

# Brief Review of Linear Algebra

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```
In [1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

## Scalars

- Single number
- Denoted as lowercase letter
- Examples
  - $x \in \mathbb{R}$  - Real number
  - $y \in \{0, 1, \dots, C\}$  - Finite set
  - $u \in [0, 1]$  - Bounded set

```
In [2]: x = 1.1343
print(x)
z = int(-5)
print(z)
```

```
1.1343
-5
```

# Vectors

- Array of numbers
- In notation, we usually consider vectors to be "column vectors"
- Denoted as lowercase letter (often bolded)
- Dimension is often denoted by  $d$ ,  $D$ , or  $p$ .
- Access elements via subscript, e.g.,  $x_i$  is the  $i$ -th element
- Examples
  - $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$
  - $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix}$
  - $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d]^T$
  - $\mathbf{z} = [\sqrt{x_1}, \sqrt{x_2}, \dots, \sqrt{x_d}]^T$
  - $\mathbf{y} \in \{0, 1, \dots, C\}^d$  - Finite set
  - $\mathbf{u} \in [0, 1]^d$  - Bounded set

```
In [3]: x = np.array([1.1343, 6.2345, 35])
print(x)
z = 5 * np.ones(3, dtype=int)
print(z)

[ 1.1343  6.2345 35.    ]
[5 5 5]
```

## Note: The operator + does different things on numpy arrays vs Python lists

- For lists, Python concatenates the lists
- For numpy arrays, numpy performs an element-wise addition
- Similarly, for other binary operators such as  $-$ ,  $+$ ,  $*$ , and  $/$

```
In [4]: a_list = [1, 2]
b_list = [30, 40]
c_list = a_list + b_list
print(c_list)
a = np.array(a_list) # Create numpy array from Python list
b = np.array(b_list)
c = a + b
print(c)

[1, 2, 30, 40]
[31 42]
```

```
In [5]: type(a_list)
```

```
Out[5]: list
```

```
In [6]: type(a)
```

```
Out[6]: numpy.ndarray
```

## Matrices

- 2D array of numbers
- Denoted as uppercase letter
- Number of samples often denoted by  $n$  or  $N$ .
- Access rows or columns via subscript or numpy notation:
  - $X_{i,:}$  is the  $i$ -th row,  $X_{:,j}$  is the  $j$ th column
  - (Sometimes)  $X_i, \mathbf{x}_i$  is the  $i$ -th row or column depending on context
- Access elements by double subscript  $X_{i,j}$  or  $x_{i,j}$  is the  $i, j$ -th entry of the matrix
- Examples
  - $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$  - Real number
  - $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  - Real number
  - $Y \in \{0, 1, \dots, C\}^{k \times d}$  - Finite set
  - $U \in [0, 1]^{n \times d}$  - Bounded set

```
In [7]: X = np.arange(12).reshape(3,4)
print(X)
W = np.array([
    [1.1343 + 2.1j, 1j, 0.1 + 3.5j],
    [3, 4, 5],
])
print(W)
Z = 5 * np.ones((3, 3), dtype=int)
print(Z)

[[ 0  1  2  3]
 [ 4  5  6  7]
 [ 8  9 10 11]]
[[1.1343+2.1j 0.      +1.j  0.1    +3.5j]
 [3.         +0.j  4.         +0.j  5.         +0.j ]]
[[5 5 5]
 [5 5 5]
 [5 5 5]]
```

# Tensors

- $n$ -D arrays
- Examples
  - $X \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times m \times m}$ , single color image in PyTorch
  - $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 3 \times m \times m}$ , multiple color images in PyTorch
  - $X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m \times 3}$ , single color image for matplotlib imshow

```
In [8]: from sklearn.datasets import load_sample_image
china = load_sample_image('china.jpg')
print('Shape of image (height, width, channels):', china.shape)
ax = plt.axes(xticks=[], yticks=[])
ax.imshow(china);
```

Shape of image (height, width, channels): (427, 640, 3)



## Matrix transpose

- Changes columns to rows and rows to columns
- Denoted as  $A^T$
- For vectors  $\mathbf{v}$ , the transpose changes from a column vector to a row vector

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}^T = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_d \end{bmatrix}^T = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d]$$

**NOTE:** In numpy, there is only a "vector" (i.e., a 1D array), not really a row or column vector per se.

```
In [9]: A = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
print(A)
print(A.T)
```

```
[[0 1 2]
 [3 4 5]]
[[0 3]
 [1 4]
 [2 5]]
```

**NOTE: In numpy, there is only a "vector" (i.e., a 1D array), not really a row or column vector per se.**

```
In [10]: v = np.arange(5)
print('A numpy vector', v)
print('Transpose of numpy vector', v.T)
print('A matrix with one column')
V = v.reshape(-1, 1)
print('V shape: ', V.shape)
print(V)
```

```
A numpy vector [0 1 2 3 4]
Transpose of numpy vector [0 1 2 3 4]
A matrix with one column
V shape: (5, 1)
[[0]
 [1]
 [2]
 [3]
 [4]]
```

## Matrix product

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ , then the **matrix product**  $C = AB$  is defined as:

$$c_{i,j} = \sum_{k \in \{1,2,\dots,n\}} a_{i,k} b_{k,j}$$

where  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$  (notice how inner dimension is collapsed).

- (Show on board visually)

```
In [11]: A = np.arange(6).reshape(3, 2)
print(A)
B = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
print(B)
C = np.zeros((A.shape[0], B.shape[1]))
for i in range(C.shape[0]):
    for j in range(C.shape[1]):
        for k in range(A.shape[1]):
            C[i, j] += A[i, k] * B[k, j]
print(C)
print(np.dot(A, B))
```

```
[[0 1]
 [2 3]
 [4 5]]
[[0 1 2]
 [3 4 5]]
[[ 3.  4.  5.]
 [ 9. 14. 19.]
 [15. 24. 33.]]
[[ 3  4  5]
 [ 9 14 19]
 [15 24 33]]
```

**Notice triple loop, naively cubic complexity  $O(n^3)$**

However, special linear algebra algorithms can do it  $O(n^{2.803})$

**Takeaway - Use numpy `np.dot` or `np.matmul`**

**Element-wise (Hadamard) product *NOT equal* to matrix multiplication**

- Normal matrix multiplication  $C = AB$  is very different from **element-wise** (or more formally **Hadamard**) multiplication, denoted  $F = A \odot D$ , which in numpy is just the star `*`

```
In [12]: A = np.arange(6).reshape(3, 2)
print(A)
B = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
print(B)
try:
    A * B # Fails since matrix shapes don't match and cannot broadcast
except ValueError as e:
    print('Operation failed! Message below:')
    print(e)
```

```
[[0 1]
 [2 3]
 [4 5]]
[[0 1 2]
 [3 4 5]]
Operation failed! Message below:
operands could not be broadcast together with shapes (3,2) (2,3)
```

```
In [13]: print(A)
D = 10*B.T
print(D)
F = A * D # Element-wise / Hadamard product
print(F)
```

```
[[0 1]
 [2 3]
 [4 5]]
[[ 0 30]
 [10 40]
 [20 50]]
[[ 0 30]
 [ 20 120]
 [ 80 250]]
```

## Properties of matrix product

- Distributive:  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$
- Associative:  $A(BC) = (AB)C$
- **NOT** commutative, i.e.,  $AB = BA$  does **NOT** always hold
- Transpose of multiplication (**switch order** and transpose of both):

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

```
In [14]: print('AB')
print(np.dot(A, B))
print('BA')
print(np.dot(B, A))
print('(AB)^T')
print(np.dot(A, B).T)
print('B^T A^T')
print(np.dot(B.T, A.T))
```

```
AB
[[ 3  4  5]
 [ 9 14 19]
 [15 24 33]]
BA
[[10 13]
 [28 40]]
(AB)^T
[[ 3  9 15]
 [ 4 14 24]
 [ 5 19 33]]
B^T A^T
[[ 3  9 15]
 [ 4 14 24]
 [ 5 19 33]]
```

## Properties of inner product or vector-vector product

- **Inner product** or **vector-vector** multiplication produces *scalar*:

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y})^T = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x}$$

Also denoted as:

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Can be executed via `np.dot`

```
In [15]: # Inner product
a = np.arange(3)
print(a)
b = np.array([11, 22, 33])
print(b)
np.dot(a, b)
```

```
[0 1 2]
[11 22 33]
```

Out[15]: 88



## Identity matrix keeps vectors unchanged

- Multiplying by the identity does not change vector (generalizing the concept of the scalar 1)
- Formally,  $I_n \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , and  $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $I_n \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$
- Structure is ones on the diagonal, zero everywhere else:
- `np.eye` function to create identity

```
In [16]: I3 = np.eye(3)
print(I3)
x = np.random.randn(3)
print(x)
print(np.dot(I3, x))
```

```
[[1. 0. 0.]
 [0. 1. 0.]
 [0. 0. 1.]]
[ 0.3896596 -1.71754999 -0.92813567]
[ 0.3896596 -1.71754999 -0.92813567]
```

## Matrix inverse times the original matrix is the identity

- The inverse of *square* matrix  $A \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  is denoted as  $A^{-1}$  and defined as:
$$A^{-1}A = I$$
- The "right" inverse is similar and is equal to the left inverse:
$$AA^{-1} = I$$
- Generalizes the concept of inverse  $x$  and  $\frac{1}{x}$
- Does **NOT** always exist, similar to how the inverse of  $x$  only exists if  $x \neq 0$

```
In [17]: A = 100 * np.array([[1, 0.5], [0.2, 1]])
print(A)
Ainv = np.linalg.inv(A)
print(Ainv)
print('A^{-1} A = ')
print(np.dot(Ainv, A))
print('A A^{-1} = ')
print(np.dot(A, Ainv))
```

```
[[100.  50.]
 [ 20. 100.]]
[[ 0.01111111 -0.00555556]
 [-0.00222222  0.01111111]]
A^{-1} A =
[[1.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00]
 [2.77555756e-17 1.00000000e+00]]
A A^{-1} =
[[1.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00]
 [2.77555756e-17 1.00000000e+00]]
```

## Linear set of equations can be compactly represented as matrix equation

- Example:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 3y &= 6 \\ 4x + 9y &= 15. \end{aligned}$$

Solution is  $x = \frac{3}{2}, y = 1$

- More general example:

$$\begin{aligned} a_{1,1}x_1 + a_{1,2}x_2 + a_{1,3}x_3 &= b_1 \\ a_{2,1}x_1 + a_{2,2}x_2 + a_{2,3}x_3 &= b_2 \\ a_{3,1}x_1 + a_{3,2}x_2 + a_{3,3}x_3 &= b_3 \end{aligned}$$

is **equivalent** to:

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$$

where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3}$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

- If matrix inverse exists, then solution is

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

# Singular matrices are similar to zeros

- Informally, singular matrices are matrices that do not have an inverse (similar to the idea that 0 does not have an inverse)
- Consider the 1D equation  $ax = b$ 
  - Usually we can solve for  $x$  by multiplying both sides by  $1/a$
  - But what if  $a = 0$ ?
  - What are the solutions to the equation?
- Called "singular" because a random matrix is unlikely to be singular just like choosing a random number is unlikely to be 0.

```
In [18]: from numpy.linalg import LinAlgError
def try_inv(A):
    print('A = ')
    print(np.array(A))
    try:
        np.linalg.inv(A)
    except LinAlgError as e:
        print(e)
    else:
        print('Not singular!')
    print()
```

```
try_inv([[0, 0], [0, 0]])
try_inv(np.eye(3))
try_inv([[1, 1], [1, 1]])
try_inv([[1, 10], [1, 10]])
try_inv([[2, 20], [4, 40]])
try_inv([[2, 20], [40, 4]])
```

```
A =
[[0 0]
 [0 0]]
Singular matrix
```

```
A =
[[1. 0. 0.]
 [0. 1. 0.]
 [0. 0. 1.]]
Not singular!
```

```
A =
[[1 1]
 [1 1]]
Singular matrix
```

```
A =
[[ 1 10]
 [ 1 10]]
Singular matrix
```

```
A =
[[ 2 20]
 [ 4 40]]
Singular matrix
```

```
A =
[[ 2 20]
 [40  4]]
Not singular!
```

```
In [19]: # Random matrix is very unlikely to be 0
```

```
for j in range(10):  
    try_inv(np.random.randn(2, 2))
```

```
A =  
[[ 1.16114085 -0.10974983]  
 [ 2.09474898  1.2487792 ]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[-0.75619391  0.20525935]  
 [-1.14261116 -1.93697763]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[-0.04182927 -0.39980286]  
 [ 1.45247823 -2.72826103]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[-0.11885811 -0.00885784]  
 [ 1.07430215 -1.20417091]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[-0.89227661  0.42899549]  
 [ 1.28606768  1.30003139]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[-0.66149126  0.53529993]  
 [ 0.82891445  0.23417537]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[-0.83419189 -0.28147647]  
 [ 0.17425551  1.25763145]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[ 0.45702781 -1.9701417 ]  
 [-0.788644   0.05494979]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[ 1.31135285 -0.76101125]  
 [ 2.95806377  1.4250975 ]]  
Not singular!
```

```
A =  
[[ 1.02581335 -0.18834047]  
 [-1.00288217  0.0679856 ]]  
Not singular!
```

# Norms: The "size" of a vector or matrix

- Informally, a generalization of the absolute value of a scalar
- Formally, a norm is a function  $f$  that has the following three properties:
  - $f(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  (zero point)
  - $f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) \leq f(\mathbf{x}) + f(\mathbf{y})$  (Triangle inequality)
  - $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, f(\alpha \mathbf{x}) = |\alpha|f(\mathbf{x})$  (absolutely homogenous)
- Examples
  - Absolute value of scalars
  - $L^p$  (also denoted  $\ell_p$ ) norm

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_p = \left( \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

- (Discussion) What does this represent when  $p = 2$  (for simplicity you can assume  $d = 2$ )?
  - When  $p = 2$ , we often merely denote as  $\|\mathbf{x}\|$ .
- What about when  $p = 1$ ?
- What about when  $p = \infty$  (or more formally the limit as  $p \rightarrow \infty$ )?

```
In [20]: x = np.array([1, 1])
print(np.linalg.norm(x, ord=2))
print(np.linalg.norm(x, ord=1))
print(np.linalg.norm(x, ord=np.inf))

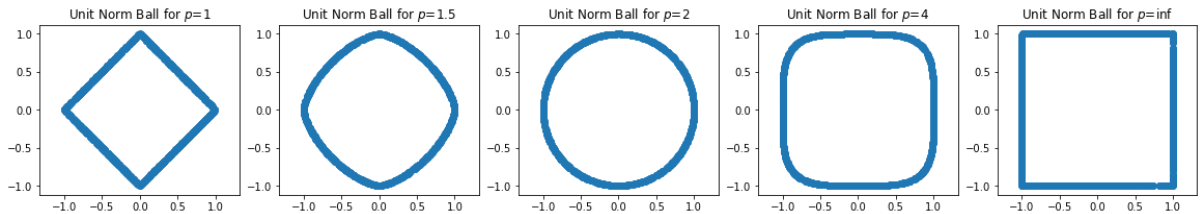
1.4142135623730951
2.0
1.0
```

**Vectors that have the same norm form a "ball" that isn't necessarily circular**

```
In [21]: rng = np.random.RandomState(0)
X = rng.randn(1000, 2)

p_vals = [1, 1.5, 2, 4, np.inf]
fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, len(p_vals), figsize=(len(p_vals)*4, 3))

for p, ax in zip(p_vals, axes):
    # Normalize them to have the unit norm
    Z = (X.T / np.linalg.norm(X, ord=p, axis=1)).T
    ax.scatter(Z[:, 0], Z[:, 1])
    ax.axis('equal')
    ax.set_title('Unit Norm Ball for $p$=%g' % p)
```



**Squared  $L_2$  norm is quite common since it simplifies to a simple summation**

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 = \left( \left( \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d x_i^2$$

- Additionally, this can be computed as  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}$
- Informally, this is analogous to taking the square of a scalar number

```
In [22]: x = np.arange(4)
print(np.linalg.norm(x, ord=2)**2)
print(np.dot(x, x))
```

```
14.0
14
```

## Orthogonal vectors

- Orthogonal vectors are vectors such that  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0$
- The dot product between vectors can be written in terms of norms and the cosine of the angle:

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \cos \theta$$

- (Discussion) Suppose  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are non-zero vectors, what must  $\theta$  be if the vectors are orthogonal?

```
In [23]: print(np.dot([0, 1], [1, 0]))
theta = np.pi/2
x = np.array([np.cos(theta), -np.sin(theta)])
y = np.array([np.sin(theta), np.cos(theta)])
print(x)
print(y)
print(np.dot(x, y))
```

```
0
[ 6.123234e-17 -1.000000e+00]
[1.000000e+00  6.123234e-17]
0.0
```

## Special matrices: Orthogonal matrices

- Informally, an orthogonal matrix only rotates (or reflects) vectors around the origin (zero point), but does not change the size of the vectors.
- Informally, almost analogous to a 1 for matrices but more general
- A square matrix such that  $Q^T Q = Q Q^T = I$
- Or, equivalently  $Q^{-1} = Q^T$
- Or, equivalently:
  - Every column (or row) is orthogonal to every other column (or row)
  - Every column (or row) has unit  $L^2$  norm, i.e.,  $\|Q_{i,:}\|_2 = \|Q_{:,j}\|_2 = 1$



```
In [24]: print('Identity matrix')
Q = np.eye(2) # Identity
print(Q)
print(np.allclose(np.eye(2), np.dot(Q.T, Q)))

print('Reflection matrix')
Q = np.array([[1, 0], [0, -1]]) # Reflection
print(Q)
print(np.allclose(np.eye(2), np.dot(Q.T, Q)))

print('Rotation matrix')
theta = np.pi/3
Q = np.array([
    [np.cos(theta), -np.sin(theta)],
    [np.sin(theta), np.cos(theta)]
])
print(Q)
print(np.allclose(np.eye(2), np.dot(Q.T, Q)))
```

```
Identity matrix
[[1. 0.]
 [0. 1.]]
True
Reflection matrix
[[ 1  0]
 [ 0 -1]]
True
Rotation matrix
[[ 0.5      -0.8660254]
 [ 0.8660254  0.5      ]]
True
```

## Other special matrices: Symmetric, Triangular, Diagonal

- Symmetric matrices are symmetric around the diagonal; formally,  $A = A^T$
- Triangular matrices only have non-zeros in the upper or lower triangular part of the matrix
- Diagonal matrices only have non-zeros along the diagonal of a matrix

```
In [25]: A = np.arange(25).reshape(5, 5)+1
print('Symmetric')
print(A + A.T)
print('Upper triangular')
print(np.triu(A))
print('Lower triangular')
print(np.tril(A))
print('Diagonal (both upper and lower triangular)')
print(np.diag(np.arange(5) + 1))
```

Symmetric

```
[[ 2  8 14 20 26]
 [ 8 14 20 26 32]
 [14 20 26 32 38]
 [20 26 32 38 44]
 [26 32 38 44 50]]
```

Upper triangular

```
[[ 1  2  3  4  5]
 [ 0  7  8  9 10]
 [ 0  0 13 14 15]
 [ 0  0  0 19 20]
 [ 0  0  0  0 25]]
```

Lower triangular

```
[[ 1  0  0  0  0]
 [ 6  7  0  0  0]
 [11 12 13  0  0]
 [16 17 18 19  0]
 [21 22 23 24 25]]
```

Diagonal (both upper and lower triangular)

```
[[1 0 0 0 0]
 [0 2 0 0 0]
 [0 0 3 0 0]
 [0 0 0 4 0]
 [0 0 0 0 5]]
```

## Multiplying a matrix by a diagonal matrix scales the columns or rows

- Right multiplication scales rows
- Left multiplication scales columns

```
In [26]: A = np.arange(16).reshape(4, 4)
print(A)
D = np.diag(10**(np.arange(4)))
diag_vec = np.diag(D)
print(D)
print('AD')
print(np.dot(A, D))
print('AD (via numpy * and broadcasting)')
print(A * diag_vec)
print('DA')
print(np.dot(D, A))
print('DA (via numpy * and broadcasting)')
print((A.T * diag_vec).T)
```

```
[[ 0  1  2  3]
 [ 4  5  6  7]
 [ 8  9 10 11]
 [12 13 14 15]]
[[ 1  0  0  0]
 [ 0 10  0  0]
 [ 0  0 100  0]
 [ 0  0  0 1000]]
AD
[[ 0  10  200  3000]
 [ 4  50  600  7000]
 [ 8  90 1000 11000]
 [12 130 1400 15000]]
AD (via numpy * and broadcasting)
[[ 0  10  200  3000]
 [ 4  50  600  7000]
 [ 8  90 1000 11000]
 [12 130 1400 15000]]
DA
[[ 0  1  2  3]
 [ 40 50 60 70]
 [ 800 900 1000 1100]
 [12000 13000 14000 15000]]
DA (via numpy * and broadcasting)
[[ 0  1  2  3]
 [ 40 50 60 70]
 [ 800 900 1000 1100]
 [12000 13000 14000 15000]]
```

## Inverse of diagonal matrix is formed merely by taking inverse of diagonal elements

- Most operations on diagonal matrices are just the scalar versions of their entries

```
In [27]: A = np.diag(np.arange(5)+1)
print(A)
diag_A = np.diag(A)
print('diag_A', diag_A)
diag_A_inv = 1 / diag_A
print('diag_A_inv', diag_A_inv)
Ainv = np.diag(diag_A_inv)
print(Ainv)
Ainv_full = np.linalg.inv(A)
print(Ainv_full)
```

```
[[1 0 0 0 0]
 [0 2 0 0 0]
 [0 0 3 0 0]
 [0 0 0 4 0]
 [0 0 0 0 5]]
diag_A [1 2 3 4 5]
diag_A_inv [1.          0.5          0.33333333 0.25          0.2          ]
[[1.          0.          0.          0.          0.          ]
 [0.          0.5        0.          0.          0.          ]
 [0.          0.          0.33333333 0.          0.          ]
 [0.          0.          0.          0.25         0.          ]
 [0.          0.          0.          0.          0.2         ]]
[[ 1.          0.          0.          0.          0.          ]
 [ 0.          0.5        0.          0.          0.          ]
 [ 0.          0.          0.33333333 0.          0.          ]
 [-0.          -0.          -0.          0.25         -0.          ]
 [ 0.          0.          0.          0.          0.2         ]]
```

# Motivation: Matrix decompositions allow us to *understand* and *manipulate* matrices both theoretically and practically

- Analogous to prime factorization of an integer, e.g.,  $12 = 2 \times 2 \times 3$ 
  - Allows us to determine whether things are divisible by other integers
- Analogous to representing a signal in the time versus frequency domain
  - Both domains represent the same object but are useful for different computations and derivations

## Eigendecomposition

- For real **symmetric** matrices, the eigendecomposition is:
 
$$A = Q\Lambda Q^T$$
 where  $Q$  is an **orthogonal** matrix and  $\Lambda$  is a **diagonal** matrix.
- Often *in notation*, it is assumed that the diagonal of  $\Lambda$ , denoted  $\lambda$  is ordered by decreasing values, i.e.,  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_d$ .
- $\lambda$  are known as the **eigenvalues** and  $Q$  is known as the **eigenvector matrix**

```

In [28]: rng = np.random.RandomState(0)
B = rng.randn(4,4)
A = B + B.T # Make symmetric
lam, Q = np.linalg.eig(A)
print(np.diag(lam))
print(Q)
A_reconstructed = np.dot(np.dot(Q, np.diag(lam)), Q.T)
print('Are all entries equal up to machine precision?')
print('Yes' if np.allclose(A, A_reconstructed) else 'No')

[[ 6.54930093  0.          0.          0.          ]
 [ 0.          -3.728219   0.          0.          ]
 [ 0.          0.          0.45077461  0.          ]
 [ 0.          0.          0.          -0.7428718  ]]
[[ 0.77115168  0.36010163  0.51908231 -0.07877468]
 [ 0.25392564 -0.75129904  0.0518548  -0.60694531]
 [ 0.31251286  0.37021589 -0.78092889 -0.394241  ]
 [ 0.49313545 -0.41087317 -0.34353267  0.68555523]]
Are all entries equal up to machine precision?
Yes

```

## Simple properties based on eigendecomposition

- $A^{-1}$  is easy to compute
  - Easy to solve equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$
- Powers of matrix is easy to compute  $A^3 = AAA$ .
- The matrix is singular if and only if there is a zero in  $\lambda$

## **Positive definite (or semidefinite) matrices have positive (or possibly 0) eigenvalues**

- $A$  is positive definite (PD) if and only if  $\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} > 0$
- Positive semi-definite (PSD) is where there could be **zero** eigenvalues.
- Informally, a PD matrix is like  $a > 0$  in a quadratic formula,  $ax^2$ 
  - Scalar quadratic:  $ax^2 + bx + c$
  - Vector quadratic:  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{x} + c$
  - $A$  is a generalization of  $a$  in the scalar equation
- If not positive definite, there may be saddle points.

```

In [29]: # Get random orthogonal matrix Q
rng = np.random.RandomState(0)
Q, _ = np.linalg.qr(rng.randn(2, 2))
# Create positive definite matrix
lam = np.array([1, 1]) # Positive definite
#lam = np.array([1, 1]) # Negative definite
#lam = np.array([-1, 1]) # Not positive or negative definite

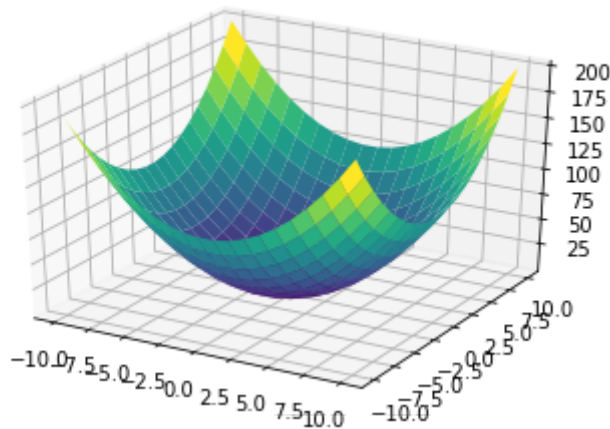
# Construct a matrix from Q and lambda
A = np.dot(np.dot(Q, np.diag(lam)), Q.T)

# Plot 3D
from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
v = np.linspace(-10, 10, num=20)
xx, yy = np.meshgrid(v, v)
X = np.array([xx.ravel(), yy.ravel()]).T
f = np.sum(np.dot(A, X.T) * X.T, axis=0)
ff = f.reshape(xx.shape)

fig = plt.figure()
ax = fig.gca(projection='3d')
ax.plot_surface(xx, yy, ff, cmap='viridis')

```

Out[29]: <mpl\_toolkits.mplot3d.art3d.Poly3DCollection at 0x1a1de45d30>



## Singular value decomposition of *any* matrix (The decomposition to end all decompositions)

- For **any** matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  (even non-square), the singular value decomposition is:

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

where  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are **orthogonal** matrices and  $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is a **diagonal** (though not necessarily square) matrix.

- Often in notation, it is assumed that the diagonal of  $\Sigma$ , denoted  $\sigma$  is ordered by decreasing values, i.e.,  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_d$ .
- $\sigma$  are known as the **singular values** and  $U$  and  $V$  are known as the **left singular vectors** and the **right singular vectors** respectively.

```
In [30]: rng = np.random.RandomState(0)
A = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
print('A', A.shape)
print(A)

# Note returns V^T (i.e. transpose) rather than V
U, s, Vt = np.linalg.svd(A, full_matrices=True)

# Convert singular vector to matrix
Sigma = np.zeros_like(A, dtype=float)
Sigma[:2, :2] = np.diag(s)

print('U', U.shape)
print('Sigma', Sigma.shape)
print('Vt', Vt.shape)

A_reconstructed = np.dot(U, np.dot(Sigma, Vt))
print('Are all entries equal up to machine precision?')
print('Yes' if np.allclose(A, A_reconstructed) else 'No')
```

```
A (2, 3)
[[0 1 2]
 [3 4 5]]
U (2, 2)
Sigma (2, 3)
Vt (3, 3)
Are all entries equal up to machine precision?
Yes
```

## Rank $\text{rank}(A)$ is the number of linearly independent columns

- Consider an example of two equations with two unknowns (Is there a unique solution?):
  - $2x + 3y = 0$
  - $4x + 6y = 1$
- Similar to a matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ , notice "redundancy"
- SVD  $\rightarrow$  Rank = Number of non-zero singular values
- If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ ,  $A$  is not singular if and only if  $\text{rank}(A) = d$ .
- Simplest case is rank 1 matrix:  $\mathbf{xy}^T$  (show on board)
  - Notice difference from inner product, denoted as  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}$**
  - $\mathbf{xy}^T$  is also known as the **outer product** of two vectors

## Matrix multiplication can be seen as a sum of rank 1 matrices

- $AB = \sum_{i=1}^d A_{:,i} B_{i,:}$ , where  $A_{:,i}$  is the  $i$ -th column of  $A$  and  $B_{i,:}$  is the  $i$ -th row of  $B$

```
In [31]: A = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
print(A)
B = -np.arange(6).reshape(3, 2)
print(B)

AB_sum = np.zeros((2, 2))
for acol, brow in zip(A.T, B):
    AB_sum += np.outer(acol, brow)

print('AB sum formula')
print(AB_sum)

print('AB standard')
AB = np.dot(A, B)
print(AB)
```

```
[[0 1 2]
 [3 4 5]]
[[ 0 -1]
 [-2 -3]
 [-4 -5]]
AB sum formula
[[-10. -13.]
 [-28. -40.]]
AB standard
[[-10 -13]
 [-28 -40]]
```

## SVD provides powerful interpretation of matrix as sum of rank one matrices

$$A = U\Sigma V^T = \sum_{i=1}^{\text{rank}(A)} \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T$$

- SVD can be used to solve the following matrix approximation problem:

$$\min_B \|A - B\|_F \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \text{rank}(B) \leq r$$

where  $\|A\|_F$  is the Frobenius norm, or just like the  $L^2$  norm but consider the matrix as a long vector.

- Example:

$$\|A\|_F = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \right\|_F = \|[a, b, c, d]\|_2$$

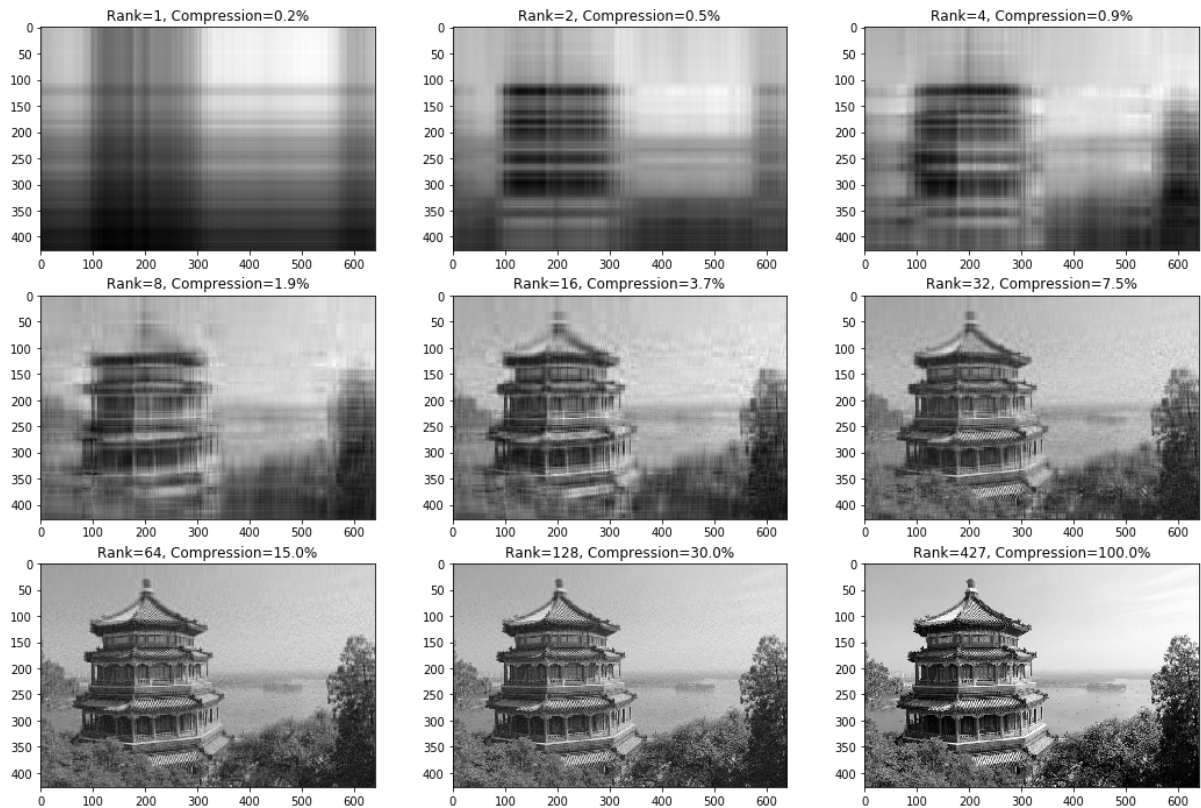


```
In [32]: from sklearn.datasets import load_sample_image
china = load_sample_image('china.jpg')
gray_china = china[:, :, 0]/255.0
print('china matrix', gray_china.shape)
#print(gray_china)

U, s, Vt = np.linalg.svd(gray_china)
Sigma = np.zeros_like(gray_china, dtype=float)
Sigma[:427, :427] = np.diag(s)
```

china matrix (427, 640)

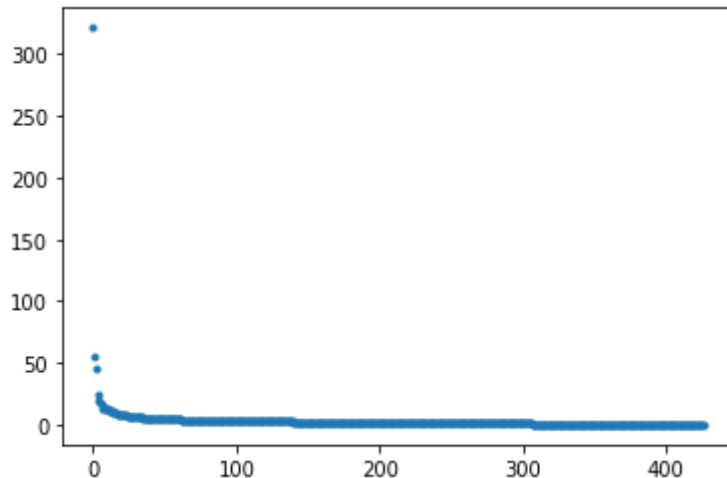
```
In [33]: max_rank = np.min(gray_china.shape)
rank_arr = [1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, max_rank]
fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 3, figsize=(len(rank_arr)*2, 3*4))
for r, ax in zip(rank_arr, axes.ravel()):
    china_approx = np.dot(U[:, :r], np.dot(Sigma[:r, :r], Vt[:r, :]))
    compression = r/max_rank
    ax.imshow(china_approx, cmap='gray')
    ax.set_title('Rank=%d, Compression=%.1f%%' % (r, compression*100))
```



**Usually the most important information is in the first few singular values**

```
In [34]: # The most important components are
plt.plot(s, '.')
```

```
Out[34]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1a1f27bbe0>]
```



**Determinant**  $\det(A)$  (of square matrix) is the product of eigenvalues  $\lambda$

$$\det(A) = |A| = \prod_{i=1}^d \lambda_i$$

- Absolute value of determinant roughly measures how much the matrix expands or contracts space
- Example: if determinant is 0, then compresses vectors onto a smaller subspace
- Example: if determinant is 1, then volume is preserved (how is this different than orthogonal matrix?)

```
In [35]: A = np.arange(4).reshape(2,2)
print('A')
print(A)
print('prod of eigenvalues')
lam, Q = np.linalg.eig(A)
print(np.prod(lam))
print('det(A)')
print(np.linalg.det(A))
```

```
A
[[0 1]
 [2 3]]
prod of eigenvalues
-2.0
det(A)
-2.0
```

## Trace $\text{Tr}(A)$ operation

- Trace is just the sum of the diagonal elements of a matrix

$$\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^d a_{i,i}$$

- Most useful property is rotational equivalence:

$$\text{Tr}(ABC) = \text{Tr}(CAB) = \text{Tr}(BCA)$$

- In particular, (even if different dimensions)

$$\text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA)$$

```
In [36]: A = np.arange(2*3).reshape(2,3)
B = A.copy().T
print('AB')
print(np.dot(A, B))
print('Tr(AB)')
print(np.trace(np.dot(A, B)))
print('Tr(BA)')
print(np.trace(np.dot(B, A)))
print('Tr(A^T B^T)')
print(np.trace(np.dot(A.T, B.T)))
print('Tr(B^T A^T)')
print(np.trace(np.dot(B.T, A.T)))
```

```
AB
[[ 5 14]
 [14 50]]
Tr(AB)
55
Tr(BA)
55
Tr(A^T B^T)
55
Tr(B^T A^T)
55
```