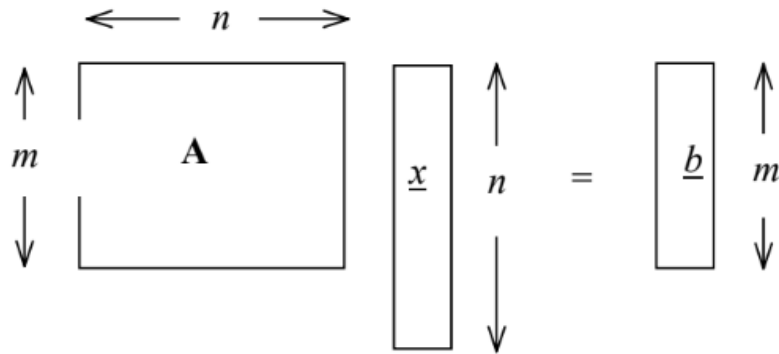


The Geometry of n Dimensions

In general, an $m \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} , transforms an n -dimensional vector \underline{x} into a corresponding m -dimensional vector \underline{b} :

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



Vector Spaces and Subspaces

For a general non-square $m \times n$ matrix:

$$\mathbf{A}\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \underline{a}_1 + x_2 \underline{a}_2 + \cdots + x_n \underline{a}_n$$

The \underline{a}_i are the **column vectors** of \mathbf{A} and they sweep out the part of R^m that we can get to by multiplying a vector in R^n by \mathbf{A} .

The region mapped out in R^m as the x_i vary is called a **vector space** and it is a straightforward generalisation to arbitrary dimensions of the concept of a line or a plane.

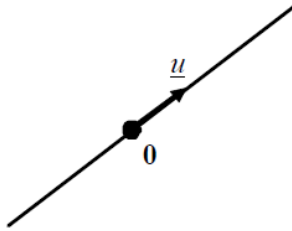
A vector space in R^m is the set of \underline{x} of the form:

$$\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{u} + \mu \underline{v} + \cdots$$

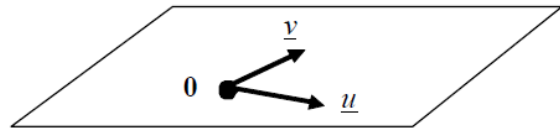
R^m is itself a vector space and "smaller" ones within it are said to be sub-spaces of R^m .

For example: The non-trivial sub-spaces of \mathbb{R}^3 are

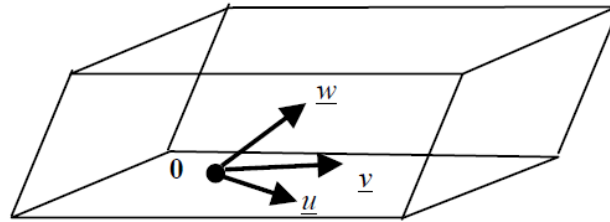
(a) $\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{u}$ lines through the origin



(b) $\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{u} + \mu \underline{v}$ planes through the origin.



(c) $\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{u} + \mu \underline{v} + \nu \underline{w} =$ whole of \mathbb{R}^3



Column Space

The vector space spanned by the columns of a general $m \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} is called the **column space** of

\mathbf{A} . The dimension (in the degrees of freedom sense) of column space is called the **rank** of \mathbf{A} .

Column space is part of \mathbb{R}^m and so the number of independent columns of \mathbf{A} can not exceed m , i.e. $\text{rank}(A) \leq m$. In addition, there are only n columns, so $\text{rank}(A) \leq n$.

If \underline{b} lies in column space, then $\mathbf{A}\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ has at least one solution.

If \underline{b} is not in column space, then $\mathbf{A}\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ has no solution.

If $\text{rank}(A) = m$, so that column space = whole of \mathbb{R}^m , then \underline{b} must lie in column space.

Matrix Multiplication

For the general case of $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{BC}$ where \mathbf{A} is an $m \times n$ matrix, \mathbf{B} is an $m \times k$ matrix, \mathbf{C} is an $k \times n$ matrix,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \cdots & \uparrow \\ \underline{a}_1 & \underline{a}_2 & \cdots & \underline{a}_n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \cdots & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \cdots & \uparrow \\ \underline{b}_1 & \underline{b}_2 & \cdots & \underline{b}_k \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \cdots & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & \cdots & c_{1n} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & \cdots & c_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{k1} & c_{k2} & \cdots & c_{kn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{b}_1 \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [c_{11} \quad c_{12} \quad \cdots \quad c_{1n}] + \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{b}_2 \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [c_{21} \quad c_{22} \quad \cdots \quad c_{2n}] + \cdots + \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{b}_k \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [c_{k1} \quad c_{k2} \quad \cdots \quad c_{kn}]$$

If we denote the columns of \mathbf{B} as \underline{b}_i and the rows of \mathbf{C} as $\underline{\tilde{c}}_i$:

$$\mathbf{A} = \underline{b}_1 \underline{\tilde{c}}_1^T + \underline{b}_2 \underline{\tilde{c}}_2^T + \cdots + \underline{b}_k \underline{\tilde{c}}_k^T$$

A product of vectors $\underline{x}\underline{y}^T$ is referred to as an **outer product** of \underline{x} and \underline{y} . (The dot product $\underline{x}^T \underline{y} = \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}$ is also called an **inner product**). So that \mathbf{A} is the sum of the outer products of each of the columns of \mathbf{B} with the corresponding row of \mathbf{C} .

For the j -th column of \mathbf{A} :

$$\begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{a}_j \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{b}_1 \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [c_{1j}] + \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{b}_2 \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [c_{2j}] + \dots + \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{b}_k \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [c_{kj}]$$

The matrix multiplication can also be interpreted as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \leftarrow & \underline{\tilde{a}}_1 & \rightarrow \\ \leftarrow & \underline{\tilde{a}}_2 & \rightarrow \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \leftarrow & \underline{\tilde{a}}_m & \rightarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} \\ b_{21} \\ \vdots \\ b_{m1} \end{bmatrix} [\leftarrow \underline{\tilde{c}}_1 \rightarrow] + \begin{bmatrix} b_{12} \\ b_{22} \\ \vdots \\ b_{m2} \end{bmatrix} [\leftarrow \underline{\tilde{c}}_2 \rightarrow] + \dots + \begin{bmatrix} b_{1k} \\ b_{2k} \\ \vdots \\ b_{mk} \end{bmatrix} [\leftarrow \underline{\tilde{c}}_k \rightarrow]$$

For the i -th row of \mathbf{A} :

$$[\leftarrow \underline{\tilde{a}}_i \rightarrow] = [b_{i1}] [\leftarrow \underline{\tilde{c}}_1 \rightarrow] + [b_{i2}] [\leftarrow \underline{\tilde{c}}_2 \rightarrow] + \dots + [b_{ik}] [\leftarrow \underline{\tilde{c}}_k \rightarrow]$$

LU Factorisation

An $m \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} can be factorized into the form $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{U}$ where \mathbf{L} is **lower-triangular** $m \times m$ matrix with 1's down the leading diagonal and \mathbf{U} is an **upper-echelon** matrix which is the same shape as \mathbf{A} .

Lower triangular means that \mathbf{L} has non-zero terms only on and below the leading diagonal:

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ * & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ * & * & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Upper echelon means that all non-zero elements are on or above the leading diagonal:

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & \dots & * \\ 0 & * & \dots & * \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & * \end{bmatrix}$$

If \mathbf{A} is square, then so is \mathbf{U} which is then said to be **upper triangular**.

$$\mathbf{A} = \underline{l}_1 \underline{\tilde{u}}_1^T + \underline{l}_2 \underline{\tilde{u}}_2^T + \dots + \underline{l}_k \underline{\tilde{u}}_k^T$$

Solution to Matrix Equation

$$\mathbf{A}\underline{x} = (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{U}\underline{x}) = \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{U}\underline{x}) = \underline{b}$$

$\mathbf{A}\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ is solved in two steps, find \underline{c} from $\mathbf{L}\underline{c} = \underline{b}$ and then find \underline{x} from $\mathbf{U}\underline{x} = \underline{c}$.

Partial pivoting

The technique of scanning the remaining non-zero elements in the next column in the remainder matrix to be zeroed and choosing the largest (in absolute value) at every stage is called **partial pivoting**.

LU decomposition with partial pivoting is $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{U}$ where \mathbf{P} is the permutation matrix. LU in its partial-pivoting mode is immune to introducing ill-conditioning into a problem.

Bases for the Column Space and Row Space

Column Space = all vectors formed by taking a linear combination of the columns of \mathbf{A} :

$$\lambda_1 \underline{a}_1 + \lambda_2 \underline{a}_2 + \cdots + \lambda_n \underline{a}_n$$

Row Space = all vectors formed by taking a linear combination of the rows of \mathbf{A} :

$$\mu_1 \tilde{\underline{a}}_1 + \mu_2 \tilde{\underline{a}}_2 + \cdots + \mu_m \tilde{\underline{a}}_m$$

\underline{l}_i form a basis for the column space of \mathbf{A} (the set of \underline{l}_i for which the corresponding $\tilde{\underline{u}}$ is non-zero).

$$\begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{a}_j \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{l}_1 \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [u_{1j}] + \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{l}_2 \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [u_{2j}] + \cdots + \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{l}_m \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} [u_{mj}]$$

$$\underline{a}_j = u_{1j} \underline{l}_1 + u_{2j} \underline{l}_2 + \cdots + u_{mj} \underline{l}_m$$

$\tilde{\underline{u}}_i$ form a basis for the row space of \mathbf{A} (the set of non-zero $\tilde{\underline{u}}_i$).

$$[\leftarrow \tilde{\underline{a}}_i \rightarrow] = [l_{i1}] [\leftarrow \tilde{\underline{u}}_1 \rightarrow] + [l_{i2}] [\leftarrow \tilde{\underline{u}}_2 \rightarrow] + \cdots + [l_{im}] [\leftarrow \tilde{\underline{u}}_m \rightarrow]$$

$$\tilde{\underline{a}}_i = l_{i1} \tilde{\underline{u}}_1 + l_{i2} \tilde{\underline{u}}_2 + \cdots + l_{im} \tilde{\underline{u}}_m$$

The dimension of column space is equal to the columns of \mathbf{L} that correspond to non-zero rows of \mathbf{U} . The dimension of row space is also equal to the number of non-zero rows of \mathbf{U} . For any matrix, number of independent rows is equal to number of independent columns (rank of \mathbf{A}).

Properties of the L & U Matrices

The columns of \mathbf{L} and the non-zero rows of \mathbf{U} are independent.

\mathbf{L}^{-1} always exists and $\det(\mathbf{L}) = 1$.

Since the column space of \mathbf{L} is the whole of \mathbb{R}^m , any vector in \mathbb{R}^m can be expressed in terms of the columns of \mathbf{L} .

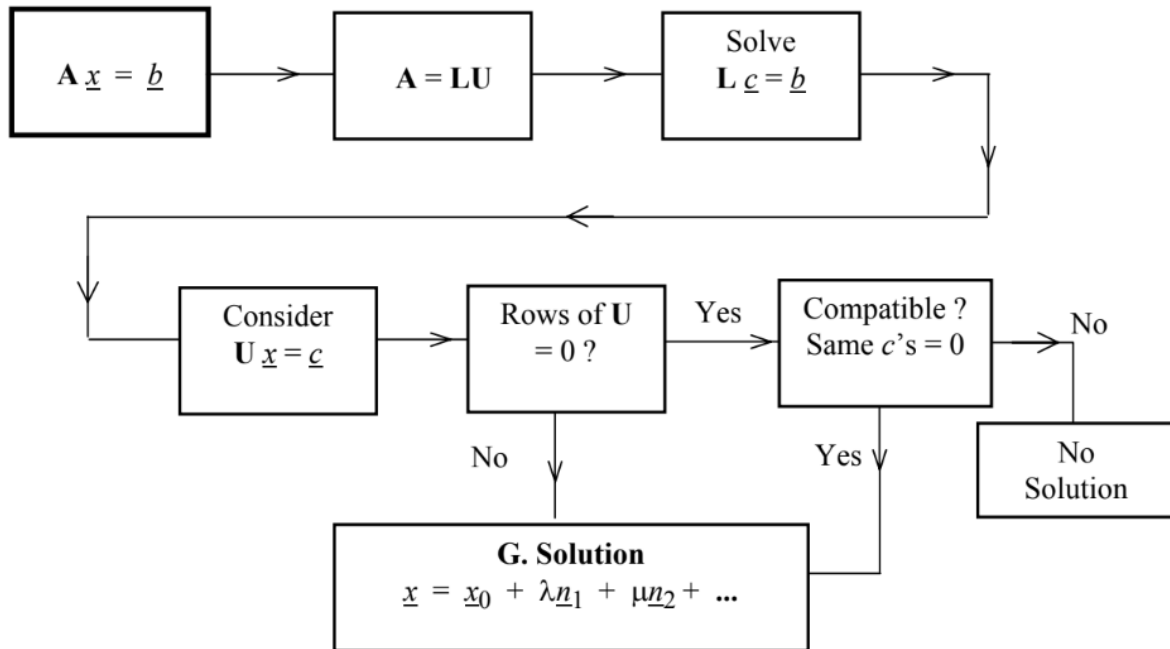
\mathbf{U} is the same shape as \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{U} has an inverse if and only if \mathbf{A} has one.

Algorithmic Complexity

For large n , the LU factorisation requires $\approx \frac{2}{3}n^3$ operations. Once the LU factorisation has been completed, it requires $\approx 2n^2$ operations to complete the solution of $\mathbf{A}\underline{x} = \underline{b}$.

The Solution of Matrix Equation

General Solution



Set all free variables to zero and find a particular solution x_0 .

Set the RHS to zero, give each free variable in turn the value 1 while the others are zero, and solve to find a set of vectors which span the null space of A .

Properties of the Fundamental Subspaces

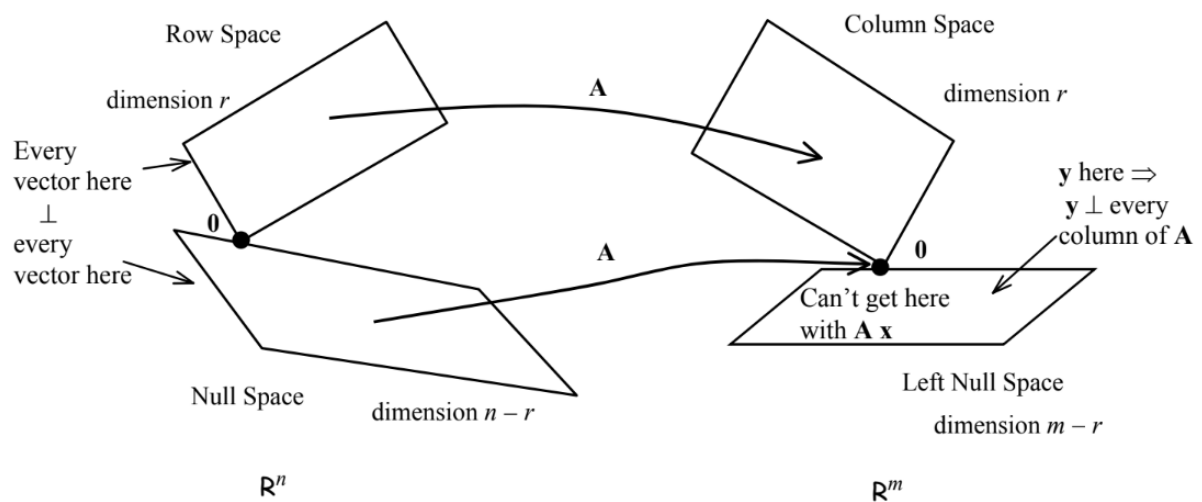
Bases for the Four Spaces

Column Space: the columns of L used, corresponding to non-zero rows of U .

Null Space (same as the Null Space of U): set the free variables to 1 in turn and solve $U\underline{x} = 0$.

Row Space: all non-zero rows of U .

Left Null Space: set the free variables to 1 in turn and solve $L_{RED}^T \underline{b} = 0$.



Properties of the Fundamental Subspaces

The dimension of row-space is equal to the number of non-zero rows of \mathbf{U} which is equal to the number of basic variables (those with pivots).

Dimension of row space = dimension of column space = $r = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$

The dimension of the null space of \mathbf{A} is equal to the number of free variables (the number of variables without pivots).

Dimension of null space = $n - r$

A vector \underline{n} is in null-space if, and only if, it is orthogonal to every row of \mathbf{A} and hence orthogonal to every vector in row space. (Null space and Row Space are orthogonal)

$$\mathbf{A}\underline{n} = \begin{bmatrix} \leftarrow \tilde{a}_1 \rightarrow \\ \leftarrow \tilde{a}_2 \rightarrow \\ \vdots \\ \leftarrow \tilde{a}_m \rightarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{n} \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{a}_1 \cdot \underline{n} \\ \tilde{a}_2 \cdot \underline{n} \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{a}_m \cdot \underline{n} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Every vector in Column Space is orthogonal to every vector in Left Null Space.

Dimension of left null-space = $m - r$

Row space and Null Space are said to be **orthogonal complements** in R^n , and Column Space and Left Null space are orthogonal complements in R^m .

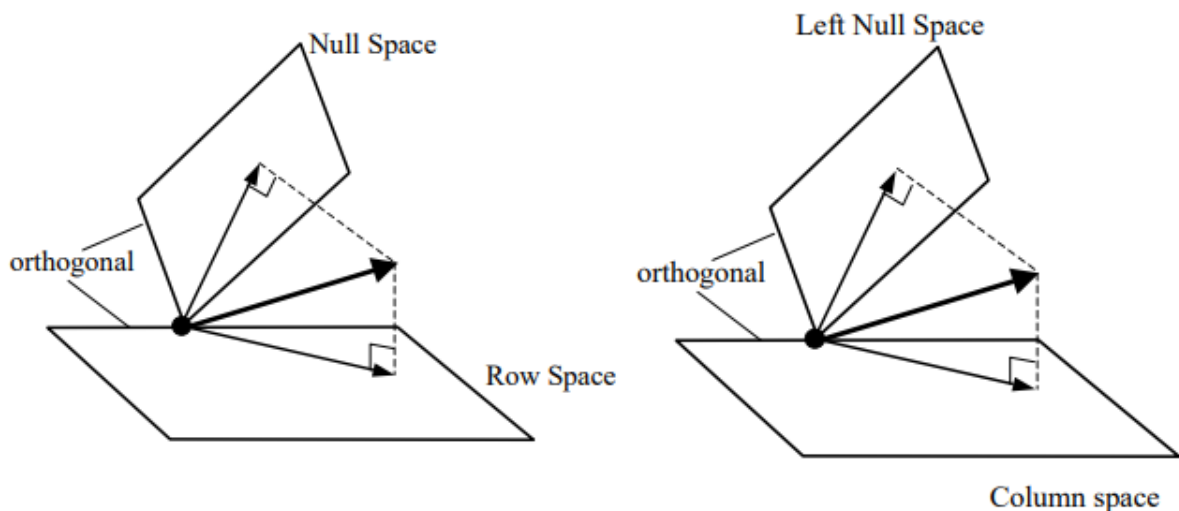
The Big Picture

Row space and Null space represent all of R^n . Column space and Left Null space similarly carve up R^m .

$$\underline{x} = \underline{x}_{row} + \underline{x}_{null}$$

$$\underline{b} = \underline{b}_{col} + \underline{b}_{left}$$

$$\underline{x}_{row} \cdot \underline{x}_{null} = \underline{b}_{col} \cdot \underline{b}_{left} = 0$$



If a vector \underline{b} has a non-zero \underline{b}_{left} then $\mathbf{A}\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ has no solution. The various compatibility conditions necessary for there to be a solution can be stated as \underline{b} being orthogonal to each of the vectors in a basis of Left Null Space.

If we restrict the vectors that \mathbf{A} operates on to Row Space, then it is clear that \mathbf{A} maps an r -dimensional space onto Column Space (which is also r -dimensional). The mapping is, therefore, reversible.

Least Squares Solution and QR Factorisation

Suppose we have carried out an experiment, in which the parameter b has been measured at different times t , and that we are seeking to fit a linear relationship to the data $b = C + Dt$ or for a quadratic fit $b = C + Dt + Et^2$.

In matrix form the linear case is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 \\ 1 & t_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

These equations are **inconsistent** and we need to find **the best fit**: $\mathbf{A}\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ as close as possible to \mathbf{b} .

For least squares problems, then, the $m \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} usually has the following properties:

- $m > n$ (often $m \gg n$)
- The columns of \mathbf{A} are independent. (rank of \mathbf{A} is n .)

The least squares solution for \mathbf{x} ($= \bar{\mathbf{x}}$) minimises $|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}|^2 = (\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b})$ and this can be multiplied out and then partial differentiation used to find the minimum.

Alternatively, for any vector $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}_{col} + \mathbf{b}_{left}$ where $\mathbf{b}_{col} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{left} = 0$. So we need to get rid of \mathbf{b}_{left} and just concentrate on \mathbf{b}_{col} by multiplying the original problem by \mathbf{A}^t .

$$\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{b}_{col} + \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{b}_{left} = \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{b}_{col}$$

In summary, the least squares solution to an inconsistent system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ of m equations in n unknowns satisfies $\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{b}$.

Assuming that the columns of \mathbf{A} are independent, $\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A}$ is invertible and $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{b}$

The Gram-Schmidt Process

Another way of removing the part of \mathbf{b} that is not in the column space of \mathbf{A} is to project \mathbf{b} directly onto column space.

The **Gram-Schmidt procedure** is a way of generating a set of mutually orthogonal unit vectors (orthogonal + unit = orthonormal) from an arbitrary set. Armed with these, taking projections is much easier.

$$\mathbf{b}_{col} = \alpha_1 \mathbf{q}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{q}_2 + \dots$$

$$\alpha_i = \mathbf{q}_i \cdot \mathbf{b}$$

We start with the columns of \mathbf{A} and derive the \mathbf{q} 's as follows:

1. Turn the first one into a unit vector

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{a}_1}{|\mathbf{a}_1|}$$

2. Take \mathbf{a}_2 and form \mathbf{q}_2 by first subtracting off the bit that's parallel to \mathbf{a}_1 and then normalising

$$\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_2 = \mathbf{a}_2 - (\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{a}_2) \mathbf{q}_1$$

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_2}{|\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_2|}$$

3. Repeat this process for the other \mathbf{a} 's

$$\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_i = \mathbf{a}_i - (\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{a}_i) \mathbf{q}_1 - (\mathbf{q}_2 \cdot \mathbf{a}_i) \mathbf{q}_2 - \dots$$

$$\mathbf{q}_i = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_i}{|\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_i|}$$

QR Factorisation

If we assemble the vectors \mathbf{a}_i from the previous section as the columns of a matrix \mathbf{A} , and vectors \mathbf{q}_i as those of a matrix \mathbf{Q} , then we have $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{QR}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \cdots & \uparrow \\ \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \cdots & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \cdots & \uparrow \\ \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{q}_n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \cdots & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{a}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{a}_n \\ 0 & \mathbf{q}_2 \cdot \mathbf{a}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{q}_2 \cdot \mathbf{a}_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \mathbf{q}_n \cdot \mathbf{a}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

The columns of \mathbf{Q} are mutually orthogonal vectors which span the column space of \mathbf{Q} .

$$\mathbf{Q}^t \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I}$$

The matrix \mathbf{R} is square, upper triangular with non-zero elements down the diagonal. It therefore has rank n and is invertible.

Simplification of Least Squares Solution

Given the set of equations $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ where \mathbf{A} is an $m \times n$ matrix whose columns are independent ($m \geq n$ and rank of \mathbf{A} is n) then the least squares solution satisfies:

$$\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A} \bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{Q}^t \mathbf{b}$$

Projection onto Column Space

The projection of \mathbf{b} onto the column space of \mathbf{A} :

$$\mathbf{b}_{col} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{b}$$

The projection matrix \mathbf{P} is given by:

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t = \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{Q}^t$$

$$\mathbf{b}_{col} = (\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{b}) \mathbf{q}_1 + (\mathbf{q}_2 \cdot \mathbf{b}) \mathbf{q}_2 + \cdots + (\mathbf{q}_n \cdot \mathbf{b}) \mathbf{q}_n$$

$$\mathbf{b}_{col} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \cdots & \uparrow \\ \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{q}_n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \cdots & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \cdot \mathbf{b} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{q}_n \cdot \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \cdots & \uparrow \\ \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{q}_n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \cdots & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \leftarrow \mathbf{q}_1 \rightarrow \\ \leftarrow \mathbf{q}_2 \rightarrow \\ \vdots \\ \leftarrow \mathbf{q}_n \rightarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \\ \mathbf{b} \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{Q}^t \mathbf{b}$$

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

For a symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} , the eigenvalues are real and the eigenvectors orthogonal.

$$\mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \cdots & \uparrow \\ \underline{u}_1 & \underline{u}_2 & \cdots & \underline{u}_n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \cdots & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \cdots & \uparrow \\ \underline{u}_1 & \underline{u}_2 & \cdots & \underline{u}_n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \cdots & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^{-1} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^T$$

$$\mathbf{A}^k = (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^{-1}) (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^{-1}) \cdots (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^{-1}) = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}^k\mathbf{U}^{-1}$$

Characteristic Equation

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{x} = 0$$

For there to be a nonzero solution for \mathbf{x} , $\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}$ is singular.

For a general $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} , the **characteristic equation** takes the form:

$$P(\lambda) = \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$P(\lambda) = (-\lambda)^n + \alpha_1(-\lambda)^{n-1} + \alpha_2(-\lambda)^{n-2} + \cdots + \alpha_n = (\lambda_1 - \lambda)(\lambda_2 - \lambda) \cdots (\lambda_n - \lambda) = 0$$

The product of the eigenvalues is simply the determinant of \mathbf{A} .

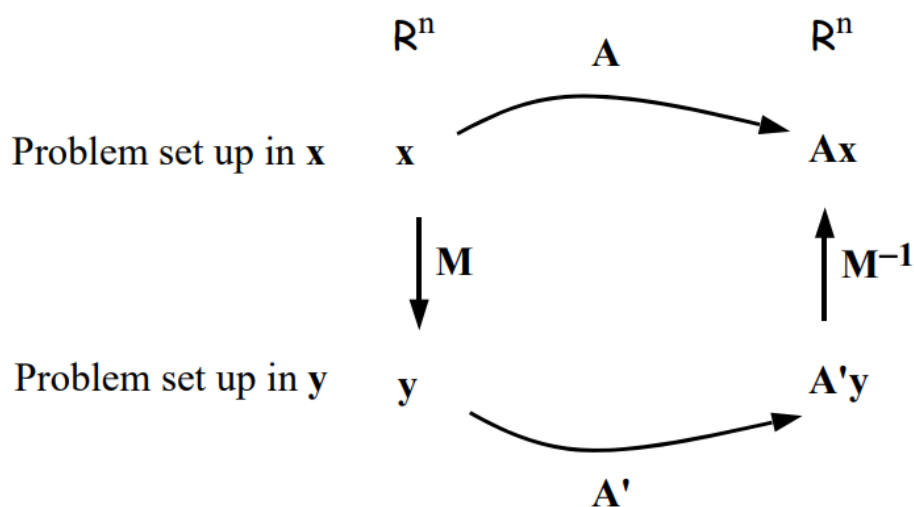
A matrix which does not have a full set of eigenvectors is said to be **defective**.

Diagonal Form of a Matrix

In general, the eigenvectors for non-symmetric matrices are not orthogonal. However, the columns of \mathbf{X} are independent. This means that the column space of \mathbf{X} has dimension n and therefore must be the whole of R^n . (\mathbf{X} is invertible)

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{X}^{-1}$$

A relationship of this form is referred to as a **similarity** relationship and \mathbf{A} and $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ are said to be similar matrices.



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

\mathbf{A} is similar to \mathbf{A}' since $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{M}$ and $\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{M}^{-1}$

Similar matrices have the same set of eigenvalues and the eigenvectors are related by $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}$.

A matrix which is similar to a diagonal matrix is said to be **diagonalisable**.

Diagonalisable (Non-Symmetric) Matrices

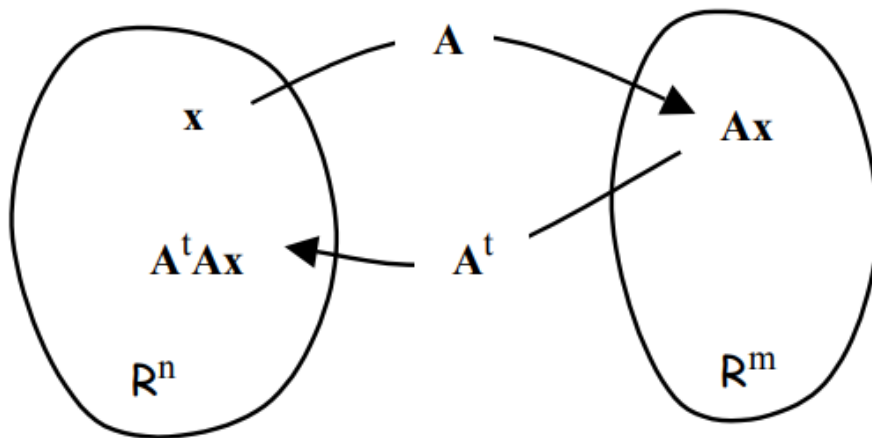
Any matrix with distinct eigenvalues can be diagonalized.

Non-symmetric matrices with repeated eigenvalues may be diagonalisable, or they may not.

Singular Value Decomposition

Non-square matrices do not have eigenvalues and eigenvectors but there is a related concept called **singular values**.

The Eigenvalue Problem



If \mathbf{A} is $m \times n$, then \mathbf{A}^t is $n \times m$ and $\mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A}$ is $n \times n$. It is also symmetric since $(\mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A})^t = \mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A}$.

$\mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A}$ is, therefore, diagonalisable and the eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A}$ can be chosen to be orthogonal, unit vectors.

$$\mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{Q}^t$$

The eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A}$ can not be negative.

$$\mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A}\mathbf{q} = \lambda\mathbf{q}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{q})^t\mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}}{\mathbf{q}^t\mathbf{q}} = \frac{|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}|^2}{|\mathbf{q}|^2}$$

There will be r which are non-zero and $n - r$ which are zero where $r = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$.

For a zero eigenvalue, $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{q} = 0$ and so \mathbf{q} is in the null space of \mathbf{A} .

For a non-zero eigenvalue, $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}$ is non-zero and so \mathbf{q} is not in the null space of \mathbf{A} . But all the \mathbf{q} 's are orthogonal, so it must be orthogonal to all of the \mathbf{q} 's which are in null space, and hence must be in the row space of \mathbf{A} .

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{q}_r & \mathbf{q}_{r+1} & \mathbf{q}_{r+2} & \dots & \mathbf{q}_n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{\text{non-zero } \lambda}$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{\lambda = 0}$

$\mathbf{q}_1 \dots \mathbf{q}_r$ are an orthogonal basis for Row Space

$\mathbf{q}_{r+1} \dots \mathbf{q}_n$ are an orthogonal basis for Null Space

Singular Values

Define the **singular values** of \mathbf{A} by $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$ for $1 \leq i < r$. (non-zero eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A}$)

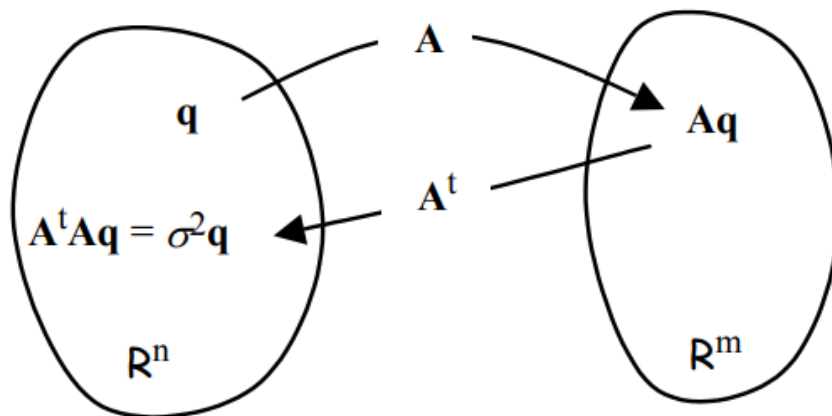
$$\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A} \mathbf{q}_i = \sigma_i^2 \mathbf{q}_i$$

The **norm** of \mathbf{A} (a measure of the size of the matrix, where a vector has a magnitude) is equal to the largest singular value of \mathbf{A} .

$$\|\mathbf{A}\| = \sigma_{max}$$

Basis for Column Space and Null Space

$$\hat{\mathbf{q}}_i = \frac{\mathbf{A} \mathbf{q}_i}{\sigma_i}$$



\mathbf{q} 's are orthogonal, unit vectors in the column space of \mathbf{A} . They are eigenvectors for $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^t$ with the same eigenvalues σ_i^2 .

$$\mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A} \mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^t (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{q}) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{q}$$

We can complete this set by adding eigenvectors corresponding to eigenvalue zero for $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^t$. They must be in the left-null space of \mathbf{A} and can be chosen to be orthogonal, unit vectors.

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^t = \hat{\mathbf{Q}} \hat{\Lambda} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}^t$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{Q}} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 & \dots & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_r & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{r+1} & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{r+2} & \dots & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_m \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix}$$

non-zero σ
 $\sigma = 0$

$\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 \dots \hat{\mathbf{q}}_r$ are an orthogonal basis for Column Space

$\hat{\mathbf{q}}_{r+1} \dots \hat{\mathbf{q}}_m$ are an orthogonal basis for Left-Null Space

Singular Value Decomposition

Since $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}_i = \sigma_i \hat{\mathbf{q}}_i$ for $1 \leq i < r$, we can write $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q} = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}\hat{\Sigma}$.

$$\mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbf{q}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{q}_r & \mathbf{q}_{r+1} & \dots & \mathbf{q}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 & \dots & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_r & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{r+1} & \dots & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_m \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & & & \\ & \dots & & & & \mathbf{0} \\ & & \sigma_r & & & \\ & & & 0 & & \\ \mathbf{0} & & & & \dots & \\ & & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \sigma_1 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 & \dots & \sigma_r \hat{\mathbf{q}}_r & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix}$$

Because \mathbf{Q} is an orthogonal matrix, its inverse is its transpose.

$$\mathbf{A} = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}\hat{\Sigma}\mathbf{Q}^t$$