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Linear Algebra and Random Processes Matrix Inverses

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Consider the vector space ℝⁿ with basis {v₁, v₂,...v_n}. Any vector in b ∈ ℝⁿ can be representated as a linear combination of v_is,

$$\mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{a}; \ \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \ \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$



 $\{v_1, v_2\}$, $\{u_1, u_2\}$ and $\{e_1, e_2\}$ are valid basis for \mathbb{R}^2 , and the presentation for b in each one of them is different.

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$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T b \\ \mathbf{u}_2^T b \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_n^T b \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}_U$$

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Verify these for
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Consider a matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Let $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 3}$. Can you explain why only $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}_2$ can be true and not $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}_3$? Can you also explain why \mathbf{C} is not unique?

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- Let $AB = I_m$. What about the relationship between A^T and B^T ?

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Matrix Inverse and Pseudo Inverse through **QR** factorization

• Consider an invertible, square matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$.

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R} \implies \mathbf{A}^{-1} = (\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R})^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}^{T}$$

where, $\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. \mathbf{R} is upper triangular, and \mathbf{Q} is an orthogonal matrix.

▶ In the case of a left invertible rectangular matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, we can factorize $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{QR}$, with $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$.

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