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# Review of Linear Algebra

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# Linear Equations

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A system of linear equations, e.g.

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 = 2$$

$$4x_1 + 11x_2 = 1$$

can be written in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

or in general:

$$Ax = b$$

# Vectors

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$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{e.g.} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

The **length** or the **norm** of a vector is

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \cdots + x_n^2}$$

$$\text{e.g.} \quad \|x\| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{38}$$

# Vector Arithmetic

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## Vector addition

$$u + v = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Vector subtraction

$$u - v = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 - v_1 \\ u_2 - v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Multiplication by scalar

$$\alpha u = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha u_1 \\ \alpha u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Dot Product (inner product)

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$$a = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a \cdot b = a^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot (-3) + 5 \cdot 2 = 9$$

$$a \cdot b = a^T b = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \cdots + a_n b_n$$

# Linear Independence

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- A set of vectors is linear dependant if one of the vectors can be expressed as a linear combination of the other vectors.

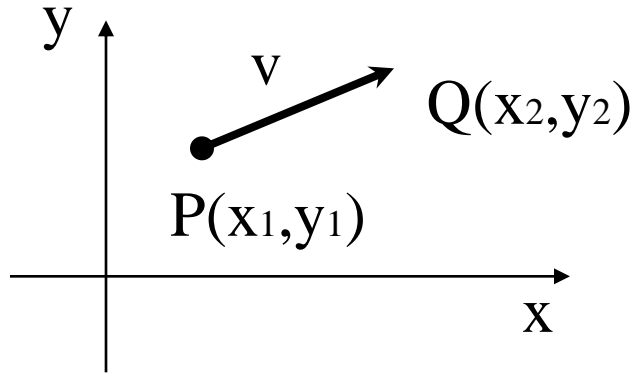
$$v_k = \alpha_1 v_1 + \cdots + \alpha_{k-1} v_{k-1} + \alpha_{k+1} v_{k+1} + \cdots + \alpha_n v_n$$

- A set of vectors is linearly independent if none of the vectors can be expressed as a linear combination of the other vectors.

# Vectors and Points

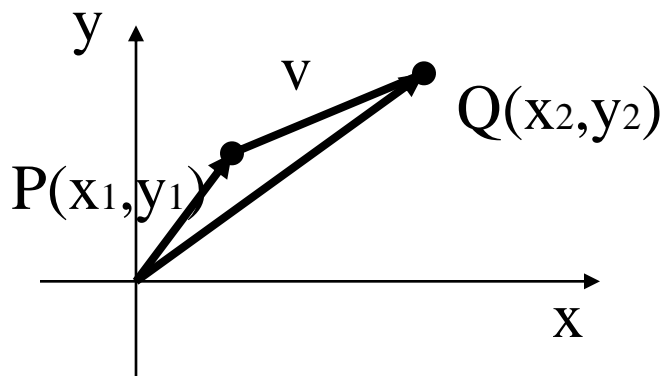
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Two points in a Cartesian coordinate system define a vector



$$v = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ y_2 - y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A point can also be represented as a vector, defined by the point and the origin  $(0,0)$ .



$$P = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v = Q - P \quad \text{or} \quad Q = P + v$$

Note: point and vector are different; vectors do not have positions

# Matrix

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A matrix is an  $m \times n$  array of numbers.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = [a_{ij}]$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 & 4 \\ -4 & 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 0 & 7 & 10 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Matrix Arithmetic

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Matrix addition

$$A_{m \times n} + B_{m \times n} = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}]_{m \times n}$$

Matrix multiplication

$$A_{m \times n} B_{n \times p} = C_{m \times p} \quad c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj}$$

Matrix transpose

$$A^T = [a_{ji}]$$

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

# Multiplication not commutative

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Matrix multiplication is not commutative

$$AB \neq BA$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 17 & 29 \\ 19 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 18 & 32 \\ 17 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Symmetric Matrix

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We say matrix  $A$  is symmetric if

$$A^T = A$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

A symmetric matrix has to be a square matrix

# Inverse of matrix

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If  $A$  is a square matrix, the inverse of  $A$ , written  $A^{-1}$  satisfies:

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

Where  $I$ , the identity matrix, is a diagonal matrix with all 1's on the diagonal.

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Trace of Matrix

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The trace of a matrix:

$$\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$$

# Orthogonal Matrix

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A matrix  $A$  is orthogonal if

$$A^T A = I \quad \text{or} \quad A^T = A^{-1}$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrix Transformation

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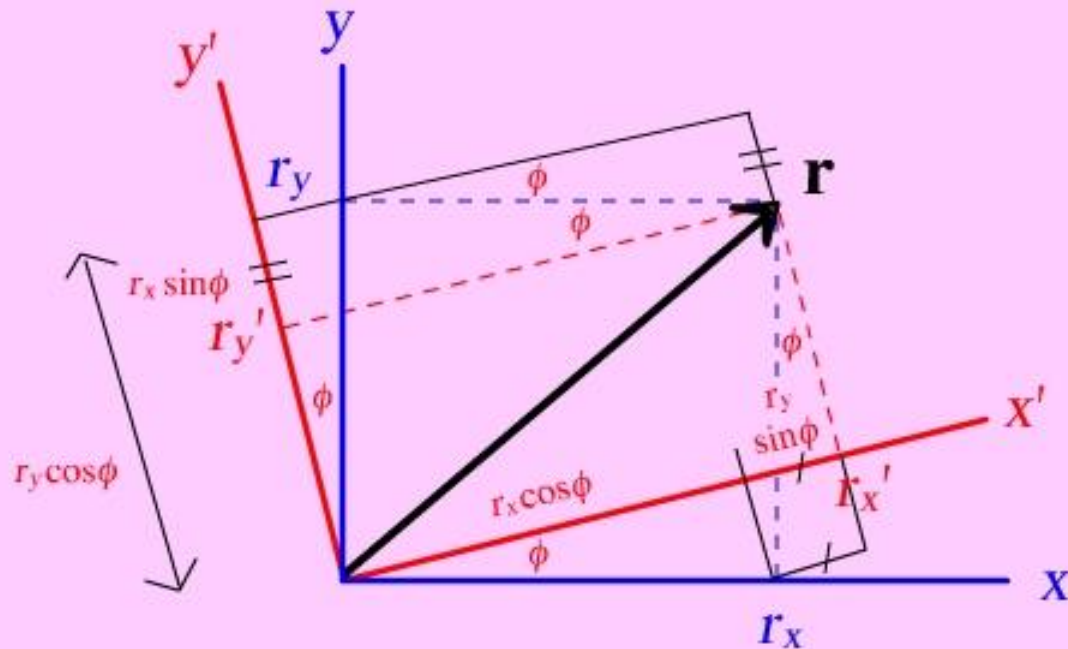
A matrix-vector multiplication transforms one vector to another

$$A_{m \times n} x_{n \times 1} = b_{m \times 1}$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 41 \\ 16 \\ 26 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Coordinate Rotation



$$r_{x'} = r_x \cos \phi + r_y \sin \phi$$

$$r_{y'} = -r_x \sin \phi + r_y \cos \phi$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{x'} \\ r_{y'} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_x \\ r_y \end{bmatrix}$$



# Eigenvalue and Eigenvector

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We say that  $x$  is an eigenvector of a square matrix  $A$  if

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

$\lambda$  is called eigenvalue and  $x$  is called eigenvector.

The transformation defined by  $A$  changes only the magnitude of the vector  $x$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5 and 2 are eigenvalues, and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  are eigenvectors.

# Properties of Eigen Vectors

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- If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_q$  are distinct eigenvalues of a matrix, then the corresponding eigenvectors  $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_q$  are linearly independent.
- A real, symmetric matrix has real eigenvalues with eigenvectors that can be chosen to be orthonormal.

# Eigenvectors of real symmetric matrix

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- Let  $A$  be an  $n$  by  $n$  real symmetric matrix such that all its eigenvalues are distinct. Then, there exists an orthogonal matrix  $P$  such that

$$A = P^T D P$$

where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix with diagonal entries being the eigenvalues of  $A$  and the column vectors of  $P$  are the eigenvectors of  $A$

- The process of finding the matrix  $P$  and  $D$  given the matrix  $A$  is called diagonalization
- Any matrix  $A$  which is a real  $n$  by  $n$  symmetric matrix can be diagonalized

# SVD: Singular Value Decomposition

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An  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  can be decomposed into:

$$A = UDV^T$$

$U$  is  $m \times m$ ,  $V$  is  $n \times n$ , both of them have orthogonal columns:

$$U^T U = I \quad V^T V = I$$

$D$  is an  $m \times n$  diagonal matrix.

Example:

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

# Singular Value Decomposition

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- Any  $m$  by  $n$  matrix  $A$  can be written as product of three matrices  $A = UDV^T$
- The columns of the  $m$  by  $m$  matrix  $U$  are mutually orthogonal unit vectors, as are the columns of the  $n$  by  $n$  matrix  $V$
- The  $m$  by  $n$  matrix  $D$  is diagonal, and the diagonal elements,  $\sigma_i$  are called the singular values
- It is the case that  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \sigma_n \geq 0$
- A matrix is non-singular if and only if all of the singular values are not zero
- The condition number of the matrix is  $\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_n}$
- If the condition number is large, then the matrix is almost singular and is called ill-conditioned

# Singular Value Decomposition

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- The rank of a square matrix is the number of linearly independent rows or columns
- For a square matrix ( $m = n$ ) the number of non-zero singular values equals the rank of the matrix
- If  $A$  is a square, non-singular matrix, its inverse can be written as  $A^{-1} = VD^{-1}U^T$  where  $A = UDV^T$
- The squares of the non zero singular values are the non-zero eigenvalues of both the  $n$  by  $n$  matrix  $A^T A$  and of the  $m$  by  $m$  matrix  $AA^T$
- The columns of  $U$  are the eigenvectors of  $AA^T$
- The columns of  $V$  are the eigenvectors of  $A^T A$

# Least Squares

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When  $m > n$  for an  $m$ -by- $n$  matrix  $A$ ,  $Ax = b$  has no solution.

In this case, we look for an approximate solution.

We look for vector  $x$  such that

$$\|Ax - b\|^2$$

is as small as possible.

This is called the least squares solution.

# Least Squares

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Least squares solution of linear system of equations

$$Ax = b$$

Normal equation:  $A^T Ax = A^T b$

$A^T A$  is square and symmetric

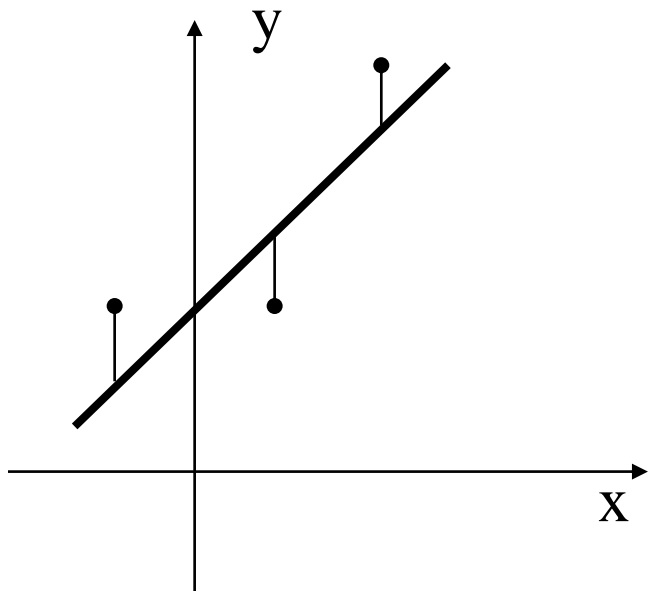
The Least Square solution  $\bar{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$

makes  $\|A\bar{x} - b\|^2$  minimal.



# Least Square Fitting of a Line

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Line equations:

$$c + dx_1 = y_1$$

$$c + dx_2 = y_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$c + dx_m = y_m$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ax = y$$

The best solution  $c$ ,  $d$  is the one that minimizes:

$$E^2 = \|y - Ax\|^2 = (y_1 - c - dx_1)^2 + \dots + (y_m - c - dx_m)^2.$$

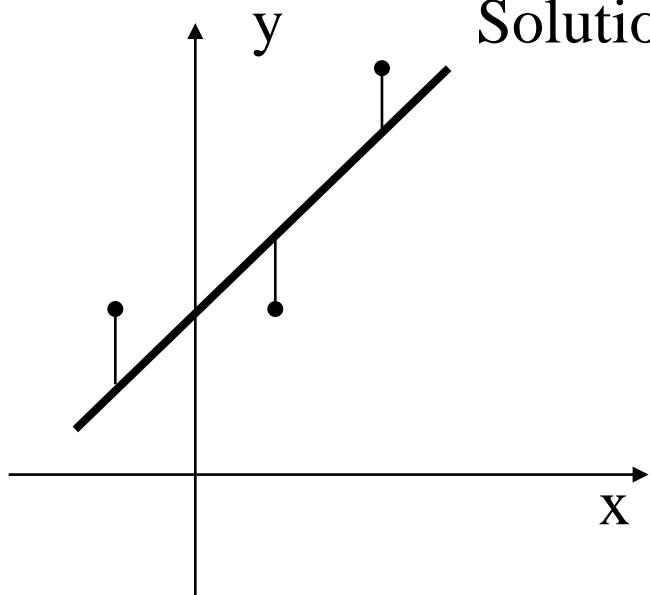
# Least Square Fitting - Example

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Problem: find the line that best fit these three points:

$$P1=(-1,1), P2=(1,1), P3=(2,3)$$

Solution:



$$\begin{aligned} c - d &= 1 \\ c + d &= 1 \\ c + 2d &= 3 \end{aligned} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T A x = A^T b \quad \text{is} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

The solution is  $c = \frac{9}{7}, d = \frac{4}{7}$  and best line is  $\frac{9}{7} + \frac{4}{7}x = y$

# Homogeneous System

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- $m$  linear equations with  $n$  unknowns  $A\mathbf{x} = 0$
- Assume that  $m \geq n-1$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = n-1$
- Trivial solution is  $\mathbf{x} = 0$  but there are more
- If we have a given solution  $\mathbf{x}$ , s.t.  $A\mathbf{x} = 0$  then  $c * \mathbf{x}$  is also a solution since  $A(c * \mathbf{x}) = 0$
- Need to add a constraint on  $\mathbf{x}$ ,
  - Usually make  $\mathbf{x}$  a unit vector  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$
- Can prove that the solution of  $A\mathbf{x} = 0$  satisfying this constraint is the eigenvector corresponding to the only zero eigenvalue of that matrix  $A^T A$

# Homogeneous System

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- This solution can be computed using the eigenvector or SVD routine
  - Find the zero eigenvalue (or the eigenvalue almost zero)
  - Then the associated eigenvector is the solution  $\mathbf{x}$
- And any scalar times  $\mathbf{x}$  is also a solution