

We started w/ systems of linear equations.

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$2x + 3y + 4z = 2$$

$$5x + 6y + 11z = 3$$

and simplified our notation to

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 5 & 6 & 11 & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

which makes computation vastly easier.

Now, let's recall the simplest possible linear system: one equation and one variable.

$$ax = b.$$

How do we solve it?  $x = \frac{b}{a}$  if  $a \neq 0$

if  $a = 0$ , how guy it work  
 $a = 0$   $b \neq 0$  inconsistent

We then turn our augmented matrices into a single equation via matrix algebra

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 5 & 6 & 11 & 3 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

which we write generally as  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ . This is our equation w/ one variable  $\vec{x}$ . One way to solve it to "divide" by  $A$ , i.e.  $\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$ . But this has subtle ties, we'll see later. Encapsulated vast amounts of data into just one simple looking equation

subspaces;  $\vec{b}$  can't always be reached

$\vec{x}$  is not always unique

analyzing these leads us to images and kernels, which are naturally understood in the context of linear transformations and the geometry of their subspaces.

We introduce linear transformations and their corresponding matrices.

$$T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$$

the cols of  $A$  is  $T(\vec{e}_i)$ .

Many geometric constructions are linear (take grids to grids)

so they are well understood by using matrices.

scaling along an axis

projection

rotation

reflection

shearing

Some general geometric thoughts:

If I draw an evenly spaced grid and apply a linear transformation, what does the output look like? Draw some pictures for each of the above.

What is the image of a circle under a linear transformation?

We've led them to subspaces, especially the image and kernel of a linear transformation

Everything centers on the linear combination

$$T(a\vec{x} + b\vec{y}) = aT(\vec{x}) + bT(\vec{y})$$

$$\text{If } A = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then } A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{v}_n$$

columns

a subspace is then a subset, say  $V$ , of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for which we can take linear combinations of its elements and stay in  $V$ . That is, for  $\vec{x}, \vec{y}$  in  $V$  and  $c$  a scalar,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x} + \vec{y} &\text{ in } V \\ c\vec{x} &\text{ in } V \end{aligned}$$

The image and kernel are special subspaces attached to a linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

The image is the set of all outputs, so the set of all  $\vec{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  so that  $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{b}$  is solvable

The kernel is the solutions  $\vec{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  to  $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$ . This measures the imprecision in solving  $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{b}$ .

(food for thought): If we have one solution  $T(\vec{x}_0) = \vec{b}$ , how do we describe all solutions in terms of  $\vec{x}_0$  and  $\text{Ker}(T)$ ?

To make this "measurement" idea formal, we introduce a notion of size - the dimension, which leads us to the incredible rank-nullity theorem.  $m = \dim \text{im } T + \dim \text{Ker } T$ . For any  $T: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  linear!

# Ch. 1

Start w/ systems of linear equations

$$2x + y + 4z = 1$$

$$x + y + z = 2$$

Incredibly, we can algorithmically solve these.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 \end{array} \right)$$

$$x - z = 5$$

$$y + 2z = -3$$

$$x = z + 5$$

$$y = -2z - 3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

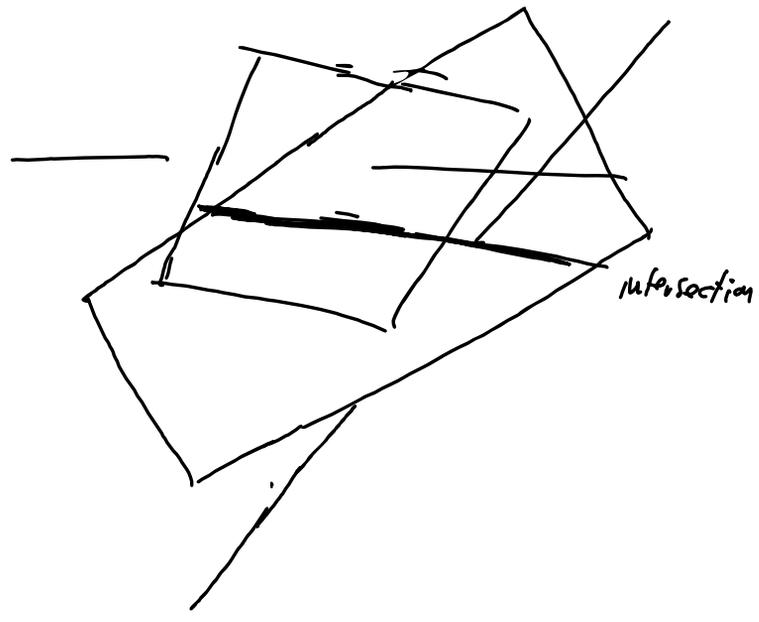
line.

Algebraic side vs geometric side

$$2x + 3y + 4z = 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{plane in } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ space}$$

$$x + y + z = 2 \quad \leftarrow \text{plane in } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ space}$$

solving = find intersection



This is essentially a solve problem via Gauss-Jordan elimination,

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coeffs  
vars  
const. term

Systems of lin eqs,  $\rightarrow$  geometric and algebraic meaning  
consistent  
inconsistent

Augmented matrix  
row operations  
ref, pivots/lead 1s, rank

# Ch 2

Dictionary between linear transformations and matrices

$$T: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad A \text{ an } n \times m \text{ matrix}$$

$$T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \text{if } \vec{v}_i \text{ col of } A = T(\vec{e}_i)$$

Composition

$$T: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad A \quad n \times m$$

$$S: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad B \quad k \times n$$

$$\text{So } T \circ S: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad BA \quad k \times m$$

(Memorize formula or picture)

These encode lots of geometric transformations

Scaling on axis  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & c & \dots \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

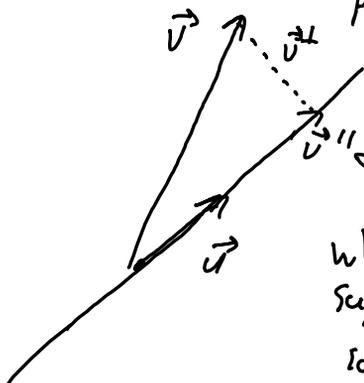
orthogonal projection onto  $L$ .  $\vec{u}$  a unit vector

$$\text{proj}_L(\vec{v}) = (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}) \vec{u}$$

correlation between  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{u}$   
 "how much of  $\vec{v}$ " is in the  $\vec{u}$  direction

what's the matrix?  $\text{proj}_L(\vec{e}_1) = (\vec{e}_1 \cdot \vec{u}) \vec{u}$

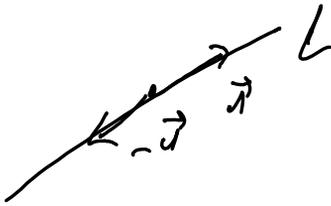
say  $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}$  Then  $\vec{e}_1 \cdot \vec{u} = u_1$   
 so  $\text{proj}_L(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1^2 \\ u_1 u_2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Similarly  $\text{proj}_L(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 u_2 \\ u_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$



So matrix of  $\text{proj}_L$  is

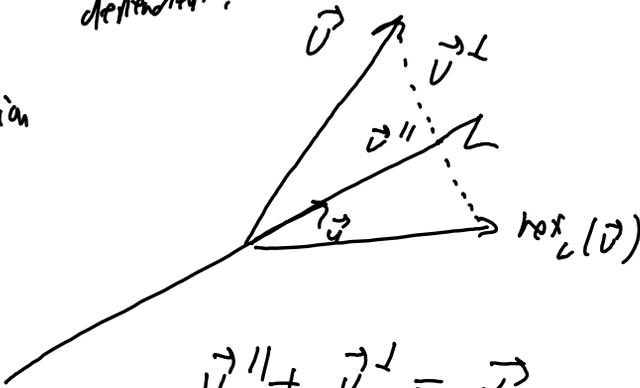
$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1 u_2 \\ u_1 u_2 & u_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: What if we used  $-\vec{u}$  instead? This is also a unit vector on  $L$ .

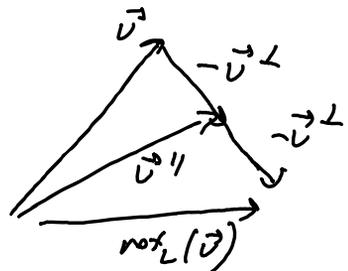
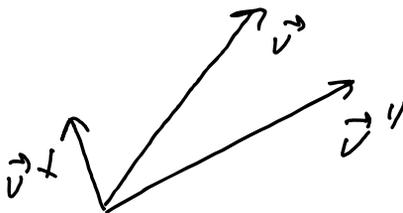


can you see why these columns are linearly dependent?

reflection

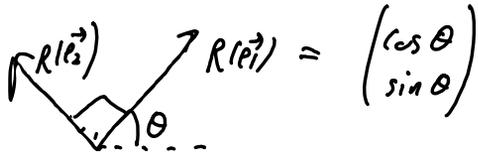
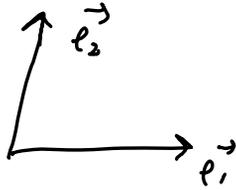


$$\vec{v}^\parallel + \vec{v}^\perp = \vec{v}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{ref}_L(\vec{v}) &= \vec{v} - 2\vec{v}^\perp = \vec{v}^\parallel - \vec{v}^\perp = \vec{v}^\parallel - (\vec{v} - \vec{v}^\parallel) \\ &= 2\vec{v}^\parallel - \vec{v} = 2\text{proj}_L(\vec{v}) - \vec{v} \end{aligned}$$

Rotation:



$$\text{so } R(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}) \\ \sin(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

observe: columns are length 1  
and perpendicular

This makes sense, as  $R$  preserves length  
and angle, and the columns are  $R(\vec{e}_i)$ .

# Invertibility

$$T: \mathbb{R}^m \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \text{ linear}$$

A  $m \times n$  matrix corresponding to  $T$

The following are equivalent.

1)  $T$  is invertible as a function  $\xrightarrow{S=T^{-1}}$   
(there is  $S: \mathbb{R}^m \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  so that  $T \circ S = S \circ T = \text{identity}$ )  
 $T(S(\vec{x})) = \vec{x}, S(T(\vec{y})) = \vec{y}$

$\downarrow$   
Note: need only check one of those. This is a consequence of rank-nullity

2)  $A$  is an invertible matrix  $\downarrow$   
(there is an  $n \times m$  matrix  $B$  so that  $AB = I_n$   
 $BA = I_m$ )  
 $B = A^{-1}$   $I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

3)  $\text{rank}(T) = n$

4)  $\text{null}(T) = \{0\}$

5)  $\text{im}(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$

6)  $\text{ker}(A) = \{0\}$

7)  $\text{ref}(A) = I_n$

8)  $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{b}$  has a solution for all  $\vec{b}$   
9)  $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{b}$  has a unique solution for all  $\vec{b}$

How to find inverse

$$\text{row} \left( A \mid I_n \right) = \left( I_n \mid A^{-1} \right)$$

Essentially, solve  $A\vec{x}_1 = \vec{e}_1$

$$A\vec{x}_2 = \vec{e}_2$$

$$A\vec{x}_3 = \vec{e}_3$$

$A^{-1}$  has columns  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \vec{x}_3$

Ch. 3

$T: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  linear

$A$  its corresponding matrix

image:  $\text{im}(T) = \text{set of outputs}$   
 $= \text{set of } \vec{b} \text{ s.t. } T(\vec{x}) = \vec{b} \text{ solvable}$   
 $= \{ T(\vec{x}) \mid \vec{x} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^m \}$

"which equations can be solved?"

$\text{ker}(T) = \text{solutions to } T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$   
 $= \{ \vec{x} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^m \mid T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0} \}$

"How unique are the solutions that exist?"

Both are subspaces,  $\text{im}(T)$  a subspace of  
target,  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
range

$\text{ker}(T)$  a subspace of  
input,  $\mathbb{R}^m$   
domain

A subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace if it contains the origin  $\vec{0}$  and is "closed under linear combination"

$\vec{v}$  in  $V$  then

 in  $V$

How to find  $\text{im}(T)$ ,  $\text{ker}(T)$ ?

$\text{im}(T) = \text{span}$  of columns of  $A$

we can find a basis by omitting redundant vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

either column is redundant.

$\text{ker}(T)$ ? We're solving a system of linear equations!

$$\begin{pmatrix} A \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

can ref this. also useful for image

redundant cols in  $\text{ker}(A) \leftrightarrow$  redundant cols in  $A$