

# Linear Algebra Basics

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# Why do we need Linear Algebra?

- We will associate coordinates to
  - 3D points in the scene
  - 2D points in the CCD array
  - 2D points in the image
- Coordinates will be used to
  - Perform geometrical transformations
  - Associate 3D with 2D points
- Images are matrices of numbers
  - We will find properties of these numbers

# Matrices

$$A_{n \times m} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2m} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nm} \end{bmatrix}$$

Sum:

$$C_{n \times m} = A_{n \times m} + B_{n \times m}$$

$$c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$$

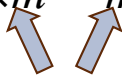
A and B must have the same dimensions

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 7 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrices

Product:

$$C_{n \times p} = A_{n \times m} B_{m \times p}$$


A and B must have compatible dimensions

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^m a_{ik} b_{kj}$$

$$A_{n \times n} B_{n \times n} \neq B_{n \times n} A_{n \times n}$$

Examples:

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

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

# Matrices

Transpose:

$$C_{m \times n} = A^T_{n \times m}$$

$$c_{ij} = a_{ji}$$

$$(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$$

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

If  $A^T = A$

A is symmetric

Examples:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrices

Determinant: A must be square

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$$

Example:  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2 - 15 = -13$

# Matrices

Inverse:

A must be square

$$A_{n \times n} A^{-1}_{n \times n} = A^{-1}_{n \times n} A_{n \times n} = I$$

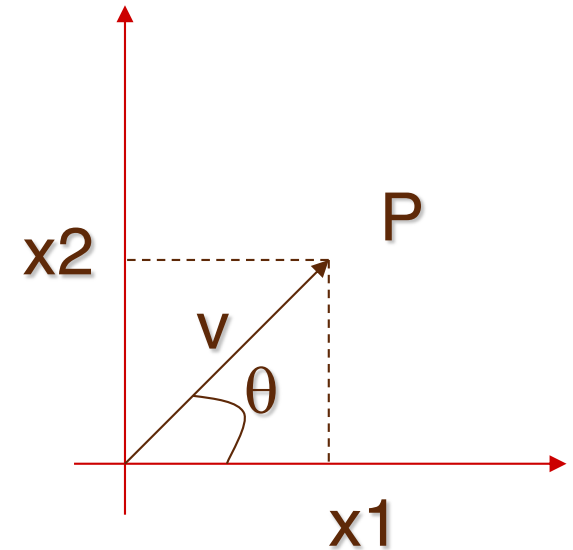
$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{28} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{28} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{28} \begin{bmatrix} 28 & 0 \\ 0 & 28 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2D,3D Vectors

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$



Magnitude:  $\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$

If  $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$  is a UNIT vector

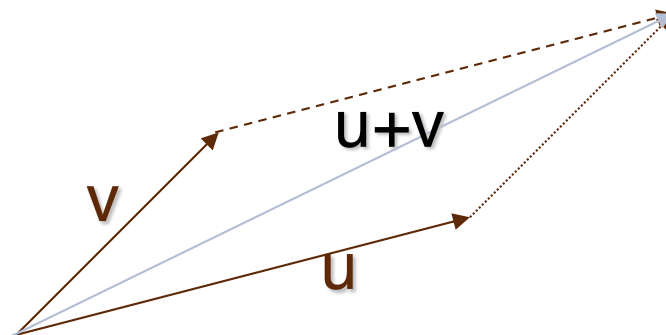
$$\frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \left( \frac{x_1}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}, \frac{x_2}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \right) \text{ Is a unit vector}$$

Orientation:  $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x_2}{x_1}\right)$



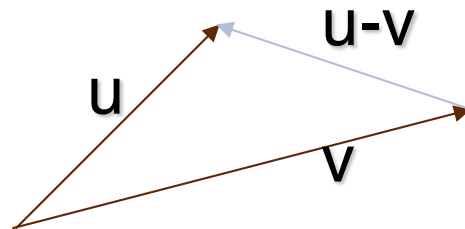
# Vector Addition

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



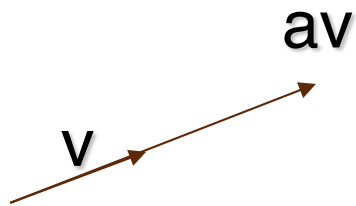
# Vector Subtraction

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

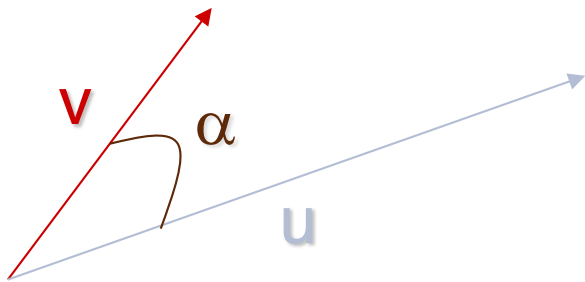


# Scalar Product

$$av = a \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} av_1 \\ av_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Inner (dot) Product



$$u^T v = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = u_1 \cdot v_1 + u_2 \cdot v_2$$

The inner product is a SCALAR!

$$u^T v = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \|u\| \|v\| \cos \alpha$$

$$u^T v = 0 \leftrightarrow u \perp v$$

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

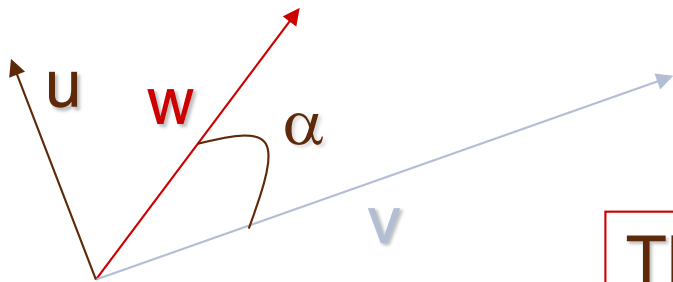
$$\langle u, v \rangle \doteq u^T v = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + u_3 v_3$$

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|u\| \|v\|}$$

$$\|u\| \doteq \sqrt{u^T u} = \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2}$$

norm of a vector

# Vector (cross) Product



$$u = v \times w$$

The cross product is a **VECTOR!**

Magnitude:  $\| u \| = \| v \cdot w \| = \| v \| \| w \| \sin \alpha$

Orientation:  $u \perp v \rightarrow u^T v = (u \times v)^T v = 0$

$$u \times v = -v \times u$$

$$a(u \times v) = au \times v = u \times av$$

$$u \parallel u \rightarrow (u \times v) = 0$$

# Vector (cross) Product

- Cross product between two vectors in  $c = a \times b$

where

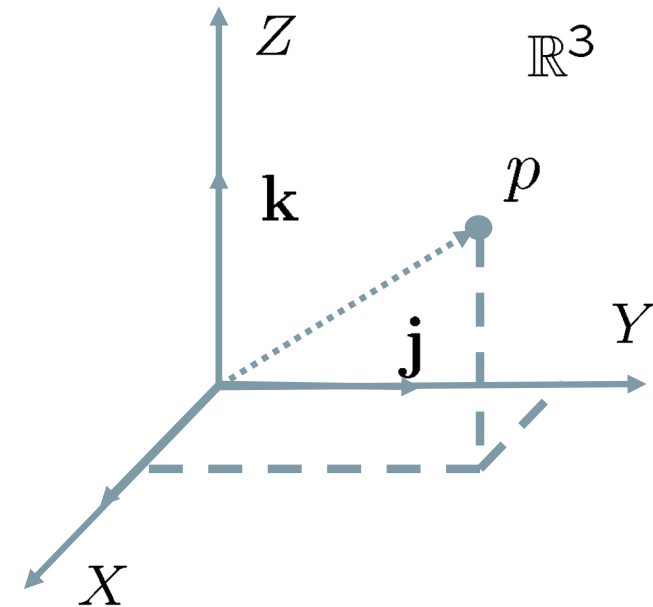
$$c = a \times b = \hat{a}b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_3 & a_2 \\ a_3 & 0 & -a_1 \\ -a_2 & a_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_3 & a_2 \\ a_3 & 0 & -a_1 \\ -a_2 & a_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad c = \begin{bmatrix} -a_3b_2 + a_2b_3 \\ a_3b_1 - a_1b_3 \\ -a_2b_1 + a_1b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Orthonormal Basis in 3D

Standard base vectors:

$$\mathbf{i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{j} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Coordinates of a point  $p$  in space:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = X.\mathbf{i} + Y.\mathbf{j} + Z.\mathbf{k}$$

Linear Algebra  
Prerequisites - continued

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# Matrices

meaning

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$$

n x m matrix

m points from n-dimensional space

transformation

$$C = AA^T$$

Covariance matrix – symmetric  
Square matrix associated with  
The data points (after mean  
has been subtracted) in 2D

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

$$y = Ax$$

Special case  
matrix is square

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_1^n x_i^2 & \sum_1^n x_i y_i \\ \sum_1^n x_i y_i & \sum_1^n y_i^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Geometric interpretation

Lines in 2D space - row solution

Equations are considered isolation

$$2x - y = 1$$

$$x + y = 5$$

Linear combination of vectors in 2D

Column solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

We already know how to multiply the vector by scalar

# Linear equations

In 3D

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

When is RHS a linear combination of LHS

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} u + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} v + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} w = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving linear n equations with n unknowns  
If matrix is invertible - compute the inverse  
Columns are linearly independent

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$$

$$\det(A) \neq 0$$

$$A^{-1}A\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{y}$$

# Linear equations

Not all matrices are invertible

Simple examples:

Inverse of a 2x2 matrix (determinant non-zero)

Inverse of a diagonal matrix

Computing inverse - solve for the columns

Independently or using Gauss-Jordan method

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 & \mathbf{x}_2 & \mathbf{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Vector spaces (informally)

- Vector space in n-dimensional space  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- n-dimensional columns with real entries
- Operations of addition, multiplication and scalar multiplication
- Additions of the vectors and multiplication of a vector by a scalar always produces vectors which lie in the space
  
- Matrices also make up vector space - e.g. consider all 3x3 matrices as elements of  $\mathbb{R}^9$  space

## Vector subspace

A subspace of a vector space is a non-empty set  
Of vectors closed under vector addition and scalar  
multiplication

Example: over-constrained system - more equations  
then unknowns

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 & v_1 \\ u_2 & v_2 \\ u_3 & v_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The solution exists if  $b$  is in the subspace spanned  
by vectors  $u$  and  $v$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} x_1 + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Linear Systems - Nullspace

1. When matrix is square and invertible
2. When the matrix is square and noninvertible
3. When the matrix is non-square with more constraints than unknowns

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

Solution exists when  $\mathbf{b}$  is in column space of  $A$   
Special case

All the vectors which satisfy  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  lie in the NULLSPACE of matrix  $A$

## Vector space basis

- $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is invertible if it is of a full rank
- Rank of the matrix - number of linearly independent rows (see definition next page)
- If the rows or columns of the matrix  $A$  are linearly independent - the null space of contains only 0 vector
- Set of linearly independent vectors forms a basis of the vector space
- Given a basis, the representation of every vector is unique  
Basis is not unique ( examples)



# Linear independence

**Definition A.1 (A linear space).** A set of vectors  $V$  is considered, as a linear space if, so-called vectors are closed under scalar multiplication and vector summation. Given any two vectors  $v_1, v_2$  and any two scalars  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  the linear combination  $v = \alpha v_1 + \beta v_2$  is also a vector in  $V$ .

**Definition A.4 (Linear independence)** the set of vectors  $S = \{v_i\}_{i=1}^m$  is said to be linearly independent if the equation

$$\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = 0$$

Implies

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0$$

**Definition A.5 (Basis)** A set of vectors of a linear space  $V$  is said to be a basis, if  $B$  is a linearly independent set and  $B$  spans the entire space  $V = \text{span}(B)$

# Linear Equations

Vector space spanned by columns of A  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} u + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} v + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} w = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$

In general  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

Four basic subspaces

- Column space of A – dimension of  $C(A)$   
number of linearly independent columns  
 $r = \text{rank}(A)$
- Row space of A - dimension of  $R(A)$   
number of linearly independent rows  
 $r = \text{rank}(A^T)$
- Null space of A - dimension of  $N(A)$   $n - r$
- Left null space of A – dimension of  $N(A^T)$   $m - r$
- Maximal rank -  $\min(n, m)$  – smaller of the two dimensions

# Linear Equations

Vector space spanned by columns of A

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} u + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} v + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} w = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

In general  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

Four basic possibilities, suppose that the matrix A has full rank

Then:

- if  $n < m$  number of equations is less than number of unknowns, the set of solutions is  $(m-n)$  dimensional vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$
- if  $n = m$  there is a unique solution
- if  $n > m$  number of equations is more than number of unknowns, there is no solution

# Linear Equations – Square Matrices

1. A is square and invertible
  2. A is square and non-invertible
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1. System  $Ax = b$  has at most one solution – columns are linearly independent  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ 
    - then the matrix is invertible  $x = A^{-1}y$
  2. Columns are linearly dependent  $\text{rank} < n$ 
    - then the matrix is not invertible

# Linear Equations – non-square matrices

Long-tin matrix  
over-constrained  
system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a\mathbf{x} = b$$

The solution exist when  $b$  is aligned with  $[2,3,4]^T$

If not we have to seek some approximation; least squares approximation; solution that minimizes squared error

$$e^2 = (2x - b_1)^2 + (3x - b_2)^2 + (4x - b_3)^2$$

Least squares solution - find such value of  $x$  that the error is minimized (take a derivative, set it to zero and solve for  $x$ )

Short for such solution

$$e^2 = \|ax - b\|^2$$

$$a\mathbf{x} = b$$

$$a^T a\mathbf{x} = a^T b$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{a^T b}{a^T a}$$

# Linear equations – non-squared matrices

Similarly when A is a matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\mathbf{x} = b$$

$$e^2 = \|A\mathbf{x} - b\|^2$$

$$A^T A\mathbf{x} = A^T b$$

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

- If A has linearly independent columns  $A^T A$  is square, symmetric and invertible

$$A^\dagger = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$$

is so called pseudoinverse of matrix A

## Homogeneous Systems of equations (RHS is 0)

$$A\mathbf{x} = 0$$

- When matrix is square and non-singular, there is a unique trivial solution  $\mathbf{x} = 0$  (not very useful or interesting)

If  $m \geq n$  there is a non-trivial solution when rank of  $A$  is  $\text{rank}(A) < n$

We need to impose some constraint to avoid trivial Solution, for example  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = 1$

Find such  $\mathbf{x}$  that  $\|A\mathbf{x}\|^2$  is minimized

$$\|A\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \mathbf{x}A^T A\mathbf{x}$$

Solution: eigenvector associated with the smallest eigenvalue

# Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

$$\lambda \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -5 \\ 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

$$A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

eigenvalue                      eigenvector

Solve the equation:  $(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{x} = 0$       (1)

$\mathbf{x}$  – is in the null space of  $(A - \lambda I)$   
 $\lambda$  is chosen such that  $(A - \lambda I)$  has a null space

Computation of eigenvalues and eigenvectors (for dim 2,3)

1. Compute determinant
2. Find roots (eigenvalues) of the polynomial such that determinant = 0
3. For each eigenvalue solve the equation (1)

For larger matrices – alternative ways of computation



# Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

$$A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

Only special vectors are eigenvectors

- such vectors whose direction will not be changed
- by the transformation  $A$  (only scale)

Example

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

eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 3$$

eigenvectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Transformation action  $A$  applied to an arbitrary vector is fully determined by its eigenvalues and eigenvectors. Verify for:

$$A\mathbf{x} = 2\lambda_1 v_1 + 5\lambda_2 v_2 \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors - Diagonalization

- Given a square matrix  $A$  and its eigenvalues and eigenvectors – matrix can be diagonalized

$$A = S\Lambda S^{-1} \quad A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$$

Matrix of eigenvectors  $\swarrow$   $\searrow$  Diagonal matrix of eigenvalues

$$AS = \Lambda S$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 x_1 & \lambda_2 x_2 & \dots & \lambda_n x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 x_1 & \lambda_2 x_2 & \dots & \lambda_n x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$$

- If some of the eigenvalues are the same, eigenvectors are not independent

# Diagonalization

- If there are no zero eigenvalues – matrix is invertible
- If there are no repeated eigenvalues – matrix is diagonalizable
- If all the eigenvalues are different then eigenvectors are linearly independent

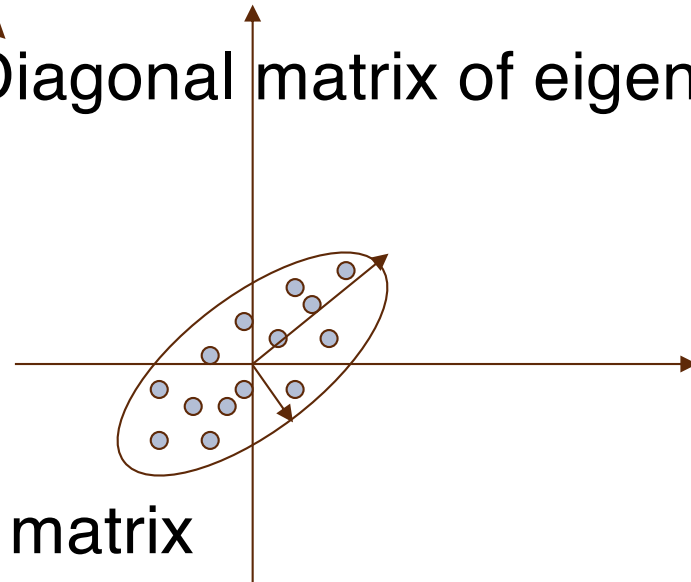
## For Symmetric Matrices

If  $A$  is symmetric

$$A = V \Lambda V^T$$

orthonormal matrix of  
eigenvectors

Diagonal matrix of eigenvalues



$A$  is symmetric, e.g. a covariance matrix  
or some matrix  $B = A^T A$

## Symmetric matrices (contd.)

- Properties of diagonalization of symmetric matrices

$$A = V \Lambda V^T$$

$$A = V \text{diag}\{\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2\} V^T$$

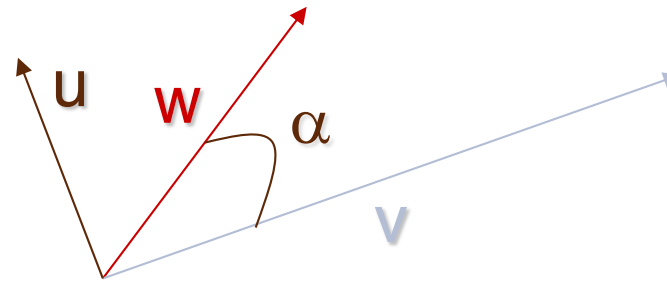
- Frobenius norm of a matrix

$$\|A\|_f = \sqrt{\text{trace}(A^T A)} = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \dots + \sigma_n^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} a_{ij}^2}$$

# Vector (Cross) Product Computation

$$\mathbf{i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{j} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

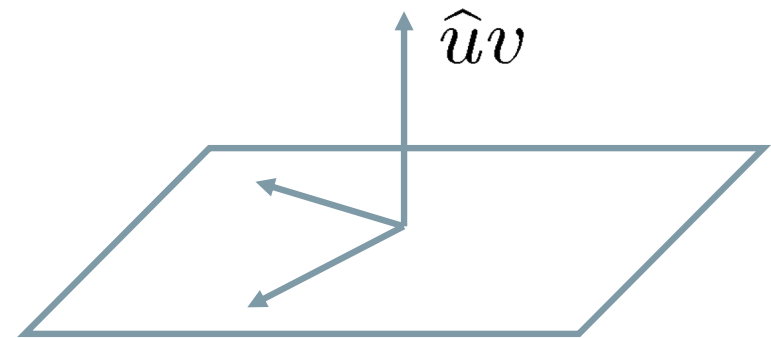
$$u \times v = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix}$$



$$= (u_2v_3 - u_3v_2)\mathbf{i} + (u_3v_1 - u_1v_3)\mathbf{j} + (u_1v_2 - u_2v_1)\mathbf{k}$$

$$u \times v \doteq \hat{u}v, \quad u, v \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$\hat{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -u_3 & u_2 \\ u_3 & 0 & -u_1 \\ -u_2 & u_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$



$$\hat{u} = -(\hat{u})^T$$

Skew symmetric matrix associated with vector