

HW 4 due Friday before class.

This week: Matrix Arithmetic.

Last time: If  $A$  is  $m \times n$  matrix, then the function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  defined by  $f(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$  is a so-called "linear function":

$$\textcircled{*} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bullet f(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = f(\vec{x}) + f(\vec{y}) \\ \bullet f(t\vec{x}) = t f(\vec{x}) \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} \text{preserves addition} \\ \text{of vectors} \\ \text{preserves scalar} \\ \text{multiplication} \end{array}$$

[Preserves vector space structure.]

Geometrically, the function preserves lines & parallelism, i.e., sends lines to lines, sends parallel lines to parallel lines.

Conversely, given any function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  satisfying properties  $\textcircled{*}$ , there exists a unique  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  such that

$$f(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x} \text{ for all } \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Slogan:

Linear Functions  $=$   $m \times n$  Matrices.  
 $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

Proof: Given linear function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$   
we define  $m \times n$  matrix

$$A = \left( f(\vec{e}_1) \quad f(\vec{e}_2) \quad \dots \quad f(\vec{e}_n) \right)$$

where  $\vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the "standard basis."

Then for all  $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$   
 $= x_1 \vec{e}_1 + x_2 \vec{e}_2 + \dots + x_n \vec{e}_n$

we see that

$$\begin{aligned} A\vec{x} &= x_1 f(\vec{e}_1) + \dots + x_n f(\vec{e}_n) \\ &= f(x_1 \vec{e}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{e}_n) \\ &= f(\vec{x}) \end{aligned}$$



Some  $2 \times 2$  Examples:

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the "identity function"  $f\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ . What is the corresponding matrix? Since

$$f\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad f\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

we conclude that

$$f\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

This matrix has a special name:

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

"The  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix"

[Remark: The identity function  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  corresponds to the " $n \times n$  identity matrix"

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This matrix behaves like "the number 1":

$$I \vec{x} = \vec{x} \text{ for all } \vec{x}. \quad ]$$

Let  $R$  be rotation c.c.w. by  $90^\circ$ :

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


Let  $F$  be the reflection across  $x=y$ :

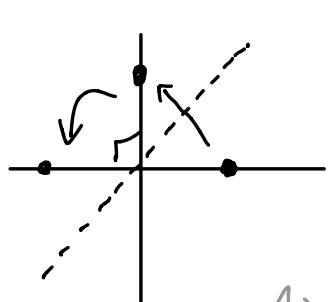
$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


How should we define the matrix products  $RF$  &  $FR$ ?

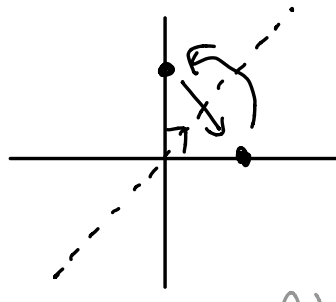
We require that  $(RF)\vec{x} = R(F\vec{x})$  for all  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , i.e., the linear function  $RF$  is the composite function that

- first reflects across  $x=y$ ,
- then rotates c.c.w. by  $90^\circ$ .

What does this function do to the standard basis?



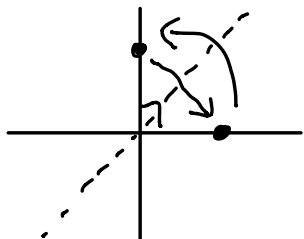
$$RF \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



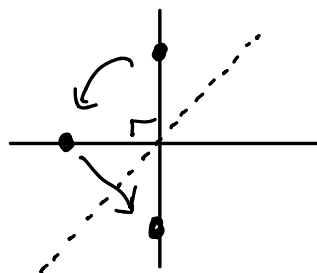
$$RF \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow RF = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Next compute FR:



$$FR \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



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$$\Rightarrow FR = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Remarks :

- $RF \neq FR$ . Matrix multiplication is not generally commutative. Reason: Composition of functions is not generally commutative.

- Easier Descriptions

$$RF \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

"reflection across y-axis"

$$FR \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ -y \end{pmatrix}$$

"reflection across x-axis"

These are geometric facts that are not easy to see in terms of geometry.

The algebra makes the geometry easier to understand!

Slogan:

Algebra is smarter than Geometry.

Example continued:

$$F^2 = FF = ?$$

First reflect across  $x=y$  and then do it again, i.e., do nothing!

$$F^2 = I$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$R^2 = RR = ?$$

First rotate c.c.w. by  $90^\circ$  and then do it again, i.e., rotate c.c.w. by  $180^\circ$ .

$$R^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R^2 = -I$$

$$R^3 = R^2R = (-I)R$$

$$= -IR = -R$$

$$= -\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

Meaning:

$$R^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{rotate c.c.w. by } 270^\circ \\ = \text{rotate } \underline{\text{clockwise}} \text{ by } 90^\circ.$$

Finally:

$$R^4 = ?$$

= I do nothing.



How to multiply arbitrary  $2 \times 2$  matrices.

Theorem:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a' & b' \\ c' & d' \end{pmatrix}}_B = \begin{pmatrix} aa' + bc' & ab' + db' \\ ca' + dc' & cb' + dd' \end{pmatrix}.$$

i.e.

( $ij$  entry of  $AB$ ) = ( $i$ th row  $A$ )  $\cdot$  ( $j$ th col  $B$ )  
dot product.



Proof: 1st column of  $AB$  is

$$\begin{aligned}(AB) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} &= A \left( B \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= A \left( \text{1st col } B \right) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a' \\ c' \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} aa' + bc' \\ ca' + dc' \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

2nd column of  $AB$  is

$$\begin{aligned}(AB) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} &= A \left( B \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= A \left( \text{2nd col } B \right) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b' \\ d' \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} ab' + bd' \\ cb' + dd' \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

This allows us to compute with arbitrary  $2 \times 2$  matrices, even if we don't know

what the geometry looks like!

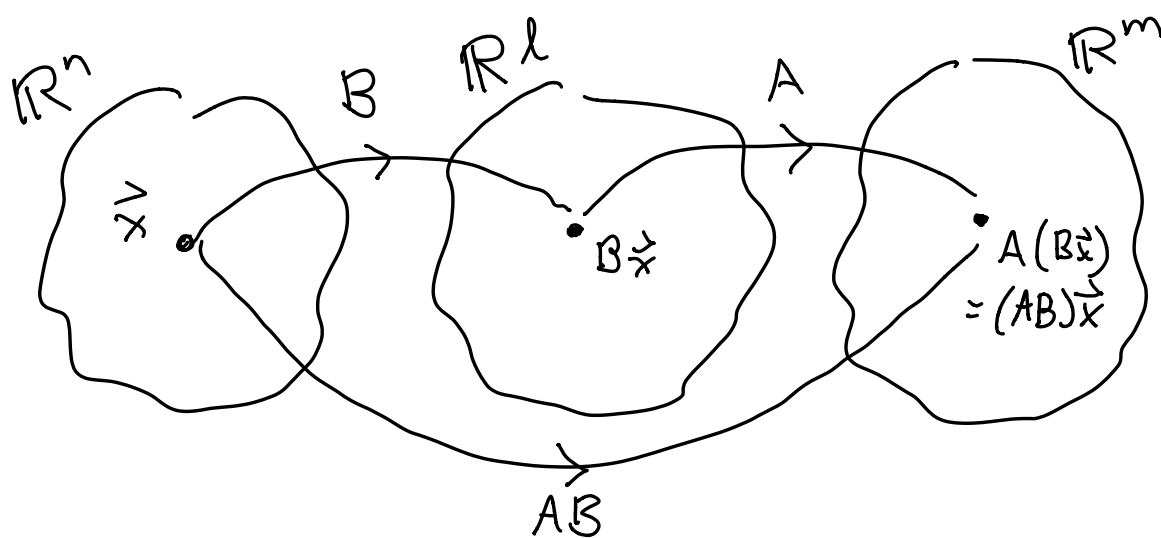


Apply these ideas to multiply matrices of arbitrary shapes.

Let  $A$  be  $m \times l$  matrix

$B$  be  $l \times n$  matrix.

Think of these as functions:



To go in one step instead of 2 we apply the linear function

$AB =$  "first do  $B$ , then do  $A$ "

To compute the matrix  $AB$ , consider what it does to the basis vectors

$$\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \dots, \vec{e}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

$$(\text{jth column of } AB) = (AB) \vec{e}_j$$

$$= A(B \vec{e}_j)$$

$$= A(\underbrace{\text{jth column of } B}).$$

we know how this is defined ✓

Going Further:

$$(\text{ij entry of } AB)$$

$$= (\text{ith entry of jth column } AB)$$

$$= \text{ith entry of } A(\text{jth col } B)$$

$$= (\text{ith row } A) \cdot (\text{jth col } B)$$

dot product.

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Emphasize Shapes:

IF  $A$  is  $m \times l$  &  $B$  is  $l \times n$  then  
the product  $AB$  is defined and  
has shape  $m \times n$ :

$$\underbrace{(m \times l) \times (l \times n)} = m \times n$$

IF (# columns  $A$ )  $\neq$  (# rows  $B$ )  
then product  $AB$  is NOT DEFINED.

Example:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  &  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$AA$  NOT DEFINED.

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\quad}$$

Similarly,  $BB$  is not defined.

Compute  $AB$  &  $BA$  :

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$2 \times 3$        $3 \times 2$        $2 \times 2$

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$3 \times 2$        $2 \times 3$        $3 \times 3$



To end today's lecture: How does matrix transpose interact with multiplication?

Let's say

$$\begin{array}{l} A \text{ is } m \times l \\ B \text{ is } l \times n \end{array} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} A^T \text{ is } l \times m \\ B^T \text{ is } n \times l. \end{array}$$

Observe that matrices  $AB$  &  $B^T A^T$  are defined with following shapes:

$$AB \text{ is } m \times n \\ m \times \cancel{k} \times n$$

$$B^T A^T \text{ is } n \times m \\ n \times \cancel{k} \times m$$

How are these related?

$$\text{Theorem: } (AB)^T = B^T A^T.$$

$$[\text{Lemma: } \vec{x}^T \vec{y} = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = \vec{y} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{y}^T \vec{x}.]$$

Proof:

$$ij \text{ entry of } (AB)^T$$

$$= ji \text{ entry of } AB$$

$$= (j\text{th row } A) (i\text{th col } B)$$

$$= (i\text{th row } B^T) (j\text{th col } A^T) \text{ Lemma!}$$

$$= ij \text{ entry of } B^T A^T \quad \checkmark$$