

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 3x_2 &= b_1 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 &= b_2 \\ 3x_1 + 7x_2 &= b_3 \end{aligned}$$

### I.1 A close look at $Ax = b$

- Linear equations, elementary row operations, solution sets.

Recall. Let  $A \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{F}), b \in \mathbb{F}^m, Ax = b$ .

Find  $E_r \cdots E_1[A|b] = [\tilde{A}|\tilde{b}]$  in row echelon form,  $E_r \cdots E_1[A|I_n] = [I_n|A^{-1}]$ .

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Matrices, column space, row space, null space, ranks.  $\rightarrow$   $\text{rank}(A) = \# \text{ non-zero rows}$

Recall. Let  $A \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{F})$ , and  $E_r \cdots E_1 A = [\tilde{A}]$  in echelon form.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The row echelon form of } A &= \dim C(A^T) \\ &= \dim C(A) \end{aligned}$$

Then we can find the bases for column space, row space, and null space, and the rank of  $A$ .

$$A \in M_{m,n}, \text{ null space } N(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{F}^n : Ax = 0\}$$

#### Interpretation of $Ax = b$ .

**Example** Let  $A = [A_1 A_2] \in M_{3,2}, x = (x_1, x_2)^T, b \in \mathbb{F}^3$ .

Then  $Ax = b$  means  $b = x_1 A_1 + x_2 A_2$ .

All combination of  $A_1, A_2$  form the column space.

The equation  $Ax = b$  is solvable means that  $b$  is in the column space.

In general, if  $A \in M_{3,n}$ , the column space can be of dimensions 0, 1, 2, 3.

All these comments hold for the general case:  $Ax = b$ .

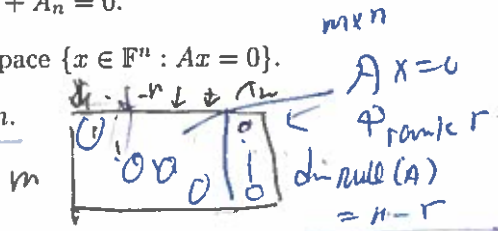
For example, if  $A = [A_1 | \cdots | A_n] \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{F})$  and  $Ax = b \in \mathbb{F}^m$  then  $b = x_1 A_1 + \cdots + x_n A_n$ .

If  $Ax = 0 \in \mathbb{F}^m$  has non-trivial solution then  $\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$  is linearly independent, i.e., there is  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  not all zero such that  $x_1 A_1 + \cdots + x_n A_n = 0$ .

The null space of  $A \in M_{m,n}$  is the set/subspace  $\{x \in \mathbb{F}^n : Ax = 0\}$ .

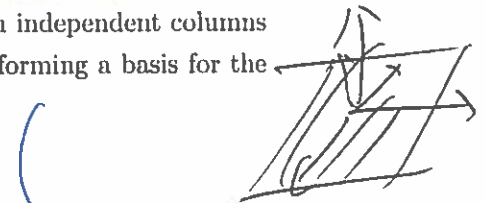
**Theorem** rank + null space dimension =  $n$ .

$A \in M_{m,n}$  putting one  $\rightarrow$  next  $= n$



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad C(A)$$

**Proposition** If  $A \in M_{m,n}$  has rank  $r$ , then  $A = CR$ , where  $C \in M_{m,r}$  with independent columns forming a basis for the column space, and  $R \in M_{r,n}$  has independent rows forming a basis for the row space. So, the row rank and column rank of  $A$  are the same.



$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Remark** The result is useful for low rank factorization.

There will be better factorization, namely, the singular value decomposition.

$$\text{rank}(A) = r$$

$$\text{rank}(A^T) = r$$

$$(XY)^T = Y^T X^T$$

$$A^T y = 0, \quad y^T A = 0$$

$$\dim \text{null}(A^T) = m - r$$

Example

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

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \vdots & & \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark: (1)  $A \begin{bmatrix} B_1 & \dots & B_p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} AB_1 & \dots & AB_p \end{bmatrix}$

(2)  $\begin{bmatrix} A_1^T \\ \vdots \\ A_m^T \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} A_1^T B \\ \vdots \\ A_m^T B \end{bmatrix}$

(3)  $A = [x_1 \dots x_n] \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^T \\ \vdots \\ y_n^T \end{bmatrix}$

$$AB = [x_1 \dots x_n] \begin{bmatrix} y_1^T \\ \vdots \\ y_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \underbrace{x_1 y_1^T}_{m \times 1 \times 1 \times p} + \dots + \underbrace{x_n y_n^T}_{m \times 1 \times 1 \times p}$$

$m \times p + \dots + m \times p$

(Proof: check the (i,j) entry on both side.  $\square$ )

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## I.2 Matrix Multiplication

- Note that  $A \in M_{m,n}$  is rank one if and only if  $A = uv^T$  for some nonzero vector  $u \in \mathbb{F}^m, v \in \mathbb{F}^n$ .
  - In general if  $A \in M_{m,n}$  has columns  $u_1 \dots u_n$  and  $B \in M_{n,p}$  has rows  $b_1^T, \dots, b_n^T$ , i.e.,  $A = [u_1 \dots u_n], B^T = [b_1 \dots b_n]$ , then  $AB = u_1 v_1^T + \dots + u_n v_n^T$ .
- One can check the  $(i, j)$  entry of  $C = AB$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^m u_i v_j^T$ .

Furthermore, if  $D = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$ , then  $ADB = d_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + d_n u_n v_n^T$ .

Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \hat{A} \hat{D} \hat{B}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \hat{u}_1 \hat{v}_1^T + \sqrt{2} \hat{u}_2 \hat{v}_2^T$$

$$= [u_1 \dots u_n] \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 \\ 0 & d_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ d_n v_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= u_1 d_1 v_1^T + u_2 d_2 v_2^T + \dots + u_n d_n v_n^T$$

$$= d_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + d_n u_n v_n^T$$

Proposition If  $A \in M_{m,n}$  has rows  $x_1^T, \dots, x_m^T$  and  $B \in M_{n,p}$  has columns  $y_1, \dots, y_n$ , then

$$AB = [Ay_1 | \dots | Ay_n] = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^T B \\ \vdots \\ x_m^T B \end{bmatrix}$$

Consequently, if  $B_1, B_2 \in M_{n,p}$  then  $A(B_1 + B_2) = AB_1 + AB_2$ .

$$B_1 = [v_1 | \dots | v_p] \quad B_2 = [w_1 | \dots | w_p]$$

$$A(B_1 + B_2) = A[v_1 + w_1 | \dots | v_p + w_p] = [Av_1 + Aw_1 | \dots | Av_n + Aw_n]$$

$$= [Av_1 | \dots | Av_n] + [Aw_1 | \dots | Aw_p]$$

$$= AB_1 + AB_2$$

Proposition. Suppose  $A \in M_{m,n}, B \in M_{n,p}, C \in M_{p,q}$ . Show that  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ .

Case 1  $B = xy^T$

$$(AB)C = (Axy^T)C = (A[x_1 | x_2 | \dots | x_p]) \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_p \end{bmatrix} C$$

$$= [Ax_1 y_1 | \dots | Ax_1 y_p] C = [\hat{x}_1 y_1 | \dots | \hat{x}_1 y_p] C$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 & y_1^T \\ \vdots & y_p^T \end{bmatrix} C = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 (y^T C) \\ \vdots \\ \hat{x}_m (y^T C) \end{bmatrix} = \hat{x} \hat{y}^T$$

$$\hat{x} = Ax = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{x}_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{y}^T = y^T C = [y_1 \dots y_p]$$



**Matrix factorization.**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ x & x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & x \\ 0 & x \end{bmatrix}$$

$A = LU, A = QR, A = RDR^{-1}S, A = Q\Lambda Q^T$  if  $A$  is symmetric,  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ .

1. LU factorization for invertible  $A \in M_n$ .

To solve  $Ax = b$  for many different vectors  $b \in \mathbb{F}^n$ .

$$Ax = b_1, Ax = b_2, \dots, Ax = b_k \dots$$

Write  $A = LU$  where  $L$  is lower triangular, and  $U$  as upper triangular.

Then solve  $Ax = LUx = b$  by solving  $Ly = b$  and  $Ux = y$ .

How to write  $LU = A$ ? We will see this in Section 1.4

One can do an exchange of rows by a permutation matrix  $P$  to get  $PA = LU$  if  $A$  is invertible.

**Question** What if  $A$  is not invertible or  $A$  is not a square matrix?

2. QR Decomposition for  $A \in M_{m,n}$  with  $m \geq n$ .

Recall the inner product on  $\mathbb{F}^n$  defined by  $\langle x, y \rangle = y^*x = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j^*$ , and the inner product norm  $\|x\| = \langle x, x \rangle^{1/2}$ .

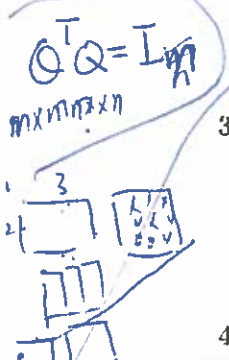
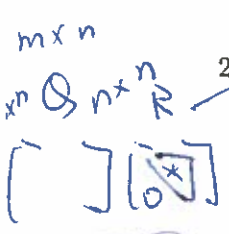
We are interested in orthonormal set/basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  such that  $V^*V = I_n$  if  $V = [v_1 \dots v_n]$ , i.e.,  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ .

To solve  $Ax = b$  with  $b$  in the column space of  $A$ , we can solve  $Rx = Q^*Ax = Q^*b$ .

3.  $A = RDR^{-1} = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_j y_j^T$  where  $R$  has columns  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  and  $R^{-1}$  has rows  $y_1^T, \dots, y_n^T$ . Then  $A^k = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j^k x_j y_j^T$ .

If  $H = H^*$  is Hermitian, then  $H = Q\Lambda Q^* = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j v_j v_j^*$  with  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $H^k = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j^k v_j v_j^*$ .

4.  $A = U\Sigma V^*$ . Then  $A = \sum_{j=1}^r s_j u_j v_j^*$ .



Remark

Solving  $Ax = b$  by  $x = A^{-1}b$  is not a good way

because  $A^{-1}$  may be bad,  $A$  is ill-conditioned.

Example  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1.000000001 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ x & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Dx = b$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 \\ 0 & d_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$