

LECTURE 3: Review of Linear Algebra and MATLAB®

- **Vector and matrix notation**
- **Vectors**
- **Matrices**
- **Vector spaces**
- **Linear transformations**
- **Eigenvalues and eigenvectors**
- **MATLAB® primer**



Vector and matrix notation

- A d-dimensional (column) vector \mathbf{x} and its transpose are written as:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{x}^T = [x_1 \ x_2 \ \cdots \ x_d]$$

- An $n \times d$ (rectangular) matrix and its transpose are written as:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1d} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2d} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & & a_{nd} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{n1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{n2} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{n3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1d} & a_{2d} & & a_{nd} \end{bmatrix}$$

- The product of two matrices is

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1d} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2d} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & & a_{md} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & \cdots & b_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{d1} & b_{d2} & & b_{dn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} & \cdots & c_{1n} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} & \cdots & c_{2n} \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33} & \cdots & c_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{m1} & c_{m2} & c_{m3} & & c_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^d a_{ik} b_{kj}$$



Vectors

- The inner product (a.k.a. *dot product* or *scalar product*) of two vectors is defined by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T y = y^T x = \sum_{k=1}^d x_k y_k$$

- The magnitude of a vector is

$$|x| = \sqrt{x^T x} = \left[\sum_{k=1}^d x_k x_k \right]^{1/2}$$

- The orthogonal projection of vector y onto vector x is

$$\langle y^T u_x \rangle u_x$$

- where vector u_x has unit magnitude and the same direction as x

- The angle between vectors x and y is

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{|x| \cdot |y|}$$

- Two vectors x and y are said to be

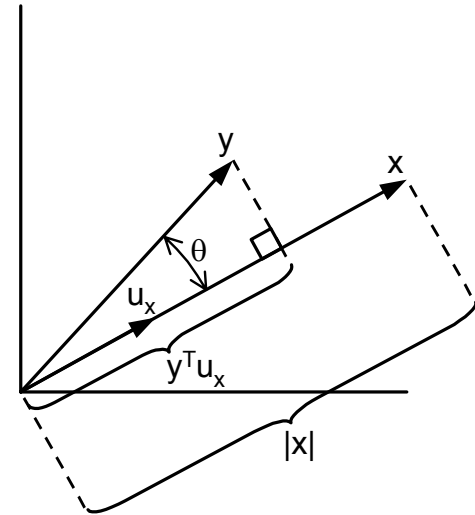
- orthogonal if $x^T y = 0$
- orthonormal if $x^T y = 0$ and $|x| = |y| = 1$

- A set of vectors x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are said to be linearly dependent if there exists a set of coefficients a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n (at least one different than zero) such that

$$a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n = 0$$

- Alternatively, a set of vectors x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are said to be linearly independent if

$$a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n = 0 \Rightarrow a_k = 0 \quad \forall k$$



Matrices

- The determinant of a square matrix $A_{d \times d}$ is

$$|A| = \sum_{k=1}^d a_{ik} |A_{ik}| (-1)^{k+i}$$

- where A_{ik} is the minor matrix formed by removing the i^{th} row and the k^{th} column of A
- NOTE: the determinant of a square matrix and its transpose is the same: $|A| = |A^T|$

- The trace of a square matrix $A_{d \times d}$ is the sum of its diagonal elements

$$\text{tr}(A) = \sum_{k=1}^d a_{kk}$$

- The rank of a matrix is the number of linearly independent rows (or columns)
- A square matrix is said to be non-singular if and only if its rank equals the number of rows (or columns)
 - A non-singular matrix has a non-zero determinant
- A square matrix is said to be orthonormal if $AA^T = A^T A = I$ (more on this later)
- For a square matrix A
 - if $x^T A x > 0$ for all $x \neq 0$, then A is said to be positive-definite (i.e., the covariance matrix)
 - if $x^T A x \geq 0$ for all $x \neq 0$, then A is said to be positive-semidefinite
- The inverse of a square matrix A is denoted by A^{-1} and is such that $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$
 - The inverse A^{-1} of a matrix A exists if and only if A is non-singular
- The pseudo-inverse matrix A^\dagger is typically used whenever A^{-1} does not exist (because A is not square or A is singular):

$$A^\dagger = [A^T A]^{-1} A^T \quad \text{with} \quad A^\dagger A = I \quad \left(\text{assuming } A^T A \text{ is non-singular, note that } AA^\dagger \neq I \text{ in general} \right)$$



Vector spaces

- The n -dimensional space in which all the n -dimensional vectors reside is called a vector space
- A set of vectors $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ is said to form a basis for a vector space if any arbitrary vector x can be represented by a linear combination of the $\{u_i\}$

$$x = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_n u_n$$

- The coefficients $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ are called the components of vector x with respect to the basis $\{u_i\}$
- In order to form a basis, it is necessary and sufficient that the $\{u_i\}$ vectors be linearly independent

- A basis $\{u_i\}$ is said to be orthogonal if

$$u_i^T u_j = \begin{cases} \neq 0 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

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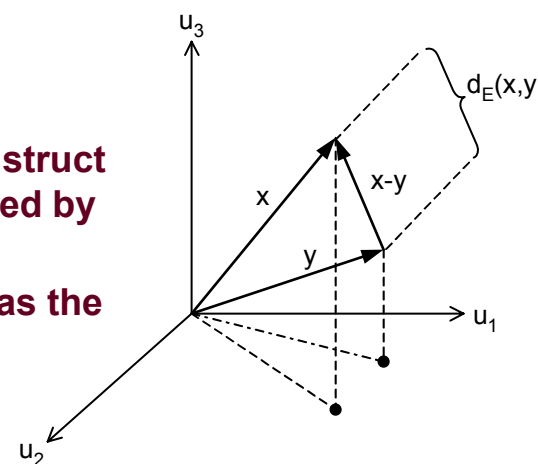
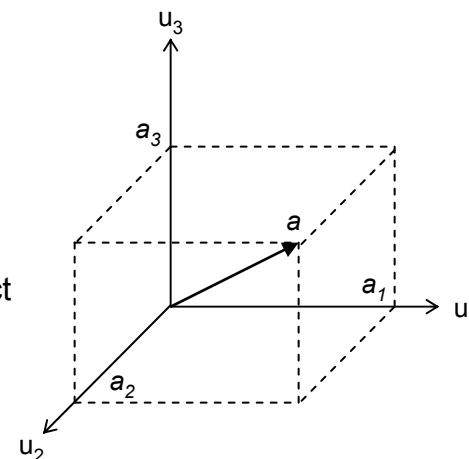
$$u_i^T u_j = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

- As an example, the Cartesian coordinate base is an orthonormal base

- Given n linearly independent vectors $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$, we can construct an orthonormal base $\{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$ for the vector space spanned by $\{x_i\}$ with the Gram-Schmidt Orthonormalization Procedure
- The distance between two points in a vector space is defined as the magnitude of the vector difference between the points

$$d_E(x, y) = |x - y| = \left[\sum_{k=1}^d (x_k - y_k)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

- This is also called the Euclidean distance



Linear transformations

- A linear transformation is a mapping from a vector space X^N onto a vector space Y^M , and is represented by a matrix

- Given vector $x \in X^N$, the corresponding vector y on Y^M is computed as

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_M \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1N} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{M1} & a_{M2} & a_{M3} & \cdots & a_{MN} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_N \end{bmatrix}$$

- Notice that the dimensionality of the two spaces does not need to be the same.
- For pattern recognition we typically have $M < N$ (project onto a lower-dimensionality space)

- A linear transformation represented by a square matrix A is said to be orthonormal when $AA^T = A^T A = I$

- This implies that $A^T = A^{-1}$
- An orthonormal transformation has the property of preserving the magnitude of the vectors:

$$|y| = \sqrt{y^T y} = \sqrt{(Ax)^T (Ax)} = \sqrt{x^T A^T A x} = \sqrt{x^T x} = |x|$$

- An orthonormal matrix can be thought of as a rotation of the reference frame
- The **row vectors** of an orthonormal transformation form a set of orthonormal basis vectors

$$y_{M \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \leftarrow a_1 \rightarrow \\ \leftarrow a_2 \rightarrow \\ \vdots \\ \leftarrow a_N \rightarrow \end{bmatrix} x_{N \times 1} \quad \text{with} \quad a_i^T a_j = \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq j \\ 1 & i = j \end{cases}$$



Eigenvectors and eigenvalues

- Given a matrix $A_{N \times N}$, we say that v is an eigenvector* if there exists a scalar λ (the eigenvalue) such that

$$Av = \lambda v \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} v \text{ is an eigenvector} \\ \lambda \text{ is the corresponding eigenvalue} \end{cases}$$

Computation of the eigenvalues

$$Av = \lambda v \Rightarrow Av - \lambda v = 0 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)v = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} v = 0 & \text{trivial solution} \\ (A - \lambda I) = 0 & \text{non-trivial solution} \end{cases}$$

$$(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow |A - \lambda I| = 0 \Rightarrow \underbrace{\lambda^N + a_1 \lambda^{N-1} + \dots + a_{N-1} \lambda + a_0 = 0}_{\text{Characteristic Equation}}$$

- The matrix formed by the column eigenvectors is called the modal matrix M .

- Matrix Λ is the canonical form of A : a diagonal matrix with eigenvalues on the main diagonal

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & \dots & v_N \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \lambda_N \end{bmatrix}$$

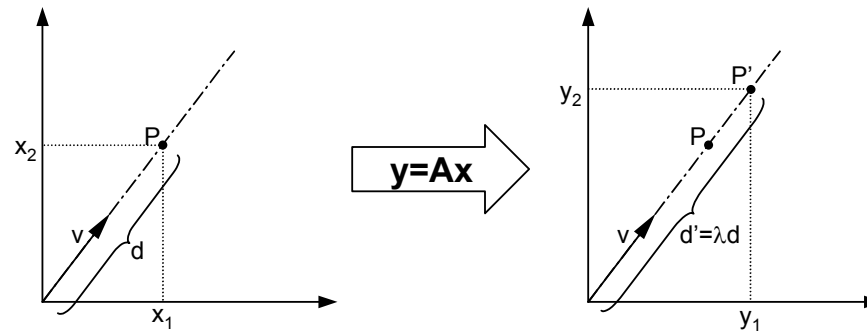
Properties

- If A is non-singular
 - All eigenvalues are non-zero
- If A is real and symmetric
 - All eigenvalues are real
 - The eigenvectors associated with distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal
- If A is positive definite
 - All eigenvalues are positive

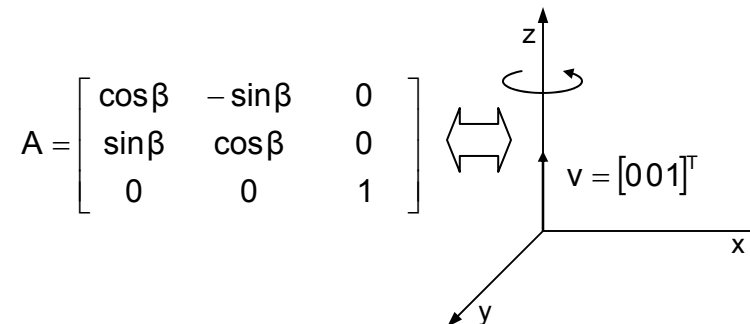


Interpretation of eigenvectors and eigenvalues (1)

- If we view matrix **A** as a linear transformation, an eigenvector represents an invariant direction in the vector space
 - When transformed by **A**, any point lying on the direction defined by **v** will remain on that direction, and its magnitude will be multiplied by the corresponding eigenvalue λ

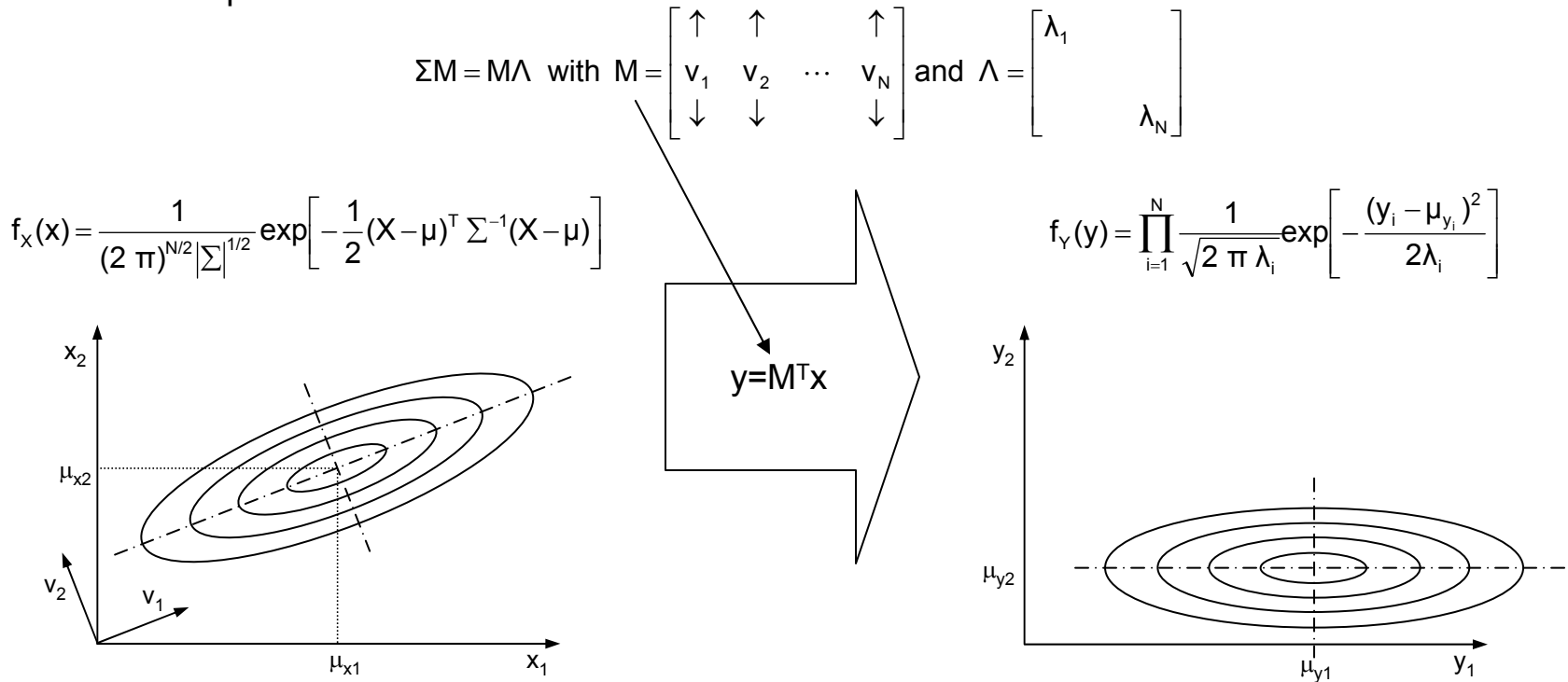


- For example, the transformation which rotates 3-d vectors about the Z axis has vector $[0 \ 0 \ 1]^T$ as its only eigenvector and 1 as the corresponding eigenvalue



Interpretation of eigenvectors and eigenvalues (2)

- **Given the covariance matrix Σ of a Gaussian distribution**
 - The eigenvectors of Σ are the principal directions of the distribution
 - The eigenvalues are the variances of the corresponding principal directions
- **The linear transformation defined by the eigenvectors of Σ leads to vectors that are uncorrelated regardless of the form of the distribution**
 - If the distribution happens to be Gaussian, then the transformed vectors will be statistically independent



MATLAB primer

■ The MATLAB environment

- Starting and exiting MATLAB
- Directory path
- The startup.m file
- The help command
- The toolboxes

■ Basic features (help general)

- Variables
- Special variables (i, NaN, eps, realmax, realmin, pi, ...)
- Arithmetic, relational and logic operations
- Comments and punctuation (the semicolon shorthand)
- Math functions (help elfun)

■ Arrays and matrices

- Array construction
 - Manual construction
 - The 1:n shorthand
 - The linspace command
- Matrix construction
 - Manual construction
 - Concatenating arrays and matrices
- Array and Matrix indexing (the colon shorthand)
- Array and matrix operations
 - Matrix and element-by-element operations
- Standard arrays and matrices (eye, ones and zeros)
- Array and matrix size (size and length)
- Character strings (help strfun)
 - String generation
 - The str2mat function

■ M-files

- Script files
- Function files

■ Flow control

- if..else..end construct
- for construct
- while construct
- switch..case construct

■ I/O (help iofun)

- Console I/O
 - The fprintf and sprintf commands
 - the input command
- File I/O
 - load and save commands
 - The fopen, fclose, fprintf and fscanf commands

■ 2D Graphics (help graph2d)

- The plot command
- Customizing plots
 - Line styles, markers and colors
 - Grids, axes and labels
- Multiple plots and subplots
- Scatter-plots
- The legend and zoom commands

■ 3D Graphics (help graph3d)

- Line plots
- Mesh plots
- image and imagesc commands
- 3D scatter plots
- the rotate3d command

■ Linear Algebra (help matfun)

- Sets of linear equations
- The least-squares solution ($x = A \backslash b$)
- Eigenvalue problems

■ Statistics and Probability

- Generation
 - Random variables
 - Gaussian distribution: $N(0,1)$ and $N(\mu,\sigma)$
 - Uniform distribution
 - Random vectors
 - correlated and uncorrelated variables
- Analysis
 - Max, min and mean
 - Variance and Covariance
 - Histograms

