

#### Introduction

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#### About

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#### Mathematics Review: Linear Algebra

#### Vector spaces over $\mathbb{R}$

Denote a (abstract) vector by  $\vec{v}$ . A vector space

 $\mathcal{V} = \{ a \text{ collection of vectors } \vec{v} \}$ 

which satisfies

▶ All  $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathcal{V}$  can be *added* and *multiplied by*  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ :

 $\vec{v} + \vec{w} \in \mathcal{V}, \quad a \cdot \vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$ 

• The operations  $(+, \cdot)$  must satisfy the *axioms*:

For arbitrary  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathcal{V}$ ,

- 1. '+' commutativity and associativity:  $\vec{v} + \vec{w} = \vec{w} + \vec{v}$ ,  $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$ .
- 2. Distributivity:  $a(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = a\vec{v} + a\vec{w}$ ,  $(a + b)\vec{v} = a\vec{v} + b\vec{v}$ , for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- 3. '+' identity: there exists  $\vec{0} \in \mathcal{V}$  with  $\vec{0} + \vec{v} = \vec{v}$ .
- 4. '+' inverse: for any  $\vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$ , there exists  $\vec{w} \in \mathcal{V}$  with  $\vec{v} + \vec{w} = 0$ .
- 5. '.' identity:  $1 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v}$ .
- 6. '.' compatibility: for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(ab) \cdot \vec{v} = a \cdot (b \cdot \vec{v})$ .

# Example

► Euclidean space:

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \Big\{ \vec{a} \equiv (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \colon a_i \in \mathbb{R} \Big\}.$$

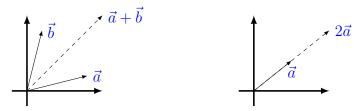
Addition:

 $(a_1, \ldots, a_n) + (b_1, \ldots, b_n) = (a_1 + b_1, \ldots, a_n + b_n)$ 

Multiplication:

$$c \cdot (a_1, \ldots, a_n) = (ca_1, \ldots, ca_n)$$

• Illustration in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :



# Example

► Polynomials:

$$\mathbb{R}[x] = \left\{ p(x) = \sum_{i} a_{i} x^{i} \colon a_{i} \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

- ► Addition and multiplication in the usual way, e.g.  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$ ,  $q(x) = b_1x$ :
  - Addition:

$$p(x) + q(x) = a_0 + (a_1 + b_1)x + a_2x^2.$$

#### Multiplication:

$$2p(x) = 2a_0 + 2a_1x + 2a_2x^2.$$

## Span of vectors

• Start with  $\vec{v}_1, \ldots, \vec{v}_n \in \mathcal{V}$ , and  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ , we can define

$$\vec{v} \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \vec{v}_i = a_1 \vec{v}_1 + a_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_n \vec{v}_n,$$

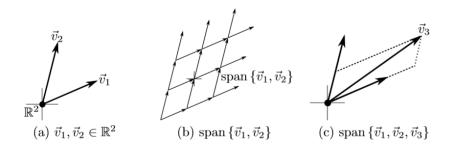
Such a  $\vec{v}$  is called a *linear combination* of  $\vec{v}_1, \ldots, \vec{v}_n$ . For a set of vectors

 $S = \{ \vec{v}_i \colon i \in \mathcal{I} \},\$ 

all its linear combinations define

span 
$$S \equiv \left\{ \sum_{i} a_i \vec{v}_i \colon \vec{v}_i \in S \text{ and } a_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

# Example in $\mathbb{R}^2$



 Observation from (c): adding a new vector does not always increase the span.

# Linear dependence

- ► A set *S* of vectors is *linearly dependent* if it contains a vector
  - $\vec{v} = \sum_{i=1}^{\kappa} c_i \vec{v}_i$ , for some  $v_i \in S \setminus \{\vec{v}\}$  and nonzero  $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- Otherwise, S is called *linearly independent*.
- ▶ Two other equivalent defs. of linear dependence:
  - There exists  $\{\vec{v}_1, \ldots, \vec{v}_k\} \subset S \setminus \{\vec{0}\}$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} c_i \vec{v}_i = 0 \quad \text{where } c_i \neq 0 \text{ for all } i.$$

• There exists  $\vec{v} \in S$  such that

 $\operatorname{span} S = \operatorname{span}(S \setminus \{\vec{v}\}).$ 

#### Dimension and basis

► Given a vector space V, it is natural to build a finite set of linearly independent vectors:

 $\{\vec{v}_1,\ldots,\vec{v}_n\}\subset\mathcal{V}.$ 

- ► The max number n of such vectors defines the dimension of V.
- Any set S of such vectors is a basis of  $\mathcal{V}$ , and satisfies

span  $S = \mathcal{V}$ .

# Examples

• The standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is given by the *n* vectors

$$\vec{e}_i = (\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{i-1}, 1, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{n-i}) \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

Since

- $\vec{e_i}$  is not linear combination of the rest of vectors.
- For all  $\vec{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have  $\vec{c} = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \vec{e_i}$ .

Hence, the dimension of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is n.

• A basis of polynomials  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  is given by monomials

 $\{1, x, x^2, \dots\}.$ 

The dimension of  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  is  $\infty$ .

## More about $\mathbb{R}^n$

• Dot product: for  $\vec{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n), \vec{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i b_i.$$

▶ Length of a vector

$$\|a\|_2 = \sqrt{a_1^2 + \dots + a_n^2} = \sqrt{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}}.$$

▶ Angle between two vectors

$$\theta = \arccos \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\|a\|_2 \|b\|_2}.$$

(\*Motivating trigonometric in R<sup>3</sup>: a ⋅ b = ||a||<sub>2</sub>||b||<sub>2</sub> cos θ.)
Vectors a, b are orthogonal if a ⋅ b = 0 = cos 90°.

## Linear function

• Given two vector spaces  $\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{V}'$ , a function

 $\mathcal{L}\colon\mathcal{V}\to\mathcal{V}'$ 

is *linear*, if it preserves *linearity*.

- Namely, for all  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,
  - $\mathcal{L}[\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2] = \mathcal{L}[\vec{v}_1] + \mathcal{L}[\vec{v}_2].$
  - $\mathcal{L}[c\vec{v}_1] = c\mathcal{L}[\vec{v}_1].$

•  $\mathcal{L}$  is completely defined by its action on a basis of  $\mathcal{V}$ :

$$\mathcal{L}[\vec{v}] = \sum_{i} c_i \mathcal{L}[\vec{v}_i],$$

where  $\vec{v} = \sum_i c_i \vec{v}_i$  and  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{V}$ .

# Examples

• Linear map in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

 $\mathcal{L}\colon \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ 

defined by

$$\mathcal{L}[(x,y)] = (3x, 2x + y, -y).$$

▶ Integration operator: linear map

 $\mathcal{L}\colon \mathbb{R}[x] \to \mathbb{R}[x]$ 

defined by

$$\mathcal{L}[p(x)] = \int_0^1 p(x) dx.$$

#### Matrix

• Write vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  in 'column forms', e.g.,

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} v_{11} \\ \vdots \\ v_{m1} \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} v_{12} \\ \vdots \\ v_{m2} \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \vec{v}_n = \begin{bmatrix} v_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ v_{mn} \end{bmatrix}.$$

 $\blacktriangleright$  Put n columns together we obtain an  $m \times n$  matrix

$$V \equiv \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{11} & v_{12} & \dots & v_{1n} \\ v_{21} & v_{22} & \dots & v_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ v_{m1} & v_{m2} & \dots & v_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

• The space of all such matrices is denoted by  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

Unified notation: Scalars, Vectors, and Matrices

▶ A scalar  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  is viewed as a  $1 \times 1$  matrix

 $c \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 1}$ .

• A column vector  $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is viewed as an  $n \times 1$  matrix

 $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}.$ 

#### Matrix vector multiplication

• A matrix  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  can be multiplied by a vector  $\vec{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

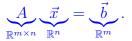
$$\begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n.$$

▶ Elementwisely, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_{11} & v_{12} & \dots & v_{1n} \\ v_{21} & v_{22} & \dots & v_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ v_{m1} & v_{m2} & \dots & v_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1v_{11} + c_2v_{12} + \dots + c_nv_{1n} \\ c_1v_{21} + c_2v_{22} + \dots + c_nv_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ c_1v_{m1} + c_2v_{m2} + \dots + c_nv_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Using matrix notation

▶ Matrix vector multiplication can be denoted by



▶  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  multiplied by another matrix in  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$  can be defined as

 $M[\vec{c}_1,\ldots,\vec{c}_k] \equiv [M\vec{c}_1,\ldots,M\vec{c}_k].$ 

# Example

#### ► Identity matrix

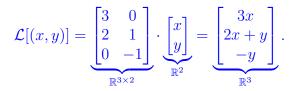
$$I_n \equiv \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ \vec{e}_1 & \vec{e}_2 & \dots & \vec{e}_n \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

It holds

 $I_n \vec{c} = \vec{c}$  for all  $\vec{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

# Example

► Linear map  $\mathcal{L}[(x,y)] = (3x, 2x + y, -y)$  satisfies



▶ All linear maps  $\mathcal{L} : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{L}[\vec{x}] = A\vec{x},$$

for some matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

#### Matrix transpose

- Use  $A_{ij}$  to denote the element of A at row *i* column *j*.
- ▶ The transpose of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is defined as  $A^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

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

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Basic identities:

 $(A^T)^T = A, \quad (A+B)^T = A^T + B^T, \quad (AB)^T = B^T A^T.$ 

Examples: Matrix operations with transpose

• Dot product of  $\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i b_i = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \dots & a_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = \vec{a}^T \vec{b}.$$

• Residual norms of  $\vec{r} = A\vec{x} - \vec{b}$ :

$$\begin{split} \|A\vec{x} - \vec{b}\|_{2}^{2} &= (A\vec{x} - \vec{b})^{T}(A\vec{x} - \vec{b}) \\ &= (\vec{x}^{T}A^{T} - \vec{b}^{T})(A\vec{x} - \vec{b}) \\ &= \vec{b}^{T}\vec{b} - \vec{b}^{T}A\vec{x} - \vec{x}^{T}A^{T}\vec{b} + \vec{x}^{T}A^{T}A\vec{x} \end{split}$$
  
(by  $\vec{b}^{T}A\vec{x} = \vec{x}^{T}A^{T}\vec{b}) = \|\vec{b}\|_{2}^{2} - 2\vec{b}^{T}A\vec{x} + \|A\vec{x}\|_{2}^{2}.$ 

# Computation aspects

► Storage of matrices in memory:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{Row-major:} & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ \\ \text{Column-major:} & 1 & 3 & 5 & 2 & 4 & 6 \end{cases}$$

• Multiplication  $\vec{b} = A\vec{x}$  for  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

Access A row-by-row:  
1: 
$$\vec{b} = 0$$
  
2: for  $i = 1, ..., m$  do  
3: for  $j = 1, ..., n$  do  
4:  $b_i = b_i + A_{ij}x_j$   
5: end for  
6: end for

Access column-by-column: 1:  $\vec{b} = 0$ 2: for j = 1, ..., n do 3: for i = 1, ..., m do 4:  $b_i = b_i + A_{ij}x_j$ 5: end for 6: end for Linear systems of equations in matrix form

• **Example**: find (x, y, z) satisfying

3x + 2y + 5z = 0 $-4x + 9y - 3z = -7 \quad \Rightarrow \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 \\ -4 & 9 & -3 \\ 2 & -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

• Given  $A = [\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \ \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , find  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}.$ 

Solution exists if  $\vec{b}$  is in *column space* of A:

$$\vec{b} \in \operatorname{col} A \equiv \{A\vec{x} \colon \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\} = \left\{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \vec{a}_i \colon x_i \in \mathbb{R}\right\}.$$

The dimension of  $\operatorname{col} A$  is defined as the rank of A.

#### The square case

▶ Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a square matrix, and suppose  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has solution for all  $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . We can solve

▶ The *inverse* satisfies (*why*?)

 $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I_n$  and  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ .

• Hence, for any  $\vec{b}$ , we can express the solution as

$$\vec{x} = A^{-1}A\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}.$$