

Lecture 4: Vectors, Matrices, and Linear Transformations.

Def: A vector is an array of n numbers

$$\vec{x} := \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

The set of all vectors of height n is denoted by \mathbb{R}^n .

Notation: We will write " $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ " to mean \vec{x} is an element of \mathbb{R}^n .

Example: $\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ zero vector.

More generally, the zero vector is any vector all whose entries are 0.

★ Solutions to systems of linear equations are: vectors.

What can you do with vectors?

① (Scalar Multiplication) Given a $c \in \mathbb{R}$, you can multiply all entries of a vector x by c .

$$cx = c \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} cx_1 \\ \vdots \\ cx_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

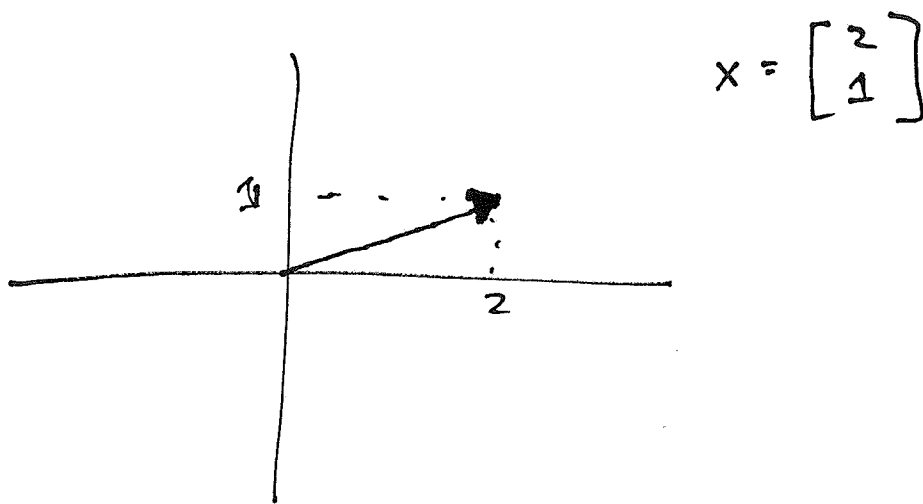
② (Add vectors)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n + y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

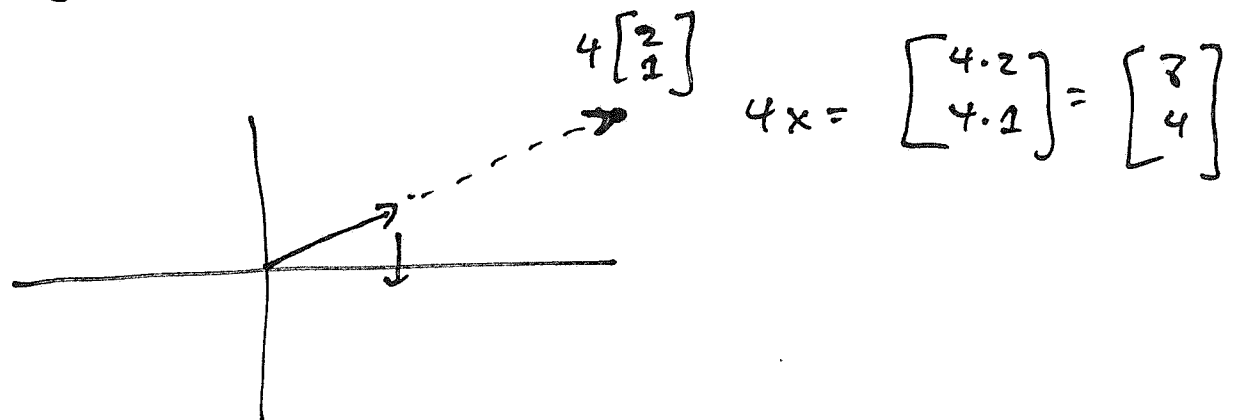
both in \mathbb{R}^n .

A vector may be represented geometrically as an arrow extending from the origin.

Example

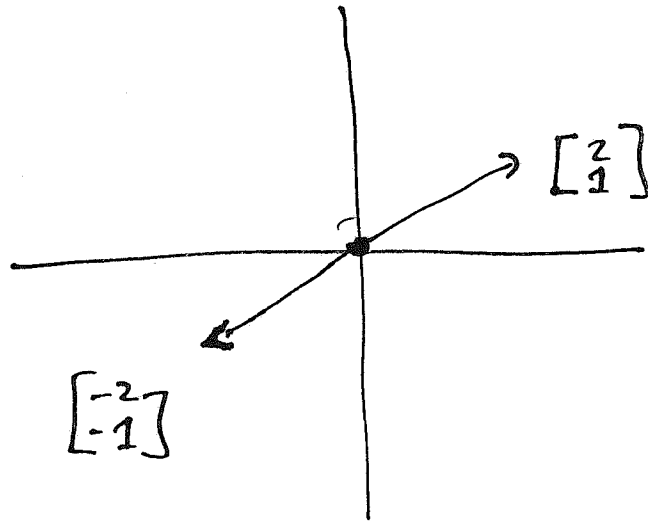


Scalar multiplication by $c > 0$, scales this vector



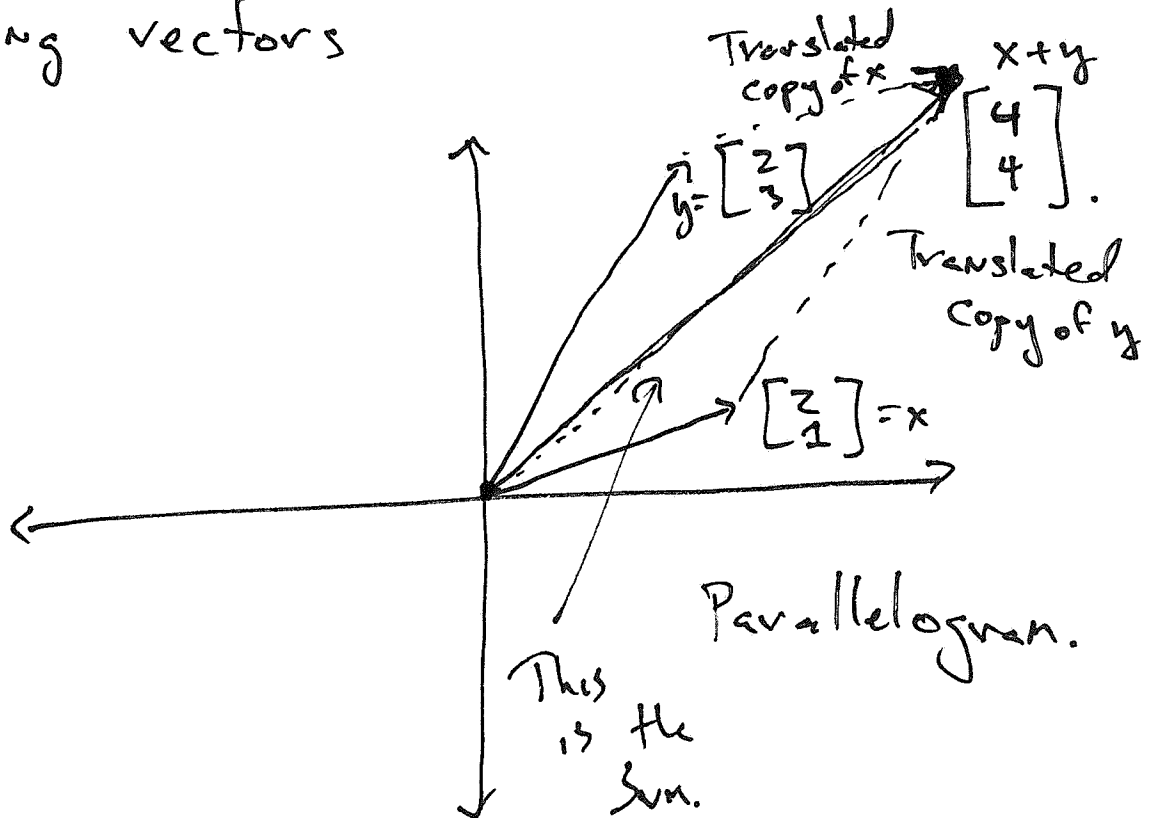
Scalar multiplication stays on same line.

Scalar multiplication by $c = -1$



Reflection through origin.

Adding vectors



A new way to think about linear systems.

Consider:

$$\begin{aligned} 7x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 &= 25 \\ 2x_1 + 0x_2 + x_3 &= 5. \end{aligned} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

The left hand side is a rule for taking $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and producing a vector $b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$.
 (we went)

We can think of the left hand side as a function $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$.

Example (Evaluating T at a vector x)

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Flip, Multiply coordinatewise, add.

$$T\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot 3 \\ 2 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$T \cdot \vec{x}$

Plug into system to evaluate

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since, This is the vector we wanted $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ is a solution.

Example (of matrix multiplication)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 \\ 3 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 \\ 5 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 11 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(Defines a function)
 $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

Every matrix defines a function from
 \mathbb{R}^m to \mathbb{R}^n (for some values of m and n)

but not all functions arise in this way.

Non-example: All matrix mult sends 0 vector
to 0 vector, so

$$(x, y) \mapsto (x^2 + 1, y)$$

is not given by a matrix.

What are the properties of functions given by multiplication by a matrix?

The functions that arise from matrices are all linear transformations.

Def: A function

$$T: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

is called a linear transformation if

$$(1) \quad T(x+y) = T(x) + T(y)$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$.

$$(2) \quad T(cx) = cT(x)$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 11 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

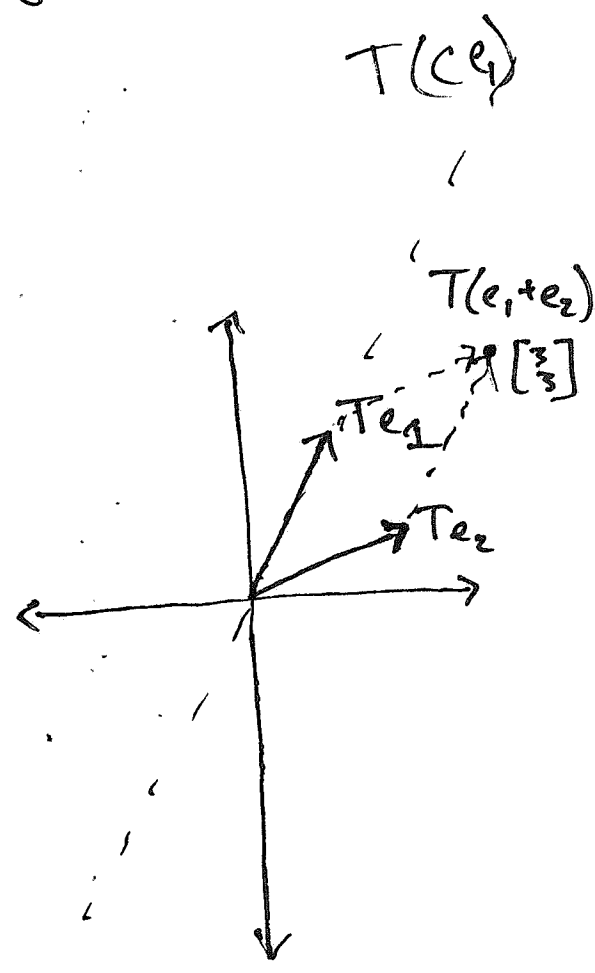
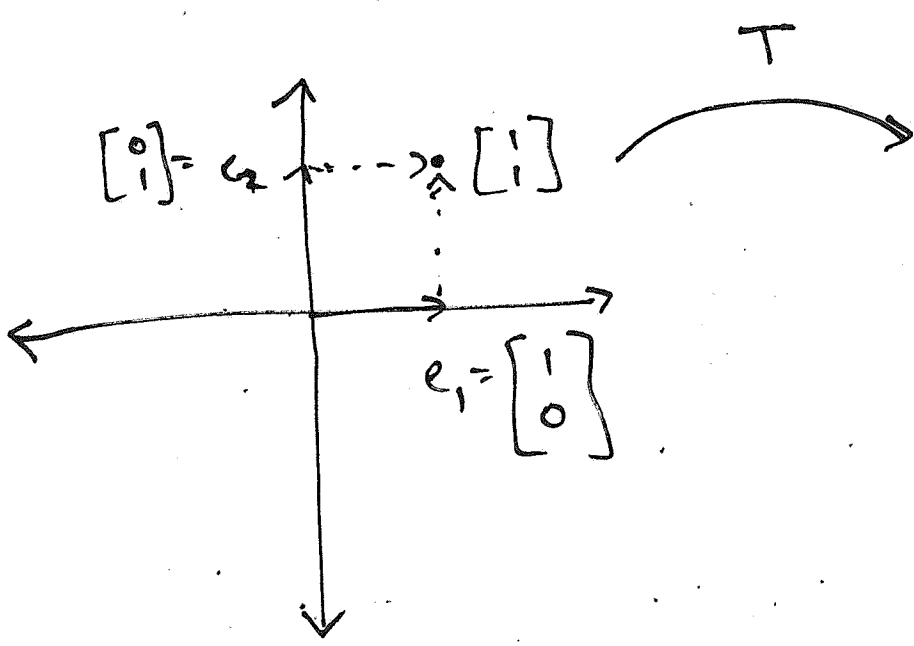
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 1 \\ 3 \cdot 1 \\ 5 \cdot 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 2 \\ 4 \cdot 2 \\ 6 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

Conversely, all linear transformations are given by multiply by a matrix.

What happens to vectors when multiplied by a matrix (geometrically)?

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



$$Te_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 2 \\ 2 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

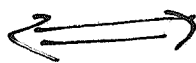
picks out first column.

$$Te_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

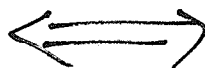
Linearity means

Sums go
to
Sums



Parallelograms
go
to Parallelograms

Scalar multiples
go to
scalar multiples



Line through
the origin
goes to
lines through
the
origin.

Example



x-axis goes to line of
slope 2.

That: Linear transformations are exactly
the functions which arise as
multiplication by a matrix.

What is the matrix?

Consider the vector

$$e_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} 0 \text{ everywhere and} \\ 1 \text{ in } i\text{th entry} \end{array}$$

If A is a matrix

$A e_i$ is the i th column of A

In general if T is any linear transformation

$$T \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} T e_1 & T e_2 & \dots & T e_n \end{bmatrix}$$

is a matrix such that the associated
function equals T .