

Lecture 1

Linear Algebra

Fall 2019

Outline:

review of basics, spectral theory, special matrices, perturbation theory, multilinear algebra and tensors

Useful books

- Introduction to matrix analysis — R. Bellman
- Linear Algebra — Hoffman and Kunze
- The theory of matrices I and II — Gantmacher
- Determinants — Muir
- Linear Algebra — Lax

Facts and Results from the elementary theory of matrices that you should know:

vector spaces  $V$  over a field  $F$ , vectors, subspaces  $W \subset V$ :

usually over the reals  $\mathbb{R}$  or the complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

but the algebra of most of the elementary theory, as

opposed to the analysis, goes through for vector spaces

over any field  $F$  e.g. the field of 2 elements  $\{0, 1\}$ .

inner product  $(x, y)$ ,  $x$  and  $y$  in  $V$ : say  $(V, (\cdot, \cdot))$  is an

inner product space.

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For example:  $(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{x_i} y_i$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$

$y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$ .

$\|x\| \equiv \sqrt{(x, x)}$  is a norm on  $V$

$\|x\| = 1 \iff x$  is normalized

If  $(x, y) = 0$ , then  $x$  and  $y$  are orthogonal.

Independence of vectors:  $c_1 x_1 + \dots + c_n x_n = 0$   
 $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  in  $V$  for  $c_i \in \mathbb{F}$ ,

$\implies c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_n = 0$

Dependence of vectors:  $c_1 x_1 + \dots + c_n x_n = 0$   
 $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  in  $V$  with  $c_i \neq 0$  for some  $i$

Kronecker delta function:  $\delta_{ik} = 1$  if  $i=k$ ,  $\delta_{ik} = 0$  if  $i \neq k$ .

Concept of a basis:  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  for  $V$

Every vector space  $V$  has a basis

dimension of a vector space:  $\dim V$

orthonormal basis:  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  is a basis with

$$(x_i, x_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad (1 \leq i, j \leq n)$$

Every vector space  $(V, (\cdot, \cdot))$  has an orthonormal basis

matrices:  $A = (a_{ij})$  is an  $n \times m$  matrix  
 $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m$

matrix multiplication:  $A = (a_{ij})$   $n \times m$ ,  $B = (b_{ij})$   $m \times k$   
 $(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{e=1}^m a_{ie} b_{ej}$  :  $AB$  is  $n \times k$

transpose  $A^T$  of  $A$  : if  $A = (a_{ij})$ ,  $n \times m$   
 $A^T = (a_{ji})$ ,  $m \times n$

adjoint  $A^*$  of  $A$  (in complex case) :  $(A^*)_{ij} = (\overline{a_{ji}})$   
 $= \overline{A^T}$

row rank of a matrix  $A$  = maximal # of independent row vectors  
column rank of a matrix  $A$  = maximal # of independent column vectors  
Always have row rank = column rank  $\equiv r(A)$

An  $m \times n$  matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$  induces a linear map from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (or  $\mathbb{C}^n$ ) to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  (or  $\mathbb{C}^m$ ), via

$$(Ax)_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j, \quad 1 \leq i \leq m.$$

where  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$

Let  $A$  be a linear map from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$ ; written  
 $A \in \mathcal{L}(V_1, V_2)$

Then

$$\text{null space of } A \equiv N(A) = \{x \in V_1 : Ax = 0\}$$

$$\text{range space of } A \equiv R(A) = \{y \in V_2 : \exists x \in V_1 \text{ such that } Ax = y\}.$$

$N(A)$  and  $R(A)$  are subspaces of  $V$

Fundamental Theorems for  $A \in \mathcal{L}(V) \equiv \mathcal{L}(V, V)$  :

(3.1)  $\dim R(A) = r(A)$

(3.2)  $\dim N(A) + \dim R(A) = n = \dim V$

(3.3)  $(\text{Ran } A)^\perp = N(A^*)$  over  $\mathbb{C}$   
 $= N(A^T)$  over  $\mathbb{R}$

where

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$$W^\perp = \{ y \in U : (y, x) = 0 \ \forall x \in W \}$$

for any subspace  $W \subset U$ .  $W^\perp$  is also a subspace of  $U$

Note that (3.2) implies  $A \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$  is a surjection if and only if  $A^*$  is an injection.

Inverse  $A^{-1}$  of a square matrix:  $A^{-1}A = AA^{-1} = I = (\delta_{ij})$

identity matrix. By the preceding comment note that

$$A^{-1}A = I \quad (\text{resp. } AA^{-1} = I) \quad \Rightarrow \quad AA^{-1} = I \quad (\text{resp. } A^{-1}A = I)$$

Let  $L$  be a linear map between vector spaces,  $L \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$

$$L: U \rightarrow V$$

Suppose  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  is a basis for  $U$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_m$

is a basis for  $V$ . Then for some  $m \times n$  matrix

$$(l_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$$

$$(4.1) \quad Lu_j = \sum_{i=1}^m l_{ij} v_i, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

$(l_{ij})$  is called the matrix associated with  $L$  in the bases  $\{u_j\}$  and  $\{v_i\}$

Exercise: How does  $(l_{ij})$  change if we change bases in  $U$  or  $V$ ?

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Important observation: suppose  $L \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$  and  $K \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$

Then  $(KL)u \equiv K(Lu)$  defines by composition a linear

map from  $U$  to  $W$ . Suppose  $(u_1, \dots, u_n), (v_1, \dots, v_m)$

and  $(w_1, \dots, w_k)$  are bases for  $U, V$  and  $W$  respectively.

Let  $(l_{ij})$  and  $(k_{ij})$  be the matrices associated with

$L$  and  $K$  in these bases, respectively. Then

$$(KL)(u_i) = K(Lu_i)$$

$$= K \sum_{j=1}^m l_{ji} v_j$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^m l_{ji} K v_j$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^m l_{ji} \sum_{r=1}^k k_{rj} w_r$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^k \left( \sum_{j=1}^m k_{rj} l_{ji} \right) w_r$$

Thus the matrix associated with  $KL$  in the bases  $\{u_i\}$

and  $\{w_r\}$  is obtained by multiplying the matrix  $(k_{rj})$

associated with  $K$  and the matrix  $(l_{ji})$  associated with  $L$

using the usual rules of matrix multiplication. A different

way of saying this is that matrix multiplication is

defined in such a way as to make the map

$$L \rightarrow (l_{ij})$$

a homomorphism, i.e.

$$L + M \rightarrow (l_{ij}) + (m_{ij}), \quad L, M \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$$

$$Lk \rightarrow (l_{ij})(k_{ij}), \quad L \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$$

$$\uparrow \quad k \in \mathcal{L}(V, W).$$

matrix multiplication

Systems of linear equations and elementary row operations: solving  $Ax = b$  by Gaussian elimination

Here  $Ax$  is matrix multiplication of  $(a_{ij})$  with the column vector  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T$

elementary row operations: (1) add a multiple of one row to another

(2) interchange 2 rows

(3) multiply a row by a scalar

Exercise: Show that (1) (2) and (3) can be implemented by multiplying the matrix  $A$  on the left by suitable matrices  $E$ .

What happens if we multiply  $A$  on the right by such  $E$ 's?

symmetric matrices :  $A = A^T$

hermitian matrices :  $A = A^*$

real matrices :  $A = \bar{A}$

orthogonal matrices :  $A^T A = I = A A^T$

unitary matrices :  $A^* A = I = A A^*$

Thus  $A^{-1} = A^T$  (resp.  $A^{-1} = A^*$ ) in these cases

lower triangular matrices  $A = (a_{ij})$  :  $a_{ij} = 0$  if  $i < j$

upper triangular matrices  $A = (a_{ij})$  :  $a_{ij} = 0$  if  $i > j$

Note that if  $A$  is lower triangular (resp. upper triangular) and invertible, then  $A^{-1}$  is also lower triangular (resp. upper triangular).

$e_i = (0 \dots 0 \underset{\uparrow}{1} 0 \dots 0)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  is the standard basis

for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  or  $\mathbb{C}^n$  regarded as a row space and

and  $e_i^T$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , is the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  or

$\mathbb{C}^n$  regarded as a column vector space.

permutation matrix, diagonal matrix  $D = (d_i \delta_{ij})$ ,

skew symmetric matrix  $A^T = -A$

Exercise Use Gaussian elimination to show that all matrices  $A$  have a factorization  $A = P L D U$  where  $P$  is a permutation matrix,  $L$  is lower,  $U$  is upper and  $D$  is

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diagonal. Give a condition which ensures that  $P = I$ .

Determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ :

$$|A| = \det A = \sum_{\sigma} (\text{sgn } \sigma) a_{1\sigma_1} a_{2\sigma_2} \dots a_{n\sigma_n}$$

Properties: (1)  $\det AB = (\det A)(\det B)$

(2) interchanging 2 rows (or columns) changes the sign of the determinant

(3)  $\det A$  is a multilinear function of the rows and columns of  $A$ , e.g. for any  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & \alpha a_{ri} + \beta b_{ri} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \alpha a_{ni} + \beta b_{ni} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = \alpha \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{ri} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{ni} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$+ \beta \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & b_{ri} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & b_{ni} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}$$

(2)  $\Rightarrow$ :  $\det A = 0$  if 2 rows (or columns) of  $A$  are equal

(2)(3)  $\Rightarrow$ : the determinant remains unchanged if a row (or column) is added to another row or column

$$(4) \det A = \det A^T$$

Exercise: Use (4) to show row rank = column rank

Exercise: If  $A$  is a skew symmetric matrix in an odd dimensional



space, then  $\det A = 0$

Equivalences: Suppose  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix. The following are equivalent

- (1)  $\det A \neq 0$       (2)  $Ax = 0 \iff x = 0$   
 (3)  $Ax = b$  is solvable (uniquely) for all  $b$   
 (4)  $r(A) = n$       (5)  $A^{-1}$  exists.

Exercise: Let  $V$  be the vector space of vectors  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^T$  where  $x_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2 = \{0, 1\}$  with field  $\mathbb{Z}_2$

Let  $A \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ ,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Show that (1), ..., (5) all fail for  $A$

Exercise: If  $A$  is a skew symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix, show that  $\dim(R(A))$  is even.

(Hint:  $A$  is one-to-one on  $R(A)$ )

Cofactors If  $A = (a_{ij})$  is  $n \times n$ , then the complement of the entry  $a_{ij}$  is the  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  determinant obtained by deleting the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column of  $A$ . The cofactor  $d_{ij}$  of  $a_{ij}$  is  $(-1)^{i+j}$  (complement of  $a_{ij}$ )

e.g. for  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$ , then the complement of  $a_{23}$  is  $\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{and } d_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix}$$

Theorem: Suppose  $A$  is  $n \times n$  and  $\det A \neq 0$ .

Then

$$(10.1) \quad (A^{-1})_{ij} = \frac{d_{ji}}{\det A}$$

Proof: Recall Euler's Theorem for homogeneous functions

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(\lambda x) = \lambda^p f(x)$$

for some  $p$ . For example, if  $f(x) = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$ ; have  $\lambda > 0$

$$f(\lambda x) = \lambda f(x) \quad \text{if } p=1.$$

$$\text{Euler} \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_i} x_i = p f(x)$$

(Prove this!).

Now clear as  $\det A$  is linear with respect to

each column of  $\det A$ , it is certainly homogeneous. Thus

$$\text{for any } i, \quad \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \det A}{\partial a_{ji}} a_{ji} = \det A$$

But it is easy to see that

$$\frac{\partial \det A}{\partial a_{ji}} = \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1,i-1} & 0 & a_{1,i+1} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{ni} & a_{ni-1} & 0 & a_{ni+1} & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = d_{ji}$$

Thus we obtain the well-known expansion of a det in cofactors:

$$(11.1) \quad \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ji} a_{ji} = \det A$$

For  $k \neq i$  replace column  $i$  in  $A$  with column  $k$ , leaving all the remaining columns unchanged; call the new matrix

$\tilde{A}$ . We have from (11.1)

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{d}_{ji} \tilde{a}_{ji} = \det \tilde{A} = 0$$

as  $\tilde{A}$  has 2 equal columns. But  $\tilde{a}_{ji} = a_{jk}$  and

also  $\tilde{d}_{ji} = d_{ji}$ . Hence  $\sum_{j=1}^n d_{ji} a_{jk} = 0$ . Thus

$$\frac{1}{\det A} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ji} a_{jk} = \delta_{ik}$$

which proves (10.1).

Cramer's rule: If  $\det A \neq 0$  and  $Ax = b$ , then

$$(11.1) \quad x_i = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1i-1} & b_1 & a_{1i+1} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{ni-1} & b_n & a_{ni+1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}}{\det A}$$

Proof:  $x_i = (A^{-1}b)_i = \sum_{j=1}^n (A^{-1})_{ij} b_j = \frac{1}{\det A} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ji} b_j$

by (10.1). Now check that this is the same as expanding

The determinant in (11.1) down the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column.  $\square$

Example: Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$  and solve  $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Show  $\det A \neq 0$ .

Then 
$$x_3 = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 & 0 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}{\det A}.$$

$$\langle v_1, \dots, v_k \rangle =$$

Given vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in V$ ,  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_k) = \{ \text{all lin. combinations } c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_k v_k \}$

Cram-Schmidt procedure: Given  $k$  independent vectors  $u_1$  in an  $n$  dimensional space,  $u_1, \dots, u_k$ , we can construct  $k$  orthonormal vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  which span the

same subspace as the  $u_i$ 's, i.e.

$$\langle v_1, \dots, v_k \rangle = \langle u_1, \dots, u_k \rangle$$

Note: If  $w_1, \dots, w_k$  is a set of orthogonal, non-zero vectors, then  $\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$  are indep.

Step 1 As the  $u_i$ 's are independent then certainly  $u_1 \neq 0$ :

$$\text{set } v_1 = \pm u_1 / \|u_1\|$$

$$\text{Note } \|v_1\| = 1$$

Step 2 Set 
$$v_2 = \pm \frac{u_2 - (v_1, u_2)v_1}{\|u_2 - (v_1, u_2)v_1\|}$$

Note (i) as  $u_2$  and  $u_1$ , and hence  $u_2$  and  $v_1$ , are independent,  $u_2 - (v_1, u_2)v_1 \neq 0$

(ii)  $\|v_2\| = 1$  and  $(v_2, v_1) = 0$  : in particular  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  are indep.

(iii)  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle$

Step 3 Set 
$$v_3 = \pm \frac{u_3 - (v_1, u_3)v_1 - (v_2, u_3)v_2}{\|u_3 - (v_1, u_3)v_1 - (v_2, u_3)v_2\|}$$

Note (i) as  $v_1, v_2 \in \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle$ , and as  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  are independent, we have  $u_3 = (v_1, u_3)v_1 + (v_2, u_3)v_2 +$

$$(ii) \quad \|v_3\| = 1, \quad (v_1, v_3) = 0, \quad (v_2, v_3) = 0$$

$$(iii) \quad \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle = \langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \rangle$$

etc. Continuing we construct  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  with the desired properties

Let  $U$  be the  $n \times k$  matrix with columns  $u_1, \dots, u_k$  in that order, and let  $V$  be the  $n \times k$  matrix with columns  $v_1, \dots, v_k$ , in that order.

Exercise Show that

$$(13.1) \quad U = VR$$

where  $R$  is an upper triangular matrix with  $R_{ii} \neq 0$

Choosing the  $\pm$  signs in Step 1, Step 2, ... appropriately,

we can assume  $R_{ii} > 0$ .

Now let  $L$  be an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix. Then applying the Gram-Schmidt procedure to the columns of  $L$

Starting from the left we obtain the factorization as above

$$(14.1) \quad L = QR$$

As the columns of  $Q$  are orthonormal,  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix  $QQ^T = Q^TQ = I$  (or in the complex case,

$Q$  is unitary,  $QQ^* = Q^*Q = I$ );  $R$  is upper and

we can assume  $R_{ii} > 0$ . (14.1) is called the QR

factorization of  $L$ .

Exercise Show that the QR factorization of  $L$ ,  $\det L \neq 0$ , is unique (we always assume  $R_{ii} > 0$ ).

(14.1) Exercise: Suppose  $u_1, \dots, u_j$  are orthog. and set  $u = c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_j u_j$  for any  $c_1, \dots, c_j$ . Then  $\|u\|^2 = |c_1|^2 \|u_1\|^2 + \dots + |c_j|^2 \|u_j\|^2$

Let  $B = (b_{ij})$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix.

Then

$$(14.2) \quad |\det B| \leq \prod_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |b_{ik}|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

This is called Hadamard's Inequality

Proof: If  $\det B = 0$ , this is trivial. So assume  $\det B \neq 0$  and let  $B = QR$  be the QR factorization of  $B$ . Then for any  $i$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ b_{nj} \end{pmatrix} = Q \begin{pmatrix} R_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ R_{ij} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = R_{1j} d_1 + \dots + R_{ij} d_i$$

where  $d_j$  is the  $j$ th column of  $Q$ . But then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{by (14.1)} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n |b_{ji}|^2 &= |R_{1j}|^2 \|d_1\|^2 + \dots + |R_{ij}|^2 \|d_i\|^2 \\ &= |R_{1j}|^2 + \dots + |R_{ij}|^2 \geq |R_{ij}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

as the  $d_j$ 's are orthonormal.

As  $|\det Q| = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\det B| &= |\det Q| |\det R| \\ &= |\det R| = \prod_{i=1}^n |R_{ii}| \leq \prod_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^n |b_{ji}|^2 \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

Exercise Interpret Hadamard's inequality geometrically in terms of volumes.