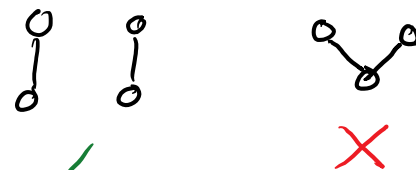
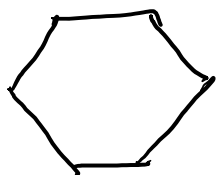


Matching in a graph : set of disjoint edges  
matching number  $\nu(G)$  = max # of edges in a matching

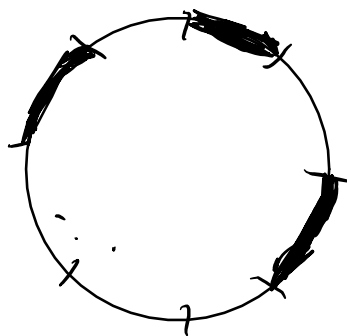
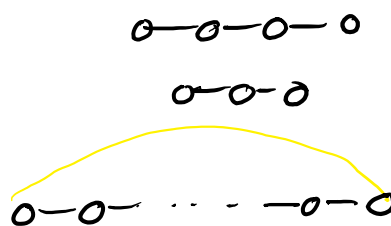
$\nu$   
 (not  $\nu$ )



$$\nu(C_n) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \quad (\text{floor of } \frac{n}{2})$$

$$\nu(P_n) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$$

path of length  $n-1$



let  $M$  be a maximal matching. (Obviously  $|M| \leq \nu(G)$ ).

(DO)  $\exists G, M$  s.t.  $\frac{\nu(G)}{|M|} = 2$ .

DO  $(\forall k)(\exists G)(v(G) = 2|M| = 2k \text{ and } G \text{ is connected})$

HW  $v(G) \leq 2|M|$  for all maximal matchings  $M$ .

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Linear combinations.

$\mathbb{R}^n$

$v_1, \dots, v_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Def. A linear combination of the  $v_i$  is an expression of the form

$\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_k v_k$  where  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\uparrow$  "scalars"  
 $\uparrow$  coefficients

$\alpha_i$  is the coefficient of  $v_i$ .

$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

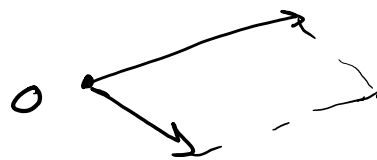
$\text{Span}(S)$  = set of all linear combinations of  $S$ .  
 Linear combinations of an infinite set  $\equiv$  linear combinations of a finite subset.  $\nearrow$  could be infinite

$$\text{Span}(1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots) = \text{all polynomials over } \mathbb{R}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i x^i$$

coefficients are real.

$G_2$  2D-geometry  
 $G_3$  3D-geometry



Span of 2 vectors in  $G_3$ : plane  
 (almost always ... except when parallel -  
 or line - and when both are 0 -  
 the origin).


$$\forall S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, \quad 0 \in \text{Span}(S).$$

A trivial linear combination is one in which  
 all coefficients are 0.

The value of this l.c. is  $\vec{0}$ .

What is  $\text{Span}(\emptyset)$ ?  $\emptyset$ ?  $\{0\}$ ?

sum of weights of some objects.



$$S_1 = S_1$$



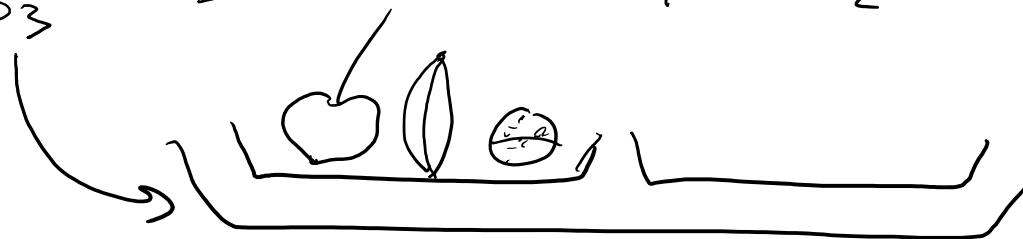
$$= 0$$

$$S_3 = S_1 + S_2$$



If  $S_2 = \text{empty sum} \dots$

$$S_3 = S_1 + S_2$$



We want to preserve

$$S_1 = S_3, \text{ so } S_2 = 0.$$

What if addition doesn't make sense across elements?  
Sum of empty set of bananas ...  
0 bananas.

Thus,  $\text{Span}(\emptyset) = \{0\}$ , and

$$\forall S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, 0 \in \text{Span}(S).$$

What about 3 vectors?

Usually the span is the whole space... unless...


- all three are coplanar - a plane (cannot escape it)
- all three are parallel - a line
- all three are 0 - the origin (a point).

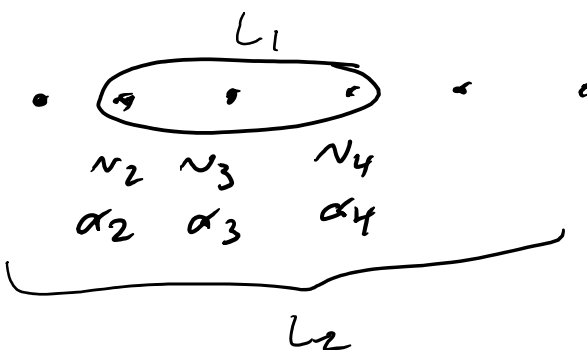
If three are not coplanar, there is a unique way to reach each point.

Def  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  are linearly independent if only their initial linear combination is zero.

If  $L_1 \subseteq L_2$  and  $L_2$  is linearly independent then  $L_1$  is linearly independent.

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sublist

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Suppose  $L_1$  is not linearly independent

Then  $\alpha_2 v_2 + \alpha_3 v_3 + \alpha_4 v_4 = 0$  nontrivially  
 (at least one of  $\alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4$  is nonzero)

and  $\sum_{i=1}^6 \alpha_i v_i = 0$  with  $\alpha_1, \alpha_5, \alpha_6 = 0$

so  $L_2$  is not linearly independent.  $\square$

$[v]$  is linearly dependent  $\Leftrightarrow \vec{v} = \vec{0}$ .

$$\alpha \vec{v} = \vec{0} \quad \forall \alpha \neq 0$$

$[v, v]$  is linearly dependent:

$$1 \cdot \vec{v} + (-1) \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

Cor. If  $L$  is linearly independent, then

(i)  $0 \notin L$ . ( $0$  is subset + linearly dependent)

(ii) no two vectors on the list are equal.

$[v, v]$  is subset + linearly dependent)

what about for 3 vectors?

$$\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{a} + \vec{b}$$

$$1 \cdot \vec{a} + 1 \cdot \vec{b} + (-1)(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) = \vec{0}.$$

Proving linear independence is harder - show any possible combination cannot be 0.

Review: A square matrix is singular if its determinant is 0.

Thm Let  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ . Then  
 $A$  is nonsingular  $\Leftrightarrow$  its columns are linearly independent.

Proof Equivalent statement:

$A$  is singular  $\Leftrightarrow$  columns are linearly dependent.

Lemma A list  $[v_1, \dots, v_k]$  is linearly dependent iff  $(\exists i)(v_i \in \text{Span}(v_1, \dots, \underset{i}{\wedge} \dots v_k))$   
 $\hookrightarrow i^{\text{th}}$  is missing.

Proof.

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$\Leftarrow$

$$v_i = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^k \alpha_j v_j$$

$$\sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^k \alpha_j v_j - v_i = 0$$

$\uparrow$   
 $-1 \neq 0$

(non-trivial)

$\Rightarrow \exists$  coefficients s.t.

$$\sum \alpha_j v_j = 0, \text{ not all}$$

$\alpha_j$  are 0.

$$\therefore (\exists i) (\alpha_i \neq 0)$$

$$\alpha_i v_i = \sum_{j \neq i} -\alpha_j v_j$$

$$v_i = \sum_{j \neq i} -\frac{\alpha_j}{\alpha_i} v_j$$

(lin comb.)

□

Lin. dependent  $\Rightarrow$  singular.

$$\exists i \quad v_i = \sum_{j \neq i} \alpha_j v_j$$

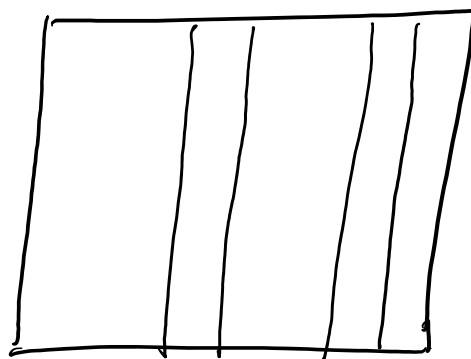
Desired Conclusion (DC):

$$\det A = 0$$

A sequence of elementary column operations turns

$v_i$  into the 0 vector.

Thus,  $\det A = 0$ .



$$v_i \leftarrow -\alpha_j v_j = 0.$$



Singular  $\Rightarrow$  lin. dependent or  
 lin independent  $\Rightarrow$  nonsingular. ( $\det \neq 0$ )

Lemma.  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  is

linearly independent iff

$\underbrace{v_1', \dots, v_k'}_{\text{where}}$  is linearly independent,

result of  
 elementary  
 operation  
 $(i, l, \lambda)$

$$v_j' = \begin{cases} v_j & j \neq i \\ v_i - \lambda v_l & j = i \end{cases}$$

$$v_i' = v_i - \lambda v_l.$$

It suffices to prove one direction, since  
 elementary operations are invertible.  
 The inverse of  $(i, l, \lambda)$  is  $(i, l, -\lambda)$ .

Proof Equiv. to.

$$v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k \text{ lin. dep.} \Leftrightarrow v_1', v_2', \dots, v_k' \text{ lin. dep.}$$

Do Finish the proof.

0	0	0	0	0

$a_{ij} \neq 0$  (pivot)  $\Rightarrow$  kill  $i^{\text{th}}$  row using row operations

Lemma: Permuting rows does not affect the linear independence of columns. (obviously same for columns.)

DO

k {	X	0	0	0	0
	X	0	0	0	0
	X	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

what if we eventually get stuck?

n-k all zeros left

Then columns are linearly dependent ( $\exists$  zero column). This is a contradiction, since we started with a linearly independent matrix and lin. indep. is preserved by our operations.

Thus, we cannot stop until  $n=k$ .

X			
X	X		0
	X	X	
X		X	X

Lower triangular matrix:  $\det = \prod \text{pivots}$   
 $\det(\text{original}) = \pm \prod \text{pivots}$  (by row/column operations + permutations)  
 $\neq 0$ .

Q

**[CH]** Find a continuous curve in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

s.t. its points are in general position,  
meaning every  $n$  of them are linearly independent.

(i.e.  $\forall a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_n$ ,  $[f(a_1), \dots, f(a_n)]$  linearly independent)

**(DO)** Above for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$t \in \mathbb{R} \quad f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ f_n(t) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{get simple formulas for } f_i.$$

Systems of Linear Equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\ &\vdots \\ a_{k1}x_1 + \dots + a_{kn}x_n &= b_k \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{DO}$$

$$A = (a_{ij})_{k \times n}$$

$$\underline{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_k \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

$$\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

$A = [\underline{a}_1, \dots, \underline{a}_n]$  where  $\underline{a}_j$  is  $j^{\text{th}}$  column.

$$\underline{a}_j = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ a_{kj} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

(DO)  $A\underline{x} = x_1 \underline{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \underline{a}_n$  (matrix multiplication)

$$\underline{b} = x_1 \underline{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \underline{a}_n \Leftrightarrow A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

Thm  $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$  is solvable  $\Leftrightarrow \underline{b} \in \underbrace{\text{Span}(\underline{a}_1, \dots, \underline{a}_n)}_{\text{column space of } A}$ .

IF  $\underline{b} = \underline{0}$ :

homogeneous system of linear equations

$A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$  is solvable - trivial solution always works.

Thm. Nontrivial solution exists  $\Leftrightarrow$  columns are linearly dependent.

Thm  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  is nonsingular  $\Leftrightarrow$

$A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$  has no nontrivial solution.

(DO)  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  is nonsingular  $\Leftrightarrow$  rows are linearly independent.

Def.  $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is an eigenvector of  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$

with eigenvector  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  if

$$A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$x \mapsto Ax$$

(i)  $\underline{x} \neq \underline{0}$

(ii)  $A\underline{x} = \lambda\underline{x}$

Def.  $\lambda$  is an eigenvector of  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$

if  $\exists \underline{x} \neq \underline{0}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.  $A\underline{x} = \lambda\underline{x}$ .

(Eigenvectors cannot be  $\underline{0}$ , but eigenvectors can.)

Thm.  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  is nonsingular  $\Leftrightarrow 0$  is not an eigenvector.

Do!

HW Eigenvectors to distinct eigenvectors are linearly independent,

i.e. if  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $v_1, \dots, v_k \neq \underline{0}$  and  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  and  $Av_i = \lambda_i v_i$ , with  $\lambda_i$  all distinct, then  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  are linearly indep.

Consider identity  $I$ .

$$I\underline{v} = \underline{v}.$$

All nonzero vectors are eigenvectors to eigenvalue 1.

If  $\underline{v}$ ,  $\lambda$  are eigenvector/eigenvalue pair, then

$2\underline{v}$ ,  $\lambda$  also work:

$$A\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$$

$$A \cdot 2\underline{v} = \lambda \cdot 2\underline{v}.$$

HW If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then  $\lambda^k$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^k$ .

HW If  $f \in \mathbb{R}[t]$ ,  $\leftarrow$  set of polynomials over  $\mathbb{R}$   
then  $f(\lambda)$  is an eigenvalue of  $f(A)$ .

Note: If  $f(t) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_k t^k$ ,

then (Def.)  $f(A) = \alpha_0 I + \alpha_1 A + \dots + \alpha_k A^k$ .

\* Clarity matters!

Finding an eigenvector to a given eigenvalue amounts to finding a nontrivial solution to a homogeneous system of linear equations.

$$A\underline{x} = \lambda\underline{x} \quad (\underline{x} \neq 0)$$

$$= \lambda I \cdot \underline{x}$$

$$\lambda I \cdot \underline{x} - A \cdot \underline{x} = 0$$

$$(\lambda I - A)\underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

characteristic matrix of A

Thm.  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$

$\Leftrightarrow (\lambda I - A)$  is singular

$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\det(\lambda I - A) = 0}$  (no  $\underline{x}$  anymore!)

characteristic polynomial of A:

$$f_A(t) := \det(tI - A)$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$tI - A = \begin{bmatrix} t - a_{11} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & t - a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(tI - A) = (t - a_{11})(t - a_{22}) - a_{12}a_{21}$$

$$= t^2 - \underbrace{(a_{11} + a_{22})}_{\text{trace}(A)} t + \boxed{(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21})} = \det(A)$$

$$f(t) = \alpha_0 + \dots + \alpha_n t^n$$

$$f(0) = \alpha_0$$

$$\alpha_0 = \det(tI - A) \big|_{t=0} = \det(-A) = (-1)^n \det A$$

(multiplying each of  $n$  columns by  $-1$  switches sign  $n$  times)

$$A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}), \quad A = (a_{ij})$$

Trace :  $\text{Tr}(A) = \sum a_{ii}$

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

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times l} \quad B \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times k}$$

(DO)  $f_A(t) \dots$   $(A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}))$

(i) is a monic polynomial of degree  $n$ :

for  $f_A(t) = \alpha_n t^n + \dots + \alpha_1 t + \alpha_0, \quad \alpha_n = 1.$

(ii)  $\alpha_{n-1} = -\text{Tr}(A)$

(iii)  $\alpha_0 = (-1)^n \det A$

Question: what is the coefficient of  $t^{n-2}$ ?



Def. A basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a linearly independent list of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Thm. (later) "1<sup>st</sup> miracle of linear algebra"

If  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a basis then  $|B| = n$ .  
(nontrivial)

$$A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$$

Def.  $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is an eigenbasis of  $A$  if  $[v_1, \dots, v_n]$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

Eigenvectors of triangular matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & & X \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f_A(t) = \det(tI - A)$$

$$= \det \begin{pmatrix} t - a_{11} & & -a_{1j} \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & t - a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thm.  $\lambda$  is an eigenvector of  $A \Leftrightarrow$

$$f_A(\lambda) = 0.$$

$$= \prod (t - a_{ii})$$

$\therefore$  eigenvalues are  $a_{ii}$ .

Cor. Distinct # of eigenvalues is  $\leq n$ .

**HW** Prove:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  has no eigenbasis.

**DO** Every linearly independent set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  extends to a basis.

**DO** Cor. Every set of  $n$  linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  forms a basis.

**HW** Let  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  be triangular:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & & x \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose all diagonal elements are distinct.  
Prove:  $A$  has an eigenbasis.

( $\leq 4$  lines using other exercises)

**HW** Let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  be distinct reals.

$$f(t) = \prod (t - \alpha_i)$$

$$g_j(t) = \frac{f(t)}{t - \alpha_j} = \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n (t - \alpha_i)$$

Prove:  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n$  are lin. independent

Proof: Suppose  $\sum \beta_j g_j = 0$ . Show:  $\beta_1 = \dots = \beta_n = 0$ .

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ : space of infinite sequences

$$\underline{\alpha} = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots)$$

$$S: \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$$

$$S\underline{\alpha} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots)$$

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left shift operator

HW

Find all eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $S$ :

$$S\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}, \quad \underline{x} \neq (0, 0, 0, \dots)$$