Chapter 1

Introduction to Matrices

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1.0 Introduction

This chapter reviews vectors and matrices and basic *properties* like shape, orthogonality, determinant, eigenvalues and trace. It also reviews some *operations* like multiplication and transpose.

Source material for this chapter includes [1, §1.1-1.4, 2.1, 3.1, 9.1].

1.1 Basics

Why vector?

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- Data organization
- To group into matrices (data) or to be acted on by matrices (operations)

Example: Personal attributes - age, height, weight, eye color (?) ...

Example: Digital grayscale image (!)

- A vector in the vector space of 2D arrays.
- I rarely think of a digital image as a "matrix"!

(Read the Appendix on p. 1.71 about general vector spaces.)

Why matrix?

Two reasons:

- data array
- linear operation aka linear map or linear transformation

Example: data matrix:

return to personal attributes person1, person2, ...

Example: linear operation:

DFT matrix in 1D

DFT matrix in 2D

unified as matrix-vector operation:

$$X = W x$$
 $N \times 1 \text{ spectrum}$
 $N \times N \text{ DFT} \longrightarrow N \times 1 \text{ signal}$

(DFT is a prereq term)

Example (classic): solve system of linear equations with N equations in N unknowns:

$$ax_1 + bx_2 + cx_3 = u$$

$$dx_1 + ex_2 + fx_3 = v \implies \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}, \text{ with } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix}.$$

Certainly the matrix-vector notation Ax = b is more concise (and general). A traditional linear algebra course would focus extensively on solving Ax = b. This topic will not be a major focus of 551!

Example: linear operation:

convolution in DSP:

(convolution is a prereq term)
(LTI is a prereq term)

$$\underbrace{(x[0],\ldots,x[N-1])}_{\text{input signal}} \rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \text{LTI} \\ h[0],\ldots,h[K-1] \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{log}} \rightarrow \underbrace{(y[0],\ldots,y[M-1])}_{\text{output signal}}$$

Matrix-vector representation of convolution:

where \boldsymbol{x} is length-N vector, \boldsymbol{y} is length-M vector and \boldsymbol{H} is a $M \times N$ matrix with elements

What is M in terms of N and K? (Choose best answer.) (DSP prerequisite!) A: $\max(N, K) - 1$ B: $\max(N, K)$ C: N + K D: N + K + 1 E: None of these.

The convolution operation is the component of any **convolutional neural network** (**CNN**) [2] [3, p. 514]. Other matrix operators for other important linear operations: wavelet transform, DCT, 2D DFT, ...

Example: data matrix

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A term-document matrix is used in information retrieval.

Document1: EECS551 meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays Document2: Tuesday is the most exciting day of the week

Document3: Let us meet next Thursday.

Keywords (terms): EECS551 meet Tuesday Thursday exciting day week next

(Note: use stem, ignore generic words "the" "and")

Term-document (binary) matrix:

Term	Doc1	Doc2	Doc3
EECS551	1	0	0
meet	1	0	1
Tuesday	1	1	0
Thursday	1	0	1
exciting	0	1	0
day	0	1	0
week	0	1	0
next	0	0	1

The entries in a (mostly) numerical table like this are naturally represented by a 8×3 matrix T (because each column is a vector in \mathbb{R}^8 and there are three columns) as follows:

Why mostly? Column and row labels...

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Query as a matrix vector operation: find all documents relevant to the query "exciting days of the week." See example query vector to the right:

In matrix terms, find columns of T that are "close" (will be defined precisely later) to query vector q.

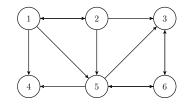
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This is an information retrieval application expressed using matrix/vector operations.

Example: Networks, Graphs, and Adjacency Matrices _

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Consider a set of six web pages that are related via web links (outlinks and inlinks) according to the following **directed graph** [4, Ex. 1.3, p. 7]: The 6×6 **adjacency matrix** A for this graph has a nonzero value (unity) in element A_{ij} if there is a link from from node (web page) j to i:



$$\boldsymbol{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \boldsymbol{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/2 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The link graph matrix L is found from the adjacency matrix by normalizing (each column) with respect to the number of outlinks so each column sums to unity,

We will see later that Google's **PageRank** algorithm [5] for quantifying importance of web pages is related to an **eigenvector** of L. (There is a **left eigenvector** with $\lambda = 1$ so there must also be a **right eigenvector** with that **eigenvalue** and that is the one of interest.) So evidently representing web page relationships using a **matrix** and computing properties of that matrix is useful in many domains, even some that might seem quite unexpected at first.

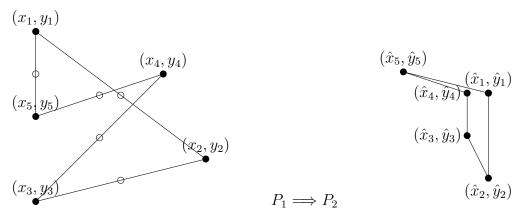
Example: a simple linear operation

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In the preceding two examples (viewing a 2D function and computing volume under a 2D function), the matrix was a 2D array of *data*. Recall that there were two "whys" for matrices: data and *linear operations*. Now we turn to an example where the matrix is associated with an **linear operation** that we apply to vectors.

Consider a polygon P_1 defined by N vertex points $(x_1, y_1), \ldots, (x_N, y_N)$, connected in that order, and where the last point is also connected to the first point so there N edges.

Define a new polygon P_2 where each vertex is the *average* of the two points along an edge of polygon P_1 .



Mathematically, the first new vertex point is linearly related to the old points as: $\hat{x}_1 = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}$, $\hat{y}_1 = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}$.

In general, the *n*th new vertex point is related to the old vertex points by the following formula:

$$\hat{x}_n = \frac{x_n + x_{(n+1) \bmod N}}{2}, \ \hat{y}_n = \frac{y_n + y_{(n+1) \bmod N}}{2}, \quad n = 1, \dots, N.$$

It is convenient to collect all of these relationships into length-N vectors as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{x}_{N-1} \\ \hat{x}_N \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{N-1} + x_N \\ x_N + x_1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{y}_{N-1} \\ \hat{y}_N \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 + y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_{N-1} + y_N \\ y_N + y_1 \end{bmatrix}.$$
(1.2)

This is a linear operation so we can write it concisely using matrix-vector multiplication:

$$\hat{x} = Ax, \quad \hat{y} = Ay, \qquad A \triangleq \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{vmatrix}.$$
 (1.3)

The matrix form might not seem more illuminating than the expressions in (1.2) at first. But now suppose we ask the following question: what happens to the polygon shape if we perform the process repeatedly

(assuming we do some appropriate normalization)? The answer is not obvious from (1.2) but in matrix form the answer is related to the **power iteration** that we will discuss later for computing the **principle eigenvector** of A. See [6] and https://www.jasondavies.com/random-polygon-ellipse/ and Apr. 2018 SIAM News and Sep. 2018 SIAM News.

1.2 Matrix structures

Notation L§1.1

- \mathbb{R} : real numbers
- \mathbb{C} : complex numbers
- \mathbb{F} : field (see Appendix on p. 1.72), which here will always be \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . We will use this symbol frequently to discuss properties that hold for both real and complex cases.
- \mathbb{R}^N : set of N-tuples of real numbers
- \mathbb{C}^N : set of N-tuples of complex numbers
- \mathbb{F}^N : either \mathbb{R}^N or \mathbb{C}^N
- $\mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$: set of real $M \times N$ matrices
- $\mathbb{C}^{M\times N}$: set of complex $M\times N$ matrices
- $\mathbb{F}^{M\times N}$: either $\mathbb{R}^{M\times N}$ or $\mathbb{C}^{M\times N}$

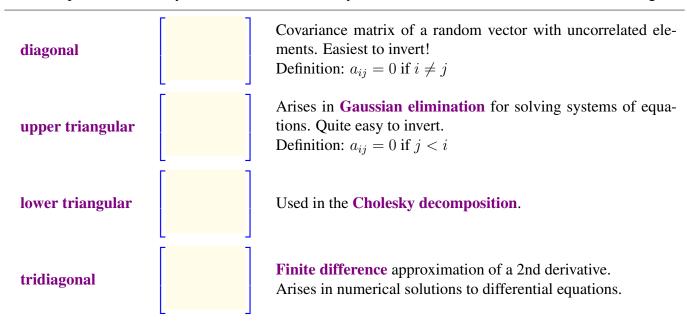
Because $\mathbb{R}^{M\times N}\subset\mathbb{C}^{M\times N}$, whenever you see the symbol $\mathbb{F}^{M\times N}$ you can just think of it as $\mathbb{C}^{M\times N}$, but it means the properties being discussed also hold for $\mathbb{R}^{M\times N}$.

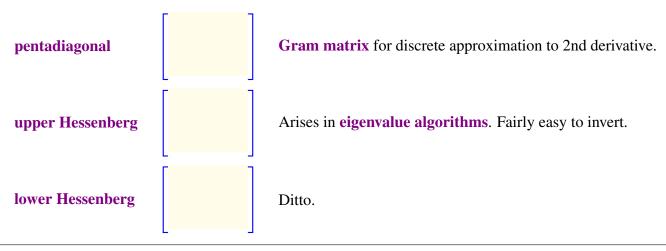
- vectors are typically column vectors here (but see Appendix for more detail)
- ullet row vectors are written $oldsymbol{x}^ op$ or $oldsymbol{x}'$, where $oldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ or $oldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{C}^n$.



Common matrix shapes and types

For each matrix shape, this table gives one *of many* examples of why that shape is useful in practice. These shapes are defined by where non-zero vales may be. A matrix of all zeros is in all of these categories.





The above are all **square matrix** shapes!

There is also a **rectangular diagonal matrix** shape that will be useful later for the **SVD**:

Often these are just called "diagonal matrices" too.

Important matrix classes

- A full matrix aka dense matrix: most entries are nonzero.
- A sparse matrix: many entries are zero or few entries are nonzero. Arises in many fields including medical imaging (tomography) [7] (Obviously terms like "most" "many" "few" are qualitative.)
- Toeplitz: constant along each diagonal (not necessarily square)
 Arises in any application that has time invariance or shift invariance
- **Circulant**: each row is a shifted (circularly to the right by one column) version of the previous row. Arises when considering periodic boundary conditions, *e.g.*, with the DFT

Which statement is correct?	Which statement is correct?
A: All Toeplitz matrices are circulant.	A: All Toeplitz matrices are full.
B: All circulant matrices are Toeplitz.	B: All sparse matrices are Toeplitz.
C: Both are true.	C: There are no sparse Toeplitz matrices.
D: Neither statement is true.	D: None of these statements is true.
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What kind of matrix is A in (1.3)? Choose most specific correct answer.

A: Diagonal

B: Toeplitz

C: Circulant

D: Upper Hessenberg

E: None

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What kind of matrix is the convolution matrix H (1.1) on p. 1.6? Choose most specific correct answer.

A: Diagonal

B: Toeplitz

C: Circulant

D: Upper Hessenberg

E: None

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Block matrix classes

The above definitions of shapes and classes were defined in terms of the scalar entries of a matrix.

We generalize these definitions by replacing scalars with matrices, leading to **block matrix** shapes.

We again use square brackets to denote the construction of a block matrix.

Example: block diagonal matrix

$$oldsymbol{A} = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{A}_1 & oldsymbol{0} \ oldsymbol{0} & oldsymbol{A}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where A_1 and A_2 are arbitrary (possibly full) matrices and each 0 denotes an all-zero matrix of the appropriate size.

If A_1 is 6×8 and A_2 is 7×9 what is the size of the 0 matrix in the upper right?

A:
$$6 \times 7$$

$$B: 6 \times 9$$

$$C: 7 \times 8$$

$$D: 8 \times 7$$

$$E: 8 \times 9$$

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Example: block circulant matrix

$$M = egin{bmatrix} A & B & C \ C & A & B \ B & C & A \end{bmatrix}$$

Combinations of block shapes and the shape of each block are also important.

Example: a matrix form of the 2D DFT is block circulant with circulant blocks (BCCB). (See EECS 556.)

Matrix transpose and symmetry

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Define. The **transpose** of a $M \times N$ matrix A is denoted A^{\top} and is the $N \times M$ matrix whose (i, j)th entry is the (j, i)th entry of A.

If $A \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N}$ then its **Hermitian transpose** (or **conjugate transpose**) is the $N \times M$ matrix whose (i, j)th entry is the complex conjugate of the (j, i)th entry of A.

Common notations for Hermitian transpose are: A', A^H and A^* .

These notes will mostly use A' because that notation matches JULIA.

If A is real, then $A' = A^{\top}$ so these notes will mostly use A' regardless of whether A is real or complex for simplicity of notation.

Define. A (square) matrix A is called **symmetric** iff $A = A^{\top}$.

Define. A (square) matrix A is called Hermitian symmetric or just Hermitian iff A = A'.

See [1, Example 1.2].

Properties of transpose _

- $\bullet \ (A')' = A$
- (A + B)' = A' + B' (if A and B have same size so that matrix addition is well defined)
- (AB)' = B'A' if $A \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$ and $B \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times K}$, *i.e.*, if inner dimensions match (see matrix multiplication on p. 1.30)

• And more properties of transpose and conjugate transpose ...

Practical implementation

Caution: in Julia: x' denotes the Hermitian transpose of a (possibly complex) vector or matrix x, whereas x.' in MATLAB or transpose(x) in JULIA denotes the transpose.



When performing mathematical operations with complex data, we usually need the Hermitian transpose. However, when simply rearranging how data is stored, sometimes we need only the transpose. Many hours of MATLAB software debugging time are spent on missing or extra periods (i.e., x' vs x.') for a transpose! To help avoid this problem, JULIA 0.7 and beyond has deprecated x.' so use transpose (x) in the rare cases where we have complex data but need a transpose rather than a Hermitian transpose.

Practical considerations:

- The transpose or Hermitian transpose of a vector takes negligible time in a modern language like JULIA because the array elements stay in the same order in memory; one just needs to modify the variable type from Array to Adjoint Array. See julia-tutor-vector
- However, the transpose or Hermitian transpose of a (large) matrix requires considerable shuffling of values in memory and should be avoided when possible to save compute time.

Example. To compute x'A'y it may be faster (for large data) to use $(A \star x)' \star y$ instead of x' * A' * y because the latter may require a transpose operation (unless the compiler is smart enough to avoid it).

For complex data, conj(y' * A * x) is another alternative.

1.3 Multiplication

The defining two operations in **linear algebra** are addition and multiplication of vectors and matrices. Addition is trivial so these notes focus on multiplication.

Vector-vector multiplication

If $x \in \mathbb{C}^N$ and $y \in \mathbb{C}^N$ are two vectors (of the same length) then their **dot product** or **inner product** is:

$$\langle \boldsymbol{y}, \, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle = \boldsymbol{x}' \boldsymbol{y} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1^* & \dots & x_N^* \end{bmatrix}}_{1 \times N} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix}}_{N \times 1} =$$
 (scalar)

Most books use $\langle x, y \rangle = y'x$ whereas [1] uses $\langle x, y \rangle = x'y$. These notes will use the common convention.

The dot product is central to **linear discriminant analysis** (**LDA**), a topic in pattern recognition and machine learning, for two-class classification. In SP terms, it is at the heart of the **matched filter** for signal detection. The dot product is central to convolution and to neural networks [8], *e.g.*, the **perceptron** [9].

In JULIA: x' * y and *(x', y) and x'y and dot(x, y) and (x, y) all perform x'y. The form x'y is remarkably similar to the math. Caution: x' y (extra space) does not work.

In contrast, the **outer product** of vector $x \in \mathbb{C}^M$ with vector of possibly different length $y \in \mathbb{C}^N$ is the following $M \times N$ matrix:

$$\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{y}' = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_M \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times 1} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_1^* & \dots & y_N^* \end{bmatrix}}_{1 \times N} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 y_1^* & x_1 y_2^* & \dots & x_1 y_N^* \\ \vdots & & & \\ x_M y_1^* & x_M y_2^* & \dots & x_M y_N^* \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times N}.$$

Later we will see that this outer product is a rank 1 matrix (unless either x or y are 0).

Outer products are central to matrix decompositions like the SVD discussed soon.

In JULIA: $x \star y'$ is the most clear syntax, although $\star (x, y')$ also works.

Colon notation

Next we consider multiplication with a matrix.

First we need some notation because matrix multiplication uses rows and/or columns of a matrix.

For $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$:

- $A_{::1}$ denotes the first column of A (a vector of length M)
- $A_{1:}$ denotes the first row of A (a row vector of length N)

In JULIA: A[:,1] and A[1,:] essentially do the same.

Using this colon notation we have the following two ways to think about a matrix.

• Column partition of a $M \times N$ matrix:

$$oldsymbol{A} = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{A}_{:,1} & \dots & oldsymbol{A}_{:,N} \end{bmatrix}$$

• Row partition of a $M \times N$ matrix:

$$oldsymbol{A} = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{A}_{1,:} \ oldsymbol{A}_{M,:} \end{bmatrix}$$

Of course we also have the element-wise way of writing out a $M \times N$ matrix:

$$oldsymbol{A} = egin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \dots & a_{1,N} \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{M,1} & \dots & a_{M,N} \end{bmatrix},$$

but for multiplication operations we often think about the column or row partitions above instead.

Matrix-vector multiplication

If $A \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$ and $x \in \mathbb{F}^N$, then the matrix-vector product y = Ax is a vector of length M defined by

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_M \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1}x_1 + \dots + a_{1,N}x_N \\ a_{2,1}x_1 + \dots + a_{2,N}x_N \\ & \vdots \\ a_{M,1}x_1 + \dots + a_{M,N}x_N \end{bmatrix}.$$
 (1.4)

A matrix-vector product requires MN floating-point multiplies and M(N-1) floating-point additions. In short, it needs O(MN) floating-point operations (FLOPs).

Why is matrix-vector multiplication important?

- If A is a data matrix, then Ax is a linear combination of its columns, and we often use such linear combinations for modeling and prediction.
- If A corresponds to a (linear) operation, then we can think of A as representing a linear system and the operation $x \mapsto Ax$ describes the output of the system when the input is x.

In JULIA (or MATLAB) we simply write y=A*x to perform matrix-vector multiplication y=Ax.

The terrific similarity between this syntax and the mathematical expression is a key benefit of such high-level languages.

In contrast, for low-level languages (like C and Fortran), one must either call a function in a numerical linear algebra library or write a double loop as shown to the right, looking nothing like the math.

```
(M,N) = size(A)
y = similar(x, M) # preallocate!
for m=1:M
  inprod = 0 # accumulator
  for n=1:N
    inprod += A[m,n] * x[n]
  end
  y[m] = inprod
end
```

The **matrix-vector product** (1.4) has two mathematically (but not practically) equivalent vector forms:

$$A \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}, \ x \in \mathbb{F}^{N} \Longrightarrow Ax = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,:} x \\ \vdots \\ A_{M,:} x \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} A_{:,n} x_{n} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \end{bmatrix}$$
(1.5)

M "inner products"

In JULIA, instead of using $y = A \times x$ we could instead implement matrix-vector multiplication using either of the following two loops, corresponding to the two vector forms in (1.5):

```
y = similar(x, M) # preallocate
for m=1:M
   y[m] = transpose(A[m,:]) * x
end

y = zeros(eltype(x), M) # init 0
for n=1:N
   y .+= A[:,n] .* x[n]
end
```

For efficiency reasons and for better readability, in JULIA, unlike in MATLAB, one must must preallocate space for the result vector in the left (inner product) form so that memory does not grow with iteration.



For a comparison of the compute efficiency of these implementations and optimized variants, see:

https://web.eecs.umich.edu/~fessler/course/551/julia/tutor/julia-tutor-multiply-matrix-vector.html

Matrix-vector multiplication with transpose

If A is a $M \times N$ matrix and y is a $M \times 1$ vector, then the (Hermitian) transposed matrix-vector product is

$$A'y = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} (A_{:,1})'y \\ \vdots \\ (A_{:,N})'y \end{bmatrix}}_{N \text{ inner products}} = \underbrace{\sum_{m=1}^{M} (A_{m,:})'y_m}_{\text{linear combination}}$$

In JULIA (and MATLAB), a 2D array is stored in memory with its first index varying fastest.

Example. If
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
 then A[:] or vec(A) both reveal the memory storage order: $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$.

Computing $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ via inner products means $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5x_1 + 7x_2 \\ 6x_1 + 8x_2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Here the memory access order is non-sequential: the top row uses 5 and 7, which are not adjacent in memory. For large arrays, non-sequential access can lead to slower execution time because of poor memory cache use.

In contrast, computing $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{y}$ via inner products means $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5y_1 + 6y_2 \\ 7y_1 + 8y_2 \end{bmatrix}$. Here the elements of \mathbf{A} are accessed sequentially, improving cache use.

The following test compares matrix-vector multiplication versus transposed-matrix-vector multiplication. Both Ax and A'y require O(MN) FLOPs. The comments show time for experiments on a 2012 MacBook Pro, 2.6GHz 4-core CPU, OS 10.12.6, for two versions of JULIA.

```
M = 1000; N = M; A = rand(M,N); x = rand(N); y = rand(M);
A*x; A'y; transpose(A)*y; # warmup, versn 0.6.4 0.7.0
@time for k=1:1000; A*x; end # 0.23 0.23
@time for k=1:1000; A'y; end # 0.19 0.19
@time for k=1:1000; A'*y; end # 0.19 0.19
@time for k=1:1000; transpose(A)*y; end # 5.69 0.24
```

- A' \star y is a bit faster than A \star x for the reasons discussed above.
- transpose (A) used to be a very slow operation; even though it needs no floating point computations, the memory reordering takes time.
- Clearly the compiler is smart enough that A'y does not actually transpose A, but rather sets an internal flag so that it can perform A'y efficiently.

Since JULIA 0.7, the same efficiency holds for transpose (A) *y.

In light of these considerations, which of the following weighted inner product calculations y'Ax is likely to run fastest:

A:
$$\forall' \star (A \star x)$$

C: Roughly same time

```
M = 1000; N = M; A = rand(M,N); x = rand(N); y = rand(M);
y'*(A*x); (y'*A)*x; transpose(y)*A*x; # warmup 0.6.4 1.0.0
@time for k=1:4000; y'*(A*x); end # 0.96 0.88 sec
@time for k=1:4000; (y'*A)*x; end # 0.83 0.75 sec
@time for k=1:4000; (y'*A*x); end # 0.83 0.76 sec
@time for k=1:4000; transpose(y)*A*x; end # 0.83 0.75 sec
```

- Here the JULIA compiler is smart enough to do it in the appropriate order, so no parentheses are needed.
- Vector transpose takes no time because no memory shuffling is needed.

But now consider the following very similar computation of the weighted inner product x'A'y.

```
M = 1000; N = M; A = rand(M,N); x = rand(N); y = rand(M);
x'*(A'*y); (x'*A')*y; (x'*transpose(A))*y; # warmup 0.6.4 1.0.0
@time for k=1:1000; x'*(A'*y); end # 0.20 0.20 sec
@time for k=1:1000; (x'*A')*y; end # 0.24 0.22 sec
@time for k=1:1000; (x'*A'*y); end # 5.76 0.23 sec
@time for k=1:1000; (x'*transpose(A))*y; end # 5.75 0.22 sec
```

- Here the compiler is *not* smart enough to determine the best execution order. (Apparently it parses things left to right and performs an unnecessary transpose.)
- Here, using appropriate parentheses can (dramatically in 0.6.4, slightly in 1.0.0) accelerate the code!
- A minute of thinking and a few seconds of typing (parentheses) can save compute time (and energy).

Matrix-matrix multiplication

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(Includes matrix-vector and vector-vector multiplication as special cases.)

Let $A \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times K}$ and $B \in \mathbb{F}^{K \times N}$ then the result of the matrix-matrix product is $C = AB \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$.

Define. The standard definition for **matrix multiplication**: is

$$C_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} A_{ik} B_{kj}, \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, M, \ j = 1, \dots, N.$$
 (1.6)

The "inner dimension" (K here) must match for valid matrix-matrix multiplication.

Matrix-matrix multiplication is important for representing the cascade of two linear systems (when A and Bboth represent operations) and matrix decomposition relies on matrix products.

Using the formula (1.6), we must compute K scalar multiplies for each of MN elements of C, for a total of O(KMN) FLOPs.

Matrix multiplication properties

- The distributive property of matrix multiplication is: A(B + C) = AB + AC if the sizes match appropriately.
- There is also associative property: A(BC) = (AB)C if the sizes match.
- There is no general **commutative property**! In general $AB \neq BA$ even if the sizes match.
- Multiplication by an (appropriately sized) identity matrix has no effect: IA = AI = A. If A is $M \times N$, then we sometimes write: $I_M A = AI_N = A$.
- Matrix concatenation: if $A \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$ and $B \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times K}$ and $C \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times L}$ then $A \begin{bmatrix} B & C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} AB & AC \end{bmatrix}$. Exercise: find the corresponding property for vertical concatenation.
- See [wiki] for more matrix multiplication properties.

Practical consideration: Parentheses matter!

The **associative property** is a simple math equality, but parentheses choice can *greatly* affect code speed!

Example. Suppose x, y, z are all vectors in \mathbb{R}^N .

How many FLOPs are needed for the following very simple code?

x * y' * z

The answer depends on where the compiler puts the parentheses.

- Left to right evaluation $(x \star y') \star z$ requires $O(N^2)$ FLOPs
- Right to left evaluation $x \star (y' \star z)$ requires O(N) FLOPs

Bottom line: put in parentheses yourself to ensure efficiency!



Four views of matrix multiplication

Besides formula (1.6), there are four (!) ways of viewing (and implementing) matrix-matrix products.

Why would you need four different versions?

For big data and distributed computing using **parallel processing** some versions are preferable to others [10].

Version 1 (dot or inner product form) _

Using row partition of A and column partition of B, one can verify:

$$C = AB = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A_{1,:} \\ \vdots \\ A_{M,:} \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times K} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} B_{:,1} & \dots & B_{:,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{K \times N} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A_{1,:}B_{:,1} & \dots & A_{1,:}B_{:,N} \\ \vdots \\ A_{M,:}B_{:,1} & \dots & A_{M,:}B_{:,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times N}.$$

Specifically, the elements of C are given by the following (conjugate-less) **inner products**:

$$C_{ij} =$$

```
In JULIA code:
```

Simple but opaque: C = A * B

Double loop of vector "inner products:"

```
C = zeros(eltype(A),M,N)
for m=1:M
  for n=1:N
    C[m,n] = transpose(A[m,:]) * B[:,n]
  end
end
```

Triple loop completely in terms of scalars per (1.6):

```
C = zeros(eltype(A),M,N)
for m=1:M
  for n=1:N
    inprod = 0 # accumulator
  for k=1:K
    inprod += A[m,k] * B[k,n]
  end
  C[m,n] = inprod
  end
end
```

The transpose transpose (A) (not Hermitian transpose A') is crucial for complex matrices!

```
Instead of: C[m,n] = transpose(A[m,:]) * B[:,n]
you could use: C[m,n] = dot(conj(A[m,:]), B[:,n])
or C[m,n] = sum(A[m,:] .* B[:,n])
```

Note: For a $K \times N$ matrix B, in JULIA B[k,:] returns a 1D column vector of length N, not a $N \times 1$ array nor a "row vector (a $1 \times N$ array). See julia-tutor-vector.



Version 2 (column-wise accumulation)

Using column partition of A and elements of B:

$$oldsymbol{C} = oldsymbol{A} oldsymbol{B} = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{A}_{:,1} & \dots & oldsymbol{A}_{:,K} \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} B_{1,1} & \dots & B_{1,N} \\ \vdots & & & \\ B_{K,1} & \dots & B_{K,N} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Longrightarrow oldsymbol{C}_{:,n} = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{A}_{:,1} & \dots & oldsymbol{A}_{:,K} \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} B_{1,n} \ dots \ B_{K,n} \end{bmatrix} =$$

In JULIA code we would loop over columns of A, performing vector-scalar multiplication:

```
C = zeros(eltype(A),M,N) # must preallocate in julia, unlike in matlab
for n=1:N
  for k=1:K
    C[:,n] += A[:,k] * B[k,n]
  end
end
```

Note the "+= ' accumulation operation in this code akin to C.

Version 3 (matrix-vector products) _

Writing just B using column partition, one can verify:

$$C = AB = \underbrace{A}_{M \times K} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} B_{:,1} & \dots & B_{:,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{K \times N} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} AB_{:,1} & \dots & AB_{:,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times N}$$

$$\Longrightarrow C_{:,j} = \boxed{}$$

JULIA code using a single loop over columns of B of matrix-vector products:

```
C = zeros(eltype(A), M, N)
for n=1:N
   C[:,n] = A * B[:,n]
end
```

Practical tip. By default, using C = zeros(M, N) would make a Float 64 array. That is fine for small problems and when very good numerical precision is needed. To save memory for large problems (at the price of reduced precision) use zeros(Float 32, M, N). If desperate for memory savings, consider zeros(Float 16, M, N). Here we use eltype(A) so that C matches the precision of A.

This class will mostly use the above **matrix-vector** operation view.

Version 4 (sum of outer products) _

Now using column partition of A and row partition of B:

$$C = AB = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A_{:,1} & \dots & A_{:,K} \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times K} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} B_{1,:} \\ \vdots \\ B_{K,:} \end{bmatrix}}_{K \times N} = (1.7)$$

For proof, see [1, Theorem 1.3].

JULIA code using a single loop (over inner dimension) of **outer products**:

```
C = zeros(eltype(A),M,N)
for k=1:K
   C .+= A[:,k] * transpose(B[k,:]) # column times row!
end
```

Block matrix multiplication

The inner operation in (1.7) is an example of **block matrix multiplication** and the definition for such operations is basically the same as (1.6) as long as all the matrix dimensions involved match properly. (HW)

Kronecker product and Hadamard product and the vec operator (Read)

The formula (1.6) is the standard form of **matrix multiplication**. There are at least two other types of matrix multiplication that are important and have their own names.

- ullet The Kronecker product is usually denoted $oldsymbol{A}\otimes oldsymbol{B}$ In JULIA it is kron(A, B)
- ullet The **Hadamard product** is the element-wise multiplication of two *same-sized* matrices. It is usually denoted $A\odot B$.

In JULIA it is A .* B

The vec operator and matrix multiplication _

(Read)

The **vec operator** converts a matrix to a vector. It is often denoted

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{vec}}({m A}) = \underbrace{\operatorname{\mathsf{vec}}([{m A}_{:,1} \ \dots \ {m A}_{:,N}])}_{M \times N} = \underbrace{\left[egin{array}{c} {m A}_{:,1} \\ \vdots \\ {m A}_{:,N} \end{array} \right]}_{MN(\times 1)}.$$

In JULIA there are at least three ways to perform this operation, all of which stack the columns:

- vec(A)
- A[:]
- reshape(A, length(A))

Note that reshape (A, length (A), 1) is *not* the same thing because the result in this case is a 2D array of size $MN \times 1$, which is a different variable type than a 1D vector of length MN.



The following vec trick property [11, 12] is particularly important (HW):

$$\mathsf{vec}(\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{C}) = (\boldsymbol{C}^{\mathrm{T}} \otimes \boldsymbol{A})\,\mathsf{vec}(\boldsymbol{B})$$
 .

In this formula C^T must be a regular transpose, not a Hermitian transpose, even if C is complex!



Using matrix-vector operations in high-level computing languages

(Read)

Particularly in high-level, array-oriented languages like JULIA, matrix and vector operations abound. One should be on the lookout for opportunities to "parallelize" (vectorize) using such operations.

Example. Suppose we want to visualize the 2D Gaussian bump function $f(x,y) = e^{-(x^2+3y^2)}$.

Elementary implementation with double loop:

```
using Plots; plotly()
x = LinRange(-2, 2, 101)
y = LinRange(-1.1, 1.1, 103)
M = length(x)
N = length(y)
F = zeros(M,N)
for m=1:M
    for n=1:N
        F[m,n] = exp(-(x[m]^2 + 3 * y[n]^2))
    end
end
heatmap(x, y, F, transpose=true, color=:grays, aspect_ratio=:equal)
```

How do we leverage matrix-vector concepts to write this more concisely? (Concise code is often easier to read and maintain, and often looks more like the mathematical expressions.)

Idea: Define a matrix \boldsymbol{A} such that $A_{ij} = x_i^2 + 3y_i^2$.

Then use element-wise exponential operation: $F = \exp (-A)$

In Julia, exp. (A) applies exponentiation element-wise to an array.

In Julia 0.6.4, exp (A) gives a warning; use expm (A) for a matrix exponential.

How do we define **A** where $A_{ij} = x_i^2 + 3y_j^2$ without writing a double loop?

One way is to use outer products. If $u \in \mathbb{R}^M$ has elements $u_i = x_i^2$ and $v \in \mathbb{R}^N$ has elements $v_j = y_j^2$, then the following sum of outer products yields a $M \times N$ matrix:

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{1}_{N}^{\prime} + 3 \mathbf{1}_{M} \mathbf{v}^{\prime} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1}^{2} \\ \vdots \\ x_{M}^{2} \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{1 \times N} + 3 \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times 1} \begin{bmatrix} y_{1}^{2} & \dots & y_{N}^{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_{1}^{2} & \dots & x_{1}^{2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{M}^{2} & \dots & x_{M}^{2} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{repeated column}} + 3 \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_{1}^{2} & \dots & y_{N}^{2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ y_{1}^{2} & \dots & y_{N}^{2} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{repeated row}}, \tag{1.8}$$

where $\mathbf{1}_N$ denotes the vector of all ones, *i.e.*, ones (N) in JULIA or ones (N, 1) in MATLAB. Here we need ones (1, N) and ones (M).



The key line of the following JULIA code looks reasonably close to the above outer-product form.

```
using Plots; plotly()
x = LinRange(-2, 2, 101)
y = LinRange(-1.1, 1.1, 103)
M = length(x)
N = length(y)
A = (x.^2) * ones(1,N) + 3 * ones(M,1) * (y.^2)'
F = exp.(-A)
heatmap(x, y, F, transpose=true, color=:grays, aspect_ratio=:equal)
```

This version avoids you, the user, from writing a double loop. Of course JULIA itself must do double loops internally when evaluating exp.(-A) and similar expressions.

The outer product approach has the benefit of avoiding writing double loops. However, this type of operation arises so frequently that JULIA provides software functions that avoid the unnecessary operations of multiplying by the ones vector.

In JULIA there is automatic **broadcast** of singleton dimensions by the scalar addition operator:

$$A = x.^2 .+ 3 * (y.^2)'$$

Two somewhat distinct uses of "." here:

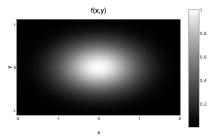
- .^2 element-wise power
- . + normally element-wise addition of arrays but here with automatic broadcast like in (1.8).

This broadcast feature leads to the most concise code that looks the most like the math:

```
using Plots; plotly()
x = LinRange(-2, 2, 101)
y = LinRange(-1.1, 1.1, 103)
A = x.^2 .+ 3 * (y.^2)' # a lot is happening here!
F = exp.(-A)
heatmap(x, y, F, transpose=true, color=:grays, aspect_ratio=:equal)
```

Finally, if your goal is merely to make a picture of the function f(x, y), without illustrating any matrix properties, the following is a "JULIA way" to do it using its **multiple dispatch** feature. This version is the shortest of all so I added a few labeling commands.

```
using Plots; plotly()
x = LinRange(-2, 2, 101)
y = LinRange(-1.1, 1.1, 103)
f(x,y) = exp(-(x^2 + 3y^2)) # look, no "*" !
heatmap(x, y, f, transpose=true, color=:grays, aspect_ratio=:equal)
xlabel!("x"); ylabel!("y"); title!("f(x,y)")
```



https://web.eecs.umich.edu/~fessler/course/551/julia/demo/01_gauss2d.html https://web.eecs.umich.edu/~fessler/course/551/julia/demo/01_gauss2d.ipynb

Example. One can perform 1D numerical integration using a vector operation (a dot product). (Read) To compute the area under a curve:

Area =
$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \approx \sum_{m=1}^{M} \underbrace{(x_{m} - x_{m-1})}_{\text{base}} \underbrace{f(x_{m})}_{\text{height}} = \boldsymbol{w}' \boldsymbol{f}, \qquad \boldsymbol{w} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1} - x_{0} \\ \vdots \\ x_{M} - x_{M-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{f} = \begin{bmatrix} f(x_{1}) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_{M}) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(1.9)$$

where (possibly nonuniformly spaced) sampled points satisfy: $a = x_0 < x_1 < \ldots < x_M = b$. This summation is a **dot product** between two vectors in \mathbb{R}^M and is easy in JULIA.

```
f(x) = x^2 # parabola
x = LinRange(0,3,2000) # sample points
w = diff(x) # "widths" of rectangles
Area = w' * f.(x[2:end])
```

What should the exact value be for the area in this example? $\int_0^3 x^2 dx = x^3/3|_{x=3} = 9$

Why x[2:end] instead of x[1:end] or simply x?

Because w = diff(x) returns a vector without the first element " $x_1 - x_0$ " in (1.9).

https://web.eecs.umich.edu/~fessler/course/551/julia/demo/01_area.html https://web.eecs.umich.edu/~fessler/course/551/julia/demo/01_area.ipynb

Example. Consider the problem of computing numerically the volume under a 2D function g(x, y):

$$V = \int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

We can also use matrix-vector products for this operation:

$$V = \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} g(x, y) \, dy \, dx \approx S \triangleq \sum_{m=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x_{m} - x_{m-1})(y_{n} - y_{n-1}) f(x_{m}, y_{n}),$$

where here $c = y_0 < y_1 < ... < y_N = d$.

Define vector $\boldsymbol{w} \in \mathbb{R}^M$ as in 1D example above and $\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $\boldsymbol{F} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$ by

$$\boldsymbol{w} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_0 \\ \vdots \\ x_M - x_{M-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{u} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - y_0 \\ \vdots \\ y_N - y_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{F} = \begin{bmatrix} f(x_1, y_1) & \dots & f(x_1, y_N) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ f(x_M, y_1) & \dots & f(x_M, y_N) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the above double sum is the following product in matrix-vector form:

$$V \approx S =$$

Proof.

$$\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{F}\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & \dots & w_M \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f(x_1, y_1) & \dots & f(x_1, y_N) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ f(x_M, y_1) & \dots & f(x_M, y_N) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_N \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & \dots & w_M \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^N u_n f(x_1, y_n) \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{n=1}^N u_n f(x_M, y_n) \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{m=1}^M w_m \sum_{n=1}^N u_n f(x_m, y_n) = S.$$

Again this computation is easy to code in a high-level language like JULIA.

```
f(x,y) = exp(-(x^2 + 3*y^2)) # gaussian bump function
x = LinRange(0,3,2000) # sample points
y = LinRange(0,2,1000) # sample points
w = diff(x) # "widths" of rectangles in x
u = diff(y) # "widths" of rectangles in y
F = f.(x[2:end], y[2:end]') # automatic broadcasting again!
S = w' * F * u
```

(It would also be fine to write it as a double loop, albeit with more typing and possibly slower in some languages.)

In this case it is possible to determine the analytical value (*cf.* EECS 501) but that would probably take more time than writing and running this code.

Invertibility (Read)

For a nonzero scalar x, we know that x = 1. Matrix inversion is the generalization of this identity.

If $A \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$ and $B \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times M}$ and $BA = I_{N \times N}$ then we call B a **left inverse** of A.

If and $C \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times M}$ and $AC = I_{M \times M}$ then we call C a **right inverse** of A.

For non-square matrices, at most only one of a left or right inverse can exist, and is not unique.

A square matrix A is called **invertible** iff there exists a matrix X of the same size such that AX = XA = I.

Fact. For square matrices, a left inverse exists iff only a right inverse exists and the two are identical [wiki]. Proving this fact seems to be a bit subtle. See:

https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/216569/assuming-ab-i-prove-ba-i

Basic matrix inversion properties _

If A is an invertible matrix:

- $\bullet (A^{-1})^{-1} = A$
- $c \neq 0 \Longrightarrow (c\mathbf{A})^{-1} = \frac{1}{c}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$
- A' is also invertible and $(A')^{-1} = (A^{-1})'$
- ullet $(AB)^{-1}=B^{-1}A^{-1}$ if B is invertible and has same size as A

Trying to "avoid" matrix inversion

(Read)

Typical methods for inverting a $N \times N$ matrix use $O(N^3)$ operations, which is very expensive for large matrices, so we often seek matrix identities to reduce computation when possible.

• The following inverse of 2×2 block matrices holds if \boldsymbol{A} and \boldsymbol{B} are invertible (and if sizes match):

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{D} \\ \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{C}]^{-1} & -\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\Delta}^{-1} \\ -\boldsymbol{\Delta}^{-1}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{A}^{-1} & \boldsymbol{\Delta}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{1.10}$$

where $\Delta = B - CA^{-1}D$ denotes the Schur complement of A for this matrix.

• Using the associative property and some rearranging yields the **Sherman-Morrison-Woodbury identity** also known as the **matrix inversion lemma**:

$$(A + BCD)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(C^{-1} + DA^{-1}B)^{-1}DA^{-1},$$
(1.11)

provided the matrices have compatible sizes and A and C are invertible.

• A special case that is useful if we have previously computed the inverse of A and now need the inverse of the "rank-one update" A + xy', if it is invertible, is the **Sherman–Morrison formula**:

$$(A + xy')^{-1} = A^{-1} - \frac{1}{1 + y'A^{-1}x}A^{-1}xy'A^{-1}.$$

• A more general special case of (1.11) is when U and V are $N \times K$ matrices, leading to the following "rank-K" update formula:

$$(A + UV')^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}U(I_K + V'A^{-1}U)^{-1}V'A^{-1},$$

provided $I_K + V'A^{-1}U$ is non-singular.

• Multiplying (1.11) on the right by B and simplifying yields the following useful related equality, sometimes called the **push-through identity**:

$$[A + BCD]^{-1}B = A^{-1}B[DA^{-1}B + C^{-1}]^{-1}C^{-1}.$$
(1.12)

Challenge: prove (or disprove) that if A and C are invertible, then (A + BCD) is invertible iff $(C^{-1} + DA^{-1}B)$ is invertible, so that (1.11) is self consistent.

More invertible matrix properties

(Read)

The following properties of any invertible matrix A relate to topics discussed later in the chapter:

- A has linearly independent columns
- A has full rank
- If A is unitary then $A^{-1} = A'$
- The determinant of A is nonzero and $\det\{A^{-1}\}=1/\det\{A\}$.

1.4 Orthogonality

For ordinary scalars: $0 \cdot x = 0$.

For vectors and matrices, there are more interesting ways to multiply and end up with zero!

Orthogonal vectors

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Define. We say two vectors x and y (of same length) are **orthogonal** (or **perpendicular**) if their inner product is zero: x'y = 0. In such cases we write $x \perp y$.

If, in addition, x'x = y'y = 1 (i.e., both unit norm), then we call them orthonormal vectors.

Define. A collection of vectors that are pairwise orthogonal is called an **orthogonal set**. A collection of **unit-norm** vectors that are pairwise orthogonal is called an **orthonormal set**.

Example. In \mathbb{R}^3 , the vectors $\mathbf{v}_1 = (4, 2, 0)$ and $\mathbf{v}_2 = (-1, 2, 0)$ are orthogonal (but not orthonormal).

Euclidean norm

Define. The (Euclidean) **norm** of a vector $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{F}^N$ is defined by

$$\|\boldsymbol{x}\| = \sqrt{\langle \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle} = \sqrt{\boldsymbol{x}' \boldsymbol{x}} = \sqrt{\sum_{n=1}^{N} |x_n|^2}.$$
 (1.13)

Later we will write $||x||_2$ when needed, but for now we focus on the Euclidean norm, aka 2 norm.

Properties of the Euclidean norm _____

(Read)

- Triangle inequality: $||u+v|| \le ||u|| + ||v||$
- Quadratic expansion:

$$\|\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v}\|_{2}^{2} = \|\boldsymbol{u}\|_{2}^{2} + 2\operatorname{real}\{\boldsymbol{u}'\boldsymbol{v}\} + \|\boldsymbol{v}\|_{2}^{2}$$
 (1.14)

Proof:
$$\|\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v}\|_{2}^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} |u_{i} + v_{i}|^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (u_{i} + v_{i}) (u_{i} + v_{i})^{*} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} |u_{i}|^{2} + 2 \operatorname{real}\{u_{i}^{*}v_{i}\} + |v_{i}|^{2}$$

• Pythagorean theorem: $\boldsymbol{x} \perp \boldsymbol{y} \Longrightarrow \|\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v}\|_2^2 = \|\boldsymbol{u}\|_2^2 + \|\boldsymbol{v}\|_2^2$

Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality (or Schwarz or Cauchy-Bunyakovsky-Schwarz inequality) relates inner products and norms as follows:

(1.15)

where $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the Euclidean norm on \mathbb{F}^N .

For a proof, see Ch. 5.

Angle between vectors _

Define. The angle θ between two nonzero vectors $x, y \in \mathcal{V}$ is defined by

The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality is equivalent to the statement $|\cos \theta| \le 1$.

What is the angle between two orthogonal vectors?

A: 0 B: 1 C: $\pi/2$ D: π E: None of these

Orthogonal matrices

Define. We say a (square) matrix $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ is an **orthogonal matrix** iff $Q^{\top}Q = QQ^{\top} = I$.

(Personally I think the term "orthonormal matrix" would be more appropriate, but alas.)

Define. We say a (usually complex) square matrix $Q \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$ is a unitary matrix iff Q'Q = QQ' = I.

The set of columns of a unitary matrix is an orthonormal set. (So is the set of rows.)

The set of columns of an **orthogonal matrix** is **orthonormal set**. (So is the set of rows.)

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A interesting generalization is a **tight frame** where only one of the two conditions holds [13, 14].



Unitary / orthogonal matrices are a key building block in this course.

If a (possibly complex) matrix A has orthonormal columns, it is unitary. (?)

A: True

B: False

??

If a square, real matrix A has orthogonal columns, then it is an orthogonal matrix. (?)

A: True

B: False

??

Invertibility of unitary matrices _

(Read)

A key property of orthogonal and unitary matrices is that their inverse is simply their transpose: $Q^{-1} = Q'$.

In other words, the easiest (non-diagonal) matrices to invert are unitary matrices.

Recall Q is unitary iff

$$Q'Q = QQ' = I. ag{1.16}$$

Thus by definition of matrix inverse we have

$$\boldsymbol{Q}^{-1} = \boldsymbol{Q}'. \tag{1.17}$$

Because of the equivalence of the left and right inverses for invertible square matrices, we really only need one of the two conditions in (1.16) to conclude the other and (1.17). So often people just write Q'Q = I when mentioning that a (square) matrix Q is unitary.

Norm invariance to rotations

Orthogonal/unitary matrices act somewhat like rotation operations. An important property of $N \times N$ orthogonal or unitary matrices is that they do not change the **Euclidean norm** of a vector:

$$Q$$
 orthogonal or unitary \Longrightarrow $\forall x \in \mathbb{C}^N$. (1.18)

Proof:
$$\|Qx\| = \sqrt{(Qx)'(Qx)} = \sqrt{x'Q'Qx} = \sqrt{x'Ix} = \sqrt{x'x} = \|x\|$$
, using the orthogonality of Q .

This fact is related to **Parseval's theorem**.

1.5 Determinant of a matrix

L§1.4

Now we begin discussing important matrix properties. We start with the matrix **determinant** [1, Sect. 1.4], a property that is defined only for square matrices. Data matrices are very rarely square, so we essentially never examine the determinant of a data matrix directly! But if X is a $M \times N$ data matrix, often we will work with the $N \times N$ **Gram matrix** X'X (e.g., when solving least-squares problems) and a Gram matrix is always square. Many operator matrices (like DFT) are also square.

There a many ways to introduce the determinant of a matrix because it has many properties¹. Here we consider the following four "axioms" expressed in terms of matrices.

Define. If $A \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times N}$ then the determinant of A is defined so that

- D1: If A is upper triangular and $N \times N$ then $det\{A\} = a_{11} \cdot a_{22} \cdot \cdots \cdot a_{NN}$
- D2: If $A, B \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times N}$ then $det\{AB\} = det\{A\} det\{B\}$
- D3: $det\{A'\} = det\{A\}^*$ where z^* denotes the complex conjugate of z.
- D4: If $P_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ denotes the matrix that swaps the *i*th and *j*th rows, $i \neq j$, then $det\{P_{i,j}\} = -1$.

Geometrically, the determinant of a matrix is the (signed) **volume of the parallelpiped** defined by its column vectors. The determinant of the **Jacobian matrix** arises in multivariate calculus for **integration by substitution**.

¹[wiki] lists about 13 properties and claims that a certain set of 3 of them completely characterize the determinant. For our purposes there is no need to make more work for ourselves by using a minimal set so we start with 4 axioms instead.

Fact. A matrix A is **invertible** iff its determinant is nonzero.

So a linear system of N equations with N unknowns has a unique solution iff the **determinant** corresponding to the coefficients is nonzero. This is the historical reason for the term **determinant** because it "determines" uniqueness of the solution to such a set of equations.

From D2, the following **determinant commutative property** follows immediately:

$$A, B \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times N} \Longrightarrow \tag{1.19}$$

A concise formula for the row-swapping matrix $P_{i,j}$ (a special **permutation matrix**) used in D4 is

$$oldsymbol{P}_{i,j} = oldsymbol{I} - oldsymbol{e}_j oldsymbol{e}_j' - oldsymbol{e}_i oldsymbol{e}_i' + oldsymbol{e}_j oldsymbol{e}_i' + oldsymbol{e}_i oldsymbol{e}_j',$$

for $i, j \in \{1, ..., N\}$, where e_i denotes the *i*th unit vector.

In words, left multiplying a matrix by $P_{i,j}$ swaps the *i*th and *j*th rows of the matrix.

Row (or column) swap property _

A consequence of D2 and D4 is that swapping any two rows of a matrix negates the sign of the determinant:

$$i \neq j \Longrightarrow$$

By D3, the same property holds for swapping two columns.

Column (or row) scaling property _

Use the above four axioms to prove that multiplying a column of A by a scalar gives a new matrix whose determinant scales by that scalar factor:

$$\boldsymbol{B} = [\boldsymbol{a}_1, \ \dots, \ \boldsymbol{a}_{n-1}, \ b\boldsymbol{a}_n, \ \boldsymbol{a}_{n+1}, \ \dots, \ \boldsymbol{a}_N] \Longrightarrow \det\{\boldsymbol{B}\} = b\det\{\boldsymbol{A}\}.$$

Proof. Simply write $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{D}$ where $\mathbf{D} = \text{diag}\{1, \ldots, 1, b, 1, \ldots, 1\}$, so $\text{det}\{\mathbf{B}\} = \text{det}\{\mathbf{A}\} \text{det}\{\mathbf{D}\} = b \text{det}\{\mathbf{A}\}$.

Note the strategy of writing (linear) operations in terms of matrix products so we can apply D2.

Matrix inversion property _

Exercise. Use two of the above "axioms" to prove $\det\{A^{-1}\} = 1/\det\{A\}$.

Row (or column) combination property

Multiplying a row of a matrix by a scalar and adding it to a different row does not change the determinant [1, property 8, p. 5], *i.e.*:

if
$$m{A} = egin{bmatrix} m{A}_{1,:} \\ \vdots \\ m{A}_{M,:} \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $m{B} = egin{bmatrix} m{A}_{1,:} \\ \vdots \\ m{A}_{m-1,:} \\ b m{A}_{k,:} + m{A}_{m,:} \\ m{A}_{m+1,:} \\ \vdots \\ m{A}_{M,:} \end{bmatrix}$, with $k \neq m$, then $\det\{ m{B} \} = \det\{ m{A} \}$.

Proof: $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} + b\mathbf{e}_m\mathbf{e}_k'\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{I} + b\mathbf{e}_m\mathbf{e}_k')\mathbf{A} \Longrightarrow \det\{\mathbf{B}\} = \det\{\mathbf{I} + b\mathbf{e}_m\mathbf{e}_k'\}\det\{\mathbf{A}\} = \det\{\mathbf{A}\}$.

Note that $e_k'A = A_{k,:}$ and think about the outer product $e_m(e_k'A) = e_mA_{k,:}$.

Exercise. Where did this proof use the assumption that $k \neq m$?

Exercise. What is $det\{B\}$ if k = m? ??

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Determinant formula (Read)

A general rule, called **Laplace's formula**, for a $N \times N$ matrix **A** is:

$$\operatorname{det}\{\boldsymbol{A}\} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (-1)^{m+n} a_{m,n} \operatorname{det}\{\boldsymbol{A}_{m,n}\},$$

for any $m \in \{1, ..., N\}$, where here $A_{m,n}$ denotes the submatrix of A formed by deleting the mth row and nth column and det $\{A_{m,n}\}$ is called a **minor** of A. (I have rarely needed to use this.)

See above Wikipedia link for an example.

Avoiding computation

Naive methods for computing the determinant of a $N \times N$ matrix would require O(N!) operations, but more efficient **decomposition methods** require $O(N^3)$ operations (or less). This is still expensive for large N, so we often seek properties to use to reduce computation when possible.

• Generalizing property D2 on p. 1.55, if A is **block upper triangular** (or **block lower triangular**) then its determinant is the product of the determinants of its diagonal blocks:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} & \mathbf{A}_{12} & \mathbf{A}_{13} & \dots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_{22} & \mathbf{A}_{23} & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_{KK} \end{bmatrix} \Longrightarrow \det{\{\mathbf{A}\}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} & \mathbf{A}_{12} & \mathbf{A}_{13} & \dots \\ \mathbf{A}_{22} & \mathbf{A}_{23} & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_{KK} \end{bmatrix}$$

• Using block matrix triangularization and (1.20), if A is invertible then [15]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & A^{-1}B \\ 0 & D - CA^{-1}B \end{bmatrix} \Longrightarrow \det \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \tag{1.21}$$

Similarly if D is invertible then we can find the determinant of a large block matrix in terms of determinants of combinations of its blocks:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & B \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A - BD^{-1}C & 0 \\ D^{-1}C & I \end{bmatrix} \Longrightarrow \det \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \tag{1.22}$$

• The matrix determinant lemma says if A is square and invertible and x and y have the appropriate size then the determinant of the "rank-one update" is: (proof)

$$\det\{A + xy'\} = (1 + y'A^{-1}x) \det\{A\}. \tag{1.23}$$

This property can be useful if the inverse and determinant of A are already known.

Example. Find the determinant of
$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{B}$$
.

Check: det([2 1 1; 1 2 1; 1 1 2])

• Sylvester's determinant identity can be useful for rectangular matrices $A, B \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$ with $N \ll M$:

$$det{I_M + AB'} = det{I_N + B'A}. \tag{1.24}$$

• More generally:

$$m{A}, m{B} \in \mathbb{F}^{M imes N}, m{X} \in \mathbb{F}^{M imes M} ext{ invertible } \Longrightarrow \det \{m{X} + m{A} m{B}'\} = \det \{m{I}_N + m{B}' m{X}^{-1} m{A}\} \det \{m{X}\}$$
 .

The proof follows from (1.21) and (1.22).

Practical use in JULIA:

using LinearAlgebra
then det(A)

or

using LinearAlgebra: det

2 by 2 matrix

Use the above properties to show that the determinant of a 2×2 matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is ad - bc.

Proof. If a is nonzero, then multiplying the first row by -c/a and adding to the second row yields:

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d - bc/a \end{bmatrix}$$
, which is upper triangular so has determinant $a(d - bc/a) = ad - bc$.

If a is zero, then swapping the first and second rows yields $C = \begin{bmatrix} c & d \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$ which again is upper triangular and the determinant is cb, so the determinant of A in this case is -cb = 0d - cb = ad - cb.

Example. det $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = 0 \cdot 0 - 1 \cdot 1 = -1$, consistent with D4.

Determinant of 3×3 **matrix**

$$\text{If } \boldsymbol{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } \det\{\boldsymbol{A}\} = a \det\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{bmatrix} \right\} - b \det\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{bmatrix} \right\} + c \det\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

You should verify this yourself from the properties.

1.6 Eigenvalues

L§9.1

An important property of any square matrix $A \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times N}$ is its eigenvalues, often denoted Define. $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N$, defined as the set of solutions of the **characteristic equation**

$$\det\{\boldsymbol{A} - z\boldsymbol{I}\} = 0,\tag{1.25}$$

where I denotes the identity matrix of the same size as A.

Viewed as a function of z, we call $\det\{A-zI\}$ the characteristic polynomial, and the eigenvalues of A are its roots.

When $A \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times N}$, the characteristic polynomial has degree N and thus N (possibly complex) roots by the fundamental theorem of algebra. Thus by the definition (1.25), A has N eigenvalues (but they are not necessarily distinct).

The literature can be inconsistent about how many eigenvalues a $N \times N$ matrix has. For example, the characteristic polynomial of the 2×2 matrix $\boldsymbol{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is $\det\{\boldsymbol{A} - z\boldsymbol{I}\} = z^2 = (z-0)(z-0)$ which has a repeated root at zero and sometimes is said to have "only one eigenvalue" [wiki]. We will not use that terminology; we will say that matrix has two eigenvalues, both of which are zero.



As mentioned earlier, data matrices are nearly never square so basically we will never need to examine the eigenvalues of a data matrix $X \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$ directly. But often we will consider the eigenvalues of the square $M \times M$ Gram matrix X'X or of the square $N \times N$ outer-product matrix XX' that arises when estimating a covariance matrix or a scatter matrix.

Example. Determine the eigenvalues of $A = I_N + yy'$ for $y \in \mathbb{F}^N$. Using (1.23):

$$\begin{aligned} \det\{\boldsymbol{A} - z\boldsymbol{I}_{N}\} &= \det\{\boldsymbol{I}_{N} + \boldsymbol{y}\boldsymbol{y} - z\boldsymbol{I}_{N}\} = \det\{(1-z)\boldsymbol{I}_{N} + \boldsymbol{y}\boldsymbol{y}'\} \\ &= \left(1 + \boldsymbol{y}'\left((1-z)\boldsymbol{I}_{N}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{y}\right) \det\{(1-z)\boldsymbol{I}_{N}\} \\ &= \left(1 + \|\boldsymbol{y}\|_{2}^{2}/(1-z)\right)(1-z)^{N} = (1-z)^{N-1}\left(1-z + \|\boldsymbol{y}\|^{2}\right), \end{aligned}$$

which has N-1 roots at 1 and one root at $1+\|\boldsymbol{y}\|^2$.

Eigenvectors

If z is an eigenvalue of A, then (1.25) implies A - zI is a singular matrix (not invertible), so there exists a nonzero vector v such that (A - zI)v = 0 or equivalently

$$Av = zv. (1.26)$$

Conversely, if (1.26) holds for a nonzero vector v, then z is an eigenvalue of A.

Define. Any nonzero vector v that satisfies (1.26) is called an eigenvector of A.

Example. For the matrix $A = I_N + yy'$ for $y \in \mathbb{F}^N$, one eigenvector is y because $Ay = (I_N + yy')y = (y + yy'y) = (1 + ||y||^2)y$. Any vector of the form αy for $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$ is also an eigenvector. All other eigenvectors are orthogonal to y because if $x \perp y$ then Ax = x.

Practical implementation

To find a set of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a square matrix A in JULIA:

```
using LinearAlgebra
z,V = eigen(A)
```

To obtain just the eigenvalues use any of

```
eigvals(A)
eigen(A).values
z,_ = eigen(A)
```

The underscore _ output is discarded.

To obtain just a set of eigenvectors use any of eigvecs (A)
eigen (A) .vectors
_, V = eigen (A)

The usual notation for an eigenvalue is λ and when the eigenvalues are all real, by convention we often choose to order them such that $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \ldots \geq \lambda_N$. But the eigens and eigen commands return the eigenvalues in arbitrary order, usually not decreasing.



Example. Find the eigenvalues of
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
. (Read)

The characteristic polynomial is $\det\{\boldsymbol{A}-z\boldsymbol{I}\}=\det\left\{\begin{bmatrix}2-z&1\\-1&2-z\end{bmatrix}\right\}=(2-z)(2-z)+1=z^2-4z+5,$ which has roots $z=2\pm i$, so the two eigenvalues of A are $\lambda_1=2+i$, $\lambda_2=2-i$, where $i=\sqrt{-1}$. To find the eigenvectors, note that (by inspection):

$$(m{A} - \lambda_1 m{I}) \ m{v}_1 = egin{bmatrix} -\imath & 1 \ -1 & -\imath \end{bmatrix} m{v}_1 = m{0} \ ext{when} \ m{v}_1 = rac{1}{\sqrt{2}} egin{bmatrix} 1 \ \imath \end{bmatrix} \ (m{A} - \lambda_2 m{I}) \ m{v}_2 = egin{bmatrix} \imath & 1 \ -1 & \imath \end{bmatrix} m{v}_2 = m{0} \ ext{when} \ m{v}_2 = rac{1}{\sqrt{2}} egin{bmatrix} 1 \ -\imath \end{bmatrix}.$$

JULIA check: eigen ([2 1; -1 2])

Properties of eigenvalues

L§9.1

The defining properties of determinant on p. 1.55 lead to useful eigenvalue properties.

- D1 \Longrightarrow If A is upper triangular, then the eigenvalues of A are its diagonal elements.
- D3 \Longrightarrow The eigenvalues of A' are the complex conjugates of the eigenvalues of A.
- D2 \Longrightarrow The eigenvalues of αA are α times the eigenvalues of A for $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$.
- D2 \Longrightarrow The eigenvalues of A are invariant to similarity transforms [1, Theorem 9.19].

If A is $N \times N$ and T is an $N \times N$ invertible matrix then TAT^{-1} has the same eigenvalues as A.

As a special case, if Q is $N \times N$ is **orthogonal** (or **unitary** in complex case) matrix, then QAQ' has the same eigenvalues as A.

Proof. $\det\{TAT^{-1}-zI\}=\det\{TAT^{-1}-zTT^{-1}\}=\det\{T(A-zI)T^{-1}\}=\det\{(A-zI)T^{-1}T\}=\det\{(A-zI)I\}=\det\{(A-zI)I\}=\det\{(A-zI)I\}$. So TAT^{-1} and A have the same characteristic equation.

Here we used the **distributive property** of matrix multiplication.

The determinant of any square matrix is the product of its eigenvalues [1, Theorem 9.25]:

$$oldsymbol{A} \in \mathbb{F}^{N imes N} \Longrightarrow \det \{oldsymbol{A}\} = \prod_{i=1}^N \lambda_i(oldsymbol{A}).$$

More product properties...

If A has eigenvalues $\{\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_N\}$, then A^2 has eigenvalues $\{\lambda_1^2, \ldots, \lambda_N^2\}$ and A^k has eigenvalues $\{\lambda_1^k, \ldots, \lambda_N^k\}$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof: $AV = V\Lambda \Longrightarrow A^2V = A(AV) = A(V\Lambda) = (AV)\Lambda = (V\Lambda)\Lambda = V\Lambda^2$.

Define. Let $S - \{x\}$ denote the set S with the vector x removed.

Suppose $A \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}$ and $B \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times M}$.

If z is a nonzero eigenvalue of AB, then z is also a nonzero eigenvalue of BA.

We summarize this concisely as the following **commutative property** for eigenvalues:

(1.27)

i.e., the *nonzero* elements of each set of eigenvalues are the same.

Proof. ABv = zv for some nonzero v, then clearly $u \triangleq Bv$ is also nonzero. Multiplying by B yields $BABv = zBv \Longrightarrow BAu = zu$ where u is nonzero, so z is a nonzero eigenvalue of BA.

What is the set of nonzero eigenvalues of the outer product matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$?

- A: $\{1, 2, 3\}$
- B: {1, 2}
- C: {1}
- D: {2}
 - E: {6}

Exercise. What are the eigenvalues of
$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
?

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So the only nonzero eigenvalue of BA is 4 (repeated) and thus the only nonzero eigenvalue of AB is also 4. But can we be sure that $eig\{AB\} = (4, 4, 0, 0)$?

The proof on the preceding page does not seem general enough to make that conclusion.

One can verify this conjecture for this specific example using:

Challenge: resolve this question either by finding a more general proof, or finding counter-example where some nonzero eigenvalue has different multiplicity for AB than for BA.

In practice, I usually use (1.27) to look for the smallest and or largest eigenvalue, for which multiplicity is unimportant (and hence I have not thought about it).

1.7 Trace

Another important matrix property is its **trace**.

Define. The **trace** of a square matrix, denoted trace $\{A\}$, is the sum of its diagonal elements [1, p. 6].

Properties of matrix trace

(proved in HW)

- trace $\{\cdot\}$ is a linear function: trace $\{\alpha A + \beta B\} = \alpha \operatorname{trace}\{A\} + \beta \operatorname{trace}\{B\}$
- A cyclic commutative property:

$$A \in \mathbb{F}^{M \times N}, \ B \in \mathbb{F}^{N \times M} \Longrightarrow$$
 (1.28)

• Why cyclic? Because (let A = X and B = YZ):

$$\mathsf{trace}\{\boldsymbol{X}\boldsymbol{Y}\boldsymbol{Z}\} =$$

• trace $\{A\}$ is the sum of the eigenvalues of A [1, Theorem 9.25]. (The proof involves the **Jordan normal form**, a linear algebra topic of less importance in SP/ML.)

Practical use in JULIA:

using LinearAlgebra

or

using LinearAlgebra:

tr

then tr(A)

1.8 Appendix: Fields, Vector Spaces, Linear Transformations



In the academic literature (in the software community) there are two different meanings of the term **vector**.

- In the numerical methods community and in MATLAB, a **vector** is simply a column of a 2D matrix. In other words, a (column) vector is a $N \times 1$ array of numbers.
- In general mathematics, *e.g.*, linear algebra and functional analysis, a vector belongs to a **vector space**. For a nice overview of how this distinction affected the design of the JULIA language, see this video.

Although this course will mostly use the numerical methods perspective, students who want a thorough understanding should also be familiar with the more general notion of a vector space.

This Appendix reviews vector spaces and linear operators defined on vector spaces. Although the definitions in this section are quite general and thus might appear somewhat abstract, the ideas are important even for the topics of a sophomore-level signals and systems course! For example, analog systems like passive RLC networks are linear systems that are represented mathematically by linear transformations from one (infinite dimensional) vector space to another.

The definition of a vector space uses the concept of a field of scalars, so we first review that.

Field of scalars

L§2.1

A field or field of scalars \mathbb{F} is a collection of elements $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \ldots$ along with an "addition" and a "multiplication" operator [16]. For every pair of scalars α, β in \mathbb{F} , there must correspond a scalar $\alpha + \beta$ in \mathbb{F} , called the sum of α and β , such that

- Addition is commutative: $\alpha + \beta = \beta + \alpha$
- Addition is associative: $\alpha + (\beta + \gamma) = (\alpha + \beta) + \gamma$
- There exists a unique element $0 \in \mathbb{F}$, called **zero**, for which $\alpha + 0 = \alpha$, $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{F}$
- For every $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$, there corresponds a unique scalar $(-\alpha) \in \mathbb{F}$ for which $\alpha + (-\alpha) = 0$.

For every pair of scalars α, β in \mathbb{F} , there must correspond a scalar $\alpha\beta$ in \mathbb{F} , called the **product** of α and β , such that

- Multiplication is commutative: $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$
- Multiplication is associative: $\alpha(\beta\gamma) = (\alpha\beta)\gamma$
- Multiplication distributes over addition: $\alpha(\beta + \gamma) = \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma$
- There exists a unique element $1 \in \mathbb{F}$, called **one**, or **unity**, or the **identity** element, for which $1\alpha = \alpha$, $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{F}$
- For every nonzero $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$, there corresponds a unique scalar $\alpha^{-1} \in \mathbb{F}$, called the **inverse** of α for which $\alpha \alpha^{-1} = 1$.

Example. The set \mathbb{Q} of rational numbers is a field (with the usual definitions of addition and multiplication).

The only fields that we will need are the field of real numbers \mathbb{R} and the field of complex numbers \mathbb{C} .

Vector spaces

A vector space or linear space consists of

- A field \mathbb{F} of scalars.
- A set V of entities called vectors
- An operation called vector addition that associates a sum $x + y \in \mathcal{V}$ with each pair of vectors $x, y \in \mathcal{V}$ such that
 - Addition is commutative: x + y = y + x
 - Addition is associative: x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z
 - There exists a unique element $0 \in \mathcal{V}$, called the **zero vector**, for which $x + 0 = x, \forall x \in \mathcal{V}$
 - For every $x \in \mathcal{V}$, there corresponds a unique vector $(-x) \in \mathcal{V}$ for which x + (-x) = 0.
- An operation called multiplication by a scalar that associates with each scalar $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$ and vector $x \in \mathcal{V}$ a vector $\alpha x \in \mathcal{V}$, called the **product** of α and x, such that:
 - Associative: $\alpha(\beta x) = (\alpha \beta)x$
 - Distributive $\alpha(x + y) = \alpha x + \alpha y$
 - Distributive $(\alpha + \beta)x = \alpha x + \beta x$
 - If 1 is the identity element of \mathbb{F} , then 1x = x. $\forall x \in \mathcal{V}$.
- No operations are presumed to be defined for multiplying two vectors or adding a vector and a scalar.

Examples of important vector spaces

• Euclidean *n*-dimensional space or *n*-tuple space: $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n$.

If $x \in \mathcal{V}$, then $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ where $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$.

The field of scalars is $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$. Of course $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, \dots, x_n + y_n)$, and $\alpha \mathbf{x} = (\alpha x_1, \dots, \alpha x_n)$. This space is very closely related to the definition of a vector as a column of a matrix. They are so close that most of the literature does not distinguish them (nor does MATLAB). However, to be rigorous, \mathbb{R}^n is not the same as a column of a matrix because strictly speaking there is no inherent definition of the **transpose** of a vector in \mathbb{R}^n , whereas transpose is well defined for any matrix including a $n \times 1$ matrix.



- Complex Euclidean *n*-dimensional space: $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{C}^n$. If $x \in \mathcal{V}$, then $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ where $x_i \in \mathbb{C}$. The field of scalars is $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$ and $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$ and $\alpha \mathbf{x} = (\alpha x_1, \dots, \alpha x_n)$.
- $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^3)$. The set of functions $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{C}$ that are square integrable: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| f(x, y, z) \right|^2 dx dy dz < \infty.$ The field is $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$. Addition and scalar multiplication are defined in the natural way. To show that $f, g \in \mathcal{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ implies $f + g \in \mathcal{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^3)$, one can apply the triangle inequality: $||f+g|| \le ||f|| + ||g||$ where $||f|| = \langle f, f \rangle$, and $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y, z) g^*(x, y, z) dx dy dz$.
- The set of functions on the plane \mathbb{R}^2 that are zero outside of the unit square.
- The set of solutions to a homogeneous linear system of equations Ax = 0.

Linear transformations and linear operators

L§3.1

Define. Let \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{V} be two vector spaces over a common field \mathbb{F} .

A function $\mathcal{A}:\mathcal{U}\to\mathcal{V}$ is called a **linear transformation** or **linear mapping** from \mathcal{U} into \mathcal{V} iff $\forall u_1,u_2\in\mathcal{U}$ and all scalars $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{F}$:

$$\mathcal{A}(\alpha \mathbf{u}_1 + \beta \mathbf{u}_2) = \alpha \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{u}_1) + \beta \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{u}_2).$$

Example:

• Let $\overline{\mathbb{F}} = \mathbb{R}$ and let \mathcal{V} be the space of continuous functions on \mathbb{R} . Define the linear transformation \mathcal{A} by: if $F = \mathcal{A}(f)$ then $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$. Thus integration (with suitable limits) is linear.

If \mathcal{A} is a linear transformation from \mathcal{V} into \mathcal{V} , then we say \mathcal{A} is a linear operator. However, the terminology distinguishing linear transformations from linear operators is not universal, and the two terms are often used interchangeably.

Simple fact for linear transformations:

• $\mathcal{A}[0] = 0$. Proof: $\mathcal{A}[0] = \mathcal{A}[00] = 0$. This is called the "zero in, zero out" property.

Caution! (From [17]) By induction it follows that $\mathcal{A}(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{u}_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{u}_i)$ for any finite n, but the above *does not* imply in general that linearity holds for infinite summations or integrals. Further assumptions about "smoothness" or "regularity" or "continuity" of A are needed for that.



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