

# Matrix Algebra: Dimension and Rank

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# Rank Theorem

- Theorem:
  - $\text{col rank}(A) = \text{row rank}(A)$
  - In general it is called rank of matrix!  $\text{rank}(A)$
  - Proof?

# Rank Properties

- $\text{col rank}(A_{m \times n}) \leq \min(m, n)$
- $\text{row rank}(A_{m \times n}) \leq \min(m, n)$
- $\dim(\text{range}(A)) = \text{rank}(A)$   
 $\text{nullity}(A) + \text{rank}(A) = n$   
 $\text{rank}(A) \leq \min(m, n)$

# Rank Properties

- For  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ 
  1.  $\text{rank}(A) \leq \min(m, n)$
  2.  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T)$
  3.  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min(\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B))$
  4.  $\text{rank}(A + B) \leq \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B)$
- $A$  has *full rank* if  $\text{rank}(A) = \min(m, n)$
- If  $m > \text{rank}(A)$  rows not linearly independent
  - Same for columns if  $n > \text{rank}(A)$

# Rank Properties

- The **range** or the columnspace of a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , denoted  $\mathcal{R}(A)$ , is the span of the columns of  $A$ . In other words,

$$\mathcal{R}(A) = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^m : v = Ax, x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}.$$

- Assuming  $A$  is full rank and  $n < m$ , the projection of a vector  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$  onto the range of  $A$  is given by,

$$\text{Proj}(y; A) = \operatorname{argmin}_{v \in \mathcal{R}(A)} \|v - y\|_2 = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T y \ .$$

- When  $A$  contains only a single column,  $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , this gives the special case for a projection of a vector on to a line:

$$\text{Proj}(y; a) = \frac{aa^T}{a^T a} y \ .$$

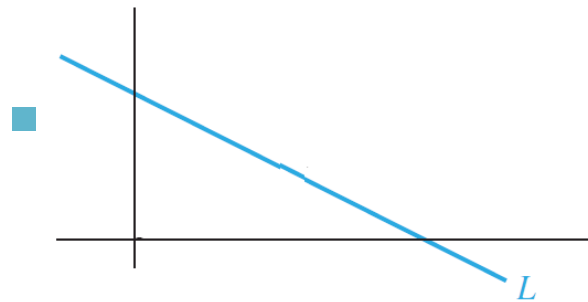
# Review: Subspace

A **subspace** of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is any set  $H$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that has three properties:

- The zero vector is in  $H$ .
- For each  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $H$ , the sum  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  is in  $H$ .
- For each  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $H$  and each scalar  $c$ , the vector  $c\mathbf{u}$  is in  $H$ .

## ■ Examples

- $H = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ , then  $H$  is a subspace



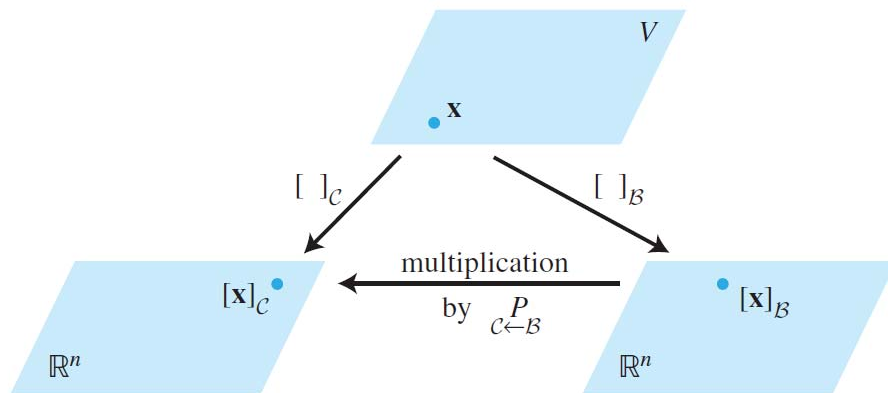
# Change of Basis

Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n\}$  be bases of a vector space  $V$ . Then there is a unique  $n \times n$  matrix  ${}_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}P$  such that

$$[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}} = {}_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}P [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad (4)$$

The columns of  ${}_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}P$  are the  $\mathcal{C}$ -coordinate vectors of the vectors in the basis  $\mathcal{B}$ . That is,

$${}_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}P = \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{b}_1]_{\mathcal{C}} & [\mathbf{b}_2]_{\mathcal{C}} & \cdots & [\mathbf{b}_n]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$



$$({}_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}P)^{-1} = {}_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}}P$$



# Change of Basis

## ■ Example

Let  $\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  
the bases for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2\}$ .

- Find the change-of-coordinates matrix from  $\mathcal{C}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$ .
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## ■ Final Review!

$$P_{\mathcal{B}}[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \mathbf{x}, \quad P_{\mathcal{C}}[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}} = \mathbf{x}, \quad \text{and} \quad [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C}}^{-1} \mathbf{x}$$

$$[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} = P_{\mathcal{C}}^{-1} P_{\mathcal{B}}[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$$



# QR Decompose and Matrix Inverse

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# Gram Matrix

Consider an  $n \times m$  matrix  $A$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ , where

$$A = [x_1 \ \cdots \ x_m]$$

The  $m \times m$  matrix  $A^T A$  is :

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^T x_1 & x_1^T x_2 & \cdots & x_1^T x_m \\ x_2^T x_1 & x_2^T x_2 & \cdots & x_2^T x_m \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_m^T x_1 & x_m^T x_2 & \cdots & x_m^T x_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that  $A: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $A^T A: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ . We've already seen that:

1.  $\text{rank } A = \text{rank } A^T A$  and  $\text{nullity } A = \text{nullity } A^T A$  (in fact,  $N_A = N_{A^T A}$ )
2.  $A^T A \geq 0$
3. If  $N_A = 0$ , then the projection matrix onto  $\text{Span}(x_1, \dots, x_m)$  is  $A(A^T A)^{-1}A^T$ .

This is an example of a **Gram matrix**.

# Gram Matrix

- A Gram matrix is Positive Definite and Symmetric
- $G = AA^T$  is left Gram matrix
- Gram Matrix and Left Gram Matrix are symmetric

- Null space:  $N(A^T A) = N(A)$

- Rank:  $\text{rank}(A^T A) = \text{rank}(A) = n - \text{nullity}(A)$

$$C(A^T A) = R(A^T A) = R(A)$$

$$C(AA^T) = R(AA^T) = C(A)$$

# Review: Orthonormal Vectors

- a collection of real  $m$ -vectors  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  is *orthonormal* if
  - the vectors have unit norm:  $\|a_i\| = 1$
  - they are mutually orthogonal:  $a_i^T a_j = 0$  if  $i \neq j$

## Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Orthogonal Matrix

- Columns of  $A_{n \times k} = [a_1 \ \cdots \ a_k]$  are orthonormal.  
 $n \geq k$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_n \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_1^T a_1 & a_1^T a_2 & \cdots & a_1^T a_n \\ a_2^T a_1 & a_2^T a_2 & \cdots & a_2^T a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_n^T a_1 & a_n^T a_2 & \cdots & a_n^T a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

“matrix with orthonormal columns”

# Orthogonal Matrix



- Columns of  $A$  are orthonormal  $\leftrightarrow A^T A = I$
- Square matrix with orthonormal columns is a orthogonal matrix
  - columns and rows are orthonormal vectors
  - $Q^T Q = Q Q^T = I$
  - is necessarily invertible with inverse  $Q^T = Q^{-1}$

# Orthogonal Matrix

- Examples

- Identity matrix  $I^T I = I$

- Rotation matrix

$$\begin{aligned} R^T R &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta & -\cos \theta \sin \theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ -\sin \theta \cos \theta + \cos \theta \sin \theta & \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I \end{aligned}$$

- Reflection matrix

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\theta) & \sin(2\theta) \\ \sin(2\theta) & -\cos(2\theta) \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\theta) & \sin(2\theta) \\ \sin(2\theta) & -\cos(2\theta) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2(2\theta) + \sin^2(2\theta) & \cos(2\theta) \sin(2\theta) - \sin(2\theta) \cos(2\theta) \\ \sin(2\theta) \cos(2\theta) - \cos(2\theta) \sin(2\theta) & \sin^2(2\theta) + \cos^2(2\theta) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I \end{aligned}$$



# Orthogonal Matrix

- All  $2 \times 2$  orthogonal matrices can be expressed as Rotation or Reflection

# Orthonormal Columns Properties

if  $A \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times n}$  has orthonormal columns, then the linear function  $f(x) = Ax$

- preserves inner products:

$$(Ax)^T(Ay) =$$

**This is a mapping with  
preserving properties of input**

- preserves norms:

$$\|Ax\| =$$

- preserves distances:  $\|Ax - Ay\| = \|x - y\|$

- preserves angles:

$$\angle(Ax, Ay) = \arccos \left( \frac{(Ax)^T(Ay)}{\|Ax\| \|Ay\|} \right) = \arccos \left( \frac{x^T y}{\|x\| \|y\|} \right) = \angle(x, y)$$