

# Basics of Matrix Vector Algebra

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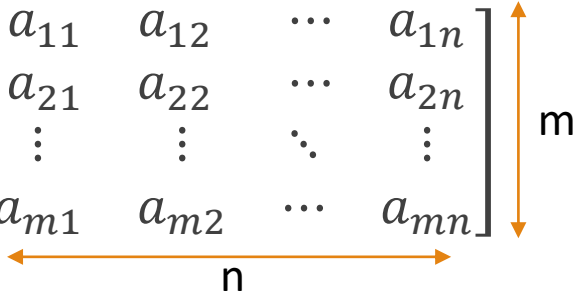
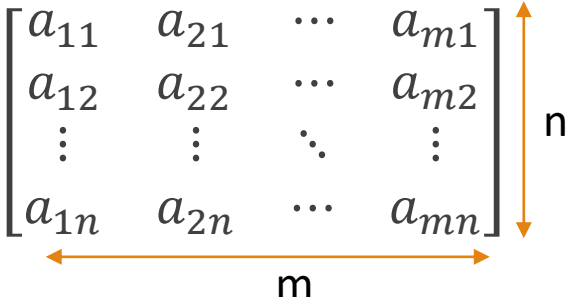


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■ Scalar:  $x$

■ row Vector (1 x n) :  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_n]$ ,      Column vector (n x 1) :  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = [x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_n]^T$

■ Matrix (m x n):  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$    $\mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$  

■ Symmetric Matrix:  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^T$

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## Linear Independence

- $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_M\}$  is a set of linearly independent vectors provided
  - $a_1\mathbf{x}_1 + a_2\mathbf{x}_2 + \dots + a_M\mathbf{x}_M = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow a_1 = 0 = a_2 = \dots = a_M$
- In other words, none of the vectors can be expressed as a linear combination of the other vectors
- Let  $\mathbf{x}_i = [x_1^i \ x_2^i \ \dots \ x_n^i]^T$ , and  $\mathbf{x}_j = [x_1^j \ x_2^j \ \dots \ x_n^j]^T$

## Inner product

- $\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j = \sum_k^n x_k^i x_k^j$  (scalar number)

**Outer product**  $\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_j^T = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^i x_1^j & x_1^i x_2^j & \dots & x_1^i x_n^j \\ x_2^i x_1^j & x_2^i x_2^j & \dots & x_2^i x_n^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n^i x_1^j & x_n^i x_2^j & \dots & x_n^i x_n^j \end{bmatrix}$  (a matrix)

- $\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i = \sum_k^n (x_k^i)^2 = \text{squared norm of } \mathbf{x}_i$

## Orthonormality

- From a set of  $M$  linearly independent vectors, we can always construct  $M$  ortho-normal vectors.

- $\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$

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## Matrix Multiplication –

- Let  $\mathbf{a}_i$  denote the  $i$ -th column of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , and  $\mathbf{b}_j$  denote the  $j$ -th column of the matrix  $\mathbf{B}$ .

- $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{a}_n]$ , and  $\mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{b}_1 \ \mathbf{b}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{b}_m]$

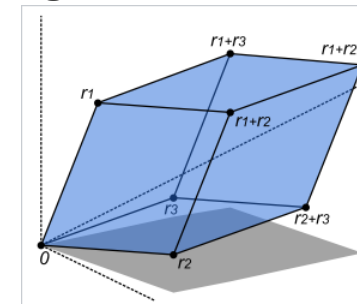
- The product of the two matrices is defined as

- $$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1^T \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_1^T \mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_1^T \mathbf{b}_m \\ \mathbf{a}_2^T \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2^T \mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_2^T \mathbf{b}_m \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_n^T \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_n^T \mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_n^T \mathbf{b}_m \end{bmatrix}$$

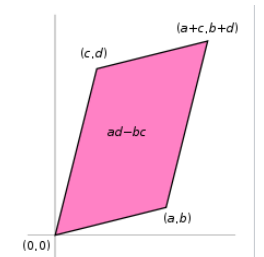
## Determinant of a Matrix

- The determinant of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is denoted by  $|\mathbf{A}| = \sum_{i=1}^K a_{ij} C_{ij}$  where  $C_{ij}$  is the cofactor of  $a_{ij}$  defined by  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} |\mathbf{M}_{ij}|$ , and  $\mathbf{M}_{ij}$  is the minor of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  formed by eliminating row  $i$  and column  $j$  from  $\mathbf{A}$ . (source: <http://mathworld.wolfram.com>)

- $|\mathbf{AB}| = |\mathbf{A}||\mathbf{B}|$



The volume of this parallelepiped is the absolute value of the determinant of the matrix formed by the rows constructed from the vectors  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$ , and  $r_3$ .



The area of the parallelogram is the absolute value of the determinant of the matrix formed by the vectors representing the parallelogram's sides.

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## Matrix Inverse

- The inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$  is denoted by  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ , and satisfies  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$ , where  $\mathbf{I}$  is the identity matrix.
  - If  $|\mathbf{A}| = 0$  implies that  $\mathbf{A}$  is singular or non-invertible.

## Eigen-vectors and Eigen-values

- An eigenvalue and eigen vector of an  $n \times n$  matrix satisfy  $\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\varphi}_i = \lambda_i\boldsymbol{\varphi}_i$ 
  - To solve for eigen vectors and eigen values, we solve the equation  $|\mathbf{A} - \lambda_i\mathbf{I}| = 0$
- The determinant of a matrix is the product of its eigen-values, i.e.  $|\mathbf{A}| = \prod_i^n \lambda_i$ 
  - If  $|\mathbf{A}| = 0$ , then at least one eigen-value is 0.
- The trace of a matrix is the sum of its diagonal values, ie.  $trace\{\mathbf{A}\} = \sum_i^n a_{ii} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$
- Rank of the matrix is the number of non-zero eigenvalues.
- If  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric, then  $\lambda_i$  are real
- If  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric and  $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ , then  $\boldsymbol{\varphi}_i^T \boldsymbol{\varphi}_j = 0$ .
  - Since the eigenvectors can be always normalized to unit norm, the eigen-vectors of a  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix form a *orthonormal basis set* for an  $n$ -dimensional vector space
- Condition Number of a matrix =  $\frac{\lambda_{max}}{\lambda_{min}}$

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## ■ Positive Definite Matrix

- $\mathbf{A}$  is positive definite implies  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} \geq 0$ , for all  $\mathbf{x}$  with the equality holding iff  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
- All eigen-values are positive, i.e.  $\lambda_i > 0$ 
  - Positive semi-definite  $\lambda_i \geq 0$
  - Negative definite  $\lambda_i < 0$
  - Negative semi-definite  $\lambda_i \leq 0$

## Vector Calculus

- Let  $f(\mathbf{x})$  be a scalar function of  $n$  variables  $x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_n$  (which are elements of the vector  $\mathbf{x}$ )

- $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f = \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$   $n \times 1$  vector

- Now consider a vector function  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = [f_1(\mathbf{x}) \quad f_2(\mathbf{x}) \quad \cdots \quad f_n(\mathbf{x})]^T$  of size  $m \times 1$

- $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$   $m \times n$  matrix

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## ■ Some useful results

- $\frac{d}{dx}(\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x}) = \frac{d}{dx}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{y}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}(\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}$ .
  - If  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric, then  $\frac{d}{dx}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) = 2\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$

## ■ Least Squares Solution

- Consider  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , where  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $m \times n$  matrix,  $\mathbf{x}$  is a  $n \times 1$  vector, and  $\mathbf{b}$  is a  $m \times 1$  vector.
- We wish to find  $\mathbf{x}$  given  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  when  $m > n$  (also known as overspecified system of equations)
- Approach: Define the error vector  $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}$  and find  $\mathbf{x}$  to minimize the error norm  $J = \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e}$

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- $J = \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e} = (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})^T (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})$   
 $= \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{b}$

- $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} J = 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$

or  $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$

$(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T$  is the pseudo inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

If  $\mathbf{A}$  is square and invertible, then  $(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$



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- Suppose  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $n \times n$  invertible matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  and eigenvectors  $\varphi_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$
- Assume that all eigenvalues are distinct, and  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric. Then

$$\varphi_i^T \varphi_j = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathbf{A}\varphi_i = \lambda_i\varphi_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

- Modal Matrix

- Define  $\Phi = [\varphi_1 \ \varphi_2 \ \dots \ \varphi_n]$  -  $n \times n$  matrix with the eigenvectors  $\varphi_i$  as its columns
- Note that  $\Phi^T \Phi = \mathbf{I}$ , and therefore  $\Phi^{-1} = \Phi^T$ . Furthermore  $\Phi\Phi^T = \mathbf{I}$ .

$$\mathbf{A}\Phi = [\lambda_1\varphi_1 \ \lambda_2\varphi_2 \ \dots \ \lambda_n\varphi_n] = [\varphi_1 \ \varphi_2 \ \dots \ \varphi_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}\Phi = \Phi\Delta, \text{ where } \Delta = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a diagonal matrix}$$

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- $A\Phi = \Phi\Delta$

- $A = \Phi\Delta\Phi^T$ , and  $\Delta = \Phi^T A\Phi$

Therefore, a symmetric positive definite matrix is diagonalized by its the modal matrix (matrix of eigenvectors).

- **Simultaneous diagonalization**

- Assume that  $P$  and  $Q$  are  $n \times n$  real symmetric matrices, and that  $P$  is positive definite. Then we can a matrix  $V$  such that

$$V^T P V = I, \text{ and}$$
$$V^T Q V = \Delta \text{ (a diagonal matrix).}$$

- These eigen values satisfy  $Qv_i = \lambda_i P v_i$

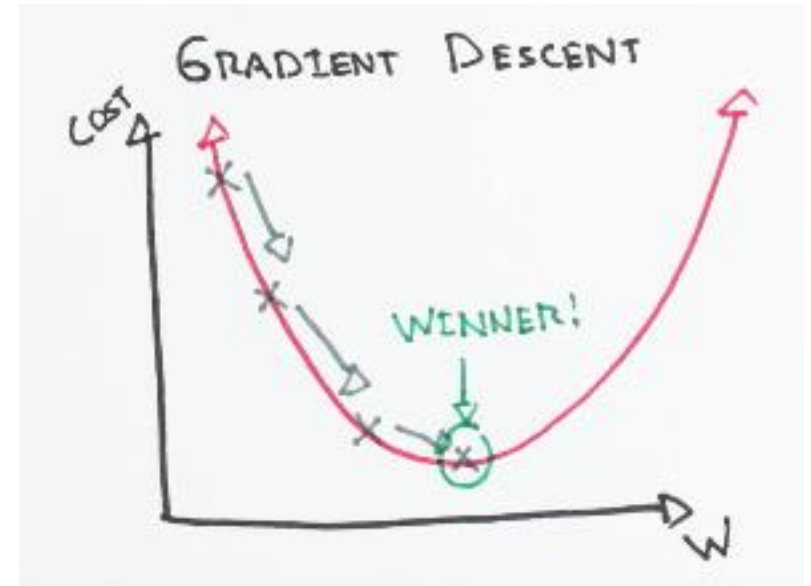
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- Let  $f(\mathbf{x})$  be a scalar function of vector  $\mathbf{x}$ . We want to find the value of  $\mathbf{x}$  which minimizes  $f(\mathbf{x})$ .
  - Steepest Descent method is
    1. Start with an initial guess  $\mathbf{x}_0$
    2. Compute the gradient at  $\mathbf{x}_0$ , i.e.  $\frac{df(\mathbf{x}_0)}{d\mathbf{x}}$
    3. Determine  $\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{x}_{k-1} - \mu \frac{df(\mathbf{x}_{k-1})}{d\mathbf{x}}$ , where  $\mu$  is the step size parameter
    4. Iterate until  $\mathbf{x}_k$  is relatively stable

## Iterative Solution to Least Squares problem $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

- Error  $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}$
- Find  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $J(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e} = (\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b})^T (\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b})$  is minimum
- $J(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Ax} - 2\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{b}$
- $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} J = 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Ax} - 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b} = 2\mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}) = 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{e}$

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{x}_{k-1} - \mu \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} J = \mathbf{x}_{k-1} - \mu \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{e}_{k-1}$$



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