

# Linear Algebra 2 Notes (2023/2024)

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# 1 Vector spaces

## Definition Vector space

Consider a **field**  $\mathbb{F}$  of scalars and a set  $V$  with elements called **vectors**.

We define two operations on  $V$ :

- $\oplus : V \times V \rightarrow V$  Vector addition
- $\odot : \mathbb{F} \times V \rightarrow V$  Scalar multiplication

$V$  is a **vector space** over  $\mathbb{F}$  if and only if these axioms hold:

1. There exists an element  $\mathbf{0}$  (the **zero vector**) in  $V$  such that  $\mathbf{0} \oplus u = u$  for all  $u \in V$ .
2. Vector addition is commutative:  $u \oplus v = v \oplus u$
3. Vector addition is associative:  $u \oplus (v \oplus w) = (u \oplus v) \oplus w$
4. For each  $u \in V$ , there exists  $z \in V$  (the **additive inverse**) such that  $u \oplus z = \mathbf{0}$
5. For all  $u \in V$ ,  $1 \odot u = u$
6. For all  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$  and all  $u \in V$ ,  $a \odot (b \odot u) = (ab) \odot u$
7. For all  $c \in \mathbb{F}$  and all  $u, v \in V$ ,  $c \odot (u \oplus v) = (c \odot u) \oplus (c \odot v)$
8. For all  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$  and all  $u \in V$ ,  $(a + b) \odot u = (a \odot u) \oplus (b \odot u)$

## Theorem

Let  $V$  be a vector space and let  $u \in V$ . Then,

1. The zero vector  $\mathbf{0}$  is unique.
2.  $0 \odot u = \mathbf{0}$
3. The additive inverse  $z$  of  $u$  is unique.
4.  $-1 \odot u = z$

## Alternative notation:

additive inverse  $-u$  zero vector  $0$  vector addition  $u + v$  scalar multiplication  $cu$

## Definition Subspace

Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .  $U \subseteq V$  is a **subspace** of  $V$  if

$U$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  with the same vector addition and scalar multiplication operations as  $V$ .

Only axioms 1 and 4 have to be checked to see if  $U$  is a subspace.

## Theorem

Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  and  $U \subseteq V$ . Then  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if:

1.  $U$  is nonempty
2.  $u + v \in U$  for all  $u, v \in U$
3.  $cu \in U$  for all  $c \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $u \in U$

## 1.1 Linear combinations

### Definition Linear combination

Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

For given  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \in V$ , we say that an expression of the form  $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_rv_r$  is a **linear combination** of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$ .

### Definition Span

The set of all linear combinations of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \in V$  is called the **span** of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$ .

We denote it by  $\text{span}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r) = \{c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_rv_r \mid c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{F}\}$

## Theorem

Let  $V$  be a vector space and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \in V$ . Then  $\text{span}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

### Definition Spanning set

We say that  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  is a **spanning set** for  $V$  (or  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  **span**  $V$ ) if every vector in  $V$  can be written as a linear combination of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$ .

**Theorem**

1. If  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  span  $V$  and one of these vectors is a linear combination of the others, then these  $r - 1$  vectors span  $V$ .
2. One of the vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  is a linear combination of the others if and only if there exist scalars  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{F}$ , not all zero, such that  $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_rv_r = 0$

**Definition** *Linear dependence and independence*

The vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  are **linearly dependent** if there exist scalars  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{F}$ , not all zero, such that  $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_rv_r = 0$ . Otherwise, they are **linearly independent**.

**Theorem**

Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \in V$  be vectors. Every vector in  $\text{span}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r)$  can be written uniquely as a linear combination of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  if and only if  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  are linearly independent.

## 1.2 Subspace operations

**Theorem**

If  $U, W$  are subspaces of a vector space  $V$ , then  $U \cap W$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

This is not necessarily true for  $U \cup W$ .

**Definition** *Sum of subspaces*

The **sum** of two subspaces  $U$  and  $W$  of  $V$  is defined as  $U + W = \{u + w \mid u \in U \text{ and } w \in W\}$

**Theorem**

If  $U, W$  are subspaces of a vector space  $V$ , then  $U + W$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

**Definition** *Direct sum of subspaces*

The sum of two subspaces  $U, W$  is called a **direct sum** if  $U \cap W = 0$

Every vector in a direct sum  $U + W$  can be uniquely expressed as a sum of  $u \in U$  and  $w \in W$ .

## 1.3 Bases

**Definition** *Basis*

Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$ . The vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  form a **basis** of  $V$  if

1.  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent
2.  $\text{span}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) = V$

Bases are not unique.

**Lemma** *Replacement lemma*

Let  $V$  be a nonzero vector space over  $F$  and let  $r$  be a positive integer.

Suppose that  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r$  span  $V$ . Let  $v = \sum_{i=1}^r c_i u_i$  be a nonzero vector in  $V$ . Then,

1.  $c_j \neq 0$  for some  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, r\}$ .
2. If  $c_j \neq 0$  then  $v, u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_r$  span  $V$ .
3. If  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}$  is a basis for  $V$  then  $\{v, u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_r\}$  is also a basis for  $V$ .

**Theorem**

Let  $n$  and  $r$  be positive integers and let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$ .

Let  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis of  $V$  and let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r$  be linearly independent. Then,

1.  $r \leq n$
2. If  $r = n$ , then  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}$  is a basis of  $V$ .

**Theorem**

If  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}$  are bases of  $V$ , then  $n = r$ .

### Definition Dimension

Let  $V$  be a vector space and let  $n$  be a positive integer.

- If  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis of  $V$ , then  $n$  is the **dimension** of  $V$ .
- If  $V = \{0\}$ , then  $V$  has dimension zero.
- If  $V$  has dimension  $n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $V$  is finite dimensional (notation:  $\dim V = n$ )
- Otherwise,  $V$  is infinite dimensional.

If  $\text{span}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r) = V$ , then  $\dim V \leq r$

If  $V$  is finite dimensional, every set of linearly independent vectors in  $V$  can be extended to a basis.

If  $V$  is finite dimensional and  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then  $\dim U \leq \dim V$ .

The set of sequences in  $\mathbb{R}$  is an example of an infinite-dimensional vector space.

### Theorem Grassman's formula

$$\dim(U \cap W) + \dim(U + W) = \dim U + \dim W$$

## 1.4 Linear transformations

### Definition Linear transformation

Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over the same field  $\mathbb{F}$ .

A function  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is called a **linear transformation** (a **linear operator** if  $V = W$ ) if

$$T(au + bv) = aT(u) + bT(v) \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{F} \quad \forall u, v \in V$$

Let  $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times m}$  and  $T(x) = Ax$ . Then  $T$  is a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{F}^m$  to  $\mathbb{F}^n$ .

Derivatives and integrals are linear transformations.

### Lemma

Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$  and let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. Then,

1.  $T(ev) = cT(v)$  for all  $c \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $v \in V$
2.  $T(0) = 0$  (the first 0 is in  $V$ , the second 0 is in  $W$ )
3.  $T(a_1v_1 + a_2v_2 + \dots + a_nv_n) = a_1T(v_1) + a_2T(v_2) + \dots + a_nT(v_n) \quad \forall v_k \in V \quad \forall a_k \in \mathbb{F}$

### Definition Kernel and range

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation.

- The **kernel** of  $T$  is defined as  $\ker T = \{v \in V \mid T(v) = 0\}$
- The **range** of  $T$  is defined as  $\text{ran } T = \{w \in W \mid \exists v \in V \text{ s.t. } T(v) = w\}$

### Theorem

The kernel of  $T$  is a subspace of  $V$  and the range of  $T$  is a subspace of  $W$ .

Any element of an  $n$ -dimensional vector space can be represented by the  **$E$ -coordinate vector**  $\langle c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \rangle \in \mathbb{F}^n$  by fixing an ordered basis  $E$ .

### Definition $E$ -basis representation

Let  $E = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$  be an ordered basis of  $V$ .

For any  $u \in V$ , write  $u = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_nv_n$  where  $c_k \in \mathbb{F}$ .

The function  $[\cdot]_E : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^n$ , defined by  $[u]_E = \langle c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \rangle$  is called the  **$E$ -basis representation**.

### Theorem

$[\cdot]_E : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^n$  is a linear transformation.

**Theorem** *Isomorphism  $V$  and  $\mathbb{F}^n$*

$[\cdot]_E$  is a bijection between  $V$  and  $\mathbb{F}^n$ .

We say that  $[\cdot]_E : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^n$  is a (linear) **isomorphism** and  $V$  and  $\mathbb{F}^n$  are **isomorphic**.

**Theorem** *Dimension theorem*

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. Then  $\dim \ker(T) + \dim \text{ran}(T) = \dim V$

The range of a matrix is equal to the span of its columns.

**Lemma**

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map. Then  $\ker(T) = \{0\}$  if and only if  $T$  is injective.

**Lemma**

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map with  $\dim V = \dim W < \infty$ . Then  $T$  is injective  $\iff T$  is surjective.

## 1.5 Matrix representations

**Definition** *Matrix representation of a linear transformation*

Let  $V$  be a  $n$ -dimensional vector space over  $F$  with basis  $\beta$  and linear transformation  $\beta$ .

Then the **matrix representation** with respect to  $\beta$  is the matrix  ${}_\beta[T]_\beta$  where each column is a vector of the basis with  $T$  applied to it.

Every  $n$ -dimensional vector space (mapped to  $\mathbb{F}^n$ ) has the **standard basis**  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

**Definition** *Change of basis matrix*

The **change of basis matrix** from  $\beta$  to  $\gamma$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix  ${}_\beta[I]_\gamma$  whose columns are the elements of  $\beta$  expressed in  $\gamma$ .

**Theorem**

Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space with bases  $\beta, \gamma$  and linear transformation  $T$ .

Let  $S = {}_\gamma[I]_\beta$ . Then  ${}_\beta[I]_\gamma = S^{-1}$  and  ${}_\gamma[T]_\gamma = S {}_\beta[T]_\beta S^{-1}$

**Definition** *Similarity*

Two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are **similar** if and only if  $A = Q^{-1}BQ$  for some  $Q$ .

## 2 Inner product spaces

**Definition** *Inner product space over  $\mathbb{R}$*

An **inner product space** over  $\mathbb{R}$  is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -vectorspace  $V$  together with a map

$$V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : (v_1, v_2) \mapsto \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

This map satisfies the axioms of an inner product:

1. **Linearity** For any fixed  $v_2$ , the map  $V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : v \in V \mapsto \langle v, v_2 \rangle$  is linear.
2. **Symmetry**  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle$  for all  $v_1, v_2 \in V$
3. **Positivity**  $\langle v, v \rangle \geq 0$  and if  $v \neq 0$ ,  $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$

**Definition** Hermitian inner product space (Inner product space over  $\mathbb{C}$ )

An **inner product space** over  $\mathbb{C}$  is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -vectorspace  $V$  together with a map

$$V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : (v_1, v_2) \mapsto \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

This map satisfies the following axioms:

1. **Linearity** For any fixed  $v_2$ , the map  $V \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : v \in V \mapsto \langle v, v_2 \rangle$  is linear.  
The map is not necessarily linear if  $v_1$  is fixed instead of  $v_2$ .
2. **Symmetry**  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \overline{\langle v_2, v_1 \rangle}$  for all  $v_1, v_2 \in V$
3. **Positivity**  $\langle v, v \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$  and if  $v \neq 0$ ,  $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$

Notation:  $v_1 \perp v_2$  means that  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  have inner product 0.

The standard inner product for  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j \bar{b}_j$

## 2.1 Norms

**Definition** Norm

Let  $V$  be an  $\mathbb{F}$ -vectorspace.

A vector-space **norm** on  $V$  is a map  $\|\cdot\| : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $\|v\|$  is the norm of  $v \in V$ .

This map has to satisfy the following conditions for all  $v \in V$ :

1. **Non-negativity**  $\|v\| \geq 0$
2. **Positivity**  $\|v\| = 0 \iff v = 0$
3. **Homogeneity**  $\|\lambda v\| = |\lambda| \cdot \|v\| \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F}$
4. **Triangle inequality**  $\|v + w\| \leq \|v\| + \|w\|$

**Theorem**

Let  $V$  be an inner product space. Then we can define a norm as  $\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$

**Theorem** Cauchy-Schwarz-Bunyakovsky inequality

$$|\langle v, w \rangle| \leq \|v\| \cdot \|w\|$$

## 2.2 Orthonormal vectors

**Definition** Orthogonal system

An orthogonal system in a vector space  $V$  is a set of  $n$  vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n \in V$  such that  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $i \neq j$

**Definition** Orthonormal system

An orthonormal system in a vector space  $V$  is a set of  $n$  vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n \in V$

such that  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if and only if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if and only if } i \neq j \end{cases}$

**Lemma**

The vectors in any orthogonal system form an independent set.

**Definition** Orthonormal basis

We call  $\{v_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq V$  an **orthonormal basis** iff  $\{v_i\}_{i \in I}$  is an orthonormal system that spans  $V$ .

**Theorem**

Let  $\{v_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a basis of  $V$ . Take any vector  $v \in V$ , which can be written uniquely as  $a_{i_1} v_{i_1} + \dots + a_{i_m} v_{i_m}$

Then  $\langle v, v_j \rangle = \begin{cases} a_j & \text{if } j \in \{i_1, \dots, i_m\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

**Algorithm Gram-Schmidt process**

Let  $\dim V < \infty$ . Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be a basis of  $V$ .

Define the vectors  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  recursively by  $u_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|}$  and  $u_k = \frac{x_k}{\|x_k\|}$  where  $x_k = v_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \langle u_i v_k \rangle u_i$  for all  $k \leq n$ .

Then,  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $V$ .

## 2.3 Dual vector spaces

**Definition Dual vector space**

$L(V, W)$  is the set of linear maps from  $V$  to  $W$ .

Let  $V$  be an  $\mathbb{F}$ -vectorspace. The **dual vector space** of  $V$  is denoted  $V^*$  or  $L(V, \mathbb{F})$ .

The elements of  $V^*$  are called **functionals**.

Let  $V, W$  be an  $\mathbb{F}$ -vectorspace. Then  $L(V, W)$  is also an  $\mathbb{F}$ -vectorspace.

If  $V = \mathbb{F}^n$ , then  $V^* = \mathbb{F}^{1 \times n}$ .

Inner products of  $\mathbb{R}$ -vectorspaces are functionals.

**Theorem**

If  $V$  has  $\dim V = n < \infty$ , then  $V^* \cong V$  ( $\cong$  means isomorphic)

Any basis for  $V$  yields such an isomorphism.

**Theorem Riesz representation theorem**

If  $\dim V < \infty$ , then the map  $V \rightarrow V^*$  is bijective.

**Definition Adjoint**

Let  $T \in L(W, V)$ . Then  $T^*$  (or  $T^{adj}$ ) is a function such that  $\langle \langle T^*(\cdot), v \in V \rangle \rangle = \langle \cdot, T^*(v) \rangle$   
 $T^*$  is a linear map from  $V$  to  $W$ .

$T^*$  is the conjugate transpose of  $T$ .

**Definition Self-adjoint**

A linear transformation is **self-adjoint** or **Hermitian** if  $T^* = T$

## 2.4 Orthogonal complements

**Definition Orthogonal complement**

Let  $V$  be an inner product space and  $W \subseteq V$ . Then  $W^\perp := \{v \in V : \langle v, w \rangle = 0 \quad \forall w \in W\}$

If  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then  $W^\perp$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

$W^\perp \cap W = \{0\}$

**Theorem**

If  $V$  is finite-dimensional, then  $(W^\perp)^\perp = W$ . Otherwise,  $V \subseteq (W^\perp)^\perp$ .

**Theorem**

If  $V$  is finite-dimensional and  $W \subseteq V$ , then  $\dim W + \dim W^\perp = \dim V$ .

**Theorem**

If  $U$  is a finite-dimensional subspace of  $V$ , then  $V$  is the direct sum of  $U$  and  $U^\perp$ .

**Definition** *Orthogonal projection*

Let  $V \subseteq W$ . Every  $w \in W$  can be written uniquely as  $w = v + v' \in V^\perp$  where  $v$  is the **orthogonal projection** of  $w$ . (notation:  $P_v w$ )

**Theorem**

$$\ker T = (\text{image } T^*)^\perp$$

**Theorem** *Minimum norm solution*

Let  $V_1, V_2$  be inner product spaces and  $T : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$   $\mathbb{F}$ -linear.

Let  $b \in V_2$ . The set of solutions to  $T(x) = b$  is  $\{x \in V_1 \mid T(x) = b\} = \{a + v \mid a \in V_1, v \in \ker(T)\}$

If we solve  $T \circ T^*(x) = b$ , then  $T^*(x)$  is the **minimum norm solution** to  $T(x) = b$ .

**Theorem**

If  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is an orthonormal basis for  $U$ , then  $P_u(v) = \langle v, v_1 \rangle v_1 + \langle v, v_2 \rangle v_2 + \dots + \langle v, v_n \rangle v_n$

**Theorem**

Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vectorspace. Let  $T$  be a linear operator. Then

$$T \text{ is an orthogonal projection} \iff T \text{ is idempotent and self-adjoint}$$

**Theorem**

Let  $U = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be a finite-dimensional subspace of an inner product space  $V$ . Let  $v \in V$ . Then  $P_u v = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j u_j$  where  $[c_1 \ c_2 \ \dots \ c_n]^T \in \mathbb{F}^n$  is a solution to the **normal equation**:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \langle u_1, u_1 \rangle & \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle & \cdots & \langle u_1, u_n \rangle \\ \langle u_2, u_1 \rangle & \langle u_2, u_2 \rangle & \cdots & \langle u_2, u_n \rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle u_n, u_1 \rangle & \langle u_n, u_2 \rangle & \cdots & \langle u_n, u_n \rangle \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle v, u_1 \rangle \\ \langle v, u_2 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle v, u_n \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem** *Best approximation theorem*

Let  $U$  be a finite-dimensional subspace of an inner product space  $V$ .

Then  $\|v - P_u v\| \leq \|v - w\| \ \forall w \in U$  with equality if and only if  $P_u v = w$

## 2.5 Definite matrices

**Definition** *Definite matrix*

Define the inner product as the standard inner product in  $\mathbb{F}^n$ . Let  $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  be a Hermitian matrix. We say that  $A$  is:

1. **positive semidefinite** if  $\langle Ax, x \rangle \geq 0 \ \forall x \in \mathbb{F}^n$
2. **positive definite** if  $\langle Ax, x \rangle > 0$  for all nonzero  $x \in \mathbb{F}^n$
3. **negative semidefinite** if  $\langle Ax, x \rangle \leq 0 \ \forall x \in \mathbb{F}^n$
4. **negative definite** if  $\langle Ax, x \rangle < 0$  for all nonzero  $x \in \mathbb{F}^n$
5. **indefinite** if  $\langle Ax, x \rangle$  takes both positive and negative values.

Notation:  $A \geq 0$ ,  $A > 0$ ,  $A \leq 0$ ,  $A < 0$

**Theorem**

Let  $A \in \mathbb{F}^n$  be a Hermitian matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$  We have that:

1.  $A \geq 0$  if and only if  $\lambda_i \geq 0 \ \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
2.  $A > 0$  if and only if  $\lambda_i > 0 \ \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
3.  $A \leq 0$  if and only if  $\lambda_i \leq 0 \ \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
4.  $A < 0$  if and only if  $\lambda_i < 0 \ \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
5.  $A$  is indefinite if and only if  $\lambda_i > 0$  and  $\lambda_j < 0$  for some  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

**Lemma**

- $A$  is positive semidefinite if and only if there exists a  $B \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  such that  $A = B^*B$
- $A$  is positive definite if and only if there exists a nonsingular  $B$  such that  $A = B^*B$
- $A \leq 0 \iff -A \geq 0$
- If  $A$  is positive semidefinite, then  $\langle Ax, x \rangle = 0 \implies Ax = 0$
- $A > 0 \implies \det A > 0$

**Definition** *Square root of a matrix*

If  $A = B^2$ , then  $B$  is the square root of  $A$ .

Some matrices have many square roots. Not every matrix has a square root.

**Theorem**

Let  $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  be positive semidefinite. Then  $A$  has a unique positive semidefinite square root.

**Theorem** *Cholesky factorization*

Let  $F \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  be a positive semidefinite matrix.

There exists a lower triangular matrix  $L \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  with real nonnegative diagonal entries such that  $P = LL^*$

**Lemma** *QR factorization*

Let  $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$ .

There exists a unitary  $Q$  and upper triangular  $R$  with real nonnegative diagonal entries such that  $A = QR$

## 2.6 Singular value decomposition

**Definition** *Rank deficient matrix*

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  be a real matrix with  $m \geq n$ .  $A$  is called **rank deficient** if  $\text{rank } A < n$ .

**Theorem** *Singular value decomposition (tall matrices)*

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

There exist two orthogonal matrices  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and real numbers  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n \geq 0$  such that  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , where

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sigma_n \\ \hline & & & O \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $O$  is a  $(m - n) \times n$  zero matrix (with the same  $m, n$  as  $A$ )

Moreover if  $\text{rank } A = r$  then

- $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n > 0$
- $\sigma_{r+1} = \sigma_{r+2} = \dots = \sigma_n = 0$

The numbers  $\sigma_i$  are unique. They are called the **singular values** of  $A$ .

$\Sigma$  is unique in general, but  $U$  and  $V$  are not.

**Lemma**

Let  $r = \text{rank } A$ .

Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  be the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$ , and order them such that  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$

Partition  $U$  into  $U_1$  (first  $r$  columns) and  $U_2$  (last  $n - r$  columns). Similarly, partition  $V$  into  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ .

1.  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lambda_i \geq 0$  for all  $i \in 1, 2, \dots, n$
2.  $\lambda_{r+1} = \lambda_{r+2} = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$
3.  $AV_2 = 0$
4.  $AV_1V_1^T = A$
5. Let  $u_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i}Av_i$  where  $v_i$  is the  $i$ -th column of  $V_1$ .  
Then  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is an orthonormal set in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

### Theorem

The squares of the singular values of  $A$  are always equal to the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$ .

### Definition Left and right singular vectors

- The columns of  $U$  are eigenvectors of  $AA^T$ . We call them **left singular vectors** of  $A$ .
- The columns of  $V$  are eigenvectors of  $A^T A$ . We call them **right singular vectors** of  $A$ .

### Theorem

Let  $r = \text{rank } A$  and

$$\Sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sigma_r \end{bmatrix}$$

Then  $A = U_1 \Sigma_1 V_1^T$  and  $A^T = V_1 \Sigma_1 U_1^T$ . We call this the **reduced** or **compact** SVD.

### Theorem

1.  $\text{ran } A = \text{ran } U_1$
2.  $\text{ran } A^T = \text{ran } V_1$
3.  $\text{null } A = \text{null } V_1^T = \text{ran } V^2$
4.  $\text{null } A^T = \text{null } U_1^T = \text{ran } U^2$

### Theorem Generalized singular value decomposition

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  be a matrix of rank  $r$ .

There exist  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n > 0$  and orthogonal  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that

$$A = U \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma & 0_{(n-r) \times r} \\ 0_{r \times (m-r)} & 0_{(n-r) \times (m-r)} \end{bmatrix} V^T$$

where  $\Sigma$  is a diagonal matrix containing  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_r$  and  $0_{m \times n}$  is the  $m \times n$  zero matrix.

- If  $\text{rank } A = n$ , then the zero blocks on the right are absent.
- If  $\text{rank } A = m$ , then the zero blocks on the bottom are absent.
- If  $A$  is square and nonsingular, then all three zero blocks are absent.

### Definition

$$\|M\|_2 = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus 0} \frac{\|Mx\|}{\|x\|} \quad M_k := \{S \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \mid \text{rank } S \leq k\} \quad \alpha(A, M_k) := \inf\{\|A - S\|_2 \mid S \in M_k\}$$

### Theorem Best rank $n$ approximation

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $k < r = \text{rank } A$ . Let  $M_k := \{S \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \mid \text{rank } S \leq k\}$

Let  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_k \geq \sigma_{k+1} \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r > 0$  be the nonzero singular values of  $A$

Then  $\alpha(A, M_k) = \sigma_{k+1}$ .

Let

$$A = U \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma & 0_{(n-r) \times r} \\ 0_{r \times (m-r)} & 0_{(n-r) \times (m-r)} \end{bmatrix} V^T$$

where  $\Sigma$  is a diagonal matrix containing  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}, \dots, \sigma_r$  and  $0_{m \times n}$  is the  $m \times n$  zero matrix.

Then

$$X = U \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\Sigma} & 0_{(n-r) \times r} \\ 0_{r \times (m-r)} & 0_{(n-r) \times (m-r)} \end{bmatrix} V^T$$

where  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is  $\Sigma$  with  $\sigma_{k+1}, \dots, \sigma_r$  replaced by zeroes.

This matrix  $X$  is the **best approximation** of  $A$  in  $M_k$ .