

# **A Review of Linear Algebra**

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## Primary Topics

- Vectors
- Matrices
- Mathematical Properties of Vectors and Matrices
- Special Matrices

## Notation

Variable type	Typographical Convention	Example
scalar	lower case Greek	$\sigma, \alpha, \beta$
vector	lower case Roman	$u, v, x, y, b$
matrix	upper case Roman	$A, B, C$

## Defining Vectors in MATLAB

- Assign any expression that evaluates to a vector

```
>> v = [1 3 5 7]
>> w = [2; 4; 6; 8]
>> x = linspace(0,10,5);
>> y = 0:30:180
>> z = sin(y*pi/180);
```

- Distinguish between row and column vectors

```
>> r = [1 2 3];      % row vector
>> s = [1 2 3]';    % column vector
>> r - s
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Matrix dimensions must agree.
```

Although  $r$  and  $s$  have the same elements, they are not the same vector. Furthermore, operations involving  $r$  and  $s$  are bound by the rules of linear algebra.

# Vector Operations

- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication by a scalar
- Transpose
- Linear Combinations of Vectors
- Inner Product
- Outer Product
- Vector Norms

## Vector Addition and Subtraction

Addition and subtraction are element-by-element operations

$$c = a + b \iff c_i = a_i + b_i \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$d = a - b \iff d_i = a_i - b_i \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

**Example:**

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a + b = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad a - b = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Multiplication by a Scalar

Multiplication by a scalar involves multiplying each element in the vector by the scalar:

$$b = \sigma a \iff b_i = \sigma a_i \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

**Example:**

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \frac{a}{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Vector Transpose

The *transpose* of a row vector is a column vector:

$$u = [1, 2, 3] \quad \text{then} \quad u^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Likewise if  $v$  is the column vector

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{then} \quad v^T = [4, 5, 6]$$

## Linear Combinations (1)

Combine scalar multiplication with addition

$$\alpha \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_m \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha u_1 + \beta v_1 \\ \alpha u_2 + \beta v_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha u_m + \beta v_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_m \end{bmatrix}$$

**Example:**

$$r = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad s = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$t = 2r + 3s = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Linear Combinations (2)

Any one vector can be created from an infinite combination of other “suitable” vectors.

**Example:**

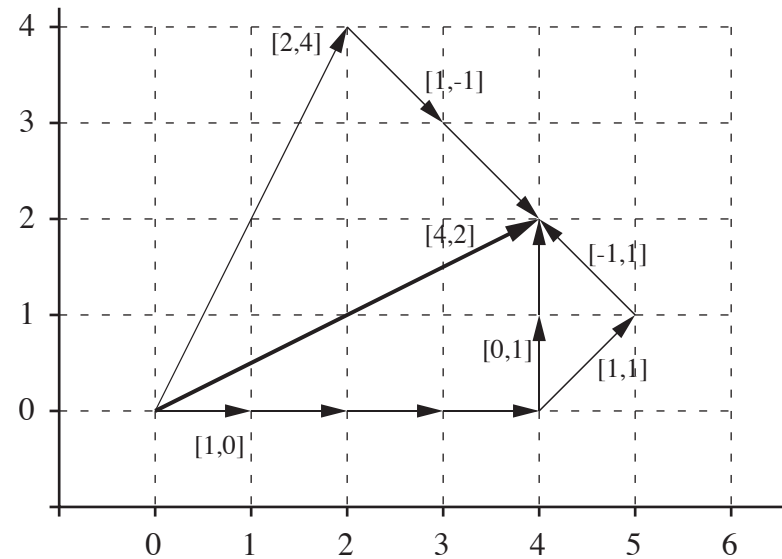
$$w = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w = 6 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Linear Combinations (3)



### Graphical interpretation:

- Vector tails can be moved to convenient locations
- Magnitude and direction of vectors is preserved

## Vector Inner Product (1)

In physics, analytical geometry, and engineering, the **dot product** has a geometric interpretation

$$\sigma = x \cdot y \iff \sigma = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$$
$$x \cdot y = \|x\|_2 \|y\|_2 \cos \theta$$

## Vector Inner Product (2)

The rules of linear algebra impose compatibility requirements on the inner product.

The inner product of  $x$  and  $y$  requires that  $x$  be a row vector  $y$  be a column vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{bmatrix} = x_1y_1 + x_2y_2 + x_3y_3 + x_4y_4$$

## Vector Inner Product (3)

For two  $n$ -element *column* vectors,  $u$  and  $v$ , the inner product is

$$\sigma = u^T v \iff \sigma = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i$$

The inner product is commutative so that  
(for two column vectors)

$$u^T v = v^T u$$

## Computing the Inner Product in MATLAB

The `*` operator performs the inner product if two vectors are compatible.

```
>> u = (0:3)';           % u and v are
>> v = (3:-1:0)';       % column vectors
>> s = u*v
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Inner matrix dimensions must agree.
```

```
>> s = u'*v
s =
    4
```

```
>> t = v'*u
t =
    4
```



## Vector Outer Product

The inner product results in a scalar.  
The *outer product* creates a rank-one matrix:

$$A = uv^T \iff a_{i,j} = u_i v_j$$

**Example:** Outer product of two 4-element column vectors

$$uv^T = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} u_1 v_1 & u_1 v_2 & u_1 v_3 & u_1 v_4 \\ u_2 v_1 & u_2 v_2 & u_2 v_3 & u_2 v_4 \\ u_3 v_1 & u_3 v_2 & u_3 v_3 & u_3 v_4 \\ u_4 v_1 & u_4 v_2 & u_4 v_3 & u_4 v_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Computing the Outer Product in MATLAB

The `*` operator performs the outer product if two vectors are compatible.

```
u = (0:4)';  
v = (4:-1:0)';  
A = u*v'  
A =
```

```
    0    0    0    0    0  
    4    3    2    1    0  
    8    6    4    2    0  
   12    9    6    3    0  
   16   12    8    4    0
```

## Vector Norms (1)

Compare magnitude of scalars with the *absolute value*

$$|\alpha| > |\beta|$$

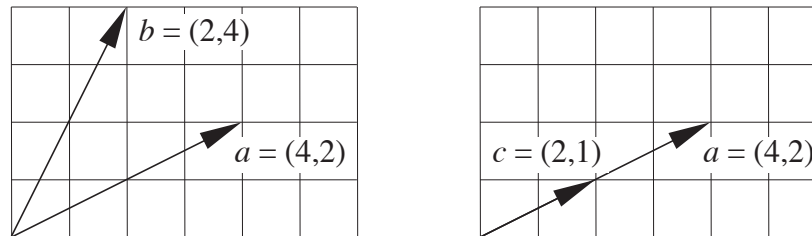
Compare magnitude of vectors with *norms*

$$\|x\| > \|y\|$$

There are several ways to compute  $\|x\|$ . In other words the size of two vectors can be compared with different norms.

## Vector Norms (2)

Consider two element vectors, which lie in a plane



Use geometric lengths to represent the magnitudes of the vectors

$$\ell_a = \sqrt{4^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{20}, \quad \ell_b = \sqrt{2^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{20}, \quad \ell_c = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

We conclude that

$$\ell_a = \ell_b \quad \text{and} \quad \ell_a > \ell_c$$

or

$$\|a\| = \|b\| \quad \text{and} \quad \|a\| > \|c\|$$

## The $L_2$ Norm

The notion of a geometric length for 2D or 3D vectors can be extended to vectors with arbitrary numbers of elements.

The result is called the *Euclidian* or  $L_2$  norm:

$$\|x\|_2 = (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2)^{1/2} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

The  $L_2$  norm can also be expressed in terms of the inner product

$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{x \cdot x} = \sqrt{x^T x}$$

## $p$ -Norms

For any integer  $p$

$$\|x\|_p = (|x_1|^p + |x_2|^p + \dots + |x_n|^p)^{1/p}$$

The  $L_1$  norm is sum of absolute values

$$\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_n| = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$$

The  $L_\infty$  norm or *max norm* is

$$\|x\|_\infty = \max(|x_1|, |x_2|, \dots, |x_n|) = \max_i (|x_i|)$$

Although  $p$  can be any positive number,  $p = 1, 2, \infty$  are most commonly used.

## Application of Norms (1)

### Are two vectors (nearly) equal?

Floating point comparison of two scalars with absolute value:

$$\frac{|\alpha - \beta|}{|\alpha|} < \delta$$

where  $\delta$  is a small tolerance.

Comparison of two vectors with norms:

$$\frac{\|y - z\|}{\|z\|} < \delta$$

## Application of Norms (2)

Notice that

$$\frac{\|y - z\|}{\|z\|} < \delta$$

is **not equivalent to**

$$\frac{\|y\| - \|z\|}{\|z\|} < \delta.$$

This comparison is important in convergence tests for sequences of vectors. See Example 7.3 in the textbook.



## Application of Norms (3)

### Creating a Unit Vector

Given  $u = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m]^T$ , the unit vector in the direction of  $u$  is

$$\hat{u} = \frac{u}{\|u\|_2}$$

Proof:

$$\|\hat{u}\|_2 = \left\| \frac{u}{\|u\|_2} \right\|_2 = \frac{1}{\|u\|_2} \|u\|_2 = 1$$

The following are *not* unit vectors

$$\frac{u}{\|u\|_1} \quad \frac{u}{\|u\|_\infty}$$

## Orthogonal Vectors

From geometric interpretation of the inner product

$$u \cdot v = \|u\|_2 \|v\|_2 \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{u \cdot v}{\|u\|_2 \|v\|_2} = \frac{u^T v}{\|u\|_2 \|v\|_2}$$

Two vectors are orthogonal when  $\theta = \pi/2$  or  $u \cdot v = 0$ .

In other words

$$u^T v = 0$$

*if and only if*  $u$  and  $v$  are orthogonal.

## Orthonormal Vectors

**Orthonormal vectors** are **unit vectors** that are *orthogonal*.

A **unit** vector has an  $L_2$  norm of one.

The unit vector in the direction of  $u$  is

$$\hat{u} = \frac{u}{\|u\|_2}$$

Since

$$\|u\|_2 = \sqrt{u \cdot u}$$

it follows that  $u \cdot u = 1$  if  $u$  is a unit vector.

# Matrices

- Columns and Rows of a Matrix are Vectors
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication by a scalar
- Transpose
- Linear Combinations of Vectors
- Matrix–Vector Product
- Matrix–Matrix Product
- Matrix Norms

## Notation

The matrix  $A$  with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns looks like:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$a_{ij}$  = element in **row**  $i$ , and **column**  $j$

In `MATLAB` we can define a matrix with

```
>> A = [ ... ; ... ; ... ]
```

where semicolons separate lists of row elements.

The  $a_{2,3}$  element of the `MATLAB` matrix `A` is `A(2,3)`.

## Matrices Consist of Row and Column Vectors

As a collection of column vectors

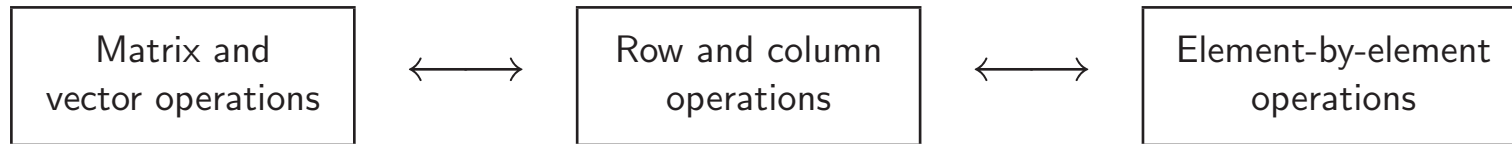
$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_{(1)} & a_{(2)} & \cdots & a_{(n)} \end{array} \right]$$

As a collection of row vectors

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{c} a'_{(1)} \\ \hline a'_{(2)} \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline a'_{(m)} \end{array} \right]$$

A prime is used to designate a row vector on this and the following pages.

## Preview of the Row and Column View



# Matrix Operations

- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication by a Scalar
- Matrix Transpose
- Matrix–Vector Multiplication
- Vector–Matrix Multiplication
- Matrix–Matrix Multiplication



# Matrix Operations

## Addition and subtraction

$$C = A + B$$

or

$$c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + b_{i,j} \quad i = 1, \dots, m; \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

## Multiplication by a Scalar

$$B = \sigma A$$

or

$$b_{i,j} = \sigma a_{i,j} \quad i = 1, \dots, m; \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

**Note:** Commas in subscripts are necessary when the subscripts are assigned numerical values. For example,  $a_{2,3}$  is the row 2, column 3 element of matrix  $A$ , whereas  $a_{23}$  is the 23rd element of vector  $a$ . When variables appear in indices, such as  $a_{ij}$  or  $a_{i,j}$ , the comma is optional

# Matrix Transpose

$$B = A^T$$

or

$$b_{i,j} = a_{j,i} \quad i = 1, \dots, m; \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

In MATLAB

```
>> A = [0 0 0; 0 0 0; 1 2 3; 0 0 0]
```

```
A =
```

```
0     0     0
0     0     0
1     2     3
0     0     0
```

```
>> B = A'
```

```
B =
```

```
0     0     1     0
0     0     2     0
0     0     3     0
```

# Matrix–Vector Product

- The Column View
  - ▷ gives mathematical insight
- The Row View
  - ▷ easy to do by hand
- The Vector View
  - ▷ A square matrix rotates and stretches a vector

## Column View of Matrix–Vector Product (1)

Consider a **linear combination of a set of column vectors**  $\{a_{(1)}, a_{(2)}, \dots, a_{(n)}\}$ .  
Each  $a_{(j)}$  has  $m$  elements

Let  $x_i$  be a set (a vector) of scalar multipliers

$$x_1 a_{(1)} + x_2 a_{(2)} + \dots + x_n a_{(n)} = b$$

or

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{(j)} x_j = b$$

Expand the (hidden) row index

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

## Column View of Matrix–Vector Product (2)

Form a matrix with the  $a_{(j)}$  as columns

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_{(1)} & a_{(2)} & \cdots & a_{(n)} \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b \end{bmatrix}$$

Or, writing out the elements

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

## Column View of Matrix–Vector Product (3)

Thus, the matrix-vector product is

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Save space with matrix notation

$$Ax = b$$

## Column View of Matrix–Vector Product (4)

The matrix–vector product  $b = Ax$  produces a vector  $b$  from a linear combination of the columns in  $A$ .

$$b = Ax \iff b_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j$$

where  $x$  and  $b$  are column vectors

## Column View of Matrix–Vector Product (5)

### Algorithm 7.1

```
initialize:  $b = \text{zeros}(m, 1)$ 
for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ 
  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ 
     $b(i) = A(i, j)x(j) + b(i)$ 
  end
end
```



## Compatibility Requirement

Inner dimensions must agree

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & x & = & b & \\ [m \times n] & [n \times 1] & = & [m \times 1] & \end{array}$$

## Row View of Matrix–Vector Product (1)

Consider the following matrix–vector product written out as a linear combination of matrix columns

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -3 & 4 & -7 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - 1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is the column view.

## Row View of Matrix–Vector Product (2)

Now, group the multiplication and addition operations by row:

$$\begin{aligned} & 4 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - 1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} (5)(4) + (0)(2) + (0)(-3) + (-1)(-1) \\ (-3)(4) + (4)(2) + (-7)(-3) + (1)(-1) \\ (1)(4) + (2)(2) + (3)(-3) + (6)(-1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 16 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Final result is identical to that obtained with the column view.

## Row View of Matrix–Vector Product (3)

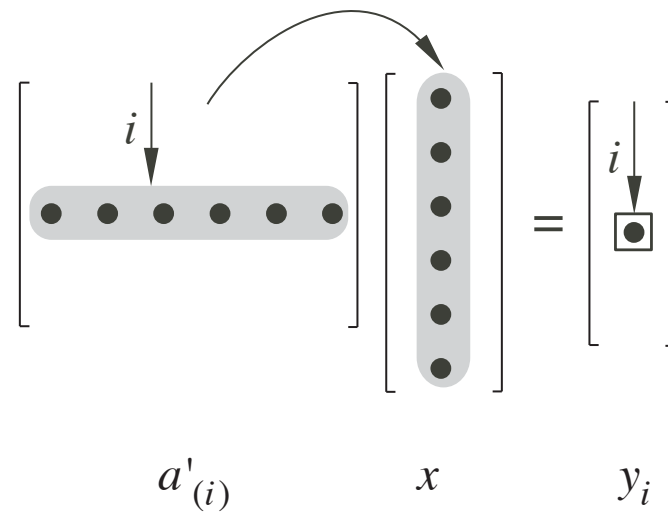
Product of a  $3 \times 4$  matrix,  $A$ , with a  $4 \times 1$  vector,  $x$ , looks like

$$\begin{bmatrix} a'_{(1)} \\ \hline a'_{(2)} \\ \hline a'_{(3)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{(1)} \cdot x \\ a'_{(2)} \cdot x \\ a'_{(3)} \cdot x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $a'_{(1)}$ ,  $a'_{(2)}$ , and  $a'_{(3)}$ , are the *row vectors* constituting the  $A$  matrix.

**The matrix–vector product  $b = Ax$  produces elements in  $b$  by forming inner products of the rows of  $A$  with  $x$ .**

## Row View of Matrix–Vector Product (4)



## Vector View of Matrix–Vector Product

If  $A$  is square, the product  $Ax$  has the effect of stretching and rotating  $x$ .

Pure stretching of the column vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pure rotation of the column vector

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



## Vector–Matrix Product

**Compatibility Requirement: Inner dimensions must agree**

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} u & & A & = & v \\ [1 \times m] & & [m \times n] & = & [1 \times n] \end{array}$$



# Matrix–Matrix Product

Computations can be organized in **six different ways** We'll focus on just two

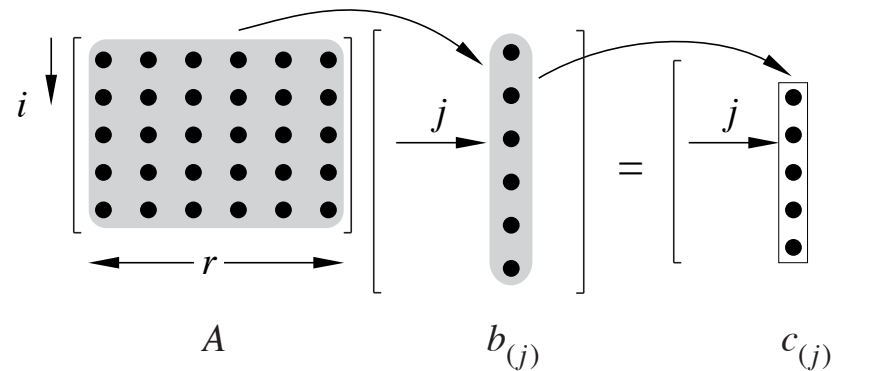
- Column View — extension of column view of matrix–vector product
- Row View — inner product algorithm, extension of column view of matrix–vector product

## Column View of Matrix–Matrix Product

The product  $AB$  produces a matrix  $C$ . The columns of  $C$  are linear combinations of the columns of  $A$ .

$$AB = C \quad \iff \quad c_{(j)} = Ab_{(j)}$$

$c_{(j)}$  and  $b_{(j)}$  are column vectors.



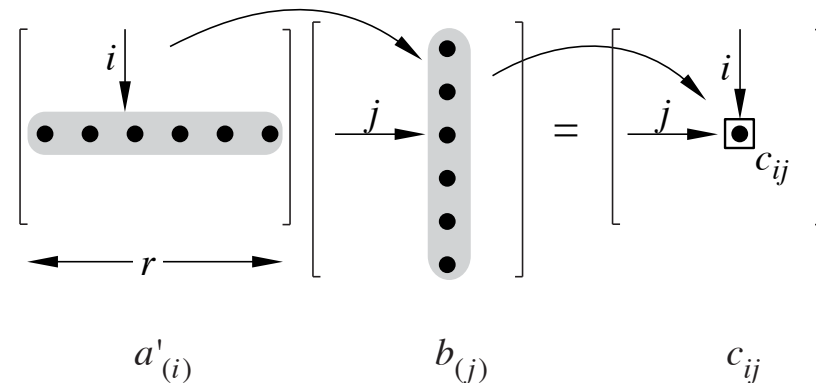
The column view of the matrix–matrix product  $AB = C$  is helpful because it shows the relationship between the columns of  $A$  and the columns of  $C$ .

## Inner Product (Row) View of Matrix–Matrix Product

The product  $AB$  produces a matrix  $C$ . The  $c_{ij}$  element is the *inner product* of row  $i$  of  $A$  and column  $j$  of  $B$ .

$$AB = C \quad \iff \quad c_{ij} = a'_{(i)} b_{(j)}$$

$a'_{(i)}$  is a row vector,  $b_{(j)}$  is a column vector.



The inner product view of the matrix–matrix product is easier to use for hand calculations.

## Matrix–Matrix Product Summary (1)

The **Matrix–vector product** looks like:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \end{bmatrix}$$

The **vector–Matrix product** looks like:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix}$$

## Matrix–Matrix Product Summary (2)

The **Matrix–Matrix product** looks like:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix}$$

## Matrix–Matrix Product Summary (3)

### Compatibility Requirement

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & B & = & C \\ [m \times r] & [r \times n] & = & [m \times n] \end{array}$$

Inner dimensions must agree

Also, in general

$$AB \neq BA$$

## Matrix Norms

The *Frobenius norm* treats a matrix like a vector: just add up the sum of squares of the matrix elements.

$$\|A\|_F = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

More useful norms account for the affect that the matrix has on a vector.

$$\|A\|_2 = \max_{\|x\|_2=1} \|Ax\|_2 \quad L_2 \text{ or spectral norm}$$

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^m |a_{ij}| \quad \text{column sum norm}$$

$$\|A\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}| \quad \text{row sum norm}$$

# Mathematical Properties of Vectors and Matrices

- Linear Independence
- Vector Spaces
- Subspaces associated with matrices
- Matrix Rank
- Matrix Determinant



## Linear Independence (1)

Two vectors lying along the same line are not independent

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v = -2u = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Any two independent vectors, for example,

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

define a plane. Any other vector in this plane of  $v$  and  $w$  can be represented by

$$x = \alpha v + \beta w$$

$x$  is **linearly dependent** on  $v$  and  $w$  because it can be formed by a linear combination of  $v$  and  $w$ .

## Linear Independence (2)

A set of vectors is linearly independent if it is impossible to use a linear combination of vectors in the set to create another vector in the set.

Linear independence is easy to see for vectors that are orthogonal, for example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

are linearly independent.

## Linear Independence (3)

Consider two linearly independent vectors,  $u$  and  $v$ .

If a third vector,  $w$ , *cannot* be expressed as a linear combination of  $u$  and  $v$ , then the set  $\{u, v, w\}$  is linearly independent.

In other words, if  $\{u, v, w\}$  is linearly independent then

$$\alpha u + \beta v = \delta w$$

can be true *only if*  $\alpha = \beta = \delta = 0$ .

More generally, if the only solution to

$$\alpha_1 v_{(1)} + \alpha_2 v_{(2)} + \cdots + \alpha_n v_{(n)} = 0 \tag{1}$$

is  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \cdots = \alpha_n = 0$ , then the set  $\{v_{(1)}, v_{(2)}, \dots, v_{(n)}\}$  is **linearly independent**. Conversely, if equation (1) is satisfied by at least one nonzero  $\alpha_i$ , then the set of vectors is **linearly dependent**.

## Linear Independence (4)

Let the set of vectors  $\{v_{(1)}, v_{(2)}, \dots, v_{(n)}\}$  be organized as the columns of a matrix. Then the condition of linear independence is

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} v_{(1)} & v_{(2)} & \cdots & v_{(n)} \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

**The columns of the  $m \times n$  matrix,  $A$ , are linearly independent if and only if  $x = (0, 0, \dots, 0)^T$  is the only  $n$  element column vector that satisfies  $Ax = 0$ .**

# Vector Spaces

- Spaces and Subspaces
- Span of a Subspace
- Basis of a Subspace
- Subspaces associated with Matrices

## Spaces and Subspaces

Group vectors according to number of elements they have. Vectors from these different groups cannot be mixed.

$\mathbf{R}^1$  = Space of all vectors with one element. These vectors define the points along a line.

$\mathbf{R}^2$  = Space of all vectors with two elements. These vectors define the points in a plane.

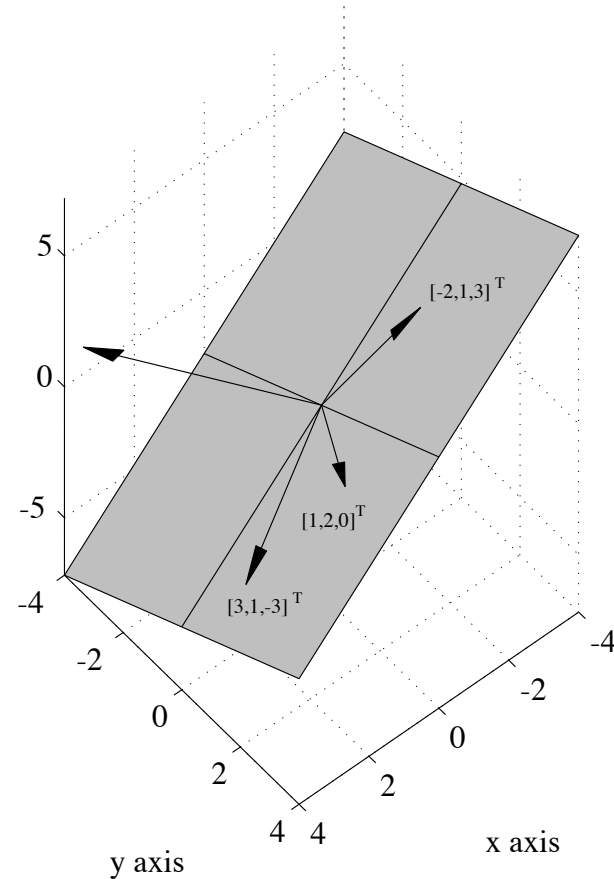
$\mathbf{R}^n$  = Space of all vectors with  $n$  elements. These vectors define the points in an  $n$ -dimensional space (hyperplane).

# Subspaces

The three vectors

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix},$$

lie in the same plane. The vectors have three elements each, so they belong to  $\mathbf{R}^3$ , but they **span** a **subspace** of  $\mathbf{R}^3$ .



## Span of a Subspace

If  $w$  can be created by the linear combination

$$\beta_1 v_{(1)} + \beta_2 v_{(2)} + \cdots + \beta_n v_{(n)} = w$$

where  $\beta_i$  are scalars, then  $w$  is said to be in the subspace that is **spanned** by  $\{v_{(1)}, v_{(2)}, \dots, v_{(n)}\}$ .

If the  $v_i$  have  $m$  elements, then the subspace spanned by the  $v_{(i)}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^m$ . If  $n \geq m$  it is possible, though not guaranteed, that the  $v_{(i)}$  could span  $\mathbf{R}^m$ .



## Basis and Dimension of a Subspace

- A **basis** for a subspace is a set of **linearly independent** vectors that **span** the subspace.
- Since a basis set must be linearly independent, it also must have the smallest number of vectors necessary to span the space. (Each vector makes a unique contribution to spanning some other direction in the space.)
- The number of vectors in a basis set is equal to the **dimension** of the **subspace** that these vectors span.
- Mutually orthogonal vectors (an orthogonal set) form convenient basis sets, but basis sets need not be orthogonal.

## Subspaces Associated with Matrices

The matrix–vector product

$$y = Ax$$

creates  $y$  from a linear combination of the columns of  $A$

The column vectors of  $A$  form a basis for the **column space** or **range** of  $A$ .

## Matrix Rank

The **rank** of a matrix,  $A$ , is the number of linearly independent columns in  $A$ .

$\text{rank}(A)$  is the dimension of the column space of  $A$ .

Numerical computation of  $\text{rank}(A)$  is tricky due to roundoff.

Consider

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0.00001 \end{bmatrix} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Do these vectors span  $\mathbf{R}^3$ ?

What if  $u_3 = \varepsilon_m$ ?

## Matrix Rank (2)

We can use MATLAB's built-in **rank** function for exploratory calculations on (relatively) small matrices

### Example:

```
>> A = [1 0 0; 0 1 0; 0 0 1e-5] % A(3,3) is small
```

```
A =
```

```
    1.0000         0         0
         0    1.0000         0
         0         0    0.0000
```

```
>> rank(A)
```

```
ans =
```

```
    3
```

## Matrix Rank (2)

Repeat numerical calculation of rank with smaller diagonal entry

```
>> A(3,3) = eps/2    % A(3,3) is even smaller
```

```
A =
```

```
    1.0000         0         0
         0    1.0000         0
         0         0    0.0000
```

```
>> rank(A)
```

```
ans =
```

```
    2
```

Even though  $A(3,3)$  is not identically zero, it is small enough that the matrix is *numerically* rank-deficient

## Matrix Determinant (1)

- Only square matrices have determinants.
- The determinant of a (square) matrix is a scalar.
- If  $\det(A) = 0$ , then  $A$  is singular, and  $A^{-1}$  does not exist.
- $\det(I) = 1$  for any identity matrix  $I$ .
- $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$ .
- $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$ .
- Cramer's rule uses (many!) determinants to express the the solution to  $Ax = b$ .

The matrix determinant has a number of useful properties:

## Matrix Determinant (2)

- $\det(A)$  is not useful for numerical computation
  - ▷ Computation of  $\det(A)$  is expensive
  - ▷ Computation of  $\det(A)$  can cause overflow
- For diagonal and triangular matrices,  $\det(A)$  is the product of diagonal elements
- The built in **det** computes the determinant of a matrix by first factoring it into  $A = LU$ , and then computing

$$\begin{aligned}\det(A) &= \det(L) \det(U) \\ &= (\ell_{11}\ell_{22} \dots \ell_{nn}) (u_{11}u_{22} \dots u_{nn})\end{aligned}$$

# Special Matrices

- Diagonal Matrices
- Tridiagonal Matrices
- The Identity Matrix
- The Matrix Inverse
- Symmetric Matrices
- Positive Definite Matrices
- Orthogonal Matrices
- Permutation Matrices



## Diagonal Matrices (1)

Diagonal matrices have non-zero elements only on the main diagonal.

$$C = \text{diag}(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n) = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & c_2 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

The **diag** function is used to either create a diagonal matrix from a vector, or and extract the diagonal entries of a matrix.

```
>> x = [1 -5 2 6];
```

```
>> A = diag(x)
```

```
A =
```

```
 1   0   0   0
 0  -5   0   0
 0   0   2   0
 0   0   0   6
```

## Diagonal Matrices (2)

The **diag** function can also be used to create a matrix with elements only on a specified *super*-diagonal or *sub*-diagonal. Doing so requires using the two-parameter form of **diag**:

```
>> diag([1 2 3],1)
ans =
     0     1     0     0
     0     0     2     0
     0     0     0     3
     0     0     0     0
>> diag([4 5 6],-1)
ans =
     0     0     0     0
     4     0     0     0
     0     5     0     0
     0     0     6     0
```

## Identity Matrices (1)

An identity matrix is a square matrix with ones on the main diagonal.

**Example:** The  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

An identity matrix is special because

$$AI = A \quad \text{and} \quad IA = A$$

for *any* compatible matrix  $A$ . This is like multiplying by one in scalar arithmetic.

## Identity Matrices (2)

Identity matrices can be created with the built-in **eye** function.

```
>> I = eye(4)
```

```
I =
```

```
    1    0    0    0
    0    1    0    0
    0    0    1    0
    0    0    0    1
```

Sometimes  $I_n$  is used to designate an identity matrix with  $n$  rows and  $n$  columns. For example,

$$I_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Identity Matrices (3)

A non-square, *identity-like* matrix can be created with the two-parameter form of the eye function:

```
>> J = eye(3,5)
```

```
J =
```

```
    1    0    0    0    0
    0    1    0    0    0
    0    0    1    0    0
```

```
>> K = eye(4,2)
```

```
K =
```

```
    1    0
    0    1
    0    0
    0    0
```

J and K are *not* identity matrices!

## Matrix Inverse (1)

Let  $A$  be a square (i.e.  $n \times n$ ) with real elements. The *inverse* of  $A$  is designated  $A^{-1}$ , and has the property that

$$A^{-1}A = I \quad \text{and} \quad AA^{-1} = I$$

The **formal solution** to  $Ax = b$  is  $x = A^{-1}b$ .

$$Ax = b$$

$$A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}b$$

$$Ix = A^{-1}b$$

$$x = A^{-1}b$$

## Matrix Inverse (2)

Although the formal solution to  $Ax = b$  is  $x = A^{-1}b$ , it is considered *bad practice* to evaluate  $x$  this way. The recommended procedure for solving  $Ax = b$  is Gaussian elimination (or one of its variants) with backward substitution. This procedure is described in detail in Chapter 8.

Solving  $Ax = b$  by computing  $x = A^{-1}b$  requires more work (more floating point operations) than Gaussian elimination. Even if the extra work does not cause a problem with execution speed, the extra computations increase the roundoff errors in the result. If  $A$  is small (say  $50 \times 50$  or less) and well conditioned, the penalty for computing  $A^{-1}b$  will probably not be significant. Nonetheless, Gaussian elimination is preferred.

## Functions to Create Special Matrices

Matrix	MATLAB function
Diagonal	<code>diag</code>
Tridiagonal	<code>tridiags</code> (NMM Toolbox)
Identity	<code>eye</code>
Inverse	<code>inv</code>



## Symmetric Matrices

If  $A = A^T$ , then  $A$  is called a *symmetric* matrix.

**Example:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & 6 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Note:**  $B = A^T A$  is symmetric for any (real) matrix  $A$ .



## To Do

Add slides on:

- Tridiagonal Matrices
- Positive Definite Matrices
- Orthogonal Matrices
- Permutation Matrices