n$  = height (or width)
- $n$ -length vector unchanged if multiplied by  $I_n$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$I_4$

# Exercises

Using paper and pen(cil), multiply the following tensors:

1. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Repeat Q1 using the same vector but replace matrix with  $\mathbf{I}_3$

3. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Solutions

1.  $[-3, -9, -15]$

2.  $[-1, 1, -2]$

3.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 5 \\ -9 & 14 \\ -15 & 23 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrix Inversion

- Clever, convenient approach for solving linear equations
- An alternative to manually solving with substitution or elimination
- **Matrix inverse** of  $X$  is denoted as  $X^{-1}$ 
  - Satisfies:  $X^{-1}X = I_n$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$I_4$

# Matrix Inversion

$$\begin{matrix} \text{\textit{n}} \\ \text{cases} \\ \text{tall} \end{matrix} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} | & x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} & \cdots & x_{1,m} \\ | & x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} & \cdots & x_{2,m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ | & x_{n,1} & x_{n,2} & \cdots & x_{n,m} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{\textit{m} features wide}} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ \vdots \\ m \end{bmatrix}$$

The regression formula can be represented as:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} \quad (\mathbf{w} \text{ is the vector of weights } a \text{ through } m)$$

# Matrix Inversion

In the equation  $y = Xw$ :

- We know the outcomes  $y$ , which could be house prices
- We know the features  $X$ , which are predictors like bedroom count
- Vector  $w$  contains the unknowns, the model's learnable parameters

Assuming  $X^{-1}$  exists, matrix inversion can solve for  $w$ :

$$Xw = y$$

$$X^{-1}Xw = X^{-1}y$$

$$I_n w = X^{-1}y$$

$$w = X^{-1}y$$

# Matrix Inversion

$$\begin{cases} 4b + 2c = 4 \\ -5b - 3c = -7 \end{cases}$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} \\ x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = X^{-1}y$$

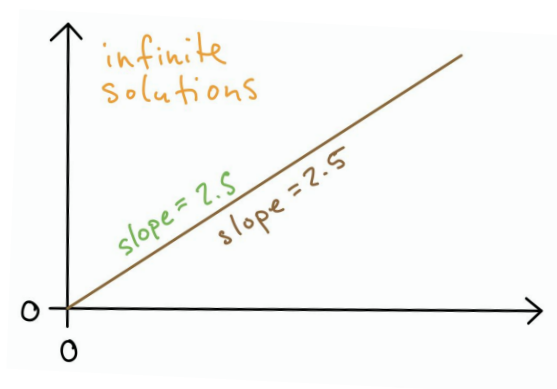
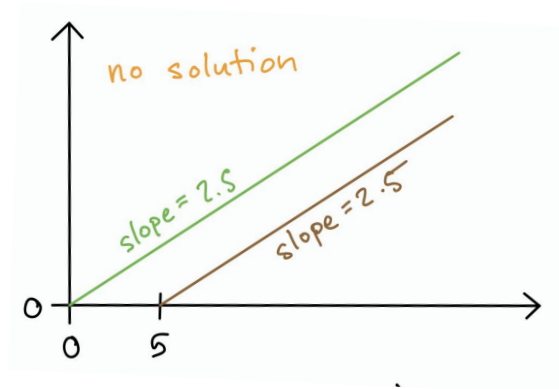
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# Matrix Inversion

Nifty trick, but can only be calculated if:

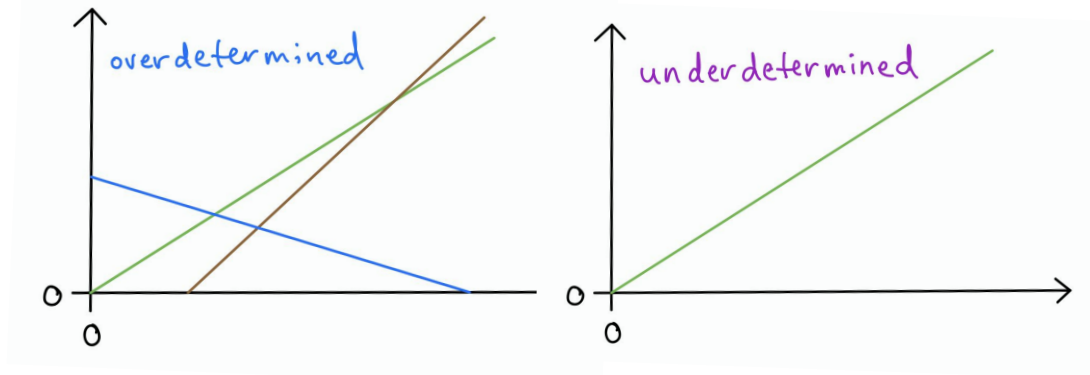
- Matrix isn't "singular"
- That is, all columns of matrix must be linearly independent
  - E.g., if a column is  $[1, 2]$ , another can't be  $[2, 4]$  or also be  $[1, 2]$



# Matrix Inversion

...Can also only be calculated if:

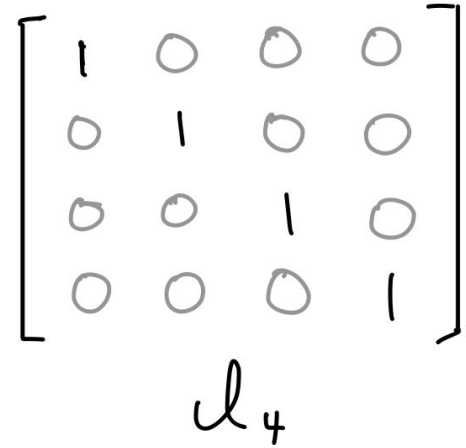
- Matrix is square:  $n_{\text{row}} = n_{\text{col}}$  (i.e., “vector span” = “matrix range”)
  - Avoids **overdetermination**:  $n_{\text{row}} > n_{\text{col}}$  -- i.e.:  $n_{\text{equations}} > n_{\text{dimensions}}$
  - Avoids **underdetermination**:  $n_{\text{row}} < n_{\text{col}}$  -- i.e.:  $n_{\text{equations}} < n_{\text{dimensions}}$



*Note that solving for unknowns may still be possible by other means if matrix can't be inverted  
(Algebra II)*

# Diagonal Matrices

- Nonzero elements along main diagonal; zeros everywhere else
- Identity matrix is an example
- If square, denoted as  $\text{diag}(\mathbf{x})$  where  $\mathbf{x}$  is vector of main-diagonal elements
- Computationally efficient:
  - Multiplication:  $\text{diag}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} \odot \mathbf{y}$
  - Inversion:  $\text{diag}(\mathbf{x})^{-1} = \text{diag}[1/\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, 1/\mathbf{x}_n]^T$ 
    - Can't divide by zero so  $\mathbf{x}$  can't include zero
- Can be non-square and computation still efficient:
  - If  $h > w$ , simply add zeros to product
  - If  $w > h$ , remove elements from product


$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$I_4$

# Orthogonal Matrices

Recall orthonormal vectors from earlier:

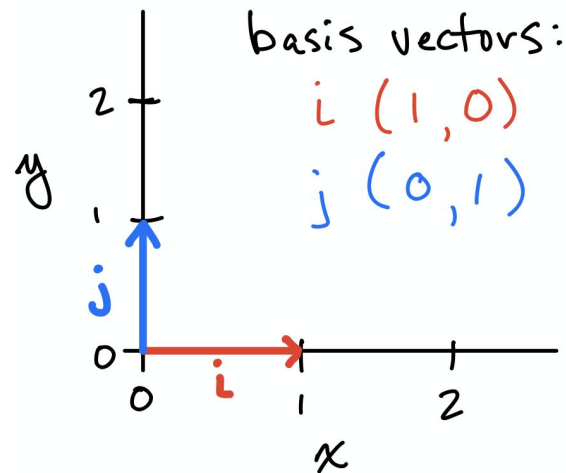
In orthogonal matrices, orthonormal vectors:

- Make up all rows
- Make up all columns

This means:  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{I}$

Which also means:  $\mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$

Calculating  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is cheap, therefore so is calculating  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$



Note that  
“orthonormal matrix”  
isn't a thing.

And there's no name  
for a matrix made of  
orthogonal vectors.

# Exercises

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$I_3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & 1/3 & 2/3 \\ -2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 2/3 & -2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$K$

*Identity matrices are orthogonal.*

1. With paper and pencil, use the dot product to demonstrate that any two columns of  $I_3$  are orthogonal to each other.
2. Similarly, use paper and pencil to demonstrate that each of the columns of  $I_3$  has unit norm.
3. Repeat Exercises (1.) and (2.) using code, e.g., NumPy.
4. Now using matrix  $K$  instead of  $I_3$ , repeat Exercises (1.) through (3.) to assess whether  $K$  is orthogonal.

# POLL *with Multiple Answers Possible*

What follow-up topics interest you most?

- More Linear Algebra
- Calculus
- Probability / Statistics
- Computer Science (e.g., algorithms, data structures)
- Machine Learning Basics
- Advanced Machine Learning, incl. Deep Learning
- Something Else

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