

Linear algebra

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Textbook

- [Linear Algebra via Exterior Products](#) (2020)
- [Linear Algebra Done Right](#) (2023)
- [Linear Algebra Done Wrong](#) (2021)
- [Linear Algebra \(Stephen H. Friedberg, Arnold J. Insel etc.\)](#) (2021) [main]

Reminder

1. Carefully look at "dependent" or "independent".

Notation / Convension

1. ϵ_n is the standard basis of F^n .
2. a_{ij} stands for entries of A ; A_{ij} stands for minor; \hat{a}_{ij} stands for cofactor of entry a_{ij} .
3. Basis $\beta = (s_1, \dots, s_n)$ for V , $\alpha = (t_1, \dots, t_m)$ for W .

Ch1 Vector Spaces

1.2 Vector Space

Def. (Vector space V on field F)

A non-empty set with vector addition and scalar multiplication, with the following axioms:

1. Additive commutativity;
2. Additive and scalar multiplicative associativity;
3. Additive identity and scalar multiplicative identity;
4. Additive inverse;
5. Vector and scalar additive distributivity.

Rmk. This definition gives rise to a few special vector space, e.g. \mathbb{R}^n and \mathcal{P}^n , which will compose others by standard procedure introduced later.

Thm. (1.1 Cancellation law for vector addition) By playing inverse (rule 4).

Cor. a) $\exists! \underline{0}$; b) $\exists! \underline{-x}$; c) $0 \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{0}$; d) $(-\lambda) \cdot \underline{x} = -(\lambda \underline{x}) = \lambda \cdot \underline{-x}$; e) $\lambda \cdot \underline{0} = \underline{0}$.

1.3 Subspaces

Def. (Subspace W of vector space V)

A non-empty subset of V, such that:

1. $\underline{0} \in W$;
2. Closed under vector addition and scalar multiplication.

Thm. (1.4) Subspace is closed under arbitrary intersection.

1.4 Linear combination

Def. (Span)

For a set $S \subset V$, $\text{span}(S) := \bigcap_{S \subset \text{subspace } W \subset V} W$.

Rmk. If $S_1 \subset S_2$, then $\text{span}(S_1) \subset \text{span}(S_2)$.

Prop. $\text{span}(S)$ is the set of linear combination of elements in S.

1.5 Linear independence

Def. (Linear dependent)

n distinct s_i , there exists $\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n$ that are not all zero, such that $\sum \lambda_i s_i = 0$.

Thm. S are linear independent set of vectors, $v \in V \setminus S$, then $S \cup \{v\}$ are linear dep. iff $v \in \text{span}(S)$.

1.6 Bases and dimension

Def. (Basis)

Minimal (defined in the subset inclusion sense, not in size sense) spanning set.

Cor. $\text{span}(S) = V$, then it's basis iff it's linear indep.

Thm. (**Replacement thm**) V has a basis s_1, \dots, s_n of size n , let $\{x_1, \dots, x_i\}$ of size i be linear indep. and $i \leq n$, then $\{x_1, \dots, x_i, s_{i+1}, \dots, s_n\}$ (some of s_i is replaced by x_i) is a basis.

Cor. $\text{card}(\text{linear indep}) \leq \text{card}(\text{basis}) \leq \text{card}(\text{spanning set})$

Cor. Basis has the same cardinality.

Cor. If $|S| = \dim V$, then TFAE: a) spanning; b) linear indep; c) basis.

Thm. (1.11) $W \subset V$, $\dim W \leq \dim V$, then $\dim W = \dim V$ iff $W = V$.

Cor. $\dim V < \infty$, $W \subset V$, then W possesses a complement.

Def. (Quotient space)

Given subspace W , define $x \sim y$ if $x - y \in W$, $[x] := \{y : x \sim y\} =: \{x + w | w \in W\} =: x + W$, and $\{[x]\} := V/W$ is a vector space called quotient space, by the intuitive definition of addition and scalar multiplication: $[v] = [\sum \lambda_i s_i] := \sum \lambda_i [s_i]$ and $\lambda[x] := [\lambda x]$, e.g. $-[x] = [-x]$.

Prop. $\dim(V/W) = \dim V - \dim W$.

Thm. Given subspace W , there's a bijection between $\{H : \text{subspace } H, W \subset H\}$ and $\{\bar{H} \in V/W : \text{subspace } \bar{H}\}$, where the $\bar{H} := H/W = \{[x] \in V/W : x \in H\}$.

Rmk. This together with the usage of flags give another proof for Cor 1.11.

Def. (Direct sum)

$W_1 \oplus W_2$ if $W_1 + W_2 = V$ and $W_1 \cap W_2 = \emptyset$.

Cor. $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$, by showing $\dim \bar{V} = \dim \bar{W}_1 + \dim \bar{W}_2$.

1.7 Maximal linear independent subset

Def. (Chain / nest / tower)

A collection of elements that are totally ordered.

Thm. (**Hausdorff maximal principle / the axiom of choice**) Every partially ordered set has a maximal linearly / totally ordered subset. It's the same as the next thm.

Thm. (**Zorn's lemma**) For a partially ordered set (X, \leq) , for any $C \subset X$ be totally ordered. Suppose $\exists x_c \in X, s. t., \forall x \in C, x \leq x_c$ (every chain has a top), then $\exists x_m, s. t., \forall y \in X, x_m \leq y \rightarrow x_m = y$ (maximum exists).

Def. (Maximal linear independent set)

Again, maximal with respect to set inclusion.

Lemma. A set is a maximal linear independent set iff it's a basis.

Thm. For any linearly independent subset S of a vector space V , there's a basis that contains S .

Proof. Construct X to be the collection of independent sets containing S . For any chain C in X , we need to find a top of it in X . This can be done by taking union of sets in C , which means it's a top and therefore containing S . Also, it's independent, since for any u_i for $i = 1 \dots n$, we can find a set in C such that it contains all these vectors, therefore they're linearly independent.

Cor. Every vector space has basis.

Thm. Subspace $W \subset V$, then $\exists W', s. t. V = W \oplus W'$.

Ch2. Linear Transformations and Matrices

2.1 Rank-nullity

↗ Def. (Linear map)

$T : V \rightarrow W$ with $T(av + bw) = aT(v) + bT(w)$.

Rmk.

1. $T(0) = 0$.
2. $\text{Ker}(T) \subset V$, $\text{Ran}(T) \subset W$ are subspaces, called **null space / kernel** and **range / image**, and their dimension is called **nullity** and **rank**.
3. (2.4) T is 1-1 iff $\text{Ker}(T) = \{0\}$.

↗ Thm. (Dimension thm)

For linear $T : V \rightarrow W$, and V is finite-dimensional, then $\text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T) = \dim(V)$.

Thm. T is isomorphism iff $\exists T^{-1}$, s.t., $T \circ T^{-1} = \text{id}_V$, $T^{-1} \circ T = \text{id}_W$, T^{-1} linear.

Thm. (2.19) $T : V \rightarrow W$, $\dim V = n < \infty$, then V is isomorphic to W iff $\dim W = n$.

Cor. T is isomorphism, subspace $V' \subset V$, then $T|_{V'} : V' \rightarrow T(V')$ is still isomorphism.

Thm. $T : V \rightarrow W$ induces isomorphism $\bar{T} : V/\text{Ker}T \rightarrow \text{Ran}(T)$ by letting $\bar{T} := [x] \mapsto T(x)$.

Cor. $\dim V < \infty$, $\dim \text{Ker}T + \dim \text{Ran}(T) = \dim V$.

Cor. If $V = \text{Ran}(T) + \text{Ker}(T)$, then it's direct sum.

Ex. If $T \circ T = T$, then the above is true, and further more, $T = \pi_{\text{Ran}(T)}$.

Ex. Consider subspace $W' \subset W$, then $T^{-1}(W') \subset V$ is a subspace, and another induced linear quotient map $\bar{T} : V/T^{-1}(W') \rightarrow W/W'$ can be given by $\bar{T} : [x] \rightarrow [T(x)]$. When T is onto, it's bijective.

2.2 Matrix and map

Lemma. For linear map $T : F^n \rightarrow F^m$, there's a unique tuple (a_i) , such that $T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i$.

Constructively, $a_i = T(e_i)$.

↗ Thm.

For linear map $T : F^n \rightarrow F^m$, there's a unique $m \times n$ matrix $A = (a_{ji})$ such that $T(x) = (T_1(x), T_2(x), \dots)$ and $T_j(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ji} x_i$. We use L_A to refer to T . Further more, $T(e_i) = (a_{1i}, a_{2i}, \dots)$ is the i -th column of A .

Rmk. We define matrix as a compact representation of a linear transformation between euclidean spaces. Matrix A is defined to be $[L_A]_{\epsilon_n}^{\epsilon_m}$.

↗ Thm. (2.20)

$T : V \rightarrow W$, V and W respectively possess ordered bases $\beta = (\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n)$ and $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_m)$, then $T(\beta_i) = \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ji} \alpha_j$. Further more, given β, α , there's an isomorphism between T and $[T]_{\beta}^{\alpha} = (a_{ji})$. This can be done since $\phi_{\beta} : V \rightarrow F^n, \phi_{\alpha} : W \rightarrow F^m$, we have $L_A \phi_{\beta} = \phi_{\alpha} T$.

Ex. Given a complete flag $\mathcal{F}: \{0\} = V_0 \subset V_1 \subset \dots \subset V_n = V$ in V so that $\dim(V_i/V_{i-1}) = 1, \forall i$. We say T is **upper triangular** w.r.t. \mathcal{F} if $T(V_i) \subset V_i, \forall i$. In this case, let β be any ordered basis that can generate the flag, then matrix $[T]_{\beta}$ will also be **upper triangular** in matrix sense. At the same time, the induced quotient map $\bar{T}_i : V_i/V_{i-1} \rightarrow V_i/V_{i-1}, \bar{T}_i : [x] \mapsto [T(x)]$ is given by multiplication by a unique $\lambda_i \in F$. In this case, T is invertible iff $\forall i, \lambda_i \neq 0$, or $a_{ii} \neq 0$ for $[T]_{\beta}$. If invertible, T^{-1} and $[T^{-1}]_{\beta}$ also upper triangular w.r.t. \mathcal{F} .

Thm. (2.11)

$$[S \circ T]_{\beta}^{\beta''} = [S]_{\beta'}^{\beta''} [T]_{\beta}^{\beta'}.$$

Def. (Nilpotent)

For a non-zero matrix A , it's called nilpotent if $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}, s.t., A^n = 0$.

Prop. Multiplicative property of A : non-communative, no cancellation, and there exist nilpotent matrix.

Prop. If $T : V \rightarrow W, \dim V = \dim W = n$, T.F.A.E:

1. T is an isomorphism;
2. $\exists \beta$ as a basis of V , s.t. $T(\beta)$ is a basis of W .
3. $\forall \beta$ as a basis of $V, T(\beta)$ is a basis of W .

Proof. (1- \rightarrow 3) We know $\text{card}(T(\beta)) \leq n$, and since T is onto, $T(\beta)$ spans W .

Thm. (2.22 Change of basis)

Say $\dim V = n$,

1. $A = [Id_V]_{\beta}^{\alpha} \in M_{n \times n}$ is invertible;
2. Fix β/α , then any invertible A is $[Id_V]_{\beta}^{\alpha}$ for some unique α/β .

Proof.

1. The inverse is $[Id_V]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$;
2. Say fix $\beta = (s_1, \dots, s_n)$, for invertible $A = [A_1, \dots, A_n]$, find unique $\alpha = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$. Let $\phi_{\beta}, \phi_{\alpha} : F^n \rightarrow V$ be the translation isomorphism. Since $\{A_j\}$ is a basis of F^n , $\phi_{\beta}(\{A_j\})$ is a basis of F^n . Let $t_i = \phi_{\beta}(A_i) = \phi_{\beta}(L_A(e_i)) = \sum_j a_{ji} s_j$. Then we can write $Id(t_i) = \sum_j a_{ji} s_j$, which means $[Id]_{\beta}^{\alpha} = A$, and so $[Id]_{\beta}^{\alpha} = A^{-1}$.

3. So if we apply the above construction with A^{-1} in place of A to construct $\alpha' = \{\phi_\beta(A_i^{-1})\}$, then $[Id]_\beta^{\alpha'} = A$. This gives the existence of α in original statement.

4. If $[Id]_\beta^\alpha = [Id]_\beta^\gamma$, then $[Id]_\alpha^\beta = [Id]_\gamma^\beta$, and then $\alpha = \gamma$, which shows the uniqueness.

Rmk. $V \xrightarrow{T} W$, $\dim V = n$, $\dim W = m$, then $B := [T]_{\beta'}^{\alpha'} = [Id_W]_\alpha^{\alpha'} [T]_\beta^\alpha [Id_V]_{\beta'}^\beta =: QAP$. This inspires an equivalence relation on $M_{m \times n}$, i.e., $A \sim B$ iff $B = [L_A]_{\beta'}^{\alpha'}$ for some ordered bases β' of V and α' for W .

Prop. If $rk(A) = r$, then there're invertible matrices P, Q s.t.

$$PAQ = \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in M_{m \times n}$$

That means there's only $\min(n, m)$ many equivalence classes. Also, that means $rk A \leq \min(n, m)$. This result will be justified later.

Proof.

1. By replacement thm, we can pick α so that $R(L_A) = \text{span}(t_1, \dots, t_r)$. For $i \leq r$, since $t_i \in R(L_A)$, we can find s_i s.t. $L_A(s_i) = t_i$.
2. Claim $\{s_i\}_{i=1}^r$ are independent. Since $\bar{L}_A : F^n / \ker(T) \rightarrow R(L_A)$ is isomorphism and $R(L_A) = \text{span}(t_1, \dots, t_r)$, we have $\{[s_i]\}$ forming a basis in $F^n / \ker(T)$.
3. Now let $W = \text{span}(s_1, \dots, s_r)$. Claim $W \cap \ker(L_A) = 0$, otherwise contradicts with the independence.
4. By rank-nullity, $F^n = W \oplus \ker(L_A)$. Merge them into one basis β we seek.

2.3 Duality

Def. (Dual space)

$$V^* := \mathcal{L}(V, F).$$

Rmk.

1. $(F^n)^* \cong F^n$.
2. Further more, when $\dim V = n$ and a basis is given, $V^* := \mathcal{L}(V, F) \cong \mathcal{L}(F^n, F) =: (F^n)^* \cong F^n$.
3. Which means although the "all linear functionals" looks scary, the cardinality doesn't increase.

Def. (Dual basis)

$s_i^* : V \rightarrow F$ defined by $s_i^*(s_j) = \mathbb{1}(i = j)$. Then $\beta^* := \{s_i^*\}$ is a basis of V^* .

E.g. $e_i^*(e_j) = \mathbb{1}(i = j) =: \delta_{ij}$. Then e_i^* is the functional that essentially picks the i -th coordinate.

Def. (Dual map)

$$T^* : W^* \rightarrow V^*, T^* : \phi \mapsto \phi \circ T.$$

Rmk. $V(= \text{span}(\beta)) \xrightarrow{T} W(= \text{span}(\alpha)) \xrightarrow{\phi \in W^*} F$.

Thm. (Transpose)

If $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\alpha}$, then $A^T = [T^*]_{\alpha^*}^{\beta^*}$.

Proof.

1. It suffices to show $T^*(t_i^*) = \sum_j (A^T)_{ji} s_j^* = \sum_j a_{ij} s_j^*$.
2. $T^*(t_i^*)(s_k) = t_i^* \circ T(s_k) = t_i^*(\sum_j a_{jk} t_j) = a_{ik}$.
3. $\sum_j a_{ij} s_j^*(s_k) = a_{ik}$.

Lemma. $rkT = rkL_A$.

Proof. Since $R(T) = R(T \circ \varphi_{\beta}) = R(\varphi_{\alpha} \circ L_A) = R(L_A)$.

Thm.

$rkA = rkA^T$.

Proof.

1. It suffices to show that $rkT = rkT^*$, where $T : V \rightarrow W$.
2. $kerT^* = \{\varphi \in W^* : \varphi \circ T = 0\}$. It's usually denoted as W^{\perp} . Write $\varphi = \sum_i a_i t_i^*$.
3. $\varphi \circ T = 0$ iff $\varphi(R(T)) = 0$, pick basis so that $R(T) = span(t_1 \dots t_r)$, then iff $a_1 \dots a_r = 0$ iff $kerT^* = span(t_{r+1} \dots t_m)$. Then $rkT^* = m - r = rkT$.

Thm. (Double dual)

There's a canonical isomorphism between V and V^{**} that doesn't depend on choice of bases, given by $hat : V \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(V^*, F)$ and $hat : x \mapsto \hat{x}$, where $\hat{x} : V^* \rightarrow F$, $\hat{x} : \varphi \mapsto \varphi(x)$.

Proof.

1. \hat{x} is linear;
2. hat is linear;
3. hat is bijective. The case of infinite dimension is [#NotCovered](#). Otherwise, $\dim V^{**} = \dim V$, we need only 1-1 or onto. We show 1-1 here. Whenever $\hat{x} = 0$, i.e. $\forall \varphi \in \mathcal{L}(V, F), \varphi(x) = 0$. Suppose $\exists x_0 \neq 0$ follows the above condition. When it's non-zero, one thing we can tell by replacement thm is that we can pick a basis in V as $\beta := (x_0, \dots)$, then we got $x_0^*(x_0) = 1 \neq 0, x_0^* \in \mathcal{L}(V, F)$, contradicts.

Cor. If $\dim V < \infty$, then for any basis γ of V , there's a basis β of V , s.t. $\beta^* = \gamma$.

Proof. It's nice to be able to regard linear transformation as elements of vector space. For $\gamma := (\varphi_1, \dots)$, we can generate $\gamma^* := (\varphi_1^*, \dots)$, and find unique $\beta := (x_1, \dots)$, s.t. $\hat{x}_i = \varphi_i^*$. It's what suggested by the notation since $\varphi_i(x_j) =: \hat{x}_j(\varphi_i) = \varphi_j^*(\varphi_i) =: \delta_{ji} = \delta_{ij}$.

Ch3. Elementary Matrix Operations and Systems of Linear Equations

3.1 Elementary Matrix Operations

Def. (Elementary operations on row)

$$A \in M_{m \times n},$$

1. Interchanging two rows;
2. Multiplying each element in a row by a non-zero number;
3. Adding a scalar λ multiple of j-th row to i-row ($E = I_m + \lambda e_{ij}$, $A' = EA$).

Elementary matrix is a matrix obtained by performing an elementary operation on I_n .

Thm. (3.1)

Performing an elementary operation on a matrix is equivalent to multiplying the matrix by an elementary matrix.

Thm. (3.2)

Inverse and transpose of elementary matrix are still elementary of the same type.

Lemma. If P, Q are invertible, then $rk(PAQ) = rk(A)$.

Proof. We can express PAQ into $[Id]_\epsilon^\alpha [L_A]_\epsilon^{\epsilon'} [Id]_\beta^{\epsilon'}$, where α, β can be given by thm2.22. Then $PAQ = [L_A]_\beta^\alpha$, and then $rk(PAQ) = rk(A)$.

Thm. (Rank-preserving)

There're invertible matrix P, Q that are product of elementary matrices, s.t. $PAQ = \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, where $r = rkA$. Thus we have rank-preserving matrix operations.

Proof. Constructive induction. Transform A into $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$, then $R(A) = span(e_1) \oplus R(B)$, and doing row and column transformations on B won't affect the first row and column, thus induction works.

Cor. Every invertible matrix in $M_{n \times n}$ is a product of elementary matrices.

Proof. $PAQ = I_n$, then $A = Q^{-1}I_nP^{-1}$ is a product of them.

Cor. $rkA = rkA^T$. Thus rows and columns generate subspaces of the same dimension.

Proof. Since transposing $PAQ = \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ gives $Q^T A^T P^T = \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Cor. (3.7) $rk(AB) \leq rk(A), rk(B)$.

Proof. The first is trivial, and second is because $rk(AB) = rk(B^T A^T) \leq rk(B^T) = rk(B)$.

3.2 Systems of Linear Equations

↗ Def. (System of linear equations)

$Ax = b$, where x is the variable vector.

Rmk. Based on results from Ch2, we know the system of linear equations has a solution if $b \in R(L_A)$. If so, i.e., $\exists s, s. t. As = b$, then the solution space as a preimage of b is $s + Ker L_A$.

Thm. (3.11) If the solution set is nonempty, the system is called **consistent**. It's consistent iff $rk A = rk(A|b)$.

Thm. (3.13) Given an invertible matrix P , then $Ax = b$ iff $PAx = Pb$.

↗ Def. (Row Reduced Echelon Form(RREF))

1. Any nonzero row precedes zero row;
2. The first nonzero entry in each row is 1;
3. The first nonzero entry in each row is the only nonzero entry in its column and to the right of the first 1 in the preceding row.

↗ Thm. (3.16)

$\forall A \in M_{n \times n}$ with rank r :

1. $\exists P, s. t. PA$ is RREF;
2. Say $B = PA$ with $rk B = r$. For each $i = 1 \dots r$, there's a column $b_{j_i} = e_i$. We claim that $\{a_{j_i}\}$ is a basis of column space of A ;
3. If both $P_1 A, P_2 A$ are RREF, then $P_1 A = P_2 A$.

Proof.

1. Gaussian elimination produce a product of elementary matrices;
2. $\sum_i c_i a_{j_i} = 0 \implies \sum_i c_i M a_{j_i} = 0 \implies \sum_i c_i e_i = 0$, thus $c_i = 0$.
3. Since B has only r nonzero rows, every column of $B = (Pa_1, Pa_2, \dots)$ has the form $b_k = Pa_k = (d_1, \dots, d_r, 0, \dots)$, then $a_k = P^{-1}b_k = P^{-1}(\sum_{i=1}^r d_i e_i) = P^{-1}(\sum_{i=1}^r d_i b_{j_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^r d_i a_{j_i}$. Since d_i are uniquely dependent on A, B is unique.

Ch4 Determinant

↗ Def. (Bilinear, alternating)

1. $B : V \times W \rightarrow F$ s.t. $\forall w \in W, v \mapsto B(v, w)$ and $\forall v \in V, w \mapsto B(v, w)$ are linear. E.g. Dot product.
2. When B is bilinear with $V = W$, if $\forall v, B(v, v) = 0$, then it's **alternating**.

Lemma. If B is bilinear alternating, then $\forall v_1, v_2 \in V, B(v_1, v_2) = -B(v_2, v_1)$. The converse is true if $\frac{1}{2} \in F$.

Def. (Multilinear, alternating)

1. Multilinear if $M : V_1 \times \dots \times V_n \rightarrow F$ is linear on each entry.
2. When B is multilinear with $V_1 = V_2 \dots$, it's **alternating** if $(\exists i, v_i = v_{i+1}) \implies \delta(v_1 \dots v_n) = 0$.

Prop. Say H is the vector space of all function of the form $V_1 \times \dots \times V_n \rightarrow F$, then S the set of multilinear func is a subspace of H with dimension $\prod_i \dim V_i$.

Lemma. (1) \rightarrow (2) \rightarrow (3), and (3) \rightarrow (1) if $\frac{1}{2} \in F$:

1. $(\exists i, v_i = v_{i+1}) \implies \delta(v_1 \dots v_n) = 0$;
2. $(\exists i, j, v_i = v_j) \implies \delta(v_1 \dots v_n) = 0$;
3. $\forall i, j, \delta(v_1, \dots, v_i, \dots, v_j, \dots, v_n) = -\delta(v_1, \dots, v_j, \dots, v_i, \dots, v_n)$

Def. (Determinant)

Multilinear, alternating, and $\det I_n = 1$.

Lemma. A is invertible iff $\det A \neq 0$.

Lemma. $\det AE = \det A \det E$.

Cor. $d(E) = -1, \lambda, 1$ respectively if E is of type 1, 2, and 3.

Cor. $\det AB = \det A \det B$.

Cor. (Uniqueness) There's at most one determinant for each n.

Lemma. $\det A = \det A^T$. Since $\det E = \det E^T$.

Thm. (Cramer's rule)

For $Ax = b$, consider $M_k := (A_1, \dots, A_{k-1}, b, A_{k+1}, A_n)$, then $x_k = \frac{\det M_k}{\det A}$.

Def. (Minor matrix, cofactor of entry)

$A \in M_{n \times n}$, then a **minor** matrix is $A_{ij} \in M_{n-1, n-1}$ that removes i-th row and j-th column of A, and the **cofactor of entry** a_{ij} is $\hat{a}_{ij} := (-1)^{i+j} \det A_{ij}$.

🔗 Thm. (Existence)

For fixed j , $\det A = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ji} \det A_{ji} = \sum_{\sigma} (-1)^{\text{sgn} \sigma} \prod a_{\sigma(i), i}$.

Proof. Expand the first row first, and then the column:

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= \det \begin{pmatrix} \sum_i a_{1i} e_i^T \\ r_2 \dots \\ r_n \end{pmatrix} = \sum_i a_{1i} \det \begin{pmatrix} e_i^T \\ r_2 \\ \dots \\ r_n \end{pmatrix}, \\ \det \begin{pmatrix} e_i^T \\ r_2 \\ \dots \\ r_n \end{pmatrix} &= \det (c_1, \dots, e_1 + \sum_{j=2}^n a_{ji} e_j, \dots, c_n) \\ &= \det (c_1, \dots, e_1, \dots, c_n) \\ &= (-1)^{i-1} \det (e_1, c_1, \dots, c_n), \\ &\text{where } c_{10}, \dots, c_{n0} = 0, \\ &\text{thus } (e_1, c_1, \dots, c_n) \text{ is multilinear alternating, thus is determinant} \\ \det A &= \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+1} a_{1i} \det(A_{1i}) \end{aligned}$$

Cor. For upper triangular matrix A , $\det A = \prod a_{ii}$.

Thm. $\det T := \det [T]_{\alpha}^{\alpha}$ for any choice of α , since $\det [T]_{\alpha}^{\alpha} = \det ([I]_{\alpha}^{\beta} [T]_{\beta}^{\alpha} [I]_{\alpha}^{\beta}) = \det [T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$.

Thm. $\det \begin{pmatrix} B & C \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} = \det B \det D$.

Cor. Subspace $W \subset V$, $\beta = (s_1, \dots, s_r, \dots, s_n)$ is a basis of V while $\alpha = (s_1, \dots, s_r)$ is a basis of W and $\bar{\alpha} = ([s_{r+1}], \dots, [s_n])$ is a basis of V/W . Let $[T]_{\beta}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} B & C \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}$. Then $B = [T]_{\alpha}^{\alpha}$, $D = [\bar{T}]_{\bar{\alpha}}^{\bar{\alpha}}$, and thus $\det T = \det(T|_W) \det \bar{T}$.

#TODO Determinant notes

Ch5 Eigenvalue

5.1 Polynomials

🔗 Def. (Irreducible over F)

Polynomial $p(t)$ is irreducible over F if $p(t) = q(t)s(t) \rightarrow$ "either $q(t)$ or $s(t)$ is constant". E.g. the polynomial $x^2 - 2$ is irreducible over the integers but not over the reals.

Prop. $\forall p(t), \exists q(t), s(t), s.t. q(t)s(t) = p(t)$ and $q(t), s(t)$ are irreducible. If all $p(t), q(t), s(t)$ have leading 1, then $q(t), s(t)$ are unique up to reordering.

🔗 Def. (Split)

A polynomial over F is split if there is a factorization $p(t) = a(t - \lambda_1) \dots (t - \lambda_n)$ for some $a \in F \setminus \{0\}, \lambda_i \in F$.

🔗 (Fundamental Theorem of Algebra, FTOA)

1. If $F = \mathbb{C}$, then $p(t)$ is irreducible iff $p(t)$ is linear;
2. If $F = \mathbb{R}$, then $p(t)$ is irreducible iff $p(t)$ is linear or a degree 2 polynomial with no real solution;

Lemma. (Polynomial division) For polynomials $p, s, \exists! q, r$, s.t.,
 $p = q \cdot s + r, (r = 0 \wedge \deg(r) < \deg(s))$.

Cor. $p(\lambda) = 0 \iff p = (t - \lambda) \cdot q$.

Cor. $p(\lambda) = 0, p \neq 0$, then $\exists! k \geq 1$, s.t., $p = (t - \lambda)^k \cdot q, q(\lambda) \neq 0$. k is called the **multiplicity** of λ .

Lemma. If p split, $p = q \cdot r$, then q, r are split.

Cor. If p split, say $p = a_n \prod (t - \lambda_i)^{k_i}$, then $\sum k_i = n$.

5.2 Eigenvalue

🔗 Def. (Eigenline)

An eigenline of a linear transformation is a subspace characterized by $\text{span}(\{v\})$, s.t., $\exists \lambda, Tv = \lambda v$.
 Such $v \in \text{span}(\{v\})$ is called **eigenvector**, and λ is called **eigenvalue**.

Rmk. If we regard matrix/transformation W as a space movement in Euclidean space, we need to apply it on certain vector to examine its feature. What if we try to apply it multiple times?

$$\vec{v} = \sum_i \alpha_i \vec{u}_i$$

$$W^k \vec{v} = \sum_i \alpha_i W^k \vec{u}_i = \sum_i \alpha_i \lambda_i^k \vec{u}_i$$

We find out that the largest eigenvalue corresponding eigenvector will eventually dominate as k getting larger and larger. That's why we would like to conclude:

- first principle eigenvalue (largest) indicates the movement speed
- first principle eigenvector indicates the movement direction

🔗 Def. (Characteristic polynomial)

$P_A(t) := \det(A - tI_n)$, a polynomial of t .

Rmk.

1. $P_A(t)$ can be written as $(-1)^n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_i t^i + \det A \cdot t^0$.

2. If $B = PAP^{-1}$, then $P_B(t) = \det(PAP^{-1} - \lambda I_n) = \det(P(A - \lambda I_n)P^{-1}) = P_A(t)$.
3. (Characteristic polynomial of linear map) $P_T(t) := \det([T]_\beta^\beta - tI_n)$ for any choice of β .
4. $\exists v, Tv = \lambda v \iff \exists v, (T - \lambda I)v = 0 \iff \text{Ker}(T - \lambda I) \neq 0$
 $\iff \det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0 \iff P_A(t) \text{ has root } \lambda$.

Def. (Generalized eigenvector)

v is a **generalized eigenvector** of $\lambda \in F$ if $(T - \lambda I)^k v = 0$ for some $k \geq 1$.

Rmk.

1. If $k = 1, v \neq 0$, then v is an eigenvector;
2. If $v \neq 0$, then λ is an eigenvalue, since $\exists k' \in [0, k-1], w := (T - \lambda I)^{k'} v \neq 0, (T - \lambda I)w = 0$.

Def. (Eigenspace)

Subspace $E_\lambda := \{v \in V : (T - \lambda I)v = 0\}$ is the **eigenspace** for λ ; Subspace $V_\lambda := \{v \in V : \exists k \geq 1, \text{ s.t. }, (T - \lambda I)^k v = 0\}$ is the generalized eigenspace for λ . Note that $E_\lambda \subset V_\lambda, T(V_\lambda) \subset V_\lambda$.

Lemma. $\dim V < \infty, \exists! W$ with decomposition $V = V_0 \oplus W$, s.t. $T|_W : W \rightarrow W$ is an isomorphism, where V_0 is the generalized eigenspace for 0. In fact, $W = R(T^n), V_0 = \text{Ker} T^n$.

Proof.

1. (Existence) Consider the flag $V \supset R(T) \supset \dots \supset R(T^n) \supset \{0\}$. If all $n+1$ containing relations are strict, it contradicts with $\dim V = n$. Thus $\exists k$ s.t. $R(T^{k-1}) = R(T^k)$. Since $T : R(T^{k-1}) \rightarrow R(T^k)$ is also onto, it is an isomorphism. Thus we can take $W := R(T^n)$, where $R(T^n) = \dots R(T^k)$ due to the same dimension. It's a decomposition because $R(T^n) \cap \text{Ker}(T^n) = 0$, thus $R(T^n) \oplus \text{Ker}(T^n)$. According to rank-nullity thm, their direct sum have the same dim as V . Thus $\text{Ker} T^n \oplus W = V$. By definition, $\text{Ker} T^n \subset V_0, \forall v \in V, v = v_0 + w$ where $v_0 \in \text{Ker} T^n, w \in W$ based on the decomposition. Now suppose $T^n v = 0$, then $0 = T^n v = T^n v_0 + T^n w = T^n w$, then $w = 0$, thus $T^n v = 0 \rightarrow v \in V_0$, that is $\text{Ker} T^n \subset V_0$, thus $\text{Ker} T^n = V_0$.
2. (Uniqueness) Suppose W is not unique, i.e. exists $W' \neq W, V = V_0 \oplus W', T(W') \subset W'$. Then $\forall v, v = v_0 + w', \text{ then } T^n v = T^n w', \text{ yet LHS in } W \text{ and RHS in } W', \text{ thus } W \subset W'$.

Cor. $\dim V < \infty$. For any eigenvalue $\lambda, \exists!$ decomposition $V = V_\lambda \oplus W$, s.t. $(T - \lambda I)|_W : W \rightarrow W$ is an isomorphism and $T(W) \subset W$, where V_λ is the generalized eigenspace for eigenvalue λ . In fact, $W = R((T - \lambda I)^n), V_\lambda = \text{Ker}(T - \lambda I)^n$.

Proof. Let $S := T - \lambda I$, apply the lemma, we get $W = R(S^n), S|_W : W \rightarrow W$ is isomorphism, $V = V_\lambda \oplus W, V_\lambda = \text{Ker}((T - \lambda I)^n)$. What we need to show is $T(W) \subset W$, which is trivial.

Prop. $T(V_\lambda) \subset V_\lambda$.

Proof. $\forall v, \text{ s.t. } (T - \lambda I)^n v = 0$, then $(T - \lambda I)^n(Tv) = T((T - \lambda I)^n v) = 0$. The commutivity comes from the nature of polynomial of transformation.

Thm.

$\dim V = n < \infty, T : V \rightarrow V$, T.F.A.E:

1. $p_T(t) = (-1)^n \prod_{i=1}^r (t - \lambda_i)^{n_i}$ split;
2. $V = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r V_{\lambda_i}$;
3. T is **triangulizable**, i.e. \exists ordered basis β , $[T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$ is uppertriangular.

Proof.

1. (1 \Rightarrow 2)
2. (2 \Rightarrow 3)
3. (3 \Rightarrow 1) Note that $p_T(t) = \prod (a_{ii} - t)$, thus split.

Cor. If $p_T(t)$ split, $p_T(t) = \prod (\lambda_i - t)^{\dim V_{\lambda_i}}$, i.e. $\dim V_{\lambda_i} = \text{multi}_p(\lambda_i)$.

Thm.

$\dim V = n < \infty, T : V \rightarrow V$, T.F.A.E:

1. $p_T(t) = (-1)^n \prod_i^r (t - \lambda_i)^{n_i}$ split, and $\forall \lambda \in F, \dim(E_{\lambda}) = \text{multi}(\lambda)$;
2. $V = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r E_{\lambda_i}$;
3. T is **diagonalizable**, i.e. \exists ordered basis β , $[T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$ is diagonal.

Proof. #TODO

Lemma. \exists polynomial $q(t)$ over F s.t. $q(T) = 0$.

Proof. $q(T) \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$. #TODO

Def. (T-cyclic subspace of V generated by x) #TODO

Thm. (Cayley-Hamilton thm)

$\text{Ann}(T) := \{q(t) \in F(t) : q(T) = 0\}$. Then $P_T(t) \in \text{Ann}(T)$.

E.g. If $V = V_{\lambda}$, $P_T(t) = \det(T - tI)^n = (t - \lambda)^n \in \text{Ann}(T)$.

Proof.

1. Method 1: prove it on $F = \mathbb{C}$ first.
2. Method 2: more elementary.

Ch6 Inner Product

6.1 Inner product

Motivation. Dot product is a bilinear form, with the properties $B(x, x) \geq 0, B(x, x) = 0 \iff x = 0$.

The consequences are:

1. $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n)^*, x \mapsto (y \mapsto B(x, y))$ is an isomorphism;
2. Length $\|x\| := \sqrt{B(x, x)}$;
3. $v \in V, c \in F, \|cv\|^2 = |c|^2 \cdot \|v\|^2$.

Background. (**Conjugate**) The following properties hold:

1. $\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \overline{z_1} + \overline{z_2}$;
2. $\overline{z_1 z_2} = \overline{z_1} \cdot \overline{z_2}$;
3. $\overline{\overline{z}} = z$;
4. $\sqrt{z \cdot \overline{z}} = |z|$;

Def. (Inner Product)

A function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ that has the following properties:

1. (Antilinear) $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is linear in the first variable;
2. (Antisymmetric) $\langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle}$;
3. $\langle x, x \rangle \in \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}$ and $\langle x, x \rangle = 0 \iff x = 0$.

Rmk.

1. $\langle x, \lambda y_1 + y_2 \rangle = \overline{\lambda} \langle x, y_1 \rangle + \langle x, y_2 \rangle$. Thus when $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, the computation is the same as bilinear.
2. Usually when there is a term that is going to be unpacked, try to put it in the first variable.

E.g. When $V = \mathbb{C}$, $\langle x, y \rangle := \sum x_i \overline{y_i}$.

Def. (Matrix Adjoint)

$$A^* := \overline{A^t}.$$

Rmk. (**Notational simplification**) For $x, y \in F^n$, $\langle x, y \rangle = y^* x$.

E.g. (**Frobenius inner product**) $\langle A, B \rangle$ can be defined as $\text{tr}(AB^*)$.

Lemma. (**Pythagorean theorem**) $\langle u, v \rangle = 0 \implies \|u + v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2$.

Thm. (Cauchy-Schwarz)

$$|\langle u, v \rangle| \leq \|u\| \cdot \|v\|.$$

Proof. The case of $v = 0$ is trivial. Otherwise, for any c , we have

$0 \leq \langle x - cy, x - cy \rangle = \langle x, x \rangle - \overline{c} \langle x, y \rangle - c \langle y, x \rangle + c\overline{c} \langle y, y \rangle$. Now let $c = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\langle y, y \rangle}$, then we have $0 \leq \langle x, y \rangle - \frac{|\langle x, y \rangle|^2}{\langle y, y \rangle}$.

Cor. (**Triangle inequality**) $\|u + v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|$.

Proof. $\|u + v\|^2 = \langle u + v, u + v \rangle = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(\langle u, v \rangle)$, which is less than $\|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 + 2\|u\| \cdot \|v\| = (\|u\| + \|v\|)^2$.

E.g. Given basis $\beta = (s_1, \dots, s_n)$, then for $x = \sum a_i s_i, y = \sum b_i s_i$, $\langle x, y \rangle$ can be defined as $\sum a_i \bar{b}_i$.

Thm. (Essentially one inner product)

For any inner product $\langle, \rangle, \exists$ basis $\beta = (s_1, \dots, s_n)$ s.t. $\langle x = \sum a_i s_i, y = \sum b_i s_i \rangle = \sum a_i \bar{b}_i$.

Proof. #TODO

6.2 Orthogonal

Def. (Orthogonal and orthonormal)

1. The set $\{s_1, \dots, s_m\}$ is orthogonal / perpendicular if all $e_i \neq 0$ and $\forall i \neq j, \langle s_i, s_j \rangle = 0$;
2. The set $\{s_1, \dots, s_m\}$ is orthonormal if it is orthogonal and $\|s_i\| = 1$.

Lemma. $v \neq 0, c = \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|v\|^2}, w = u - cv$, then $\langle v, w \rangle = 0$.

Thm. (6.3)

For orthogonal set $s_1, \dots, s_k, 1$ if $w \in \operatorname{span}(s_1, \dots, s_k)$, then $w = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\langle w, s_i \rangle}{\|s_i\|^2} s_i$; The coefficients are called **Fourier coefficients** when the set is orthonormal. 2) s_1, \dots, s_k are independent.

Proof. Say $w = \sum a_j s_j$, then $\langle w, s_i \rangle = a_i \|s_i\|^2$.

Cor. (6.3.1) $T : V \rightarrow W$ with orthonormal ordered basis $\beta = (s_1, \dots, s_n)$ for V and $\alpha = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$.

Let $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\alpha}$, then $A_{ij} = \langle T(s_j), t_i \rangle_W$.

Thm. (Gram-Schmidt process)

Given linearly independent $\{s_i\}$. Suppose $v_1 = s_1, v_i = s_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \frac{\langle s_i, v_j \rangle}{\|v_j\|^2} v_j$. Then

$\forall i, \operatorname{span}(s_1, \dots, s_i) = \operatorname{span}(v_1, \dots, v_i)$, i.e. forming the same flags, and each $\{v_1, \dots, v_i\}$ is orthogonal.

Proof.

1. Proof by induction. Since $\operatorname{span}(s_1, \dots, s_i) \supset \operatorname{span}(v_1, \dots, v_i)$, by thm 6.3, we only need to show 1) all $v_i \neq 0$; 2) the independence by orthogonality.
2. If $v_i = 0$, independence of $\{s_i\}$ fails.
3. Assume it's true on $i-1$. $\forall k < i, \langle v_i, v_k \rangle = \langle s_i, v_k \rangle - \sum_{j < i} \frac{1}{\|v_j\|^2} \langle s_i, v_j \rangle \langle v_j, v_k \rangle = 0$.

Cor. For $W \subset V, \exists$ basis (e_1, \dots, e_n) , s.t. $W = \operatorname{span}(e_1, \dots, e_m)$. Furthermore, W can have

$\langle \sum a_i e_i, \sum b_i e_i \rangle_W = \sum a_i \bar{b}_i$.

Proof. #TODO

◇ Def. (Orthogonal complement)

$$S^\perp := \{x : \forall y \in S, \langle x, y \rangle = 0\}.$$

Prop. $V = W \oplus W^\perp$.

Proof. #TODO Let $W^\perp = \text{span}(e_{m+1} \dots e_n)$.

thm 6.7

Cor. (Least distance function) For $W \subset V$, let $v \in V$, then $\exists! w \in W, w' \in W^\perp, v = w + w'$ and $\|v - w\| \leq \|v - u\|$ for all u , and are equal only when $w = u$.

Proof. $\|v - w\|^2 = \|w'\|^2$, OTHA, $\|v - u\|^2 = \|w - u + w'\|^2 = \|w - u\|^2 + \|w'\|^2$.

6.3 Adjoint

Lemma. For $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$, $\dim V < \infty$, let $\phi \in V^*$, then $\exists! w \in V, s. t. \phi = \langle \cdot, w \rangle$.

Proof.

1. Existence: pick orthonormal basis, $\phi(v = \sum a_i e_i) = \sum a_i \phi(e_i)$. Now $\langle v = \sum a_i e_i, w = \sum b_i e_i \rangle = \sum a_i \overline{b_i}$. Then $b_i = \overline{\phi(e_i)}$.
2. Uniqueness: usual way.
3. Thus $L : \phi \mapsto w$ is a function. Furthermore, it's linear, onto and 1-1.

◇ Thm. (Adjoint)

For $T : V \rightarrow W, \exists! T^* : W \rightarrow V, s. t. \langle Tv, w \rangle_W = \langle v, T^*w \rangle_V$.

Proof.

1. For $w \in W$, define $\phi_w := v \mapsto \langle Tv, w \rangle, \phi_w \in V^*$. IOW, $\langle Tv, w \rangle = \phi_w(v)$.
2. By lemma, $\exists! y \in V, s. t. \phi_w = \langle \cdot, y \rangle$. Now $\langle v, y \rangle = \phi_w(v)$.
3. Then $T^* := w \mapsto y = (w \mapsto \phi_w) \circ (\phi_w \mapsto y) = (w \mapsto \phi_w) \circ L$. It can be shown that it is linear and an isomorphism.
4. T^* is also unique since y is unique in step 2.

Cor. $\langle w, Tv \rangle = \langle T^*w, v \rangle$, by taking conjugate.

Cor. $B := [L_A^*]_\alpha^\beta = A^*$.

Proof. By cor6.3.1 (Linear algebra > ^bc4c8f), $a_{ij} = \langle T(s_j), t_i \rangle = \overline{\langle T^*(t_i), s_j \rangle} = \overline{b_{ji}}$.

Later

e.g. When A is the adjacency matrix, $(A\vec{v})_i = \frac{1}{\deg_i} \sum_{j \in N(i)} v_j$ When $L = I - D^{-1}A$, the Laplacian matrix, $(L\vec{v})_i = \frac{1}{\deg_i} \sum_{j \in N(i)} (v_i - v_j)$

How to find them?

When the transformation A is normal operator, which means orthogonal diagonalizable, then:

$$A = P\Lambda P^{-1}$$

where Λ stretches (eigenvalues), P rotates (orthonormal eigenvectors). Further more, when A is symmetric real matrix (e.g. adjacency and Laplacian matrix), then it is hermitian/self-adjoint, which means all eigenvalues are real.

THM

Symmetric real matrix M $M := \sum_i \lambda_i v_i v_i^T$, #TODO (upd) $\dim V = K$ We may use the same eigenvectors in M^k , such that $M^k := \sum_i \lambda_i^k v_i v_i^T$ claim: $M^{-1} := \sum_i \frac{1}{\lambda_i} v_i v_i^T$, $M^{-1}M = I$ proof: substitute

thm2: $\text{tr}(M) = \sum_i \lambda_i$ <https://courses.cs.washington.edu/courses/cse521/16sp/521-lecture-8.pdf>

Variational Characterization of Eigenvalues

symmetric real $M_{n \times n}$, eigenvalue $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$

$$\text{Rayleigh quotient } R_M(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{x}^T M \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}}$$
$$\lambda_k = \min_{\forall V, \dim V = k} \max_{\mathbf{x} \in V - \{0\}} R_M(\mathbf{x})$$

proof: <https://blog.csdn.net/a358463121/article/details/100166818>

证明 V 里面一定存在向量使得 Rayleigh quotient 时, 只需要取 $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ 对应的 v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k 组成的空间 V 即可。 <https://zhuanlan.zhihu.com/p/80817719>

Hilbert space

conjecture symmetric

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