

Introduction to Linear Algebra

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1. Lecture 1 - System of linear equations

1.1. Linear systems

Throughout this course, we adopt the following notations:

- **Natural numbers:** $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
- **Integers:** $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
- **Rational numbers:** $\mathbb{Q} = \{\frac{m}{n} \mid m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0\}$ is the set of fractions. Here \in means **belong to**.
- **Real numbers:** \mathbb{R} is the set of numbers on the whole real number line. It includes:
 - irrational numbers (like $\sqrt{2}$, $\sqrt[3]{3}$)
 - transcendental numbers (like π , e)
- **Complex numbers:** $\mathbb{C} = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$, $i = \sqrt{-1}$ is the imaginary number such that $i^2 = -1$.
- $\mathbb{N} \subsetneq \mathbb{Z} \subsetneq \mathbb{Q} \subsetneq \mathbb{R} \subsetneq \mathbb{C}$
- $\mathbb{R}^n = \{(r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots, r_n) \mid r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is the set of all n -tuples of real numbers. Geometrically:
 - $\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{R}$ is a line.
 - \mathbb{R}^2 is a plane.
 - \mathbb{R}^3 is our usual physical space.

Definition 1.1.1: A **linear equation** in the variables $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ is an equation that can be written in the form

$$a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3 + \dots + a_nx_n = b \quad (1.1)$$

where the coefficients $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$ and b are real or complex numbers, usually known in advance.

Example 1.1.1:

- $x_1 + \frac{1}{2}x_2 = 2$, ✓
- $\pi(x_1 + x_2) - 9.9x_3 = e$, ✓. Because if we expand it, we got $\pi x_1 + \pi x_2 - 9.9x_3 = e$ in which case $a_1 = \pi, a_2 = \pi, a_3 = -9.9, b = e$ as in the form of (1.1)
- $|x_2| - 1 = 0$, ✗
- $x_1 + x_2^2 = 9$, ✗
- $\sqrt{x_1} + \sqrt{x_2} = 1$, ✗

Definition 1.1.2: A [system of linear equations](#) (or a [linear system](#)) is a collection of one or more linear equations involving the same variables, say $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$.

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ a_{31}x_1 + a_{32}x_2 + a_{33}x_3 + \dots + a_{3n}x_n = b_3 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + a_{m3}x_3 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{cases} \quad (1.2)$$

Example 1.1.2: For $n = m = 2$, (1.2) is just

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 = b_2 \end{cases} \quad (1.3)$$

Example 1.1.3: (The Nine Chapters on the Mathematical Art). In a cage full of chickens and rabbits. The total number of heads is 10 and the total number of legs is 26. Calculate the number of chickens and rabbits.

Solution: Let's assume the number of chickens and rabbits are x_1 and x_2 , then we can write down a linear system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 = 10 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 = 26 \end{cases} \quad (1.4)$$

Let's solve this linear system

step 1. Replace Row2 by Row2 - 2Row1, we get

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 = 20 \\ 2x_2 = 6 \end{cases} \quad (1.5)$$

step 2. Divide Row2 by 2, we get

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 = 20 \\ x_2 = 3 \end{cases} \quad (1.6)$$

step 3. Replace Row1 by Row1 - 2Row 2, we have the solution

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 14 \\ x_2 = 3 \end{cases} \quad (1.7)$$

Remark: This process is call the [Gaussian elimination](#)

Definition 1.1.3: A **solution** of the linear system (1.2) is

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = s_1 \\ x_2 = s_2 \\ x_3 = s_3 \\ \dots \\ x_n = s_n \end{cases} \quad (1.8)$$

where $s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_n$ are numbers that make (1.2) true. The set of all possible solutions is called the **solution set** of the linear system. **To solve** a linear system is to find all its solutions.

1.2. Geometric interpretation

Example 1.2.1:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 = 10 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 = 26 \end{cases} \quad (1.9)$$

describes two lines in \mathbb{R}^2 , and the solution set is the intersection.

Question: How many solutions does the following linear system have?

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 = b_2 \end{cases} \quad (1.10)$$

Answer: It may have

- a *unique* solution if these two lines *intersect*.
- (uncountably) *infinitely many* solutions if these two lines *overlap*.
- *no* solutions if these two lines are *parallel* but not overlapping.

Example 1.2.2: Compare the following three linear systems

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 = 10 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 = 26 \end{cases} \quad (1.11)$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 = 10 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 = 26 \end{cases} \quad (1.12)$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 = 13 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 = 26 \end{cases} \quad (1.13)$$

- (1.11) has a unique solution

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 7 \\ x_2 = 3 \end{cases} \quad (1.14)$$

- (1.12) has no solutions since the 1st equation contradicts the 2nd.
- (1.13) has infinitely many solutions since the 2nd equation is twice of the 1st.

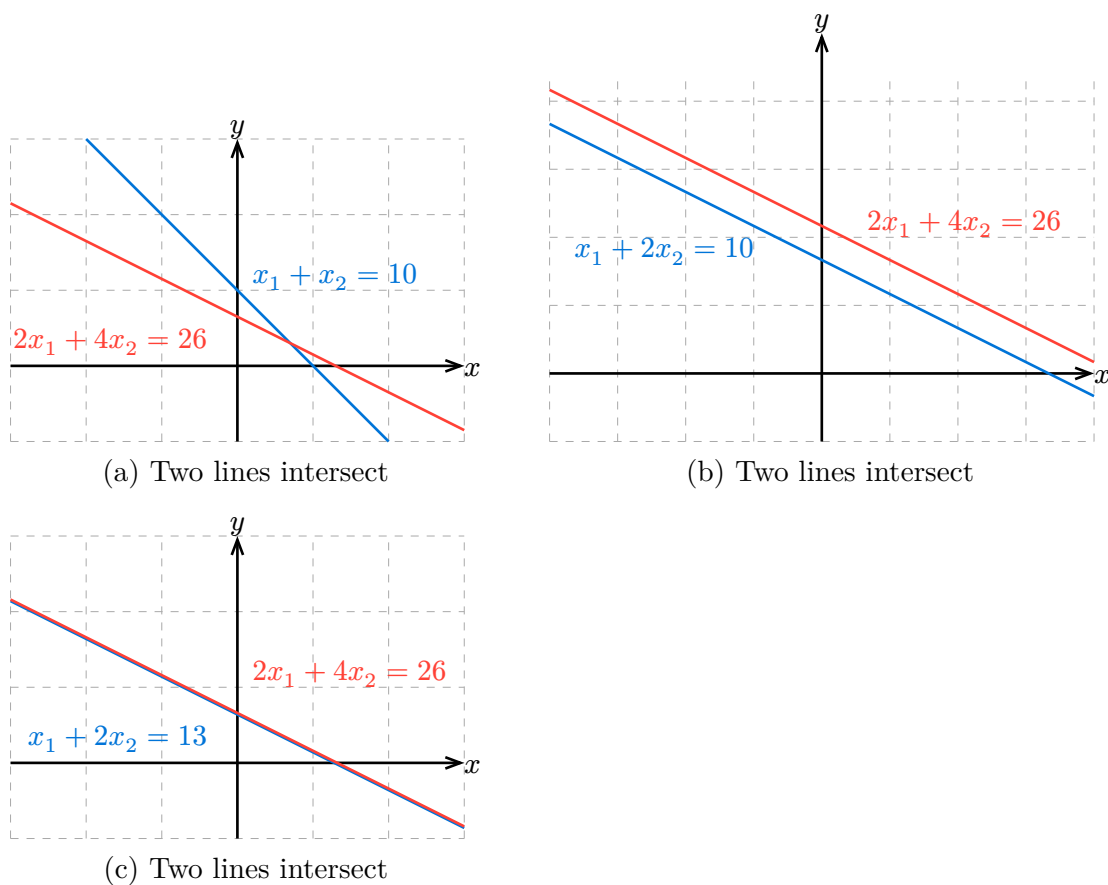


Figure 1: Two lines in a plane

If we increase the number of equations, we get more lines, it might look like



If we increase the number of variables, we get

- $a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3 = b$ describes a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 .
- $a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$ describes a *hyperplane* in \mathbb{R}^n .
- Therefore the solution set of (1.2) is the intersection of m hyperplanes.

Example 1.2.3: Geometric interpretation of

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 0 \\ -5x_1 + 12x_2 - x_3 = 0 \end{cases} \quad (1.15)$$

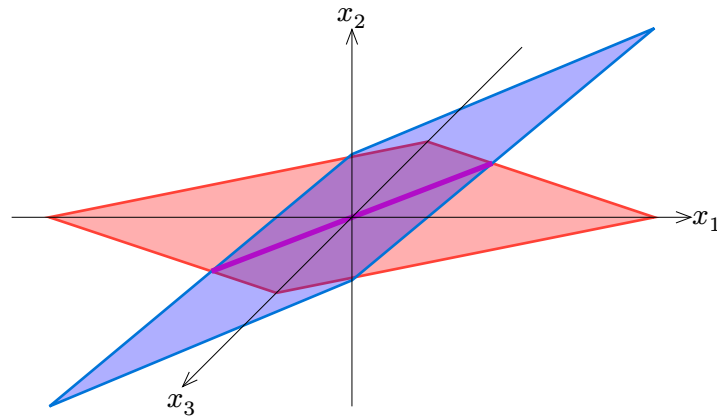


Figure 3: Two planes intersect

Remark: It is geometrically clear that for a system of 2 equations in 3 variables, there are either no solutions or infinitely many, since two planes either intersect at a line, or overlap, or simply parallel.

Definition 1.2.1: We say a linear system is **consistent** if it has solution(s), and **inconsistent** if it has none.

Example 1.2.4: In the previous Example Example 1.2.2, (1.11) and (1.13) are consistent, while (1.12) is inconsistent

Exercise 1.2.1:

1. Try Gaussian elimination on the following linear systems

$$\bullet \quad \begin{cases} x_1 + 5x_2 = 7 \\ -2x_1 - 7x_2 = -5 \end{cases} \quad (1.16)$$

$$\bullet \quad \begin{cases} 2x_1 + 4x_2 = -4 \\ 5x_1 + 7x_2 = 11 \end{cases} \quad (1.17)$$

$$\bullet \quad \begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3 \end{cases} \quad (1.18)$$

2. Find the point of intersection of the lines $x_1 - 5x_2 = 1$ and $3x_1 - 7x_2 = 5$.

3. For what values of h and k is the following system consistent?

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - x_2 = h \\ -6x_1 + 3x_2 = k \end{cases} \quad (1.19)$$

2. Lecture 2 - Matrices and row echelon form

2.1. Matrices

Definition 2.1.1: A m by n (or $m \times n$) **matrix** is a rectangular array of numbers with m rows and n columns

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.20)$$

We use the (i, j) -th entry to mean the entry on the i -th row and j -column (i.e. a_{ij}).

Definition 2.1.2: A matrix is

- a **zero matrix** is a matrix with all entries zeros.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.21)$$

- a **square matrix** is a matrix with the same number of rows and columns, i.e. $m = n$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.22)$$

- a **vector** if it only has one column, i.e. $n = 1$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.23)$$

- a **row vector** if it only has one row, i.e. $m = 1$.

$$[a_1 \ a_2 \ \cdots \ a_n] \quad (2.24)$$

- the **identity matrix** if it is a square matrix with diagonal elements 1's, and 0's otherwise. Here the diagonal are the (i, i) -th entries.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.25)$$

Definition 2.1.3: Soon we will be getting tired of writing all these equations in the linear system (2.2), instead we write down its **augmented matrix**

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} & b_2 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} & b_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \cdots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.26)$$

Which is obtained by omitting x_i 's, pluses, and equal signs. If we delete the last column, we will get the **coefficient matrix**

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.27)$$

Example 2.1.1:

- For (2.4), its augmented matrix and coefficient matrix are

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 2 & 4 & 26 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.28)$$

- For

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3 \end{cases} \quad (2.29)$$

, its augmented matrix and coefficient matrix are

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.30)$$

- In general, a linear system of m equations in n variables has a m by $(n + 1)$ augmented matrix and a m by n coefficient matrix.

Definition 2.1.4: Inspired by Gaussian elimination, we define the following three elementary row operations

- **Replacement:** Replace one row by the sum of itself and a multiple of another row.
- **Interchangement:** Interchange two rows.
- **Scaling:** Multiply all entries in a row by a *nonzero* constant.

We say matrices A, B are **row equivalent** ($A \sim B$ or $A \rightarrow B$) if B can be obtained by applying a sequence of elementary row operations to A (or vice versa).

Example 2.1.2: Let's rewrite the process in Example 1.1.3

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 2 & 4 & 26 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow \frac{R2}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow R1 - R2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.31)$$

Example 2.1.3: Solve

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3 \end{cases} \quad (2.32)$$

with augmented matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R3 \rightarrow R3 - R1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{R3 \rightarrow R3 - R2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R3 \rightarrow \frac{R3}{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R1 \rightarrow R1 - R3 \\ R2 \rightarrow R2 + 3R3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.33) \\ & \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow \frac{R2}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow R1 + R2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

This gives the unique solution

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 1 \\ x_2 = 1 \\ x_3 = 1 \end{cases} \quad (2.34)$$

2.2. Row echelon form

Definition 2.2.1:

- A **leading entry** of a row refers to the leftmost nonzero entry (in a nonzero row).
- A matrix is of **row echelon form (REF)** if it is of a “staircase shape”.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{REF} \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccccccc} \blacksquare & * & * & * & * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & \blacksquare & * & * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \blacksquare & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \blacksquare & * & * \end{array} \right] \end{array} \quad (2.35)$$

■ are the leading entries, * are some unknown numbers.

- The leading entries of an REF matrix are called **pivots**.
- The position of pivots are called **pivot positions**.
- The column pivots are in are called **pivot columns**.
- An REF of **reduced row echelon form (RREF)** if all its pivots are 1's and in each pivot column, every entry except the pivot are 0's.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{RREF} \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccccccc} 1 & * & 0 & * & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & * & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & * & * \end{array} \right] \end{array} \quad (2.36)$$

Example 2.2.1: In Example Example 2.1.3,

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] \quad (2.37)$$

is not an REF.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 \end{array} \right] \quad (2.38)$$

is an REF, but not an RREF.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad (2.39)$$

is an RREF.

Theorem 2.2.1: Every matrix is row equivalent to some REF matrix (which is not in general unique), but it is row equivalent to some unique RREF matrix.

Remark: This ensures that the pivot positions are well-defined, i.e. you won't get different pivot positions if you applied different row operations

Example 2.2.2: In Example Example 2.1.3,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.40)$$

is an REF that is row equivalent to the original matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.41)$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.42)$$

is its unique row equivalent RREF.

Remark: A linear system has a unique solution if and only if its RREF deleting the last column gives the identity matrix.

Example 2.2.3: Solve

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 = 1 \end{cases} \quad (2.43)$$

with augmented matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1 \\ R3 \rightarrow R3 - R1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R3 \rightarrow R3 - R2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.44)$$

You might notice that the last row represents $0x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 = 1$, this is a contradiction, therefore the linear system is inconsistent.

Remark: This only happens if and only if the last pivot column is the last column

Example 2.2.4:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 - x_3 = 1 \end{cases} \quad (2.45)$$

we write down its augmented matrix

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{\frac{R_2}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (2.46)$$

This gives the solution set

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_3 = \frac{1}{2} \\ x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_3 = -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{1}{2}x_3 + \frac{1}{2} \\ x_2 = \frac{3}{2}x_3 - \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \quad (2.47)$$

Let's formalize these as [row reduction algorithm](#)

- step 1. Begin with the leftmost nonzero column. This is a pivot column. The pivot position should be at the top.
- step 2. Select a nonzero entry in the pivot column as a pivot. If necessary, interchange rows to move this entry into the pivot position.
- step 3. Use row replacement operations to create zeros in all positions below the pivot.
- step 4. Cover (or ignore) the rows containing the pivot positions. Apply Steps 1-3 to the rows that remains. Repeat the process until you are left with an REF.
- step 5. Beginning with the rightmost pivot and working upward and to the left, create zeros above each pivot. If a pivot is not 1, make it 1 by a scaling operation.

Steps 1-4 are call [forward phase](#), after which you get an REF. Step 5 is called [backward phase](#), after which you get the RREF.

Example 2.2.5: Consider the augmented matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.48)$$

- Forward phase

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{Step 1,2}]{R1 \leftrightarrow R4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.49)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{Step 3}]{\begin{matrix} R2 \rightarrow R2 + R1 \\ R3 \rightarrow R3 + 2R1 \end{matrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -6 & -6 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 & -15 & -15 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.50)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -6 & -6 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 & -15 & -15 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{Step 4,1,2,3}]{\begin{matrix} R3 \rightarrow R3 - \frac{5}{2}R2 \\ R4 \rightarrow R4 + \frac{3}{2}R2 \end{matrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -6 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.51)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -6 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{Step 4,1}]{R3 \leftrightarrow R4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -6 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.52)$$

- Backward phase

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -6 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{Step 5}]{R3 \rightarrow \frac{R3}{-5}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -6 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{Step 5}]{\begin{matrix} R1 \rightarrow R1 + 9R3 \\ R2 \rightarrow R2 + 6R3 \end{matrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.53)$$

$$\xrightarrow[\text{Step 5}]{R2 \rightarrow \frac{R2}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{Step 5}]{R1 \rightarrow R1 - 4R2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Definition 2.2.2: The variables corresponding to pivot columns in a matrix are called **basic variables**, the other variables are called **free variables**. In a solution set, basic variables are expressed in terms of free variables, and a free variable can take any value.

Example 2.2.6: In Example Example 2.2.4, x_1, x_2 are basic variables and x_3 is a free variable. And we formally write our solution set as

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{1}{2}x_3 + \frac{1}{2} \\ x_2 = \frac{3}{2}x_3 - \frac{1}{2} \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases} \quad (2.54)$$

Exercise 2.2.1: Find the general solution of the system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 + 3x_4 = 0 \\ -2x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3 - 5x_4 = 3 \\ 3x_1 - 6x_2 - 4x_3 + 8x_4 = 2 \end{cases} \quad (2.55)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & 5 & -5 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 & -4 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow (-1) \cdot R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.56) \\ & \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow \frac{R_3}{-2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \\ R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 3R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 & \frac{27}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Write this as solution set, we get

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - 2x_2 = 16 \\ x_3 = \frac{5}{2} \\ x_4 = -\frac{9}{2} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 2x_2 + 16 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \\ x_3 = \frac{5}{2} \\ x_4 = -\frac{9}{2} \end{cases} \quad (2.57)$$

Theorem 2.2.2: Suppose the augmented matrix of a linear system is $[A \ \mathbf{b}]$, and its RREF is $[U \ \mathbf{d}]$, then the linear system has

1. no solutions $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{d}$ is a pivot column, i.e. contains a pivot.
2. has solutions $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{d}$ is not a pivot column
 - a unique solution \Leftrightarrow every column of U is a pivot column.
 - infinitely many solutions \Leftrightarrow some columns of U is not a pivot column.

Example 2.2.7:

- In Example Example 2.2.3, the linear system has no solutions since

$$[A \ \mathbf{b}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [U \ \mathbf{d}] \quad (2.58)$$

- In Example Example 2.1.3, the linear system has a unique solution since

$$[A \ \mathbf{b}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [U \ \mathbf{d}] \quad (2.59)$$

- In Example Exercise 2.2.1, the linear system has infinitely many solutions since

$$[A \ \mathbf{b}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & 5 & -5 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 & -4 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix} = [U \ \mathbf{d}] \quad (2.60)$$

Exercise 2.2.2: Find the general solutions of the system with given augmented matrix, name the pivot columns, pivot positions, basic and free variables.

- $$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -6 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 7 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.61)$$

- $$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 & 0 & 6 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 7 & -4 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.62)$$

Question: How does the size of the augmented matrix affect the solution set?

3. Lecture 3 - Matrix algebra

3.1. Matrix addition and scalar multiplication

Definition 3.1.1: Let's use $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ to denote the set of all (real-valued) m by n matrices.

Definition 3.1.2: Suppose A, B are $m \times n$ matrices, c is a scalar (i.e. a number), then we can define

- Addition

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{m1} & b_{m2} & \cdots & b_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} + b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & a_{m2} + b_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (3.63)$$

- Scalar multiplication

$$c \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ca_{11} & ca_{12} & \cdots & ca_{1n} \\ ca_{21} & ca_{22} & \cdots & ca_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ ca_{m1} & ca_{m2} & \cdots & ca_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.64)$$

Example 3.1.1:

1.
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.65)$$

2.
$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.66)$$

3.2. Matrix multiplication

Definition 3.2.1: Suppose A is a $m \times n$ matrix, and B is a $n \times p$ matrix, we can define **matrix multiplication** AB to be the $m \times p$ matrix, computed via the **row-column rule**: The (i, j) -entry is to multiply the i -row and j -th column

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{i1} & a_{i2} & \cdots & a_{in} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{1j} \\ b_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ b_{nj} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \blacksquare \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.67)$$

Where the (i, j) -entry $\blacksquare = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \cdots + a_{in}b_{nj}$.

If A is a square matrix, then we could define matrix power A^k to be simply $\overbrace{A \cdots A}^{k \text{ times}}$

Example 3.2.1:

- $$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.68)$$

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

- $$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 & 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 \\ 2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2 & 2 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 11 \\ 9 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.69)$$

- $$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.70)$$

$$= x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} a_{13} \\ a_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$

- $$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0 & 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 0 \\ 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 0 & 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.71)$$

- $$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 & 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 0 \\ 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 & 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.72)$$

item

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.73)$$

item

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.74)$$

Example 3.2.2:

$$1. \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} - 3a_{31} & a_{12} - 3a_{32} & a_{13} - 3a_{33} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.75)$$

$$2. \quad \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + 2a_{13} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} + 2a_{23} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} + 2a_{33} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.76)$$

$$3. \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 2a_{21} & 2a_{22} & 2a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.77)$$

$$4. \quad \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 3a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & 3a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & 3a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.78)$$

$$5. \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.79)$$

$$6. \quad \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} & a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{22} & a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{31} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.80)$$

Exercise 3.2.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, compute matrix multiplication AB

Fact 3.2.1: Suppose A, B, C, D are matrices, c is a scalar, 0 is the zero matrix, I is the identity matrix. we have the following facts

- Matrix multiplication is generally *NOT commutative*, i.e. $AB \neq BA$
- Matrix multiplication is *associative*, i.e. the order of multiplication doesn't matter, in other words $(AB)C = A(BC)$, so it makes sense to write successive multiplication $A_1A_2A_3 \cdots A_n$
- Scalar multiplication and matrix multiplication commutes, $A(cB) = c(AB) = (cA)B$. so it makes sense to write $cA_1A_2A_3 \cdots A_n$
- Matrix multiplication is *distributive* over addition, i.e. $A(B + C) = AB + AC$, $(A + B)C = AC + BC$
- Zero matrix and identity matrix acts as 0 and 1, i.e. $A + 0 = 0 + A = A$, $A0 = 0A = 0$, $IA = AI = A$
- Even if $A \neq 0$, $B \neq 0$, AB could still be 0, take [eq:equation1](#) for an example
- $AB = AC$ does NOT imply $B = C$

Remark: Some of the properties of matrices are really similar to that of numbers, so we dub this the name of *matrix algebra*

3.3. Partitioned matrix

Definition 3.3.1: A is a **partitioned** (or **block**) matrix if is divided into smaller submatrix by some horizontal and vertical lines. And the submatrices are the blocks

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ \hline A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ \hline A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{array} \right] = \begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} & a_{15} & a_{16} & a_{17} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} & a_{25} & a_{26} & a_{27} \\ \hline a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} & a_{35} & a_{36} & a_{37} \\ \hline a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{44} & a_{45} & a_{46} & a_{47} \\ a_{51} & a_{52} & a_{53} & a_{54} & a_{55} & a_{56} & a_{57} \\ a_{61} & a_{62} & a_{63} & a_{64} & a_{65} & a_{66} & a_{67} \end{array} \quad (3.81)$$

Here the blocks are $A_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$, $A_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{13} & a_{14} & a_{15} & a_{16} \\ a_{23} & a_{24} & a_{25} & a_{26} \end{bmatrix}$, $A_{13} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{17} \\ a_{27} \end{bmatrix}$, $A_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{31} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix}$,

$A_{22} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{33} & a_{34} & a_{35} & a_{36} \end{bmatrix}$, $A_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{37} \end{bmatrix}$, $A_{31} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{41} & a_{42} \\ a_{51} & a_{52} \\ a_{61} & a_{62} \end{bmatrix}$, $A_{32} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{43} & a_{44} & a_{45} & a_{46} \\ a_{53} & a_{54} & a_{55} & a_{56} \\ a_{63} & a_{64} & a_{65} & a_{66} \end{bmatrix}$,

$A_{33} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{47} \\ a_{57} \\ a_{67} \end{bmatrix}$.

Fact 3.3.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1q} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \cdots & A_{2q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{p1} & A_{p2} & \cdots & A_{pq} \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} & \cdots & B_{1r} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} & \cdots & B_{2r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{q1} & B_{q2} & \cdots & B_{qr} \end{bmatrix}$ are partitioned matrices,

and the number of columns of A_{1k} is equal to the number of rows of B_{k1} (so that all submatrices multiplications make sense). Then the usual row-column rule still WORKS!!! By treating submatrices as if they are numbers.

$$AB = C = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & \cdots & C_{1r} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & \cdots & C_{2r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_{p1} & C_{p2} & \cdots & C_{pr} \end{bmatrix}, C_{ij} = A_{i1}B_{1j} + A_{i2}B_{2j} + \cdots + A_{iq}B_{qj} \quad (3.82)$$

Example 3.3.1: Consider $\left[\begin{array}{c|c} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ \hline A_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$, $\left[\begin{array}{c|c} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ \hline B_{21} & B_{22} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$, then

$$A_{11}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [2] = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.83)$$

$$A_{11}B_{12} + A_{12}B_{22} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [1 \ 1] = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.84)$$

$$A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21} = [2 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + [1][2] = [6] \quad (3.85)$$

$$A_{21}B_{12} + A_{22}B_{22} = [2 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + [1][1 \ 1] = [5 \ 4] \quad (3.86)$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ \hline A_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c|c} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ \hline B_{21} & B_{22} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} A_{11}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{21} & A_{11}B_{12} + A_{12}B_{22} & A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21} & A_{21}B_{12} + A_{22}B_{22} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 5 & 4 & 3 & \\ 8 & 7 & 5 & \\ \hline 6 & 5 & 4 & \end{array} \right] \quad (3.87)$$

Example 3.3.2: Suppose 3×3 matrix A can be partitioned into $[R_1R_2R_3]$ or $[a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3]$, then Example Example 3.2.2 reads

- $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $EA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} [R_1R_2R_3] = [R_1-3R_3R_2R_3]$, EA acts as subtracting 3 times row 3 from row 1.
- $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $AE = [a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [a_1+2a_3 \ a_2 \ a_3]$, AE acts as adding 2 times column 3 to column 1.
- $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $EA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} [R_1R_2R_3] = [R_12R_2R_3]$, EA acts as scaling the third row by 2.
- $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $AE = [a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [a_1 \ 3a_2 \ a_3]$, AE acts as scaling the third column by 3.
- $E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $EA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [R_1R_2R_3] = [R_3R_2R_1]$, EA acts as interchanging row 1 and row 3.
- $E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $AE = [a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [a_2 \ a_1 \ a_3]$, AE acts as interchanging column 1 and column 2.

Definition 3.3.2: Matrices E in the previous example is called **elementary matrices**. They describe row and column elementary operations.

Exercise 3.3.1: If A is a 4 by 5 matrix, what is the elementary matrix E that acts as replacing the fourth row by adding twice of the second row.

Exercise 3.3.2: Suppose $B = [b_1 \ b_2 \ \dots \ b_n]$, show that $AB = [Ab_1 \ Ab_2 \ \dots \ Ab_n]$

Exercise 3.3.3: Verify that $A^2 = I_2$ where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, and use partitioned matrices to show that $M^2 = I_4$, where $M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Exercise 3.3.4: Suppose $[A \ \mathbf{b}] \sim [U \ \mathbf{d}]$ is the REF/RREF, then U will also be the REF/RREF of A .

Solution: Suppose the row elementary operations applied are E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k , then

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} [A \ \mathbf{b}] & \sim & E_1[A \ \mathbf{b}] & \sim & E_2 E_1[A \ \mathbf{b}] & \sim & \dots \sim E_k \dots E_2 E_1[A \ \mathbf{b}] = [U \ \mathbf{d}] \\ & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ & & [E_1 A \ E_1 \mathbf{b}] & & [E_2 E_1 A \ E_2 E_1 \mathbf{b}] & & [E_k \dots E_2 E_1 A \ E_k \dots E_2 E_1 \mathbf{b}] \end{array}$$

The same sequence of row elementary operations would reduce A to U .

4. Lecture 4 - Matrix equations and linear independence

4.1. Vector and matrix equations

Recall a vector is a matrix with one column, the zero vector is a vector with all entries zero.

For scalar (i.e. a number) c , and vectors $\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$, we have

- Addition $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + b_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n + b_n \end{bmatrix}$
- Scalar multiplication $c\mathbf{a} = c \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ca_1 \\ ca_2 \\ \vdots \\ ca_n \end{bmatrix}$
- Subtraction $\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} + (-1)\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 - b_1 \\ a_2 - b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n - b_n \end{bmatrix}$

Remark: In handwritings, we use \vec{v} or \vec{v} to denote a vector, while in printing materials we often use the math bold font \mathbf{v} .

Definition 4.1.1: A **vector equation** is of the form

$$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \cdots + x_n \mathbf{a}_n = \mathbf{b} \quad (4.88)$$

We can also write the vector equation $\text{eqref{eq:veceq}}$ as a **matrix equation** with partitioned matrix

$$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \cdots + x_n \mathbf{a}_n = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{a}_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \quad (4.89)$$

Here $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{a}_n]$ and $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$

Example 4.1.1: (4.4) can be written as a vector equation

$$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{a}_2 = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 2x_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ 4x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 26 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b} \quad (4.90)$$

Or a matrix equation

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 26 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b} \quad (4.91)$$

Example 4.1.2: The corresponding vector equation of

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_2 + x_3 = 2 \end{cases} \quad (4.92)$$

is

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.93)$$

And the corresponding matrix equation is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.94)$$

%

Question: % Suppose A is a $m \times n$ matrix, when does the matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ always has a solution for any \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^n %

4.2. Span

Definition 4.2.1:

- A **linear combination** of $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ is a sum $c_1\mathbf{a}_1 + c_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{a}_n$ for some scalars c_1, \dots, c_n .
- The **span** of $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is the set of all its linear combinations, which we denote $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$.

Theorem 4.2.1: $x_1\mathbf{a}_1 + x_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \dots + x_n\mathbf{a}_n = \mathbf{b}$ has solution(s) $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{b}$ is a linear combination of $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{b} \in \text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n\}$

Exercise 4.2.1: Let $\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{a}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Is \mathbf{b} in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3\}$?

Solution: This is equivalent of asking if whether the vector equation $x_1\mathbf{a}_1 + x_2\mathbf{a}_2 + x_3\mathbf{a}_3 = \mathbf{b}$ has solution(s), we find an REF of its augmented matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1 \\ R3 \rightarrow R3 - R1}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R3 \rightarrow R3 - R2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad (4.95)$$

Since there is a pivot in the last column, by Theorem Theorem 2.2.2, the linear system is inconsistent, hence $\mathbf{b} \notin \text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3\}$

4.3. Linear independence

Definition 4.3.1: $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is **linearly dependent** if some \mathbf{v}_i is in the span of the others (so it is somewhat redundant), or equivalently, if there is a non-trivial solution c_1, \dots, c_n (i.e. not all c_i 's are 0) to the vector equation

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.96)$$

(4.96) is referred to as a **linear dependence** between $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$. If (4.96) has only the trivial solution (i.e. c_1, \dots, c_n are all 0, which is of course always a solution), $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is said to be **linearly independent**

Remark: Equivalence between two different definitions of linear dependence

- If $\mathbf{v}_i = c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_{\{i-1\}}\mathbf{v}_{\{i-1\}} + c_{\{i+1\}}\mathbf{v}_{\{i+1\}} + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$, then $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + (-1)\mathbf{v}_i + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$
- If $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_i\mathbf{v}_i + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$ and $c_i \neq 0$ (since not all c_i 's are zero, we may assume some c_i is nonzero), then $\mathbf{v}_i = -\frac{c_1}{c_i}\mathbf{v}_1 - \dots - \frac{c_{\{i-1\}}}{c_i}\mathbf{v}_{\{i-1\}} - \frac{c_{\{i+1\}}}{c_i}\mathbf{v}_{\{i+1\}} - \dots - \frac{c_n}{c_i}\mathbf{v}_n$

Question: How do we determine and find linear dependence of $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$?

Answer: Let $A = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n]$, then non-trivial solutions to $A\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$ would be the linear dependences of $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$. Therefore it is linearly independent if it has only the trivial(zero) solution.

Theorem 4.3.1: $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is linearly independent $\Leftrightarrow A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial(zero) solution \Leftrightarrow each column of the RREF of A is a pivot column.

Proof: Consider the RREF of the augmented matrix $[A \ \mathbf{0}]$, it is necessarily $[U \ \mathbf{0}]$ for $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ to have only the trivial solution. ■

Example 4.3.1: Suppose $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{e}_1\}$ is linearly dependent since

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{e}_1] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.97)$$

The solution to this augmented matrix would be $\begin{cases} x_1 = -\frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ x_2 = -\frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$, by choosing any value nonzero value of x_3 (say 1) we get a linear dependence $-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{v}_1 - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{e}_1 = \mathbf{0}$. On the other hand, $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ are linearly independent since

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.98)$$

Where each column is a pivot column.

Exercise 4.3.1: Write the system

$$\begin{cases} 8x_1 - x_2 = 4 \\ 5x_1 + 4x_2 = 1 \\ x_1 - 3x_2 = 2 \end{cases} \quad (4.99)$$

first as a vector equation and then as a matrix equation.

Exercise 4.3.2: Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Does $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ span \mathbb{R}^3 ? Why or why not?
- Is $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ linearly independent? Why or why not?

5. Lecture 5 - Geometric interpretation of solutions of linear systems

5.1. Geometric interpretation of vectors

We like to identify vectors in $M_{\{n \times 1\}}(\mathbb{R})$ with points in \mathbb{R}^n . And there are very nice geometric interpretation of vector additions and scalar multiplications.

Example 5.1.1: Let $\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $2\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $-\mathbf{b} = (-1)\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} + (-\mathbf{b}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

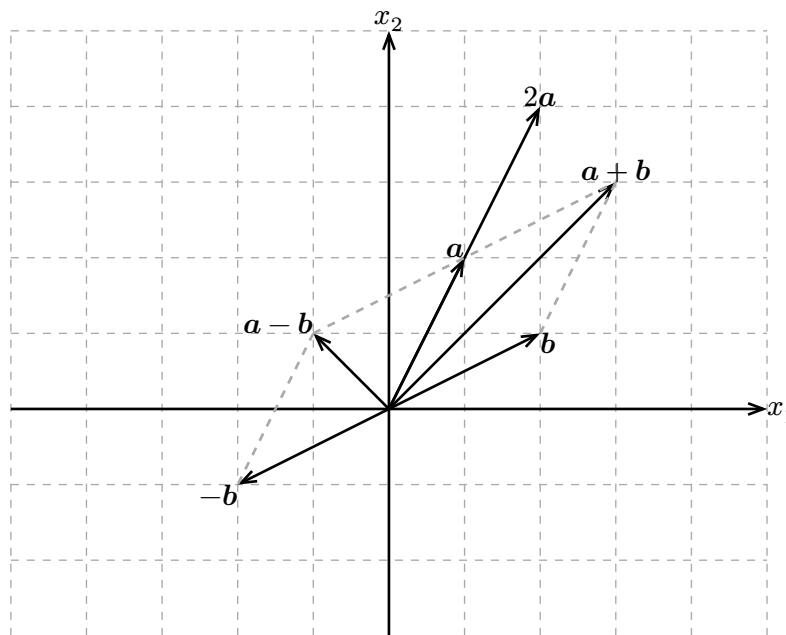


Figure 5: Vector-point correspondence when $n = 2$

5.2. Basis

Theorem 5.2.1: Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Then the following statements are logically equivalent. That is, for a particular A , either they are all true statements or they are all false.

- For each \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^m , the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a solution.
- Each \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^m is a linear combination of the columns of A .
- The columns of A span \mathbb{R}^m .
- A has a pivot position in every row. (Equivalently, in the last row)

Definition 5.2.1: $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is said to be a basis for \mathbb{R}^n if it is linearly independent and spans all of \mathbb{R}^n

Theorem 5.2.2: Let $A = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n]$, then $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ forms basis of $\mathbb{R}^n \Leftrightarrow A \sim I_n$, in other words, each row and each column of A has a pivot.

Definition 5.2.2: The **standard basis** for \mathbb{R}^n is the set of vectors $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$, where

$$e_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow j\text{-th entry}$$

Example 5.2.1: $\left\{ e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^3 , and

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3 \end{aligned} \tag{5.100}$$

5.3. Geometric meaning of spans

Example 5.3.1: Consider Example Example 4.3.1 where $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, e_1\}$ and $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}$ are both the plane \mathbb{R}^2 , e_1 is in the span of $\{v_1, v_2\}$ because $e_1 = \frac{1}{2}v_1 + \frac{1}{2}v_2$. The gray grids illustrate the span of $\{e_1, e_2\}$ and the purple grids illustrate the span of $\{v_1, v_2\}$.

Exercise 5.3.1: Suppose $a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$, $a_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

- Determine whether $\{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$ forms a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .
- Without performing elementary row operations, how many solutions does $Ax = b$ have?

Where $b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 45 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$, what about $b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

5.4. Parametric vector form

Example 5.4.1: In Example 2.2.4, the solution set can be written as [parametric vector form](#)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}x_3 + \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2}x_3 - \frac{1}{2} \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ \frac{3}{2}x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.101)$$

In Example Exercise 2.2.1, the solution set can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_2 + 16 \\ x_2 \\ \frac{5}{2} \\ -\frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_2 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 0 \\ \frac{5}{2} \\ -\frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 0 \\ \frac{5}{2} \\ -\frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.102)$$

Exercise 5.4.1: Suppose the augmented matrix of a linear system is equivalent to the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.103)$$

Write down the solution set in parametric vector form

Solution:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + 2x_4 = 3 \\ x_3 - 2x_4 = 2 \\ x_5 = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 3 - x_2 - 2x_4 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \\ x_3 = 2 + 2x_4 \\ x_4 \text{ is free} \\ x_5 = 1 \end{cases} \quad (5.104)$$

So the solution in parametric vector form would be

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 - x_2 - 2x_4 \\ x_2 \\ 2 + 2x_4 \\ x_4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2x_4 \\ 0 \\ 2x_4 \\ x_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.105)$$

5.5. Geometric interpretation of solution set to linear system

Definition 5.5.1: A linear system is [homogeneous](#) if it has matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ (note that this always have the zero solution, called the [trivial solution](#)).

Theorem 5.5.1: Suppose $[A \ \mathbf{b}] \sim [U \ \mathbf{d}]$ is the RREF, then U will be the RREF of A . The solutions of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ and $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ differs by $\tilde{\mathbf{d}}$ ($\tilde{\mathbf{d}}$ is \mathbf{d} with 0's inserted at the free variable positions), i.e.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{d}} + \{\text{solutions of } A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\} = \{\text{solutions of } A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}\} \quad (5.106)$$

Geometrically speaking, the solution set of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is the hyperplane translated from the hyperplane through the origin (solution set of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$) by \mathbf{d} .

Example 5.5.1: $x_1 - 2x_2 = 2$ has augmented matrix $[1 \ -2 \ 2]$ which is already an RREF, which has solution

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 2 + 2x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.107)$$

Its corresponding homogeneous equation $x_1 - 2x_2 = 0$ has solution

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 2x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \end{cases} \Rightarrow x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.108)$$

Example 5.5.2: Consider homogeneous linear system $3x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0$, and non-homogeneous linear system $3x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 3$. The parametric vector form of the solution sets to both are

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.109)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.110)$$

6. Lecture 6 - Linear transformations

6.1. Linear transformations and matrix transformations

Definition 6.1.1: A **Linear transformation** (or **linear mapping**) T from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m is a mapping satisfying

- $T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v})$ for any \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^n
- $T(c\mathbf{u}) = cT(\mathbf{u})$ for any scalar c and any \mathbf{u} in \mathbb{R}^n

Example 6.1.1: Reflection, rotation and scaling are all linear transformations from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 .

Exercise 6.1.1: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is defined by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x+y \\ y \end{bmatrix}$. Is T is a linear mapping?

Solution: Suppose $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$, then

item

$$T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} (u_1 + v_1) + (u_2 + v_2) \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (u_1 + u_2) + (v_1 + v_2) \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + u_2 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 + v_2 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v})$$

item

$$T(c\mathbf{u}) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} cu_1 \\ cu_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} cu_1 + cu_2 \\ cu_2 \end{bmatrix} = c \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + u_2 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = cT(\mathbf{u}) \quad (6.112)$$

Definition 6.1.2: A **matrix transformation** is the mapping defined via matrix multiplication, i.e. $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ for some $m \times n$ matrix A . It is a linear transformation thanks to Fact Fact 3.2.1 c),d) since

- $T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = A(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = A\mathbf{u} + A\mathbf{v} = T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v})$
- $T(c\mathbf{u}) = A(c\mathbf{u}) = c(A\mathbf{u}) = cT(\mathbf{u})$

Example 6.1.2: In fact, T in Exercise Exercise 6.1.1 is a matrix transformation

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = A\mathbf{x} \quad (6.113)$$

Definition 6.1.3: In general, if $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a linear transformation, and $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$ is the standard basis, then any $\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{e}_1 + \dots + x_n\mathbf{e}_n$, and

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = x_1T(\mathbf{e}_1) + \dots + x_nT(\mathbf{e}_n) = [T(\mathbf{e}_1) \ \dots \ T(\mathbf{e}_n)] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.114)$$

Denote $A = [T(\mathbf{e}_1) \ \dots \ T(\mathbf{e}_n)]$ (which is called the **standard matrix for the linear transformation T**), then $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$, so every linear transformation T from $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a matrix transformation.

Example 6.1.3: In Exercise Exercise 6.1.1

$$T(\mathbf{e}_1) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1+0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T(\mathbf{e}_2) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0+1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.115)$$

Therefore the standard matrix for T is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Exercise 6.1.2: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is defined by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1+x_2+1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$. Is T a linear mapping?

Solution: T is not a linear transformation since $T(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{p}$ is not a matrix transformation (6.114) ($\mathbf{p} \neq 0$)

Example 6.1.4: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear transformation

- Suppose T is the reflection over x_2 -axis, then the standard matrix for T is

$$A = [T(\mathbf{e}_1) \ T(\mathbf{e}_2)] = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.116)$$

- Suppose T is the rotation by 60° counter-clockwise, then the standard matrix for T is

$$A = [T(\mathbf{e}_1) \ T(\mathbf{e}_2)] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.117)$$

Exercise 6.1.3: $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is the linear transformation that rotate 60° counter-clockwise and then reflects over x_2 -axis, what is its standard matrix?

Solution: The standard matrix for T is

$$A = [T(\mathbf{e}_1) \ T(\mathbf{e}_2)] = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.118)$$

6.2. Properties of linear transformations

Definition 6.2.1: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a mapping. We call

- \mathbb{R}^n the **domain** of T
- \mathbb{R}^m the **codomain** of T
- $T(\mathbf{x})$ the **image** of \mathbf{x} under T
- $T^{-1}(\mathbf{b}) = \{\mathbf{x} | T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}\}$ the set of **preimages** of \mathbf{b} under T
- the set of images $\{T\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$ the **range** of T

Exercise 6.2.1: Suppose the linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is defined by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 \\ 2x_1 - x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \end{bmatrix}$, what is the standard matrix of T ? What is the image of $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, what is the set of vectors with image $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, what is the range?

Solution: The standard matrix is $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, the image $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ under T is

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.119)$$

The set of vectors with image $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ under T is the solution set to $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ (this is Example 2.1.3), which is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. And since there is a pivot in each row, by Theorem 5.2.1, the range of T is \mathbb{R}^3 .

Definition 6.2.2: A mapping T is said to be **onto** \mathbb{R}^m if each $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the image of at least one $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Codomain is larger than the range if T is not onto

Definition 6.2.3: A mapping T is said to be **one-to-one** if each $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the image of at most one $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Theorem 6.2.1: Suppose A is the standard matrix for linear transformation T (i.e. $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$), then

- T is one-to-one $\Leftrightarrow A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has at most one solution $\Leftrightarrow A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has the unique trivial solution \Leftrightarrow RREF of A has a pivot in each column \Leftrightarrow columns of A are linearly independent.
- T is onto $\Leftrightarrow A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ always has solution \Leftrightarrow the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^m \Leftrightarrow RREF of A has a pivot in each row.

Exercise 6.2.2: Suppose the linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is defined by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 \\ 2x_1 - x_3 \end{bmatrix}$, Is T onto? Is T one-to-one?

Solution: This is the Example Example 2.2.4. The standard matrix for T is $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$, since there is a pivot in each row but not in each column, it is onto but not one-to-one

Exercise 6.2.3:

- If $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear transformation, could it be one-to-one?
- If $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is a linear transformation, could it be onto?

Solution: Both no! Due to Theorem Theorem 6.2.1

- Since A is a 2×3 matrix, there will be at most 2 pivots (only 2 rows), so there won't be enough pivots to fill all columns.
- Since A is a 3×2 matrix, there will be at most 2 pivots (only 2 columns), so there won't be enough pivots to fill all rows.

Exercise 6.2.4: Suppose $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 \\ 2x_1 - x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 \end{bmatrix}$.

- What is the domain of T ?
- What is the codomain of T ?
- What is the standard matrix of T ?
- What is the image of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$?
- What is the set of vectors with image being $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$?
- What is the set of vectors with image being $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$?
- Is T onto?
- Is T one-to-one?

6.3. Composition of linear transformations

Definition 6.3.1: Suppose

- $T_1 : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear transformation with standard matrix A_1 (which should be $n \times p$)
- $T_2 : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a linear transformation with standard matrix A_2 (which should be $m \times n$)

Define the **composition** $T_2 \circ T_1$ of T_1 and T_2 as $(T_2 \circ T_1)(\mathbf{x}) = T_2(T_1(\mathbf{x}))$. Then $T_2 \circ T_1 : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is also a linear transformation (Why? Verify this). For $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$,

$$(T_2 \circ T_1)(\mathbf{x}) = T_2(T_1(\mathbf{x})) = A_2(T_1(\mathbf{x})) = A_2(A_1\mathbf{x}) = (A_2A_1)\mathbf{x} \quad (6.120)$$

So we have concluded that the standard matrix for $T_2 \circ T_1$ is the $m \times p$ matrix A_2A_1 .

Note: You should compose maps to the left.

Example 6.3.1: Consider Example 6.1.4., If we let $T_1 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ to denote the rotation by 60° counter-clockwise, $T_2 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ to denote reflection over x_2 -axis, and their standard matrices are

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.121)$$

Then look at Exercise 6.1.3, this is the composition $T_2 \circ T_1$, which has the standard matrix

$$A_2A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.122)$$

Question: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ is the standard matrix for the linear transformation of rotating 60° counter-clockwise (Example 6.1.4). What is A^7 ?

Answer: $A^7 = AAAAAAA$ is the standard matrix for composition of linear transformations $T \circ T \circ T \circ T \circ T \circ T \circ T$ which is rotate $7 \times 60^\circ = 420^\circ$, but that is the same as rotating $420^\circ - 360^\circ = 60^\circ$ which is the same linear transformation as T , so $A^7 = A$

Exercise 6.3.1: Let T be the linear transformation that rotate \mathbb{R}^2 counter-clockwise of angle θ , find the standard matrix for T . What about the standard matrix for T^{100}

7. Lecture 7 - Matrix transpose and matrix inverse

7.1. Matrix transpose

Definition 7.1.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$ is a $m \times n$ matrix, we define its **transpose** by flipping it over the diagonal, and this is the $n \times m$ matrix

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.123)$$

Example 7.1.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, then $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

Theorem 7.1.1: Here are some properties of matrix transpose

- $(A^T)^T = A$
- $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
- $(cA)^T = cA^T$
- $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

Definition 7.1.2: For any $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we can define the **dot product** to be $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{w} = v_1 w_1 + \cdots + v_n w_n$. $|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{v_1^2 + \cdots + v_n^2}$ is the length \mathbf{v}

Remark: There is a nice geometric interpretation of dot product. Suppose the angle between \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} is θ , then $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = |\mathbf{v}||\mathbf{w}| \cos \theta$. % With a bit of trigonometry, we see it is the product of one vector and the projection of the other onto the first one. % Here \mathbf{u} is the projection of \mathbf{v} onto \mathbf{w}

Exercise 7.1.1: Let $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- What is the length of \mathbf{v} ?
- What is $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$?
- what is the angle between \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} ?

Question: Have you wondered about how linear algebra would look like if we make the identification of row vectors $M_{\{1 \times n\}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and \mathbb{R}^n instead of column vectors.

Answer: The standard basis for \mathbb{R}^n would be $\{e_1^T, e_2^T, \dots, e_n^T\}$, where $e_j^T = [0 \dots 1 \dots 0]$, where every entry is 0 except the j -th entry being 1. For any $x^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and any linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, we have

$$= T(x)^T = (x_1 T(e_1) + x_2 T(e_2) + \dots + x_n T(e_n))^T; = x_1 T(e_1)^T + x_2 T(e_2)^T + \dots + x_n T(e_n)^T; = [x_1 \dots x_n] \begin{bmatrix} T(e_1)^T \\ T(e_2)^T \\ \vdots \\ T(e_n)^T \end{bmatrix} =$$

Here $A = [T(e_1) \ T(e_2) \ \dots \ T(e_n)]$.

If you consider composition $T_2 \circ T_1$ where T_1, T_2 are linear transformations with standard matrices A, B , you would get

$$(T_2 \circ T_1)(x^T) = T_2(T_1(x^T)) = T_1(x^T)B^T = (x^T A^T)B^T = x^T(A^T B^T) \quad (7.125)$$

On the other hand, we should know that $(T_2 \circ T_1)(x^T) = x^T(A^T B^T)$, so this implies $A^T B^T = (BA)^T$.

7.2. Matrix inverse

Definition 7.2.1: Suppose linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is both onto and one-to-one (i.e. for each vector b in the codomain \mathbb{R}^m there is a unique preimage, which we denote as $T^{-1}(b)$). Suppose A is the standard matrix for T , then m necessarily equal n as shown in Exercise Exercise 6.2.3, so A must be a square matrix. We know $T(x) = b$ always has a unique solution which should be $T^{-1}(b)$, it can be shown that $T^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ as mapping is actually also a linear transformation (Why? See if you can figure this out). Then the standard matrix of T^{-1} is defined to be A^{-1} (the **inverse matrix** of A). Note that

$$, (T \circ T^{-1})(b) = T(T^{-1}(b)) = T(x) = b; , (T^{-1} \circ T)(x) = T^{-1}(T(x)) = T^{-1}(b) = x \quad (7.126)$$

Since $T \circ T^{-1}, T^{-1} \circ T$ work like the identity mappings, so $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$. In this case, we see that A is equivalent to the identity matrix (because of Theorem Example 4.3.1, A has a pivot in each row and column).

Remark: Because we can write elementary row operations as left elementary matrix multiplications, so we know there are elementary matrices E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k such that

$$A, \sim E_1 A \sim E_2 E_1 A \sim E_3 E_2 E_1 A \sim \dots; , \sim E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_2 E_1 A = I \quad (7.127)$$

If we multiply A^{-1} on the right on both sides, we get $E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_2 E_1 = A^{-1}$. Thanks to this observation, we introduce an algorithm for computing matrix inverses. Let's consider the RREF of the following partitioned matrix

$$\begin{aligned} [A | I] &\sim [E_1 A | E_1] \sim [E_2 E_1 A | E_2 E_1] \sim \dots \\ &\sim [E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_2 E_1 A | E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_2 E_1] = [I | A^{-1}] \end{aligned} \quad (7.128)$$

Exercise 7.2.1: Find the inverse of the following matrices. begin{tasks}(3) task $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ task $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ task $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ end{tasks}

Solution:

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$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow (-1)R1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad (7.129)$$

Hence $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

• $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 3R1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right]; \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow R1 + 2R2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow (-1)R2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{array} \right] \quad (7.130)$

Hence $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1 \\ R3 \rightarrow R3 - R1}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ & \xrightarrow{R3 \rightarrow R3 - R2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 + R3} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \quad (7.131) \\ & \xrightarrow{\substack{R2 \rightarrow \frac{R2}{2} \\ R3 \rightarrow \frac{R3}{3}}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow R1 + R2 - R3} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Hence $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

7.3. Properties of matrix transposes and inverses

Definition 7.3.1: A square matrix A is **invertible** (or **non-singular**) if it has an inverse A^{-1} such that $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$. A is called **singular** if A is not invertible.

Theorem 7.3.1: Suppose T is a linear transformation with standard matrix A , then

$$T \text{ is invertible with inverse } T^{-1} \Leftrightarrow A \text{ is invertible with inverse } A^{-1} \Leftrightarrow A \sim I \quad (7.132)$$

Theorem 7.3.2: $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$, $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$, here $\det A = ad - bc$

Example 7.3.1: If $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$, then

$$A^{-1} = \text{dfrac}\{1\} \left\{ \frac{11}{22} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \right\} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.133)$$

Theorem 7.3.3: If A is invertible, then the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a unique solution $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$

Proof: Multiply A^{-1} on the left on both sides ■

Example 7.3.2: Let's consider (7.4), in which case $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 26 \end{bmatrix}$, then $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 4 - 1 \cdot 2} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$, and

$$\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 26 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 10 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 26 \\ -10 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 26 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.134)$$

Theorem 7.3.4: Here are some properties of matrix inverse

- $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$
- $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$
- $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$

Exercise 7.3.1: What is $(A^T)^{-1}$ in Exercise Exercise 7.2.1, c)?

Solution: Use Theorem Theorem 7.3.4, we know

$$(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.135)$$

Exercise 7.3.2: Let $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a linear transformation with standard matrix A .

- If A is invertible, then A has n pivots. ✓
- If T is one-to-one, then A is invertible. ✓
- If columns of A span \mathbb{R}^n , then A is invertible. ✓
- If A is invertible, $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ only has the trivial solution. ✓
- If T is onto, then T is one-to-one. ✓
- If T is one-to-one, then T is onto. ✓

Exercise 7.3.3: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is a linear transformation with standard matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Is } A^{-1} \text{ invertible? Is } T \text{ one-to-one? Is } A^T \text{ invertible? If so, what is } (A^T)^{-1}?$$

If so, what is $(A^{-1})^{-1}$. Is T invertible (i.e. does T^{-1} exist)? What is the standard matrix of T^{-1} ? Is T onto?

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} [A|I] &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R1 \rightarrow R1 - 3R3 \\ R2 \rightarrow R2 + 2R3}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ &\xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow (-1)R2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow R1 - 2R2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] = [I|A^{-1}] \end{aligned} \quad (7.136)$$

So $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. By Theorem Theorem 7.3.4, we know

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.137)$$

$$(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.138)$$

Therefore we know A^{-1} and A^T are invertible.

In general, if T is invertible, then A is invertible, so A^{-1} will be the standard matrix for T^{-1} as $T^{-1}(\mathbf{x}) = A^{-1}\mathbf{x}$, in more explicit terms, we have

$$T^{-1} \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \\ -x_2 - 2x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.139)$$

8. Lecture 8 - Determinant

Definition 8.1: We say a square matrix A is **upper triangular** if it only has zeros to the left of the diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{bmatrix} \quad (8.140)$$

A is **lower triangular** if it only has zeros to the right of the diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & * & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \quad (8.141)$$

A is **diagonal** if A only has nonzero entries on the diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & * & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{bmatrix} \quad (8.142)$$

A diagonal matrix is both upper triangular and lower triangular

8.1. Geometric definition of determinants

Now let's introduce **determinants** (**ONLY for square matrices!!!**). Consider the parallelepiped P with edges $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ in \mathbb{R}^n . We would like the following geometric definition of determinants.

Definition 8.1.1: The determinant of $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \dots \ \mathbf{a}_n]$ (Usually denoted $\det A$ or $|A| = |[\mathbf{a}_1 \ \dots \ \mathbf{a}_n]|$, replacing brackets with vertical lines) as *signed* volumes of P . Therefore we have $\text{Vol}(P) = |\det A|$, i.e. actual volume is the absolute value of the determinant.

Example 8.1.1: [$n = 1$] Suppose $A = [a]$ is a 1 by 1 matrix, then $\det A$ is the signed length of $a \in \mathbb{R}^1$, which is a itself! Namely $\det A = a$.

Example 8.1.2: [$n = 2$] Suppose $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2]$ is a 2 by 2 matrix. $\det A$ is the actual positive area of the parallelogram if \mathbf{a}_1 turns counter-clockwise to \mathbf{a}_2 , otherwise the negative area.

Example 8.1.3: [$n = 3$] Suppose $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \mathbf{a}_3]$ is a 3 by 3 matrix. To decide the sign of the volume of the parallelepiped, we follow the [right-hand rule](#).

Determinant has following three properties:

- Interchanging $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2$ changes the sign of determinant. Namely $\det [\mathbf{a}_2 \ \mathbf{a}_1] = -\det [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2]$

Remark: If $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n\}$ is linearly dependent, then A is singular, i.e. not invertible, then the determinant will be zero, since the parallelepiped will be constraint in a hyperplane which has zero volume. Take $n = 2$ and 3 for examples

8.2. Properties of determinants

Theorem 8.2.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} h & 0 \\ * & B \end{bmatrix}$ or $\begin{bmatrix} h & * \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ where h is a scalar, B is a $(n - 1) \times (n - 1)$ submatrix, then $\det A = h \cdot \det B$.

begin{corollary} Determinant of a triangular matrix is the product of the diagonal elements.
end{corollary}

Proof: Apply Theorem Theorem 8.2.1 repeatedly. ■

Theorem 8.2.2: $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$

Thanks to Theorem Theorem 8.2.2, we can compute determinants via elementary row and column operations.

Example 8.2.1: Use elementary row operations to evaluate the following (Note that we omit the backward phase (which are replacements) since it doesn't change the determinants)

1.

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[\underline{\underline{R3 \rightarrow R3 - R1}}]{\underline{\underline{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1}}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\underline{\underline{\text{factor } R3}}} 3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[\underline{\underline{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R3}}]{3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow[\underline{\underline{R2 \leftrightarrow R3}}]{(-1) \cdot 3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = (-1) \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot (-3) = 9 \end{aligned} \quad (8.143)$$

1.

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{vmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[\underline{\underline{R3 \rightarrow R3 + R1}}]{\underline{\underline{R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1}}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & -3 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\underline{\underline{R3 \rightarrow R3 + R2}}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ & = 1 \cdot (-4) \cdot 0 = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (8.144)$$

1.

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 7 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[\underline{\underline{C2 \rightarrow C2 - 2C1}}]{\underline{\underline{C2 \rightarrow C2 - 2C1}}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -4 & 13 & 7 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[\underline{\underline{\text{transpose}}}{\underline{\underline{\text{transpose}}}}]{\underline{\underline{\text{transpose}}}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & = 1 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 8 \end{aligned} \quad (8.145)$$

Exercise 8.2.1: Suppose I is the $n \times n$ identity matrix, what is $\det I$, $\det(-I)$, $\det(2I)$ and $\det(aI)$?

Solution: Note that I is a diagonal matrix. $\det I = 1$, $\det(-I) = (-1)^n$, $\det(2I) = 2^n$, and in general $\det(aI) = a^n$ by factoring each row.

Example 8.2.2: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[\underline{\underline{R2 \rightarrow R2 - \frac{c}{a}R1}}]{\underline{\underline{R2 \rightarrow R2 - \frac{c}{a}R1}}} \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d - b\frac{c}{a} \end{vmatrix} = a \left(d - b\frac{c}{a} \right) = ad - bc \quad (8.146)$$

Definition 8.2.1: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear transformation with standard matrix A , the determinant of T is defined to be $\det T = \det A$.

Question: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear transformation with standard matrix $A = [T(e_1) \ T(e_2)] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. What is the area of the image of the unit circle under T ?

Remark: In multi-variable calculus, this is known as the **Jacobian**.

Theorem 8.2.3: Suppose A, B are $n \times n$ matrices, then $\det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B)$

Proof: Suppose T_1, T_2 are linear transformations with standard matrices A, B , respectively. Consider $T_2 \circ T_1$ which should scale area by $\det(BA)$. On the other hand, this should scale area by $\det A$ and then $\det B$ ■

Theorem 8.2.4: A is invertible $\Leftrightarrow \det A \neq 0$. In addition, $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det A}$.

Proof: If A is invertible, then A^{-1} is well-defined, then $1 = \det I = \det(AA^{-1}) = (\det A)(\det(A^{-1})) \Rightarrow \det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det A}$, so $\det A \neq 0$. Conversely, if $\det A \neq 0$, A would have n pivots, so a pivot in each row and column, thus A will be invertible. ■

Exercise 8.2.2: Compute the determinants of the following matrices

- $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & -4 \\ -1 & -4 & 5 \\ -2 & -8 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 7 & -1 & -8 \\ 2 & 2 & -5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

8.3. Cofactor expansion

There is one more property of determinants. $\det [\mathbf{w} \ \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}] = \det [\mathbf{w} \ \mathbf{u}] + \det [\mathbf{w} \ \mathbf{v}]$

Definition 8.3.1: We use a_{ij} to denote the (i, j) -th entry of the matrix A , and A_{ij} to denote the submatrix of A by deleting the i -th row and the j -th column. We define the **(i, j) -cofactor** to be $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det A_{ij}$ (we also call $\det A_{ij}$ a **minor**).

For $n \geq 2$, with the help of Lemma “lemma:det-A-lemma”, we derive cofactor expansion formula.

The **cofactor expansion** across the i -th row is

$$\det A = a_{i1}C_{i1} + a_{i2}C_{i2} + \cdots + a_{in}C_{in} \quad (8.147)$$

The cofactor expansion across the j -th column is

$$\det A = a_{1j}C_{1j} + a_{2j}C_{2j} + \cdots + a_{nj}C_{nj} \quad (8.148)$$

Proof: [Proof of Theorem Theorem 8.2.2] Note that row cofactor expansion of A is the same as column cofactor expansion of A^T . Hence we can prove this inductively on the size of the matrix. ■

Example 8.3.1:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{cofactor expansion across last column}} 2(-1)^{\{3+4\}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 & \xrightarrow{\text{R3} \rightarrow \text{R3} - 2\text{R1}} (-2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -7 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{cofactor expansion across first column}} (-2) \cdot 1(-1)^{\{1+1\}} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -7 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \quad (8.149) \\
 & = (-2)(3(-5) - (-1)(-7)) = 44
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark: When use the cofactor expansion, we want to apply it to rows/columns with more 0's

Exercise 8.3.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Please find the cofactor expansion of A across the begin{tasks}(2) task 1st row task 2nd column end{tasks} And evaluate determinant of A .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det A &= a_{11}C_{11} + a_{12}C_{12} + a_{13}C_{13} \\
 &= a_{11}(-1)^{\{1+1\}} \det A_{11} + a_{12}(-1)^{\{1+2\}} \det A_{12} + a_{13}(-1)^{\{1+3\}} \det A_{13} \\
 &= 1 \cdot (-1)^{\{1+1\}} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + (-1) \cdot (-1)^{\{1+2\}} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \cdot (-1)^{\{1+3\}} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad (8.150) \\
 &= 1 \cdot (0 \cdot 1 - (-1) \cdot 1) + (-1) \cdot (2 \cdot 1 - (-1) \cdot 1) + 1 \cdot (-1)(2 \cdot 1 - (-1) \cdot 1) \\
 &= 6
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det A &= a_{12}C_{12} + a_{22}C_{22} + a_{32}C_{32} \\
 &= a_{11}(-1)^{\{1+1\}} \det A_{11} + a_{12}(-1)^{\{1+2\}} \det A_{12} + a_{13}(-1)^{\{1+3\}} \det A_{13} \\
 &= (-1) \cdot (-1)^{\{1+2\}} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \cdot (-1)^{\{2+2\}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \cdot (-1)^{\{3+2\}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \quad (8.151) \\
 &= (-1) \cdot (-1)(2 \cdot 1 - (-1) \cdot 1) + 0 \cdot (1 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 1) + 1 \cdot (-1)(1 \cdot (-1) - 1 \cdot 2) \\
 &= 6
 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 8.3.2: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Write out the cofactor expansion of A across the second row, and evaluate the determinant $\det A$.

Solution:

$$\det A = a_{21}C_{21} + a_{22}C_{22} + a_{23}C_{23}$$

$$= a_{21}(-1)^{\{2+1\}}\det A_{21} + a_{22}(-1)^{\{2+2\}}\det A_{22} + a_{23}(-1)^{\{2+3\}}\det A_{23}; = 1 \cdot \frac{(-1)^{\{2+1\}}}{(8.152)} \left| \begin{array}{cc} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{array} \right| + 0$$

$$(-1) \cdot (-1)(1 \cdot 2 - 2 \cdot (-1))$$

$$= 4$$

Remark: The REF of a square matrix A is upper triangular, and $\det A = 0$ if A has less than n pivots.

Exercise 8.3.3: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Please find use cofactor expansion to find

the $\det A$

Solution: Note that A is upper triangular, so we could do cofactor expansions across first columns multiple times

$$\left| \begin{array}{cccc} 2 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right| = 2(-1)^{\{1+1\}} \left| \begin{array}{ccc} -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right| = 2 \cdot (-2)(-1)^{\{1+1\}} \left| \begin{array}{cc} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right| = 2 \cdot (-2) \cdot 3 \cdot (-1)^{\{1+1\}} \cdot 1 = -12$$

Exercise 8.3.4: Consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$. What is $A_{11}, A_{12}, A_{21}, A_{22}$? What is $C_{11}, C_{12}, C_{21}, C_{22}$. Write down the cofactor expansion of A across the

- 1st row
- 2nd row
- 1st column
- 2nd column

Solution: $A_{11} = [d], A_{12} = [c], A_{21} = [b], A_{22} = [a]$ are all 1 by 1 matrices. $C_{11} = (-1)^{\{1+1\}}\det A_{11} = d, C_{12} = (-1)^{\{1+2\}}\det A_{21} = -c, C_{21} = (-1)^{\{2+1\}}\det A_{21} = -b, C_{22} = (-1)^{\{2+2\}}\det A_{22} = a$. So the cofactor expansions are

- $\det A = aC_{11} + bC_{12} = ad - bc$
- $\det A = cC_{21} + dC_{22} = -bc + ad$
- $\det A = aC_{11} + cC_{21} = ad - bc$
- $\det A = bC_{12} + dC_{22} = -bc + ad$

Note that all of the above calculations show that $\det A = \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = ad - bc$.

9. Lecture 9 - Vector spaces and subspaces

9.1. Vector space

To motivate the definition of a vector space, let's consider the following example

Example 9.1.1: Let \mathbb{P}_n denote the set of (real) polynomials of degree less or equal to n . For example $\mathbb{P}_0 = \mathbb{R}$ is just the set of real numbers, and

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}_1, &= \{a_0 + a_1t | a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \mathbb{P}_2, &= \{a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 | a_0, a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \mathbb{P}_3, &= \{a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3 | a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \therefore \mathbb{P}_n, &= \{a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + \dots + a_nt^n | a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}\}\end{aligned}\tag{9.154}$$

You may soon realize that \mathbb{P}_n can be identified with \mathbb{R}^{n+1} . More concrete examples could be

- For $\mathbb{P}_1 \cong \mathbb{R}^2$, $1 + 2t \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- For $\mathbb{P}_2 \cong \mathbb{R}^3$, $3t^2 - 1 \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

If we consider addition and scalar multiplication, we have So we may conclude that addition and scalar multiplication in \mathbb{P}_n can be identically translated to addition and scalar multiplication in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}

Remark: We call $\{1, t, t^2, \dots, t^n\}$ the *standard basis* of \mathbb{P}_n , corresponding to the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^{n+1}

Example 9.1.2: $\{1, t, t^2\}$ is the standard basis for \mathbb{P}_2 , and

$$p(t), = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 = a_0 \cdot 1 + a_1 \cdot t + a_2 \cdot t^2\tag{9.155}$$

Example 9.1.3: Let's denote $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ the set of $m \times n$ matrices. For example

$$\begin{aligned}M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R}), &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \mid a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{21}, a_{22} \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ M_{\{3 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R}), &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix} \mid a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{31}, a_{32} \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ M_{\{2 \times 3\}}(\mathbb{R}), &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix} \mid a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23} \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ \therefore M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}), &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \mid a_{11}, \dots, a_{1n}, \dots, a_{m1}, \dots, a_{mn} \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.\end{aligned}\tag{9.156}$$

You may realize that $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ can be identified with $\mathbb{R}^{\{mn\}}$ So we may conclude that addition and scalar multiplication in $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ can be identically translated to addition and scalar multiplication in $\mathbb{R}^{\{mn\}}$

Remark: We call $\{E_{ij}\}$ the *standard basis* of $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$, corresponding to the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^{mn} . Here E_{ij} is the $m \times n$ matrix that only has a single 1 in the (i, j) -th spot, but 0's elsewhere.

Example 9.1.4:

$$\left\{ E_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, E_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, E_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, E_{22} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (9.157)$$

is the standard basis for $M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R})$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a_{12} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= a_{11} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_{12} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_{21} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_{22} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= a_{11}E_{11} + a_{12}E_{12} + a_{21}E_{21} + a_{22}E_{22} \end{aligned} \quad (9.158)$$

Definition 9.1.1: A (real) vector space is a set V of objects, called *vectors*, on which are defined two operations, called *addition* fatplus and (*left*) *scalar multiplication* fatdot , subject to axioms begin{enumerate}setcounter{enumi}{-1}

- $bm \text{fatplus} mv$ and $c \text{fatdot} mv$ are still in V
- $bm \text{fatplus} mv = mv \text{fatplus} bm$
- $(bm \text{fatplus} mv) \text{fatplus} mw = bm \text{fatplus} (mv \text{fatplus} mw)$
- There is a *zero vector* $bm0$ such that $bm \text{fatplus} bm0 = bm$
- For each bm in V , there is a vector $\text{fatminus}bm$ in V such that $bm \text{fatplus} (\text{fatminus}bm) = bm0$
- $c \text{fatdot} (bm \text{fatplus} mv) = c \text{fatdot} bm \text{fatplus} c \text{fatdot} mv$
- $(c + d) \text{fatdot} bm = c \text{fatdot} bm \text{fatplus} d \text{fatdot} bm$
- $c \text{fatdot} (d \text{fatdot} bm) = (cd) \text{fatdot} bm$
- $1 \text{fatdot} bm = bm$

Example 9.1.5: Set V to be \mathbb{R}^n , fatplus to be addition $+$ for vectors, fatdot to be scalar multiplication

(9.159)

for vectors, then this is a vector space

Example 9.1.6: [non-example] Suppose $V = \mathbb{R}$, $a \text{ fatplus } b = a + b + 1$, $c \text{ fatdot } a = c \cdot a = ca$, we can check

- $a \text{ fatplus } b = a + b + 1 \in \mathbb{R}$, $c \text{ fatdot } a = ca \in \mathbb{R}$
- $a \text{ fatplus } b = a + b + 1 = b + a + 1 = b \text{ fatplus } a$
- $(a \text{ fatplus } b) \text{ fatplus } c = (a + b + 1) + c + 1 = a + (b + c + 1) + 1 = a \text{ fatplus } (b \text{ fatplus } c)$
- There is a *zero vector* $bm0 = -1$ such that $a \text{ fatplus } bm0 = a + (-1) + 1 = a$
- For each a , we have $\text{fatminus } a = -a - 2$ such that $a \text{ fatplus } (\text{fatminus } a) = a + (-a - 2) + 1 = -1 = bm0$

However $2 \text{ fatdot } (a \text{ fatplus } b) = 2(a + b + 1) \neq 2a + 2b + 1 = 2 \text{ fatdot } a \text{ fatplus } 2 \text{ fatdot } b$. Therefore, this is not a vector space

9.2. Subspace

Definition 9.2.1: Suppose V is a vector space with addition fatplus and scalar multiplication fatdot . A **subspace** H is a non-empty subset which closed under addition and scalar multiplication, i.e. for any $bm u, bm v \in H$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $bm u \text{ fatplus } bm v, c \text{ fatdot } bm u \in H$

Remark: It is easy to check that a subspace H is again a vector space.

Exercise 9.2.1: Recall that $M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R})$ is the set of 2 by 2 matrices, and that a square matrix A is *symmetric* if $A^T = A$. Consider a subset V consists of 2 by 2 symmetric matrices, i.e. $V = \{A \in M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R}) \mid A^T = A\}$

- Show that V is a vector space.
- Find a basis for V .

Solution:

- For any $A, B \in V$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$, by definition we know that $A^T = A$, $B^T = B$, we want to show that $A + B \in V$, $cA \in V$ (condition for subspace), i.e. $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$, $(cA)^T = cA$. This is true because

$$(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T = A + B, \quad (cA)^T = cA^T = cA \quad (9.160)$$

Therefore V is a subspace of $M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R})$, and thus a vector space

- Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \in M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R})$, then $a_{12} = a_{21}$, so we may conclude that

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} \in M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R}) \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \quad (9.161)$$

Note that

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (9.162)$$

And that linear combination (9.162) is the zero matrix $\Leftrightarrow a = b = c = 0$, thus $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for V

Exercise 9.2.2: Suppose $H = \{p(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 \in \mathbb{P}_2 \mid a_0 + a_1 + a_2 = 0\}$ is the set of polynomials of degree $l = 2$ and sum of coefficients zero. Show that H is a vector space.

Example 9.2.1: Consider the vector space $V = \mathbb{R}^2$, and H is the set of solutions to the linear equation $2x_1 - x_2 + 2 = 0$, then H is not a subspace. For example, if we choose $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, then $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is not in H , nor is $2\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The reason is that H is not homogeneous. If we consider H_1 to be solution set of the homogeneous equation $2x_1 - x_2 = 0$, we see that H_1 is a subspace as it is the span of a single vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

10. Lecture 10 - Null spaces, Column spaces, Row spaces, Rank and Nullity

10.1. Null space, Column Space and Row space

Definition 10.1.1: Suppose V is a vector space, $\{bmv_1, bmv_2, \dots, bmv_n\} \subseteq V$ is a set of linearly independent vectors that span V , we define the **dimension** of V to be $\dim V = n$.

Definition 10.1.2: Suppose A is a $m \times n$ matrix, we define the **null space** of A to be

$$\text{Null}A = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\} = \text{solution set of } A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \quad (10.163)$$

Note that the solution set to linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ is the intersection of m hyperplanes (one for each homogeneous equation) that pass through the origin.

Example 10.1.1: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ -5 & 12 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, the to find the Nul A is equivalent to solve $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

$$[A \ \mathbf{0}] \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 + 5R1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{R2}{-3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow R1 + 3R2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (10.164)$$

Hence the solution set is

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 7x_3 \\ x_2 = 3x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases} \quad (10.165)$$

, in parametric form, $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, which describes a line in \mathbb{R}^3 of the direction $\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ that passes through the origin, and this line is the intersection of planes $x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$ and $-5x_1 + 12x_2 - x_3 = 0$

Remark: As discussed in Example Example 9.2.1, in general, the solution set of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n unless $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$. And in fact, any subspace of \mathbb{R}^n is the null space for some $m \times n$ matrix A , i.e. the intersection of hyperplanes passing through the origin

Definition 10.1.3: Suppose $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{a}_n]$ is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the **column space** (denote as Col A) is the subspace $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n\}$ in \mathbb{R}^m . Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} R1 & R2 \\ \dots & \dots \\ Rm \end{bmatrix}$, then the **row space** (denote as Row A) is the subspace spanned by row vectors $\text{Span}\{R1, R2, \dots, Rm\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n written horizontally.

Theorem 10.1.1: Row reductions preserve Nul A , Row A , but not Col A . However, row reductions preserve linear dependences of the column vectors.

Remark: Suppose $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ is some linear dependence of the column vectors of A , after elementary row reduction $A \sim EA$, $(EA)\mathbf{x} = E(A\mathbf{x}) = E\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$ is again the same linear dependence of columns of EA . In other words, the linear dependence of columns of a matrix is preserved by row equivalence.

Theorem 10.1.2: Suppose A is a $m \times n$ matrix, $A \sim U$ is of RREF form

- The vectors in the parametric vector form of the solution set of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ gives a basis for Nul A . Note that $\dim \text{Nul}A =$ the number of free variables.
- A basis for Col A could be the set of pivot columns in A . Note that $\dim \text{Col}A =$ the number of pivots.
- A basis for Row A could be the set of non-zero row vectors in U (Or any REF of A). Note that $\dim \text{Row}A =$ the number of pivots.

10.2. Rank and Nullity

Definition 10.2.1: $\dim \text{Nul}A$ is also name the **nullity** of A . The number of pivots of A (which is equal to both $\dim \text{Col}A$ and $\dim \text{Row}A$) is called the **rank** of A

Theorem 10.2.1: [Rank-Nullity theorem] Notice that the number of columns in A (say a $m \times n$ matrix) is equal to the number of free variables and the number of pivot columns, thus we have

$$n = \text{nullity} + \text{rank} \quad (10.166)$$

Example 10.2.1: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, which is an REF and an RREF respectively. There is only one free variable x_3 , so the nullity is 1, and the 1st, 2nd columns are pivot columns, so the rank is 2. We see that Theorem Theorem 10.2.1 holds as $3 = 1 + 2$, and

$$\text{Nul}A = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (10.167)$$

$$\text{Col}A = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (10.168)$$

$$\text{Row}A = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ or } \text{Span} \{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \} \quad (10.169)$$

Exercise 10.2.1: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & -7 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{7}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Note that here we have 2 free variables x_2, x_4 , so the nullity is 2, and the 1st, 3rd, 5th columns are pivot columns, so the rank is 3. We see that Theorem Theorem 10.2.1 holds as $5 = 2 + 3$, and

$$\text{Nul}A = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ \frac{7}{5} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (10.170)$$

$$\text{Col}A = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ -9 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (10.171)$$

$$\text{Row}A = \text{Span}\{[1 \ 2 \ 0 \ 4 \ 5], [0 \ 0 \ 5 \ -7 \ 8], [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ -9]\} \quad (10.172)$$

Question: If you have a set \mathcal{S} of vectors in \mathbb{R}^m , how do you find a subset of \mathcal{S} that is a basis for $\text{Span}\{\mathcal{S}\}$ (i.e. remove linear dependences)?

Answer: Collect these vectors as the column vectors of a matrix, and then find its columns space.

Exercise 10.2.2: Suppose $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find a basis for $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$.

Exercise 10.2.3: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 & 0 & 6 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 7 & -4 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$. Find $\text{Nul}A$, $\text{Row}A$, $\text{Col}A$, and the nullity, rank of A .

11. Lecture 11 - Linear transformations in general

11.1. Linear transformation

Definition 11.1.1: Suppose V, W are vector spaces, a *linear transformation* is a mapping $T : V \rightarrow W$ such that

- $T(bmu + bmv) = T(bmu) + T(bmv)$
- $T(c \cdot u) = c \cdot T(u)$

Just as before, we call V the *domain* of T , W the *codomain* of T , the *image* of bx under T is $T(bx)$, the set of images $\{T(bx) | bx \in V\}$ the *range* (denoted as $\text{Range } T$), and the set $\{bx | T(bx) = bmb\}$ the preimage of bmb under T . We still say that T is *one-to-one* if any $bmb \in W$, there is at most one $bx \in V$ such that $T(bx) = bmb$. T is *onto* the range is the codomain. T is said to be *invertible* if T has an inverse (this happens if and only if T is both one-to-one and onto, and we can easily check that T^{-1} is also a linear transformation), in this case we also call T an **isomorphism**.

Definition 11.1.2: We call $\{bx | T(bx) = 0\}$ the **kernel** (or **null space**) of T , and denote it as $\ker T$.

Remark: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ is a matrix transformation, then $\ker T = \text{Nul } A$, $\text{Range } T = \text{Col } A$

Example 11.1.1: The identification

$$T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad T(a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2) = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.173)$$

in Example 9.1.1 is an invertible linear transformation with inverse linear transformation

$$T^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2, \quad T^{-1} \left(\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 \quad (11.174)$$

Example 11.1.2: The identification

$$T : M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4, \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.175)$$

in Example 9.1.3 is an invertible linear transformation with inverse linear transformation

$$T^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow M_{\{2 \times 2\}}(\mathbb{R}), \quad T^{-1}\left(\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.176)$$

Theorem 11.1.1: Suppose $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation between vector spaces, then

- $\ker T$ is a subspace of V .
- $\text{Range } T$ is a subspace of W .

Proof:

- Suppose $bm_u, bm_v \in \ker T$, then by definition $T(bm_u) = 0$, $T(bm_v) = 0$, so $T(bm_u + bm_v) = T(bm_u) + T(bm_v) = 0$. And for any $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $T(cfatdotbm_u) = cfatdot T(bm_u) = 0$. In other words, we have shown that $bm_u + bm_v, cfatdotbm_u \in \ker T$, so $\ker T$ is a subspace.
- For any $T(bm_u), T(bm_v) \in \text{Range } T$, $T(bm_u) + T(bm_v) = T(bm_u + bm_v) \in \text{Range } T$, and for any $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $cfatdot T(bm_u) = T(cfatdotbm_u) \in \text{Range } T$, so $\text{Range } T$ is a subspace

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Exercise 11.1.1: Suppose $T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ takes the sum of coefficients, i.e. $T(a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2) = a_0 + a_1 + a_2$. Show that T is a linear transformation, and H in Exercise 9.2.2 is a vector space.

Solution: since for any $p(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 \in \mathbb{P}_2$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$T(p + q) = T((a_0 + b_0) + (a_1 + b_1)t + (a_2 + b_2)t^2) = (a_0 + b_0) + (a_1 + b_1) + (a_2 + b_2) = (a_0 + a_1 + a_2) + (b_0 + b_1 + b_2) = T(p) + T(q)$$

$$T(cp) = T((ca_0) + (ca_1)t + (ca_2)t^2) = (ca_0) + (ca_1) + (ca_2) = c(a_0 + a_1 + a_2) = cT(p) \quad (11.178)$$

11.2. Matrices of linear transformations

Question: Can we realize a general linear transformation T as a matrix transformation?

Answer: Just need to know its effect on any basis! Suppose $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ is a basis of \mathbb{R}^n , then any vector \mathbf{v} can be written as $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$, and by linearity, we have

Theorem 11.2.1: [Unique representation theorem]label{12:53-06/28/2022} Suppose $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is a basis of a vector space V , then any vector $v \in V$ can be uniquely represented as a linear combination $x_1 b_1 + \dots + x_n b_n$

Example 11.2.1: Consider linear transformation

$$T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad T(a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2) = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.179)$$

and $\mathcal{B} = \{1 + t, t + t^2, 1 + t^2\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{P}_2 , \mathcal{E} is the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^3 , then matrix of T relative to bases \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{E} can be read from eqref{12:55-06/29/2022} as

$$A = [T(1 + t) \quad T(t + t^2) \quad T(1 + t^2)] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.180)$$

Exercise 11.2.1: Suppose $T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_3$ is evaluation at 2, i.e. $T(p(t)) = p(2)$ for $p(t) \in \mathbb{P}_2$. Show that T is a linear transformation. Is T onto? Is T one-to-one? Is T invertible? Find a basis for $\ker T$. Find a basis for $\text{Range } T$.

Exercise 11.2.2: Suppose H is the set of 2 by 2 matrices that are symmetric with the sum of diagonal being zero. Show H is a vector space. Find a basis of H .

11.3. Change of basis

12. Lecture 12 - Eigendecomposition

12.1. Eigenvalues, eigenvectors and eigenspaces

12.2. Characteristic polynomials

12.3. Similarity

12.4. Eigendecomposition and diagonalization

13. Lecture 13 - Orthogonalization

13.1. Orthogonal and orthonormal basis

Definition 13.1.1: We say a vector \mathbf{u} is of unit length (or a **unit vector**, or a **normalized vector**) if $|\mathbf{u}| = 1$

Definition 13.1.2: $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is called an orthogonal set if $\mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j$ ($i \neq j$) are orthogonal. \mathcal{B} is called an **orthogonal basis** if \mathcal{B} is in addition a basis. \mathcal{B} is called an **orthonormal basis** if the basis vectors are in addition normalized.

Remark: Suppose $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$, to test if \mathcal{B} is an orthogonal (or orthonormal) set, we just need to write $A = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n]$, and test if

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^T \\ \mathbf{v}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_n^T \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^T \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_1^T \mathbf{v}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{v}_1^T \mathbf{v}_n \\ \mathbf{v}_2^T \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2^T \mathbf{v}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{v}_2^T \mathbf{v}_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_n^T \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_n^T \mathbf{v}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{v}_n^T \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (13.181)$$

is diagonal (or if $A^T A = I$)

13.2. Gram-Schmidt process

Question: Suppose you have two vectors \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} (here $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$), what is the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{u} onto \mathbf{v} (Which we denote as $\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}$)?

Answer: First you realize that $\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}$ is parallel to \mathbf{v} , so we write it as $\lambda \mathbf{v}$, and we know $|\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}| = \lambda |\mathbf{v}| = |\mathbf{u}| \cos \theta$, so we may conclude that

$$\lambda = |\mathbf{u}| \frac{\cos \theta}{|\mathbf{v}|} = |\mathbf{u}| |\mathbf{v}| \frac{\cos \theta}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} \quad (13.182)$$

Therefore we have derived the equation

$$\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} \mathbf{v} \quad (13.183)$$

Example 13.2.1: Consider $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$, $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$. Let $U = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, then $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ is diagonal, hence \mathcal{B} is an orthogonal set, the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{y} onto W is

$$\mathbf{y} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{u}_1}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{y} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{u}_2}{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2} \cdot \mathbf{u}_2 = 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot \frac{0}{2^2} + 1^2 + 0^2 \mathbf{u}_1 + 1 \cdot (-1) + 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot \frac{0}{(-1)^2} + 2^2 \mathbf{u}_2 = \frac{3}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question: Suppose we are given arbitrary basis $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , how could we get a orthogonal (or orthonormal) basis $\mathcal{U} = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$ from it

Answer: We apply the [Gram-Schmidt process](#)

Then $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$ would be an orthogonal basis. To get an orthonormal basis, just normalize these vectors.

Example 13.2.2: Consider $\left\{ \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Let's use Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthogonal (and an orthonormal) basis from it.

- First we choose $\mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\mathbf{v}_2 - \frac{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{5}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$. Let's instead take a multiple of this to be our \mathbf{u}_2 , namely we set $\mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\mathbf{u}_3 = \mathbf{v}_3 - \frac{\mathbf{v}_3 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \mathbf{u}_1 - \frac{\mathbf{v}_3 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2}{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2} \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Thus $\left\{ \mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 . If we further normalize it, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{w}_1 &= \frac{\mathbf{u}_1}{|\mathbf{u}_1|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{w}_2 &= \frac{\mathbf{u}_2}{|\mathbf{u}_2|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{w}_3 &= \frac{\mathbf{u}_3}{|\mathbf{u}_3|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \tag{13.185}$$

is an orthonormal basis.

Exercise 13.2.1: Use Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthogonal and orthonormal basis of the following basis

- $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$
- $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

13.3. Orthogonal matrix and QR factorization

Definition 13.3.1: A square matrix U is called an **orthogonal matrix** if the columns of U form an orthonormal basis $\Leftrightarrow U^T U = U U^T = I$. Note that in this particular case, $U^T = U^{-1}$

Remark: The rows of U also form an orthonormal basis.

Note: The name *orthogonal matrix* is unfortunate since it is made out of orthonormal basis. It should really be called the orthonormal matrix. But since mathematicians has been using this for a long time. So we will stick to this usage.

Definition 13.3.2: Suppose W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , the **orthogonal complement** $W^\perp = \{\mathbf{v} | \mathbf{v} \perp W\}$ is the set of vectors that are orthogonal to W

Remark: It is easy to show that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and $(W^\perp)^\perp = W$. This is kind of a *duality*, take \mathbb{R}^3 for an example, the orthogonal complement of a line would be the perpendicular plane, the orthogonal complement of a plane would be the perpendicular line, the orthogonal complement of the origin (a point) would be the whole space (\mathbb{R}^3) and the orthogonal complement of \mathbb{R}^3 would be the origin $\{\mathbf{0}\}$. From this we also see that $\dim W + \dim W^\perp = n$.

We make the following crucial observation: \mathbf{x} is in $\text{Nul}A \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}$ is orthogonal all row vectors of $A \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} \perp \text{Row}A$, so we may conclude that $(\text{Row}A)^\perp = \text{Nul}A$, and similarly we know that $(\text{Col}A)^\perp = (\text{Row}(A^T))^\perp = \text{Nul}(A^T)$.

Exercise 13.3.1: Suppose $W = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$, find $(\text{Col}A)^\perp$.

14. Lecture 14 - Least-square problem

14.1. Least-square solutions

Question: linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ may not always be solvable, nonetheless, we still want to find the *best possible* solution $h(\mathbf{x})$

Answer: According to Gauss, by best possible we mean the **least-square solutions**. In concrete terms, such $h(\mathbf{x})$ stifies that $|Ah(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}| = |A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}|$ for any other choice of \mathbf{x} .

By a simple argument we can show that $Ah(\mathbf{x})$ must be the projection of \mathbf{b} onto $\text{Col}A$, so we know that

$$(Ah(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}) \perp \text{Col}A \Leftrightarrow (Ah(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}) \in (\text{Col}A)^\perp = \text{Nul}(A^T) \Leftrightarrow A^T(Ah(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{0} \Leftrightarrow A^T Ah(\mathbf{x}) = A^T \mathbf{b}$$

14.2. Machine Learning and approximation

Question: Suppose you know a curve has the form

$$y = \beta_1 f_1(x_1, \dots, x_k) + \beta_2 f_2(x_1, \dots, x_k) + \dots + \beta_n f_n(x_1, \dots, x_k) \quad (14.187)$$

And you know what functions f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n should be (they could be linear functions, quadratic functions, polynomial functions, exponential functions, logarithmic function, trigonometry functions, etc.). You also have collected a bunch of data points $(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_k^{(1)}, y^{(1)})$, $(x_1^{(2)}, \dots, x_k^{(2)}, y^{(2)})$, \dots , $(x_1^{(m)}, \dots, x_k^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$. How do you find best fitting coefficients $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n$? First let's define the **residual**

$$\varepsilon^{(i)} = y^{(i)} - \beta_1 f_1(x_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_k^{(i)}) - \beta_2 f_2(x_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_k^{(i)}) - \dots - \beta_n f_n(x_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_k^{(i)}) \quad (14.188)$$

Our goal to minimize the residual. One might want to minimize the quantity $\sum_{i=1}^m |\varepsilon^{(i)}|$, however, this is cumbersome, difficult to work with, and mathematically unsatisfactory. So Gauss instead considered the square sum $\sum_{i=1}^m |\varepsilon^{(i)}|^2$, posed and solved the least square problem!!!

Answer: We use normal equations.

Let's write

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(m)} \end{bmatrix}, \boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_n \end{bmatrix}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon^{(m)} \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_k^{(1)}) & \dots & f_n(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_k^{(1)}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f_1(x_1^{(m)}, \dots, x_k^{(m)}) & \dots & f_n(x_1^{(m)}, \dots, x_k^{(m)}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (14.189)$$

Then have $\mathbf{y} = X\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$. To minimize $\|\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|^2$ will be the same as solving the normal equation $X^T X\boldsymbol{\beta} = X^T \mathbf{y}$ of $X\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{y}$.

Example 14.2.1: Find the equation $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$ of the least-squares line that best fits the data points $(2, 1)$, $(5, 2)$, $(7, 3)$ and $(8, 3)$.

15. Lecture 15 - Complex eigenvalues

15.1. Complex numbers

Theorem 15.1.1: Consider quadratic equation $ax^2 + bt + c = 0$, the **quadratic formula** reads $t = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{\Delta}}{2a}$, where $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ is the discriminant.

Let's review some general stuff about complex numbers.

Definition 15.1.1: The set of complex numbers \mathbb{C} is defined to be $\{z = a + bi | a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$, with $i = \sqrt{-1}$ so that $i^2 = -1$. We call $\operatorname{Re}z = a$ the **real part** of z and $\operatorname{Im}z = b$ to be the **imaginary part** of z . We call $r = |z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ the **modulus** (or **absolute value**) of z , and the angle

$$\varphi \tag{15.190}$$

between z and the real axis the **argument** of z .

Definition 15.1.2: There is a natural identification between the complex numbers and the plane \mathbb{R}^2 via $z = a + bi \rightsquigarrow (a, b)$ (this is why the set of complex numbers is often called the complex plane). We can define

- Addition via $(a + bi) + (c + di) = (a + c) + (b + d)i$
- Multiplication via $(a + bi)(c + di) = ac + adi + bci + bdi^2 = (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i$.
- **Conjugate** as $\bar{z} = a - bi$.

Remark: Through this identification it is easy to see that $a = r \cos \varphi$, $b = r \sin \varphi$, and we have **Euler's formula** $z = re^{i\varphi} = r \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi$.

Remark: If we have a complex-valued matrix A , then the conjugation is defined entrywise (Note that column vectors are matrices). If we write a complex valued matrix $A = \operatorname{Re}A + i\operatorname{Im}A$, then the conjugation would be $\bar{A} = \operatorname{Re}A - i\operatorname{Im}A$. For example, if $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1+2i & 3 \\ -1-i & i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then $\bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-2i & 3 \\ -1+i & -i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - i \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. It is easy to check that $\overline{A+B} = \bar{A} + \bar{B}$, $\overline{cA} = c\bar{A}$, $\overline{A\bar{B}} = \bar{A}B$.

15.2. Eigen-decomposition over the complex numbers

Question: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, can we diagonalize it?

Answer: First we compute its characteristic polynomial $t^2 - 4t + 5$, and then we can solve the quadratic equation as follows

$$\Delta = (-4)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 5 = -4, t = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = -(-4) \pm \frac{2i}{2} = 2 \pm i \tag{15.191}$$

Hence the eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = 2 + i$, $\lambda_2 = 2 - i$. The eigenvector for λ_1 can be computed via So we get $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1+i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}i = \operatorname{Re}\mathbf{v}_1 + i\operatorname{Im}\mathbf{v}_1$. The eigenvector for λ_2 can be computed via So we get $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1-i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}i = \operatorname{Re}\mathbf{v}_2 + i\operatorname{Im}\mathbf{v}_2$. Now we may realize that we have λ_1 and λ_2 are conjugate of each other. \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 are conjugate of each other.

Theorem 15.2.1: In general, if A is a 2 by 2 real-valued matrix with complex eigenvalues (characteristic polynomial have complex roots, no real roots), then they are conjugate of each other, we can write them as $\lambda = a - bi$ and $\overline{\lambda} = a + bi$, suppose the eigenvector for

$$\lambda \tag{15.192}$$

is $\mathbf{v} = \text{Re}\mathbf{v} + i\text{Im}\mathbf{v}$, then the eigenvector for $\overline{\lambda}$ will be $\overline{\text{bold}(\mathbf{v})} = \text{Re}\mathbf{v} - i\text{Im}\mathbf{v}$. If we write $P = [\text{Re}\mathbf{v} \ \text{Im}\mathbf{v}]$, and $C = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$, then $AP = PC$, therefore we get decomposition $A = PCP^{-1}$.

Proof: We have $A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$ (and hence by conjugation we have $A\overline{\text{bold}(\mathbf{v})} = \overline{\lambda}\overline{\text{bold}(\mathbf{v})} = \overline{A\text{bold}(\mathbf{v})} = \overline{A}\overline{\text{bold}(\mathbf{v})} = \overline{\lambda}\overline{\text{bold}(\mathbf{v})}$, note that here A is real-valued, so $\overline{A} = A$), we can rewrite this as

$$(A\text{Re}\mathbf{v}) + i(A\text{Im}\mathbf{v}) = A(\text{Re}\mathbf{v} + i\text{Im}\mathbf{v}) = A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} = (a - bi)(\text{Re}\mathbf{v} + i\text{Im}\mathbf{v}) = (a\text{Re}\mathbf{v} + b\text{Im}\mathbf{v}) + i(a\text{Im}\mathbf{v} - b\text{Re}\mathbf{v}) \tag{15.193}$$

Looking at its real and imaginary parts we conclude that

$$A\text{Re}\mathbf{v} = a\text{Re}\mathbf{v} + b\text{Im}\mathbf{v}, \quad A\text{Im}\mathbf{v} = a\text{Im}\mathbf{v} - b\text{Re}\mathbf{v} \tag{15.194}$$

This is precisely $AP = PC$ ■

Remark: Matrix C is special in the following sense (it can be decomposed as a composition of rotation and scaling)

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r \cos \varphi & -r \sin \varphi \\ r \sin \varphi & r \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix} \tag{15.195}$$

Here we suppose $\overline{\lambda} = a + bi = re^{i\varphi} = r \cos \varphi + ir \sin \varphi$ so that $a = r \cos \varphi$, $b = r \sin \varphi$.

Example 15.2.1: In the previous example, we could take $\lambda = 2 - i$ so that $a = 2, b = 1$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ so that $\text{Re}\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\text{Im}\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, and we have the decomposition

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = PCP^{-1} \tag{15.196}$$

Exercise 15.2.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 5 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$. Find an invertible matrix P and a matrix C of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ such that $A = PCP^{-1}$

16. Lecture 16 - Orthogonal diagonalization

16.1. Orthogonal diagonalization

Theorem 16.1.1: Suppose A is a symmetric ($A^T = A$) real-valued matrix, and $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ are λ_1 -eigenvector, λ_2 -eigenvectors respectively. Then $\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = 0$

Proof: Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1(\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) &= (\lambda_1 \mathbf{v}_1)^T \mathbf{v}_2 = (A\mathbf{v}_1)^T \mathbf{v}_2 \\ &= \mathbf{v}_1^T A^T \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{v}_1^T A \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\lambda_2 \mathbf{v}_2) = \lambda_2(\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) \end{aligned} \quad (16.197)$$

We get $(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) = 0$, since $\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \neq 0$, $\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = 0$ ■

Theorem 16.1.2: Suppose A is a symmetric real-valued matrix, then the eigenvalues are also real.

Proof: Suppose

$$\lambda \quad (16.198)$$

is an eigenvalue of A , then there exists some

$$\lambda \quad (16.199)$$

-eigenvector such that $A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$, and that the length of the complex vector \mathbf{v} is $|\mathbf{v}|^2 = \overline{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ is a positive real number (Note that for a complex number $z = a + bi$, $|z|^2 = a^2 + b^2 = (a + bi)(a - bi) = z\bar{z}$). Since A is symmetric and real-valued, $\overline{A^T} = A$. We have

$$\overline{\lambda} |\mathbf{v}|^2 = \overline{A \mathbf{v}} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \overline{\mathbf{v}}^T \overline{A}^T \mathbf{v} = \overline{\mathbf{v}}^T A \mathbf{v} = \lambda |\mathbf{v}|^2 \quad (16.200)$$

Which implies that $(\lambda - \overline{\lambda})|\mathbf{v}|^2 = 0$, so

$$\lambda = \overline{\lambda} \quad (16.201)$$

, i.e.

$$\lambda \quad (16.202)$$

is real-valued. ■

Fact 16.1.1: A symmetric real-valued matrix is diagonalizable.

Theorem 16.1.3: Suppose A is a symmetric real-valued matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ (maybe repeated). A can be orthogonal diagonalized as $A = PDP^T$, where D is the diagonal matrix $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$, and P is an orthogonal matrix.

Proof: To get an orthonormal basis for each eigenspace $\text{Nul}(\lambda I - A)$, you just need to find an arbitrary basis, and then apply Gram-Schmidt process to get an orthonormal basis, then by Theorem 16.1.1, the set of eigenvectors form an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n , assume they are $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n$, in corresponds to eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, then we get orthogonal diagonalization

$$A = PDP^{-1} = PDP^T \quad (16.203)$$

Here $P = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_n]$ is an orthogonal basis and thus $P^{-1} = P^T$. ■

Example 16.1.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, the characteristic polynomial is $(t-3)(t-8)$, so we have eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 3$ and $\lambda_2 = 8$, we can then find the eigenvectors $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, we may realized that $\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = 0$, i.e. \mathbf{v}_1 is orthogonal to \mathbf{v}_2 , we can further normalize them into $\mathbf{u}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{v}_1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{u}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{v}_2}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix}$. So we have orthogonal diagonalization

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix} = PDP^T \quad (16.204)$$

16.2. Spectral decomposition

Theorem 16.2.1: Suppose A is a symmetric real-valued matrix, and $A = PDP^T$ is its orthogonal diagonalization, then we have the so-called spectral decomposition

$$A = \lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \dots + \lambda_n \mathbf{u}_n \mathbf{u}_n^T \quad (16.205)$$

Proof:

$$A = PDP^T = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_n^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \mathbf{u}_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_n^T \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \dots + \lambda_n \mathbf{u}_n \mathbf{u}_n^T \quad (16.206)$$

■

Remark: Recall that if \mathbf{u} is of unit length, then $\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x}$, so

$$A \mathbf{x} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{x} + \dots + \lambda_n \mathbf{u}_n \mathbf{u}_n^T \mathbf{x} \quad (16.207)$$

You can think of this as decompose the matrix transformation $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A\mathbf{x}$ into the sum of scaled orthogonal projections.

17. Lecture 21 - Quadratic forms

Let's briefly talk about quadratic forms: $ax_1 + 2bx_1x_2 + cx_2^2 = [x_1 \ x_2] \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$. In Example 16.1.1, $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ is the quadratic form $7x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$, note that $\mathbf{y} = P^T \mathbf{x}$ gives change of (orthonormal) coordinates (actually differ by a rotation) $\begin{cases} y_1 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}x_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}x_2 \\ y_2 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}x_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}x_2 \end{cases}$, then the quadratic form becomes $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T P D P^T \mathbf{x} = (P^T \mathbf{x})^T D (P^T \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{y}^T D \mathbf{y} = 3y_1^2 + 8y_2^2$, note this is without cross term y_1y_2 .

18. Lecture 22 - Singular value decomposition

19. Appendix

Theorem 19.1: The RREF of a matrix A is unique.

Proof: The linear dependences of columns of A is preserved under row elementary operations, thus the pivot columns are unique. And for the same reason, we know how all other entries look like. ■

20. Online Assignments

20.1. Online Assignment 1

Problem 20.1.1: Rewrite the following linear systems as augmented matrices and then solve them, show all your work

- $$\begin{cases} 5x_1 + x_2 = 2 \\ 3x_1 - x_2 = 6 \end{cases} \quad (20.208)$$

- $$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 6 \\ x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 2 \\ -x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 4 \end{cases} \quad (20.209)$$

Problem 20.1.2: How many solutions does the following linear systems of equations have

- $$\begin{cases} 5x_1 + 7x_2 = 3 \\ -10x_1 - 14x_2 = -3 \end{cases} \quad (20.210)$$

- $$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - x_2 = 4 \\ x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_2 = 2 \end{cases} \quad (20.211)$$

Problem 20.1.3: Consider the following matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.212)$$

- Which columns are the pivot columns of A ?
- Write down the RREF of the this matrix

Problem 20.1.4: Determine which of the following statements are true

- The following matrix is of row reduced echelon form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.213)$$

- The following two matrices are equivalent

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.214)$$

Problem 20.1.5: Determine the value(s) of h such that the matrix is the augmented matrix of a consistent linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & h & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.215)$$

Problem 20.1.6: Do the three lines $x_1 - 4x_2 = 1$, $2x_1 - x_2 = -3$, and $-x_1 - 3x_2 = 4$ have a common point of intersection? Explain.

20.2. Online Assignment 2

Problem 20.2.1: Consider the following statements

- For any four distinct vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4$ in \mathbb{R}^3 , $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\} = \mathbb{R}^3$
- Suppose we know that the augmented matrix of the linear system

$$\begin{cases} a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3 = d_1 \\ b_1x_1 + b_2x_2 + b_3x_3 = d_2 \\ c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + c_3x_3 = d_3 \end{cases} \quad (20.216)$$

has two pivot columns, then how many solutions could the linear system have?

- Consider matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ where A is a 3 by 4 matrix, then it always has more than one solution (obviously $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ will be a solution)

Problem 20.2.2: Answer the following questions

- Determine whether $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is in the span of $\left\{ \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$, why?
- Assume $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Find constants c_1, c_2 such that $\mathbf{w} = c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + 2\mathbf{v}_3$. Show your work on how you found c_1, c_2 .
- Suppose

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & 2 & -8 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.217)$$

Is it true that for any vector \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^4 , matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ always has solution(s)? If it is, please give your reason. If it is not, please find one such \mathbf{b} and justify your answer.

20.3. Online Assignment 3

Problem 20.3.1: Suppose $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 , if $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ is linearly independent, $\{\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is linearly independent, and $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is linearly independent, then $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is linearly independent

Solution: False. For example $\left\{ \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Problem 20.3.2: Suppose A is a m by n matrix, and the matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ always has solution for any vector \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^m , the columns of A are linearly independent

Solution: False. There could be free variables

Problem 20.3.3: Solve the linear system $\begin{cases} x_1+x_2+x_3+x_4=1 \\ 2x_1-x_2+x_3-x_4=-1 \end{cases}$ and express its solution set in parametric vector form

Problem 20.3.4: Suppose $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -11 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$. Is $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\}$ linearly independent? If so, please give your reason, if not, please find a linear dependence (i.e. some linear combination $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + c_3\mathbf{v}_3 + c_4\mathbf{v}_4 = \mathbf{0}$, c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 not all zero)

Problem 20.3.5: Suppose linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ rotates the plane \mathbb{R}^2 counter-clockwise by 120° , what is the standard matrix for the this linear transformation?

Problem 20.3.6: Suppose $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a linear transformation and $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. What is n and m ? Find the preimage of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ under T . Is T one-to-one? Is T onto?

20.4. Online Assignment 4

Problem 20.4.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Determine if A is invertible, if not, explain why, if it is, find the inverse matrix A^{-1}
- Find A^T , the transpose of A . Is A^T invertible? If yes, please evaluate $(A^T)^{-1}$

Please show all your work.

Problem 20.4.2: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ is the standard matrix for the linear transformation of rotating 120° counter-clockwise. Evaluate $A^{\{24\}}$ and explain why.

Problem 20.4.3: We say n is the **order** of a square matrix A if n is the smallest positive integer such that $A^n = I$, where I is the identity matrix. Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is the linear transformation of reflecting over x_1 -axis, and A is the standard matrix of T , the order of A is

Solution: Note that $T \circ T$ is reflecting over x_2 -axis twice, which amounts to doing nothing, so A^2 as the standard matrix of $T \circ T$ is the identity matrix, i.e. the order of A is 2.

Problem 20.4.4: If A, B are both invertible, then $A + B$ is also invertible

Solution: False. For example we can take $B = -A = -I$, then $A + B = 0$ which is not invertible.

Problem 20.4.5: We call $q(x_1, x_2) = ax_1^2 + 2bx_1x_2 + cx_2^2$ a **quadratic form**, a, b, c are constants. Suppose $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$, try to rewrite $q(x_1, x_2)$ as the form of a matrix multiplication $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$, where A is a **symmetric matrix** (i.e. $A^T = A$). Please find A .

Solution: We should choose $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$, then

$$\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2] \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = [ax_1 + bx_2 \quad bx_1 + cx_2] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = ax_1^2 + 2bx_1x_2 + cx_2^2 = q(x_1, x_2)$$

Problem 20.4.6: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is a linear transformation defined by $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 \\ 2x_2 + 3x_3 \\ x_1 - x_3 \end{bmatrix}$. Please find T^{-1} , then standard matrix for T^{-1} . Is T^{-1} onto? Is T^{-1} is one-to-one? Show all your work.

Problem 20.4.7: An **affine transformation** is a mapping $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$, Note that $A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = [A \ \mathbf{b}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. If we use partitioned matrix and deploying the trick of adding "1 at the end of the coordinates, then T may be interpreted as a matrix transformation $\begin{bmatrix} T(\mathbf{x}) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & \mathbf{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

item Suppose $T_1(\mathbf{x}) = A_1\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_1$ and $T_2(\mathbf{x}) = A_2\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_2$ are both affine transformations. What is the composition $T_2 \circ T_1$? How should you deploy the trick?

- Suppose $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$ is an affine transformation and A is invertible. What is T^{-1} ? How should you deploy the trick?

Solution:

- $(T_2 \circ T_1)(\mathbf{x}) = T_2(T_1(\mathbf{x})) = A_2(T_1(\mathbf{x})) + \mathbf{b}_2 = A_2(A_1\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_1) + \mathbf{b}_2 = A_2A_1\mathbf{x} + (A_2\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2)$, this can be explained use the trick as follows

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_2 & \mathbf{b}_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & \mathbf{b}_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_2 A_1 & A_2 \mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.219)$$

- The inverse should be $T^{-1}(\mathbf{y}) = A^{-1}\mathbf{y} - A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$, via the trick we can interpret it as

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & \mathbf{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{-1} & -A^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.220)$$

Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^{-1} & -A^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & \mathbf{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & \mathbf{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A^{-1} & -A^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.221)$$

20.5. Online Assignment 5

Problem 20.5.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Use cofactor expansion of A across the last row to evaluate the determinant of A

Solution:

$$, \left| \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right| = (-1) \cdot (-1)^{\{3+1\}} \left| \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right| + 2 \cdot (-1)^{\{3+2\}} \left| \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right| + 0; = (-1)(2 \cdot 3 - 2 \cdot 1) + (-2)(2 \cdot 2 - 2 \cdot 2) = -2$$

Problem 20.5.2: Compute the determinant of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Is A invertible?

Problem 20.5.3: Consider the parallelogram P with vertices $(-2, -3), (-1, 1), (2, 4), (3, 8)$, use determinants to evaluate the area of P

Solution: Name these four points p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4 , and the vectors $\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$. And we consider $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$, then area of P would be

$$|\det A| = |(1 \cdot 7 - 4 \cdot 4)| = 9 \quad (20.223)$$

Problem 20.5.4: $\det(A - B) = \det A - \det B$

Solution: This is false, for example, we could just take $A = I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = -I$, then $4 = \det(2I) = \det(A - B) \neq \det A - \det B = 1 - 1 = 0$

Problem 20.5.5: If A is a 3 by 3 matrix, then $\det(2A) = 8(\det A)$

Solution: This is true.

Problem 20.5.6: Suppose A, B are both 3 by 3 matrices, and $\det A = 2$, $\det B = \frac{1}{3}$, then the determinant of $A^T B^{-1}$ is

Solution: $\det(A^T B^{-1}) = \det(A^T) \det(B^{-1}) = (\det A)(\det B)^{-1} = 2 \cdot 3 = 6$.

Problem 20.5.7: Suppose A is a 3 by 3 matrix with entries integers, and $A^3 = I$ is the identity matrix. Then the determinant of A has to be

Solution: $\det A$ must be some real number. $1 = \det I = \det(A^3) = (\det A)^3 \Rightarrow \det A = \sqrt[3]{1} = 1$.

20.6. Online Assignment 6

Problem 20.6.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

- Find a basis for the null space of A
- Find a basis for the column space of A
- Find a basis for the row space of A

Solution: First realize

$$A \xrightarrow{R2 \leftrightarrow R3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20.224)$$

Hence the solution in parametric form is $x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_6 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. And the pivot columns

are the 1st, 3rd and 5th columns

- A basis for $\text{Nul}A$ could be $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$
- A basis for $\text{Col}A$ could be $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$
- A basis for $\text{Row}A$ could be

$$\{[1 \ 2 \ 0 \ -1 \ 0 \ 3], [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 3 \ 0 \ -1], [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ -1]\} \quad (20.225)$$

Problem 20.6.2: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -5 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

- Determine whether $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ is in the null space of A . Explain your reasoning.
- Determine whether $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ is in the column space of A . Explain your reasoning.

Solution:

- $\mathbf{u} \in \text{Nul}A$ since $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$
- $\mathbf{b} \in \text{Col}A$ since linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent

Problem 20.6.3: We say a square matrix A is **anti-symmetric** if $A^T = -A$. Denote the set of 3×3 anti-symmetric matrices V .

- Show that V is a vector space.
- What is the dimension of V ?
- Find a basis of V .
- Show that

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ B_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (20.226)$$

form a basis for V .

20.7. Online Assignment 7

Problem 20.7.1: Suppose \mathbf{v} is an eigenvector for matrices A and B , then \mathbf{v} is an eigenvector for $A + B$ and AB .

Solution: This is true. Since \mathbf{v} is an eigenvector for both A and B , there exist eigenvalues λ_1, λ_2 such that $A\mathbf{v} = \lambda_1\mathbf{v}$, $B\mathbf{v} = \lambda_2\mathbf{v}$, so we have $(A + B)\mathbf{v} = A\mathbf{v} + B\mathbf{v} = \lambda_1\mathbf{v} + \lambda_2\mathbf{v} = (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)\mathbf{v}$. In other words, \mathbf{v} is an eigenvector for $A + B$ with eigenvalue $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$. Similarly, we also have $AB\mathbf{v} = A(\lambda_1\mathbf{v}) = \lambda_1A\mathbf{v} = \lambda_1\lambda_2\mathbf{v}$. In other words, \mathbf{v} is an eigenvector for AB with eigenvalue $\lambda_1\lambda_2$.

Problem 20.7.2: Suppose $t + 3t^2 - 2t^3$ is the characteristic polynomial of a 3 by 3 matrix, then A is not invertible.

Solution: This is true. Note that $t = 0$ is a root of the characteristic polynomial, so the null space of A is not trivial, A is not invertible.

Problem 20.7.3:

Problem 20.7.4: If $\text{Nul}A$ is 2-dimensional, then 0 is an eigenvalue of A .

Solution: This is true. Since if $\text{Nul}A$ is 2-dimensional, then $\text{Nul}A$ is non-trivial, thus 0 is an eigenvalue of A

Problem 20.7.5: Is $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ an eigenvector of $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$? If so, find the corresponding eigenvalue, if not, please explain why.

Solution: Note that $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$. so $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector with eigenvalue 3

Problem 20.7.6: Find all eigenvalues of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 9 & 0 \\ 5 & 8 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Please show all your work.

Solution: Therefore eigenvalues for A are 3,5,10.

Problem 20.7.7: Assume that A is similar to an upper triangular matrix U , then $\det A$ is the product of all its eigenvalues (counting multiplicity). Please explain why.

20.8. Online Assignment 8

Problem 20.8.1: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, determine whether A is diagonalizable. If it is, please find a diagonalization. If not, please explain why.

Problem 20.8.2: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 8 \\ -4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, Please evaluate $A^{\{101\}}$, show all your work.

Problem 20.8.3: Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is a linear transformation, $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3\}$, $\mathcal{C} = \{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_3\}$ are two different bases for \mathbb{R}^3 . Determine whether the following is possible.

- $[T]_{\{\mathcal{B}\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $[T]_{\{\mathcal{C}\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$
- $[T]_{\{\mathcal{B}\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $[T]_{\{\mathcal{C}\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Problem 20.8.4: Suppose A is similar to B .

- Could you conclude that $3A$ is similar to $3B$. If you can, please give your reasons, if not, please find a counter-example.
- Could you conclude that A^{-1} is similar to B^{-1} . If you can, please give your reasons, if not, please find a counter-example.

Solution: Since A is similar to B , we may assume $A = PBP^{-1}$.

- $3A = 3PBP^{-1} = P(3B)P^{-1}$ is similar.
- $A^{-1} = (PBP^{-1})^{-1} = PB^{-1}P^{-1}$ is similar.

20.9. Online Assignment 9

Problem 20.9.1: Determine whether the following statements are true

- $|\mathbf{u}|^2 + |\mathbf{v}|^2 = |\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}|^2$ if and only if \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are orthogonal.
- If W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , and vector \mathbf{v} is orthogonal to both W and W^\perp , then $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$.
- If $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3\}$ with $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3\}$ linearly independent, and if $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is an orthogonal set in W , then $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is a basis for W .

Problem 20.9.2: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, please find a basis for $(\text{Col}A)^\perp$.

Problem 20.9.3: Suppose we have $\mathcal{B} = \mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, please justify that \mathcal{B} is an orthogonal set, suppose $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, L is the subspace spanned by \mathcal{B} , compute the projection $\text{Proj}_L \mathbf{y}$ of \mathbf{y} onto L .

Problem 20.9.4: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 6 & 6 \\ 3 & -8 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 6 \\ 1 & -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$, please find an orthogonal basis for $\text{Col}A$.

20.10. Online Assignment 10

Problem 20.10.1: Determine whether the following statements are correct

- If A is symmetric and if vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} such that $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$ and \mathbf{v} is in $\text{Nul}A$, then $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$.
- $\text{Nul}A = \text{Nul}A^T A$.

Solution:

- The eigenvalues for eigenvectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are 1 and 0, and A is symmetric, by Theorem Theorem 16.1.1, $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$.
- If $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Nul}A$, then $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$, so $A^T A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. If $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Nul}(A^T A)$, then $A^T A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$, so $0 = \mathbf{x}^T A^T A\mathbf{x} = |A\mathbf{x}|^2$, so $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

Problem 20.10.2: Find the least-squares solution(s) to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: Let's denote $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$, then $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 0 \\ 0 & 42 \end{bmatrix}$, and $A^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$, then we get the least -square solution $\mathbf{h}@\{\mathbf{x}\} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{1}{7} \end{bmatrix}$

Problem 20.10.3: Orthogonal diagonalize the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$.

Problem 20.10.4: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Please find the eigenvalues of A .
- Please find the eigenvectors of A .
- Please write A as matrix multiplication PCP^{-1} , where C is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$.

21. Exams

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