

**Bitte setzt euch in den
vordersten vier Reihen!**

Lineare Algebra

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Programm

- Theorie-Input
- In-class Exercise
- Nachbesprechung Serie 5

Theorie

Gauss-Jordan Elimination

- Ziel: Reduzierte Zeilenstufenform

	1	0			0		0		
		1			0		0		
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							1		

R

Alle weissen Einträge sind 0

Definition 3.13 (Reduced row echelon form). Let $R = [r_{ij}]_{i=1, j=1}^{m, n}$ be an $m \times n$ matrix. R is in reduced row echelon form (RREF) if there is some natural number $r \leq m$ and column indices $1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_r \leq n$ (the indices of the “downward step” columns) such that the following two conditions hold.

- (i) For every $i \in [r]$, column j_i of R is the standard unit vector \mathbf{e}_i .
- (ii) All entries r_{ij} “below the staircase” are 0. Formally, an entry r_{ij} is below the staircase if
 - (a) $i > r$ (the entry is below row r), or
 - (b) $i \leq r$ and $j < j_i$ (the entry is in the part of row i to the left of column j_i).

If we want to describe the shape of R precisely, we say that R is in $\text{RREF}(j_1, j_2, \dots, j_r)$.

Reduzierte Zeilenstufenform

- Wenn wir $Rx = c$ haben, wobei R in reduzierter Zeilenstufenform ist, können wir x einfach ausrechnen

Algorithm 5 Direct solution:

Returns a pair (x, result) such that $Rx = c$ if $\text{result} = \text{"solution"}$. If $\text{result} = \text{"no solution"}$, there is no solution. The matrix R must be in $\text{RREF}(j_1, j_2, \dots, j_r)$.

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1: function DIRECT SOLUTION( $R, j_1, j_2, \dots, j_r, c$ )  $\triangleright R \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, c \in \mathbb{R}^m$ 
2:    $x \leftarrow 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 
3:   if  $c_i \neq 0$  for some  $i > r$  then
4:     return  $(x, \text{"no solution"})$ 
5:   end if
6:   for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$  do
7:      $x_{j_i} \leftarrow c_i$ 
8:   end for
9:   return  $(x, \text{"solution"})$ 
10: end function
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Gauss-Jordan Elimination

- Transformiert $Ax = b$ zu $Rx = c$ mit denselben Lösungen, aber R ist in reduzierter Zeilenstufenform
- Gleiche Idee wie Gauss-Elimination, aber:
- Falls wir ein Nullpivot haben, den wir nicht durch Tauschen der Spalten eliminieren können, geben wir nicht auf, sondern gehen einfach zur nächsten Spalte

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gauss-Jordan Elimination ausrechnen

- Transformiert $Ax = b$ zu $Rx = c$ mit denselben Lösungen, aber R ist in reduzierter Zeilenstufenform
- Gleiche Idee wie Gauss-Elimination, aber:
- Falls das Pivot-Element nicht 1 ist, dividieren wir die Reihe durch das Pivot-Element:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gauss-Jordan Elimination ausrechnen

- Transformiert $Ax = b$ zu $Rx = c$ mit denselben Lösungen, aber R ist in reduzierter Zeilenstufenform
- Gleiche Idee wie Gauss-Elimination, aber:
- Falls die Elemente über dem Pivot-Element nicht null sind, nutzen wir den Pivot, um diese zu eliminieren:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}^y$$

Beispiel Gauss-Jordan Elimination

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & -3 & -5 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

CR-Dekomposition mit Gauss-Jordan

Theorem 3.18 (Uniqueness of RREF, and relation to the CR decomposition). *Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. There is a unique $m \times n$ matrix R (the one resulting from Gauss-Jordan elimination on A according to Theorem 3.17), with the following two properties.*

(i) $R = MA$ for some invertible $m \times m$ matrix M .

(ii) R is in RREF.

More precisely, R is in RREF(j_1, j_2, \dots, j_r), where j_1, j_2, \dots, j_r are the indices of the independent columns in A , and

$$R = \left[\begin{array}{c} \underbrace{R'}_{r \times n} \\ \hline \underbrace{0}_{(m-r) \times n} \end{array} \right],$$

with R' the unique matrix such that $A = CR'$ in Theorem 2.46 (CR decomposition).

Beispiel CR-Dekomposition mit Gauss-Jordan Elimination

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & -4 & 1 & 5 \\ -2 & 2 & -1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse berechnen mit Gauss-Jordan Elimination

Theorem 3.19 (Computing inverses with Gauss-Jordan elimination). *Let A be an $m \times m$ matrix, and let $(R, j_1, j_2, \dots, j_r, M)$ be the output of running Algorithm 6 with input (A, I) . Then A is invertible if and only if $R = I$, and in this case, $A^{-1} = M$.*

- Idee: Folgende Matrix mit Gauss-Jordan Elimination umformen.
Falls linke Seite = I ist, dann ist die rechte Seite die Inverse von A

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Beispiel Inverse berechnen mit Gauss-Jordan Elimination

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Vektorräume

- Ein Vektorraum ist eine Menge von Elementen mit zwei Operationen: Addition und Skalarmultiplikation.
- Die Elemente vom Vektorraum heissen Vektoren
- Wenn man Vektoren addiert ($v + w$) oder skaliert (λv), dann sind die Resultate wieder im Vektorraum.

Vektorräume

Definition 4.1 (Vector space). A vector space is a triple $(V, +, \cdot)$ where V is a set (the vectors), and

$+ : V \times V \rightarrow V$ is a function (vector addition),

$\cdot : \mathbb{R} \times V \rightarrow V$ is a function (scalar multiplication),

satisfying the following axioms of a vector space for all $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in V$ and all $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$.

1. $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v}$ commutativity
2. $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$ associativity
3. There is a vector $\mathbf{0}$ such that $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{v}$ for all \mathbf{v} zero vector
4. There is a vector $-\mathbf{v}$ such that $\mathbf{v} + (-\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}$ negative vector
5. $1 \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$ identity element
6. $(\lambda \cdot \mu)\mathbf{v} = \lambda \cdot (\mu \cdot \mathbf{v})$ compatibility of \cdot and \cdot in \mathbb{R}
7. $\lambda(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = \lambda\mathbf{v} + \lambda\mathbf{w}$ distributivity over $+$
8. $(\lambda + \mu)\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} + \mu\mathbf{v}$ distributivity over $+$ in \mathbb{R}

Beispiele von Vektorräumen

- Vektoren

Observation 4.2. $(\mathbb{R}^m, +, \cdot)$, with “+” as in Definition [1.2](#) and “ \cdot ” as in Definition [1.3](#), is a vector space.

Beispiele von Vektorräumen

- Polynome

Theorem 4.4. Let $\mathbb{R}[x]$ denote the set of polynomials in one variable x . Given two polynomials $\mathbf{p} = \sum_{i=0}^m p_i x^i$ and $\mathbf{q} = \sum_{i=0}^n q_i x^i$, we define $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}$ to be the polynomial

$$\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} = \sum_{i=0}^{\max(m,n)} (p_i + q_i) x^i,$$

where we set $p_i = 0$ for $i > m$ and $q_i = 0$ for $i > n$. For a scalar $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, we further define $\lambda \mathbf{p}$ as the polynomial

$$\lambda \mathbf{p} = \sum_{i=0}^m (\lambda p_i) x^i.$$

Then $(\mathbb{R}[x], +, \cdot)$ is a vector space.

Beispiele von Vektorräumen

- Matrizen

Theorem 4.5. *Let $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ be the set of $m \times n$ matrices, with addition $A + B$ and scalar multiplication λA defined in the usual way, see Definition [2.2](#). Then $(\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, +, \cdot)$ is a vector space.*

Eigenschaften von Vektorräumen

Fact 4.6. Let $(V, +, \cdot)$ be a vector space. V contains exactly one zero vector (a vector satisfying axiom 3 of Definition 4.1: $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{v}$ for all \mathbf{v}).

Proof. Take two zero vectors $\mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{0}'$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{0}' &= \mathbf{0}' + \mathbf{0} && \text{(by axiom 3, since } \mathbf{0} \text{ is a zero vector)} \\ &= \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0}' && \text{(by axiom 1, commutativity)} \\ &= \mathbf{0} && \text{(by axiom 3, since } \mathbf{0}' \text{ is a zero vector).}\end{aligned}$$

So $\mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{0}'$ are equal.



Eigenschaften von Vektorräumen

Lemma

For every vector \mathbf{v} , we have $0 \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$.

Lemma

Each \mathbf{v} has only one negative vector.

Eigenschaften von Vektorräumen

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Vector space axioms:

1. $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v}$
2. $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$
3. There is a vector $\mathbf{0}$ such that $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{v}$ for all \mathbf{v}
4. There is a vector $-\mathbf{v}$ such that $\mathbf{v} + (-\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}$
5. $1 \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$
6. $(\lambda \cdot \mu)\mathbf{v} = \lambda \cdot (\mu \cdot \mathbf{v})$
7. $\lambda(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = \lambda\mathbf{v} + \lambda\mathbf{w}$
8. $(\lambda + \mu)\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} + \mu\mathbf{v}$

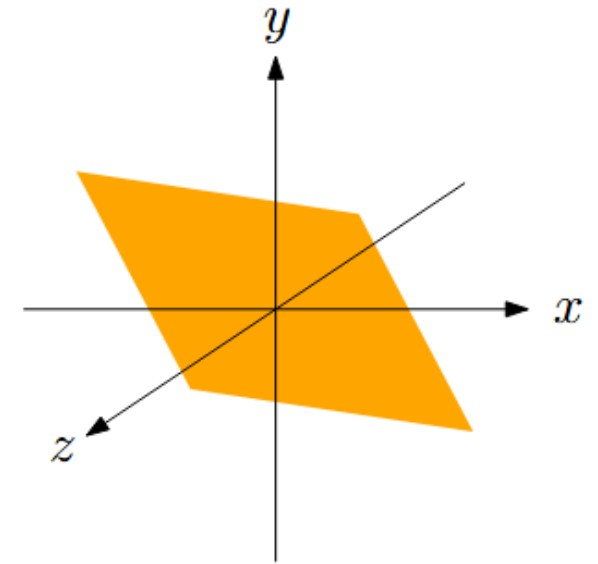
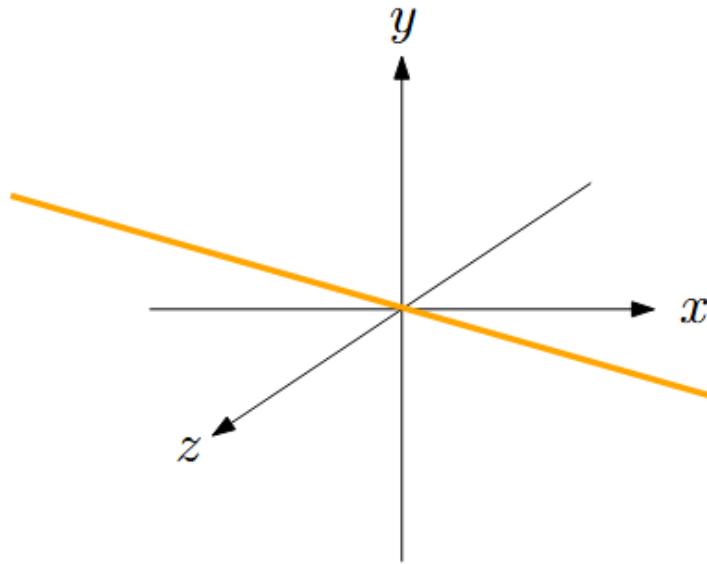
Unterräume

Definition 4.8 (Subspace). *Let V be a vector space. A nonempty subset $U \subseteq V$ is called a subspace of V if the following two axioms of a subspace are true for all $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in U$ and all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.*

(i) $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} \in U$;

(ii) $\lambda \mathbf{v} \in U$.

Unterräume von \mathbb{R}^3 :



Unterräume

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(i) $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} \in U$;

(ii) $\lambda \mathbf{v} \in U$.

- Ist die folgende Menge ein Unterraum des angegebenen Vektorraums?

(a) $S_1 := \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 = x_2 = 2x_3\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$



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- Ist die folgende Menge ein Unterraum des angegebenen Vektorraums?

$$\{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$$



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(i) $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} \in U$;

(ii) $\lambda \mathbf{v} \in U$.

- Ist die folgende Menge ein Unterraum des angegebenen Vektorraums?

(b) $S_2 := \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1^2 + x_2^4 = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$



Unterräume

Definition 4.8 (Subspace). Let V be a vector space. A nonempty subset $U \subseteq V$ is called a subspace of V if the following two axioms of a subspace are true for all $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in U$ and all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

(i) $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} \in U$;

(ii) $\lambda \mathbf{v} \in U$.

- Ist die folgende Menge ein Unterraum des angegebenen Vektorraums?

$$\{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 > x_2\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$$



Unterräume

Lemma 4.11 (The column space is a subspace). *Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Then the column space $C(A) = \{Ax : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^m .*

Corollary 4.12 (The row space is a subspace). *Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Then the row space $R(A) = C(A^\top)$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .*

Exercise 4.13 (The nullspace is a subspace). *Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Then the nullspace $N(A) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .*

Unterräume sind Vektorräume

Lemma 4.14 (Subspaces are vector spaces). *Let V be a vector space, and let U be a subspace of V . Then U is also a vector space (with the same “+” and “·” as V).*

Basen und Dimensionen

Definition 4.18 (Basis). *Let V be a vector space. A subset $B \subseteq V$ is called a basis of V if B is linearly independent and $\text{Span}(B) = V$.*

- Problem: Bis jetzt haben wir lineare Unabhängigkeit und Span nur für Vektoren in \mathbb{R}^n , nicht für beliebige Vektorräume.

Was ist linear unabhängig/Span für allgemeine Vektorräume?

Definition 4.15 (Linear combination of a set of vectors). *Let V be a vector space, $G \subseteq V$ a (possibly infinite) subset of vectors. A linear combination of G is a sum of the form*

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j \mathbf{v}_j,$$

where $F = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a finite subset of G .

Definition 4.17 (Linear independence and span of a set of vectors). *Let V be a vector space, $G \subseteq V$ a (possibly infinite) subset of vectors.*

The set G is called linearly dependent if there is an element $\mathbf{v} \in G$ such that \mathbf{v} is a linear combination of $G \setminus \{\mathbf{v}\}$. Otherwise, G is called linearly independent.

The span of G , written as $\mathbf{Span}(G)$, is the set of all linear combinations of G .

Beispiele für Basen

vector space V	basis B
\mathbb{R}^m	$\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$
$C(A)$ (subspace of \mathbb{R}^m)	independent columns of A
2×2 symmetric matrices (subspace of $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$)	$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$
$\mathbb{R}[x]$ (polynomials)	$\{x^i : i = 0, 1, \dots\}$ (infinite set)
$\{0\}$ (smallest vector space)	\emptyset (empty set)

Es gibt oft mehrere Basen für denselben Vektorraum!

Endlich generierte Vektorräume

Definition 4.21 (Finitely generated vector space). *A vector space V is called finitely generated if there exists a finite subset $G \subseteq V$ with $\text{Span}(G) = V$.*

Theorem 4.22. *Let V be a finitely generated vector space, and let $G \subseteq V$ be a finite subset with $\text{Span}(G) = V$. Then V has a basis $B \subseteq G$.*

(Auch wenn V nicht endlich generiert ist, hat V eine Basis, aber wir beweisen das nicht in dieser Vorlesung)

Steinitz Exchange Lemma

Lemma 4.23 (Steinitz exchange lemma). *Let V be a finitely generated vector space, $F \subseteq V$ a finite set of linearly independent vectors, and $G \subseteq V$ a finite set of vectors with $\text{Span}(G) = V$. Then the following two statements hold.*

(i) $|F| \leq |G|$.

(ii) *There exists a subset $E \subseteq G$ of size $|G| - |F|$ such that $\text{Span}(F \cup E) = V$.*

Lemma 1.28 (The span of m linearly independent vectors is \mathbb{R}^m). *Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m \in \mathbb{R}^m$ be linearly independent. Then $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m) = \mathbb{R}^m$.*

Dimension

Theorem 4.24 (All bases have the same size). *Let V be a finitely generated vector space and let $B, B' \subseteq V$ be two bases of V . Then $|B| = |B'|$.*

Definition 4.25 (Dimension). *Let V be a finitely generated vector space. Then $\dim(V)$, the dimension of V , is the size of an arbitrary basis B of V .*

Fragen?

Übungen

2. Subspaces of function spaces and $\mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ (in-class) (★☆☆)

- a) In this exercise we consider the vector space V of all real-valued functions on the interval $[0, 1]$. In other words, every element $\mathbf{f} \in V$ is a function $\mathbf{f} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and conversely, every function $\mathbf{f} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is in V . Note that it might not be obvious that this is a vector space, but for the purpose of this exercise you can assume that it is. In particular, there exists a valid addition $\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g}$ of such functions $\mathbf{f} \in V$ and $\mathbf{g} \in V$, and a valid scalar multiplication $c\mathbf{f}$ for a scalar $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbf{f} \in V$ defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g})(x) &:= \mathbf{f}(x) + \mathbf{g}(x) && \text{for all } \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \in V \text{ and } x \in [0, 1] \\(c\mathbf{f})(x) &:= c\mathbf{f}(x) && \text{for all } \mathbf{f} \in V, x \in [0, 1] \text{ and } c \in \mathbb{R}.\end{aligned}$$

Prove that

$$U = \{\mathbf{f} \in V : \mathbf{f}(x) = \mathbf{f}(1 - x) \text{ for all } x \in [0, 1]\} \subseteq V$$

is a subspace of V .

2. Subspaces of function spaces and $\mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ (in-class) (☆☆☆)

b) Let $m \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Consider the set \mathcal{D}_m of diagonal $m \times m$ matrices, which is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$. What is the dimension of \mathcal{D}_m ? Justify your answer with a proof.

Bemerkungen zu Aufgabe 2

- Vorsicht mit Indizes von Matrizen!

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

Hence, a_{ij} is the entry in row i and column j of matrix A . The “dot-free” notation (see also Section [1.1.5](#)) is

$$A = [a_{ij}]_{i=1, j=1}^{m, n}.$$

Bemerkungen zu Aufgabe 2

- Repetitions Matrix-Vektor Multiplikation

Observation 2.8 (Matrix-vector multiplication with A in row notation). *Let*

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \text{---} & \mathbf{u}_1^\top & \text{---} \\ \text{---} & \mathbf{u}_2^\top & \text{---} \\ & \vdots & \\ \text{---} & \mathbf{u}_m^\top & \text{---} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad \text{Then } A\mathbf{x} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^\top \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{u}_2^\top \mathbf{x} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_m^\top \mathbf{x} \end{pmatrix}}_{m \text{ scalar products}}.$$

Bemerkungen zu Aufgabe 2

- Grundsätzlich verwenden wir in den Aufgaben nur Aussagen, die wir in der Vorlesung oder Übungen gesehen haben.

2. Strictly diagonally dominant matrices (hand-in) (★★★)

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ be strictly diagonally dominant, that is,

$$|a_{ii}| > \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^m |a_{ij}|$$

holds for all $i \in [m]$. Prove that A is invertible.

6. Linear independence in \mathbb{R}^3 (★★☆)

Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3 \in \mathbb{R}^3$ be three linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 . Consider the three vectors $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3 \in \mathbb{R}^3$ defined as

$$\mathbf{w}_1 := \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2, \quad \mathbf{w}_2 := -\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2, \quad \mathbf{w}_3 := \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3.$$

Prove that $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3$ are linearly independent.

4. Invertibility (★☆☆)

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ be the following upper triangular matrix with $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & 1 & d \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For which values of a, b, c, d is A invertible? Specify A^{-1} for these cases.