

Lecture 11: Vectors, matrices, and tensors

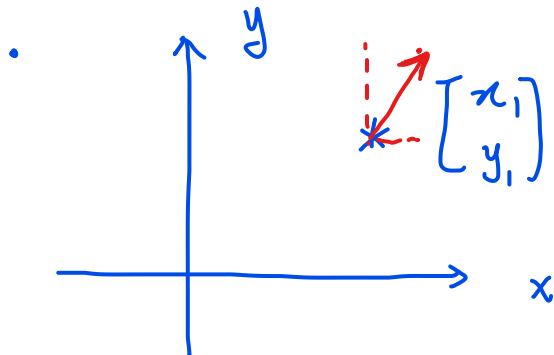
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Vector: An $n \times 1$ matrix.

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 460 \\ 232 \\ 315 \\ 178 \end{bmatrix}$$

$y_i = i^{th}$ element



velocity of $*$
is $\begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Acc: $*$
 $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

1-indexed vs 0-indexed:

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Zero, ones, and unit vectors

- ▶ n -vector with all entries 0 is denoted 0_n or just 0
- ▶ n -vector with all entries 1 is denoted $\mathbf{1}_n$ or just $\mathbf{1}$
- ▶ a *unit vector* has one entry 1 and all others 0
- ▶ denoted e_i where i is entry that is 1
- ▶ unit vectors of length 3:

$$e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

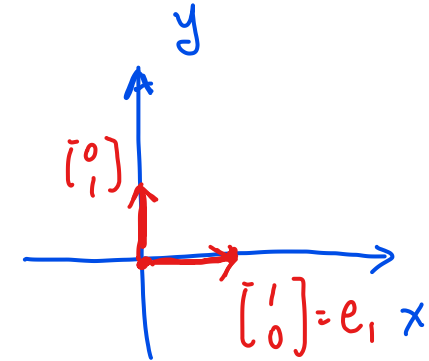
$$\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{1}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{1}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = 2e_1 - 3e_2$$

Matrix: Rectangular array of numbers:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1402 & 191 \\ 1371 & 821 \\ 949 & 1437 \\ 147 & 1448 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} 4 \text{ rows.} & 2 \text{ columns} \end{matrix}$$

Dimension of matrix: number of rows x number of columns

$$\text{Dim}(A) = 4 \times 2$$

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \text{by} \end{matrix}$

Matrix Elements (entries of matrix)

$$A = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1402 & 191 \\ 1371 & 821 \\ 949 & 1437 \\ 147 & 1448 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$A_{11} = 1402$$

$$A_{22} = 821$$

$$A_{31} = 949$$

$A_{ij} =$ “ i, j entry” in the i^{th} row, j^{th} column.

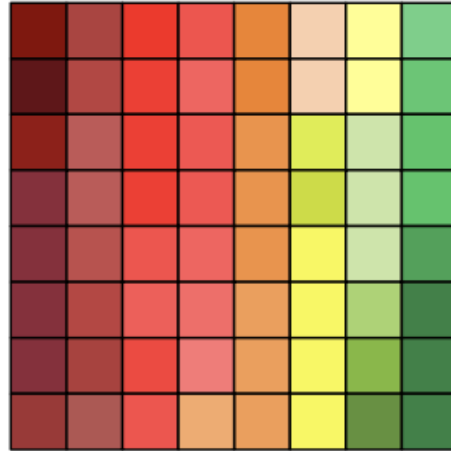
Tensor: High-dimensional array

Vector



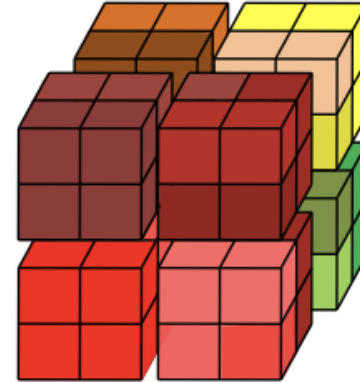
$$\mathbb{R}^{64}$$

Matrix



$$\mathbb{R}^{8 \times 8}$$

Tensor



$$\mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4 \times 4}$$

Basic algebra

Vector addition

- ▶ n -vectors a and b can be added, with sum denoted $a + b$
- ▶ to get sum, add corresponding entries:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 9 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$a \qquad b \qquad c$

$$c_i = a_i + b_i \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, n.$$

- ▶ subtraction is similar

$$c = a - b \Rightarrow c_i = a_i - b_i \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, n.$$

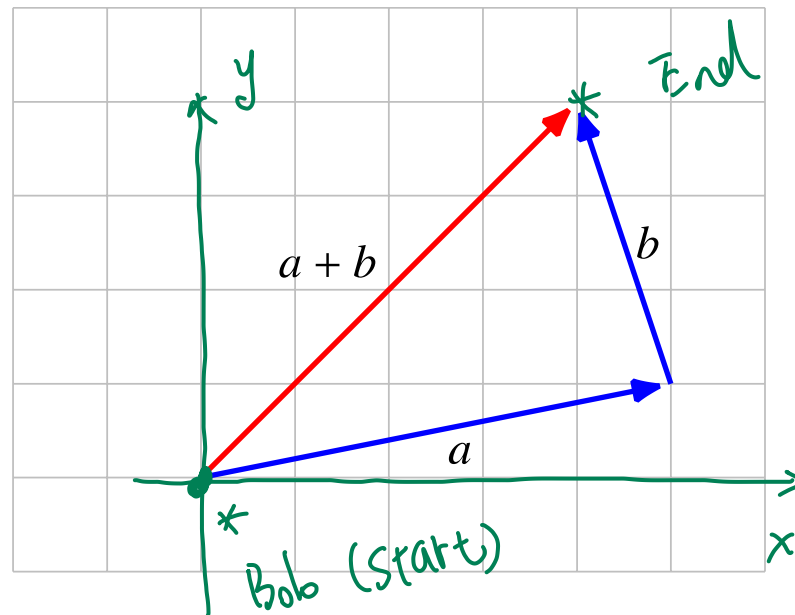
Properties of vector addition

- ▶ *commutative*: $a + b = b + a$
- ▶ *associative*: $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$
(so we can write both as $a + b + c$)
- ▶ $a + 0 = 0 + a = a$
- ▶ $a - a = 0$

these are easy and boring to verify

Adding displacements

if 3-vectors a and b are displacements, $a + b$ is the sum displacement



Scalar-vector multiplication

- ▶ scalar β and n -vector a can be multiplied

$$\beta a = (\beta a_1, \dots, \beta a_n)$$

- ▶ also denoted $a\beta$

- ▶ example:

$$(-2) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 9 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -18 \\ -12 \end{bmatrix}$$

Transposing a column vector results in a row vector, and vice versa

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow v^T = [a \quad b \quad c]$$

$n \times 1$ 3×1 1×3

Vector-Vector Product

“Inner product” or “dot product”

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle \triangleq \underbrace{(\mathbf{x}^\top)}_{\Delta} \mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i.$$

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \\ g \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = [a \ b \ c] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \\ g \end{bmatrix} = a \cdot e + b \cdot f + c \cdot g$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \times 8 + 7 \times 2 + 1 \times 8 = 38$$

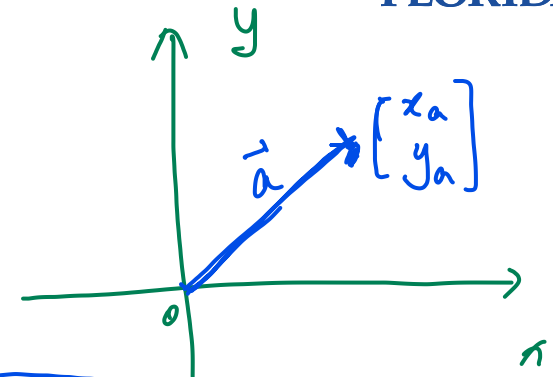
Dot product

Usages of inner products

0.1 L2-norm: the intuitive notion of length of the vector

The L_2 norm (also known as the Euclidean norm) of a vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined as:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}$$



$$\|\vec{a}\|_2 = \sqrt{x_a^2 + y_a^2}$$

0.2 Squared error computation

The squared error between a sample $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ and its mean is given by:

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x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . $\hat{\mu}_x$: estimated mean.

$$\hat{\sigma}_x^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \hat{\mu}_x)^2$$

$$SE = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu_x)^2 = \|\vec{x} - \mu_x \mathbf{1}\|_2^2.$$

constant

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$n \times 1$ vector

\rightarrow L2-norm squared

$$\vec{x} - \mu_x \mathbf{1}_n = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} - \mu_x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_x \\ \vdots \\ \mu_x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \mu_x \\ x_2 - \mu_x \\ \vdots \\ x_n - \mu_x \end{bmatrix}$$

Geometric interpretation of inner product

$$\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

An alternative expression using vector norms and the angle θ between the two vectors is:

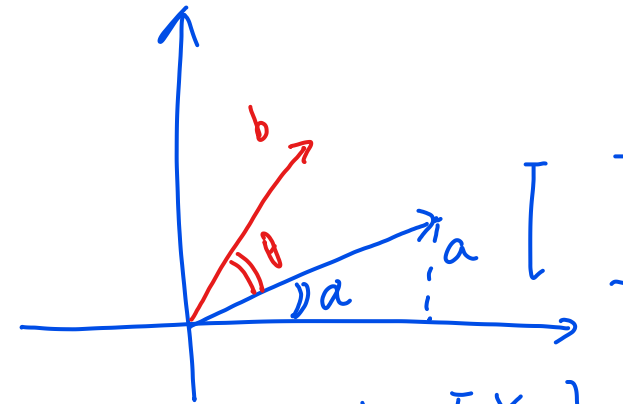
$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \underbrace{\|\mathbf{a}\|}_{L_2\text{-norm}} \|\mathbf{b}\| \cos \theta$$

where:

- $\|\mathbf{a}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}$ is the norm of \mathbf{a} .
- $\|\mathbf{b}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2}$ is the norm of \mathbf{b} .
- θ is the angle between the two vectors.

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} x_a \\ y_a \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_b \\ y_b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_a & y_a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_b \\ y_b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= x_a x_b + y_a y_b = \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \underbrace{\cos \alpha \cos(\alpha + \theta)} + \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \underbrace{\sin \alpha \sin(\alpha + \theta)} = \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \cos \theta$$



$$\vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} x_a \\ y_a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \|\mathbf{a}\| \cos \alpha \\ \|\mathbf{a}\| \sin \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} x_b \\ y_b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \|\mathbf{b}\| \cos(\alpha + \theta) \\ \|\mathbf{b}\| \sin(\alpha + \theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

Usage of inner product

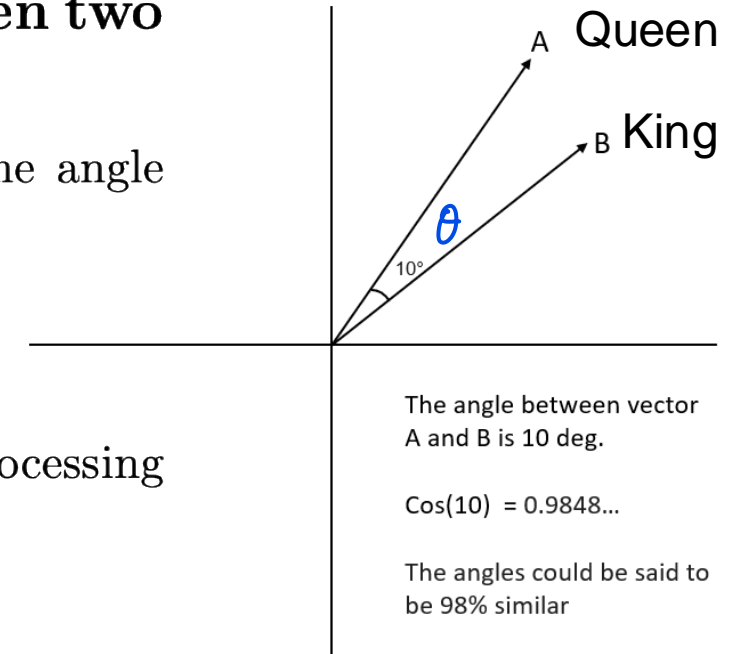
0.1 Cosine Similarity: measure the similarity between two vectors

Given two vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the cosine similarity is the cosine of the angle between the vectors, and can be computed as:

$$\cos \theta = \text{cosine similarity} = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\|}$$

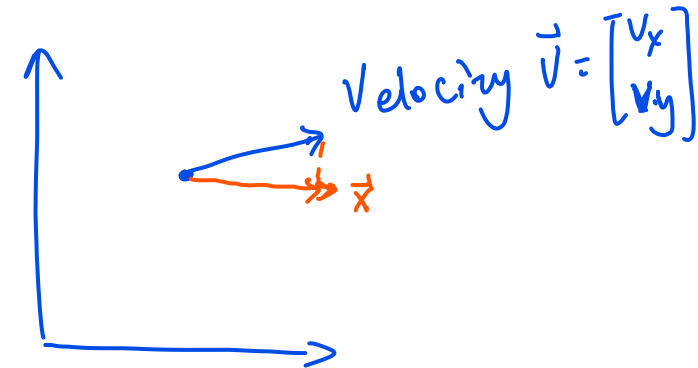
This is commonly used in text mining and natural language processing (NLP) to measure the similarity between document embeddings.

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \cos \theta$$

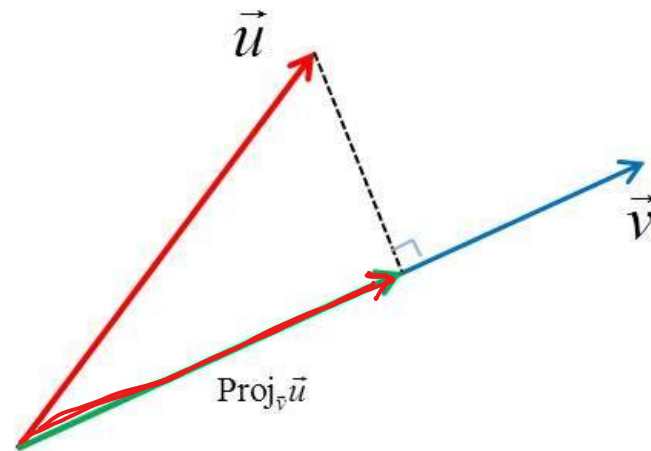


Projection

- To “project” a vector \mathbf{u} onto \mathbf{v} (basically, rotate a vector and place it on a second vector);



$$\text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \right) \mathbf{v}$$



$$\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \vec{v} = \frac{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| \cos \theta}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} = \frac{\|\mathbf{u}\|}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \cos \theta \cdot \vec{v} = \underline{\underline{\|\mathbf{u}\| \cos \theta}} \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}$$

unit vector with direction as \vec{v}

Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality:

For any two vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the inner product satisfies:

$$|\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}| = \left| \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \cos \theta \right| = \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| |\cos \theta| \leq \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\|$$

$|\cos \theta| \leq 1$

$$|\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}| \leq \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\|$$

In component form, for vectors $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ and $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$:

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \right| \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2}$$

$$a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 \leq \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2} \cdot \sqrt{b_1^2 + b_2^2}$$

Equality: $\theta = ?$

Scalar Multiplication

$$\text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

then for any scalar 'k'

$$kA = \begin{bmatrix} ka_{11} & ka_{12} & \dots & ka_{1n} \\ ka_{21} & ka_{22} & \dots & ka_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ ka_{m1} & ka_{m2} & \dots & ka_{mn} \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

$$3 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} =$$

Matrix Addition is element-wise

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} & a_{13} + b_{13} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & a_{23} + b_{23} \\ a_{31} + b_{31} & a_{32} + b_{32} & a_{33} + b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0.5 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0.5 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} =$$

Matrix transpose

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \quad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & d \\ b & e \\ c & f \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$$

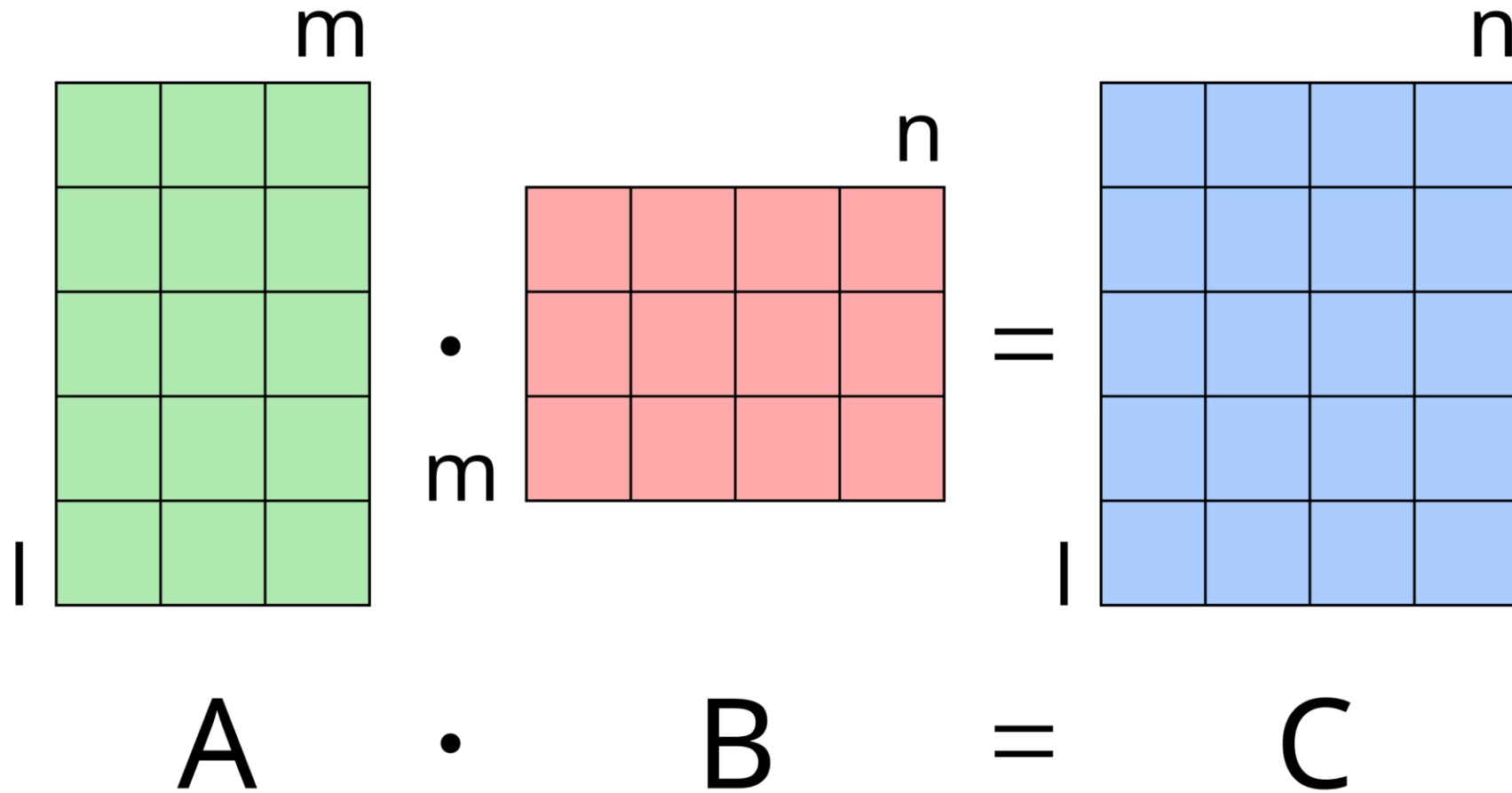
$$(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji}$$

Matrix-vector multiplication

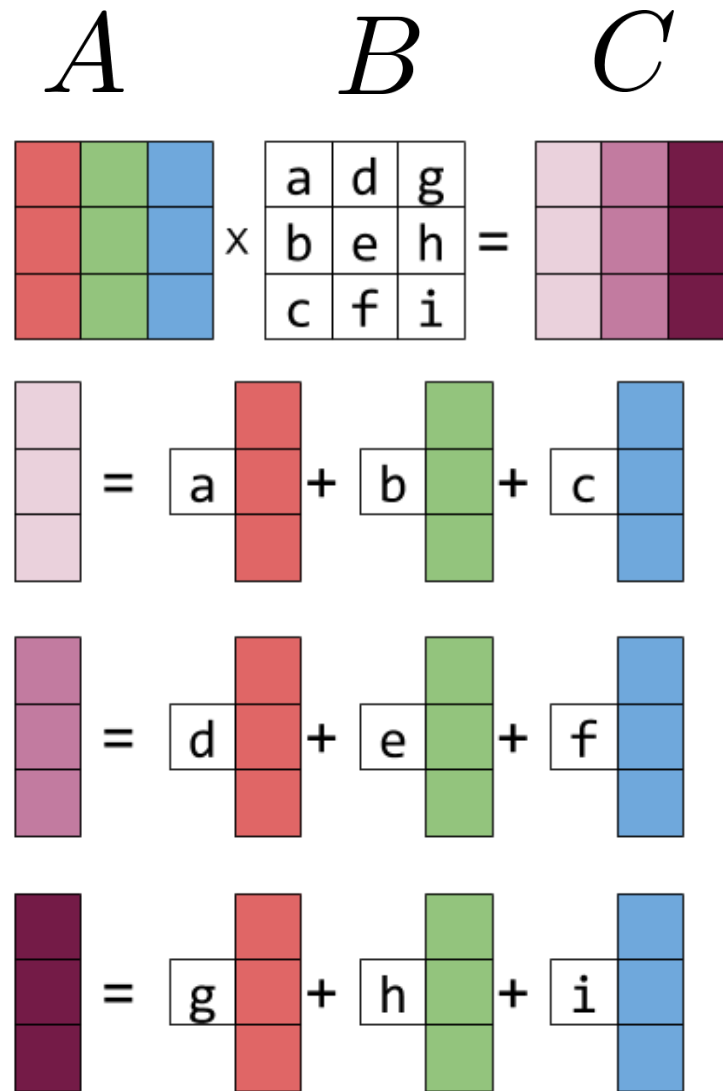
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \\ E & F \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} G \\ H \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A \times G + B \times H \\ C \times G + D \times H \\ E \times G + F \times H \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} =$$

Matrix-Matrix Product



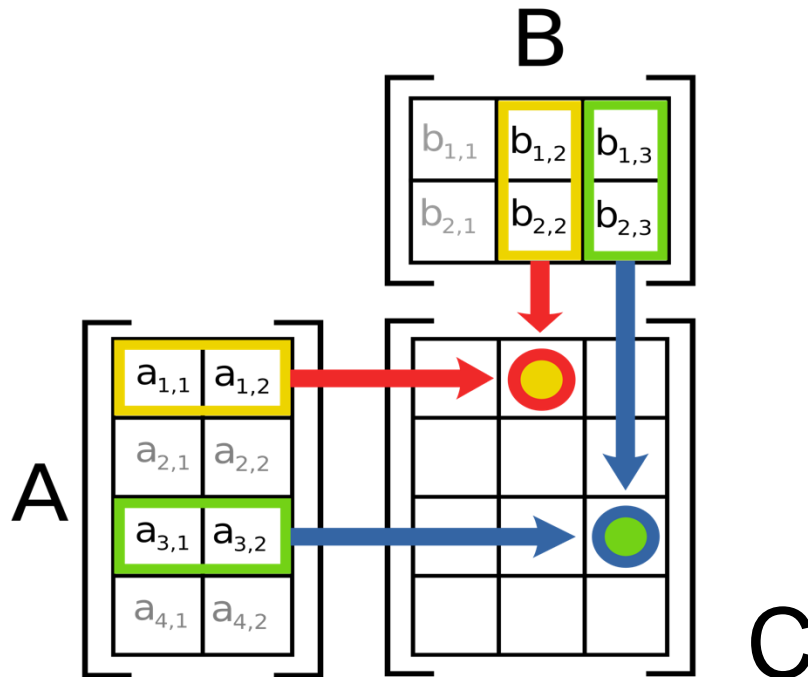
Matrix-Matrix Product

$$\begin{array}{c} A \end{array} \begin{array}{c} B \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} C \end{array}$$


The diagram illustrates the matrix multiplication $A \times B = C$. Matrix A is a 3×3 matrix with columns of red, green, and blue. Matrix B is a 3×3 matrix with elements a, d, g in the first column, b, e, h in the second, and c, f, i in the third. Matrix C is a 3×3 matrix with columns of light pink, medium pink, and dark purple. The diagram shows that the first column of C is the sum of A multiplied by the first column of B , the second column of C is the sum of A multiplied by the second column of B , and the third column of C is the sum of A multiplied by the third column of B .

The i -th column of the matrix \mathbf{C} is obtained by multiplying \mathbf{A} with the i column of \mathbf{B}

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{---} & \mathbf{a}_1^\top & \text{---} \\ \text{---} & \mathbf{a}_2^\top & \text{---} \\ & \vdots & \\ \text{---} & \mathbf{a}_m^\top & \text{---} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{b}_p \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1^\top \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_1^\top \mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_1^\top \mathbf{b}_p \\ \mathbf{a}_2^\top \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2^\top \mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_2^\top \mathbf{b}_p \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_m^\top \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_m^\top \mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_m^\top \mathbf{b}_p \end{bmatrix}$$



The i, j -th element of the matrix \mathbf{C} is the inner product of the i -th row of \mathbf{A} with the j -th column of \mathbf{B}

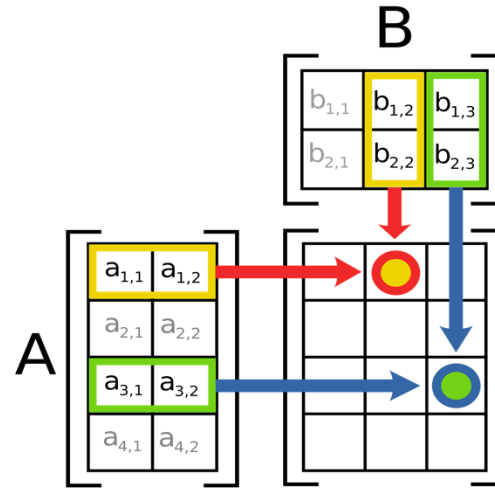
Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} =$$

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A and ***B*** must have conforming dimensions!



$$\text{Dim}(A) = m \times n$$

$$\text{Dim}(B) = n \times p$$

$$\text{Dim}(AB) = m \times p$$