

# Linear Algebra

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$a \oplus b$

# Sample problem

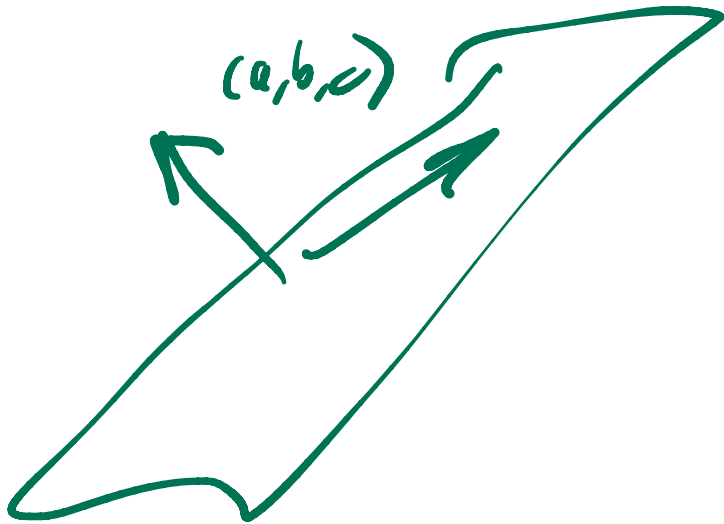
Given numbers:  $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2, c_1, c_2, d_1, d_2$ .

Unknowns:  $x, y, z$

$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = d_1$$

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# Geometric perspective



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The equation  $ax + by + cz = d$  is satisfied by points  $(x, y, z)$  lying in a plane. The normal of the plane is  $(a, b, c)$ . When  $d = 0$  the plane passes through the origin. Otherwise,  $d$  determines a different parallel plane.

A point  $(x, y, z)$  solves the system if it is on the intersection of the given planes.

# Linear combination perspective

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$$x \vec{a} + y \vec{b} + z \vec{c} = \mathbf{d}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1x \\ a_2x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_1y \\ b_2y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c_1z \\ c_2z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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An expression of the type on the left-hand side is called a **linear combination** of the vectors  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$ .

Find a linear combination of  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$  that equals  $\mathbf{d}$ .

# Matrix-vector multiplication: shorthand for linear combinations

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

By definition

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Notation:

$2 \times 3$  matrix

$$(\mathbf{a} \quad \mathbf{b} \quad \mathbf{c}) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = x\mathbf{a} + y\mathbf{b} + z\mathbf{c}$$

$$A = (\mathbf{a} \quad \mathbf{b} \quad \mathbf{c}); \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

$A \Rightarrow 5 \times 7$  matrix  
 $\vec{y} \Rightarrow$  vector

$$A \vec{y}$$

Find a solution  $\mathbf{x}$  of

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{d}.$$

Find a linear combination of the columns of  $A$  that equals  $\mathbf{d}$ .



# Column perspective of matrix-vector multiplication

$$A = (\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_n) \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{a}_1 + \cdots + x_n\mathbf{a}_n$$

For this to make sense, the number of columns of  $A$  has to match the number of rows of  $\mathbf{x}$ .

# Matrix-matrix multiplication (column perspective)

$$\begin{array}{c} m \times n \\ \swarrow \\ A = (\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_n) \\ \downarrow \\ | \quad \quad \quad | \\ \searrow \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} n \times k \\ \swarrow \\ B = (\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{b}_k) \\ \downarrow \\ | \quad \quad \quad | \\ \searrow \end{array}$$

Then:

$$AB = (\mathbf{Ab}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{Ab}_k)$$

This only works if the number of columns of  $A$  matches the number of rows of  $B$ . An  $m \times n$  matrix multiplied by a  $n \times k$  matrix yields a

$$m \times k \quad (m \times n) (n \times k)$$

$\swarrow \quad \swarrow$   
 $m \times k$

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# Matrix-matrix multiplication (row perspective)

$$1 \times 3 \quad 3 \times 3 \quad \rightarrow \quad 1 \times 3$$

$$(x \quad y \quad z) \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(x, y, z) \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \\ c_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(x \quad y \quad z) \begin{pmatrix} a_2 \\ b_2 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(x \quad y \quad z) \begin{pmatrix} a_3 \\ b_3 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(x a_1 + y b_1 + z c_1, x a_2 + y b_2 + z c_2, x a_3 + y b_3 + z c_3)$$

# Matrix-matrix multiplication (row perspective)



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

$$(x \quad y \quad z) \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(xa_1 + yb_1 + zc_1, xa_2 + yb_2 + zc_2, xa_3 + yb_3 + zc_3)$$

$$x(a_1, a_2, a_3) + y(b_1, b_2, b_3) + z(c_1, c_2, c_3)$$

# Matrix-matrix multiplication (row perspective)

$$A (\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n) = (A\vec{b}_1, \dots, A\vec{b}_n)$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{r}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{r}_m^T \end{pmatrix}}_A B = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{r}_1^T B \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{r}_m^T B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_i = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{r}_i^T = (a \ b \ c)$$

# Identity Matrices

$n \times n$  identity  $I_n$

$\text{eye}(n)$

$$I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I_n \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \cdots + x_n \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$I_n \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$$

If  $B = [\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_b]$

$\swarrow$   $n \times k$

$$I_n B = B$$

$$I_n B = [I_n \mathbf{b}_1, \dots, I_n \mathbf{b}_p] = [\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_b]$$

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$n \times k$   $m \times j$   $w \times w$

$$\underline{A} \underline{C} = \underline{I} \leftarrow$$
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$$A^{-1} A x = \underline{I} x = x$$

If  $A$  and  $C$  are  $n \times n$  we say  $C$  is the inverse matrix of  $A$  if  $AC = CA = I_n$ . We write  $C = A^{-1}$ .

# Gaussian Elimination (Step 1)

$$A^{-1} = (b_1, \dots, b_3)$$

$$AA^{-1} = (Ab_1, \dots, Ab_3)$$

$$Ab_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Ab_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Ab_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Want to solve  $Ax = b$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 30 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{matrix} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (e_1, \dots, e_3)$$

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Ax = b$$

Find  $A^{-1}$ !

$$\underbrace{A^{-1}A}_I x = A^{-1}b$$

$$x = A^{-1}b$$