

# Tutorial on Linear Algebra

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## Tutorial Outline

The goal is to review the parts of linear algebra necessary to understand Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

# Linear Algebra

## 1. Matrices, vectors and products

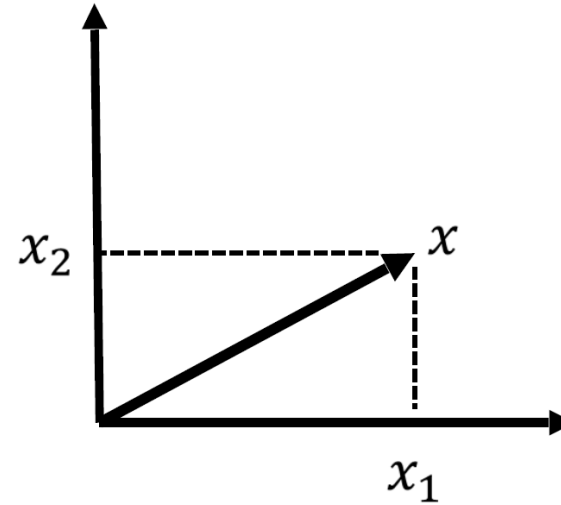
## Vectors

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \text{ and } y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$$

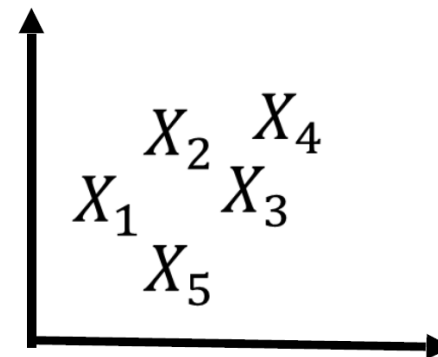
Example:

let  $n = 2$  and  $m = 2$

$$x = (x_1, x_2) \text{ and } y = (y_1, y_2)$$



## Matrices



$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1T} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2T} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} & \cdots & x_{NT} \end{pmatrix} = (X_1 \quad X_2 \quad \cdots \quad X_T)$$

Each  $X_i$  is  $N$ -dimensional data point (vector) from trial  $i$

## Transpose

Transpose of a matrix swaps rows with columns

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 7 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Symmetric Matrices

A matrix is symmetric if it is equal to its transpose

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ is symmetric because } A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 7 \\ 7 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 9 \\ 9 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c & m \\ m & b \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Matrix Multiplication

matrix\*matrix       $W = AB$

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_{11} & w_{12} \\ w_{21} & w_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$W$  has size (2,2)

$A$  has size (2,2)

$B$  has size (2,2)

In order to perform multiplication, the sizes need to match up accordingly

$W$  has size  $(m, n)$

$A$  has size  $(m, p)$

$B$  has size  $(p, n)$

$$(m, n) = (m, \cancel{p}) \times (\cancel{p}, n)$$

**Does  $AB = BA$  ?**



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## Matrix Multiplication

matrix\*vector  $y = Ax$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 \\ a_{31}x_1 + a_{32}x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$y$  has size (3,1)

$A$  has size (3,2)

$x$  has size (2,1)

In order to perform multiplication, the sizes need to match up accordingly

$y$  has size ( $m$ , 1)

$A$  has size ( $m$ ,  $n$ )

$x$  has size ( $n$ , 1)

$$(m, 1) = (m, \cancel{n}) \times (\cancel{n}, 1)$$

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## Matrix Multiplication

vector\*vector

$$\begin{aligned}x^T &= (x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_n) \\y^T &= (y_1 \quad y_2 \quad \cdots \quad y_n)\end{aligned} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

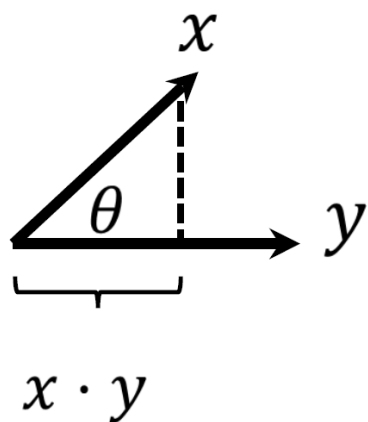
$$x \cdot y = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = x^T y = y^T x$$

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## Matrix Multiplication

vector\*vector

A dot product gives the “overlap” of two vectors.  
It is a *number* not a vector.



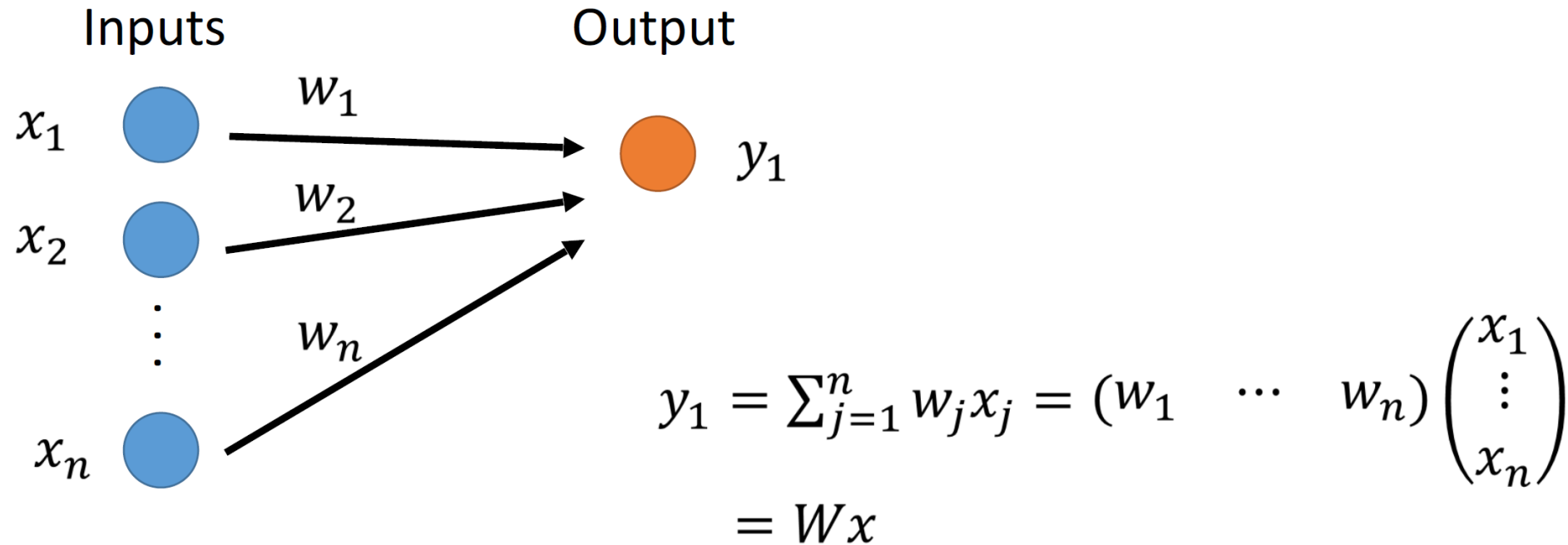
$$x \cdot y = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = |x||y|\cos(\theta)$$

If  $x$  and  $y$  are perpendicular (orthogonal)  
then  $\theta = 90^\circ$  and  $\cos(\theta) = 0$ .

Then  $x \cdot y = 0$

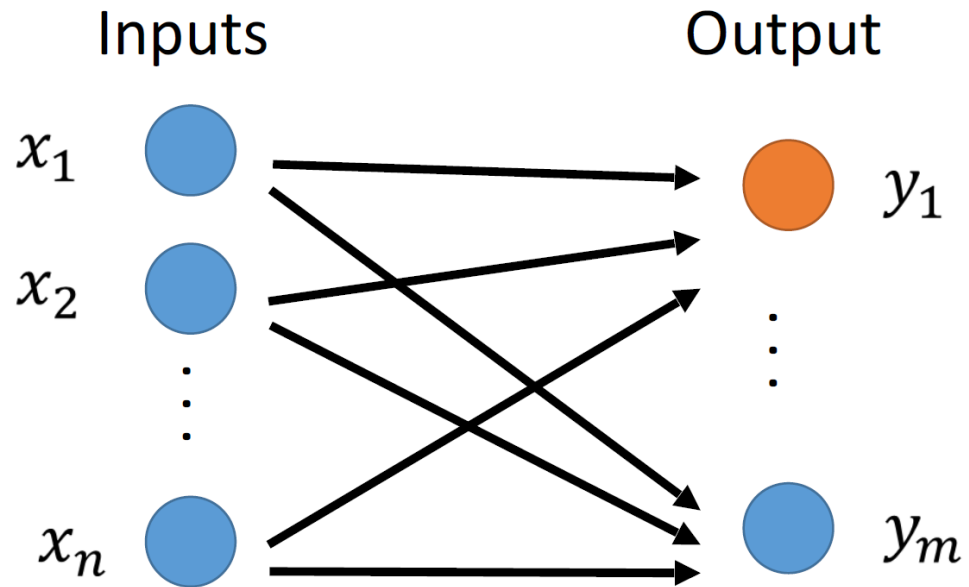
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## Example: Linear Neuron Model



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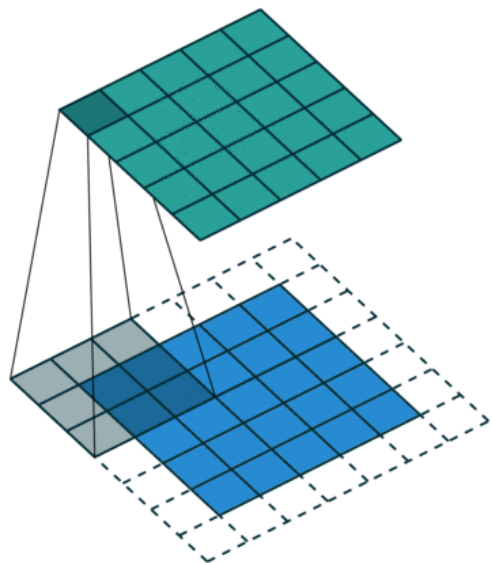
$$y_i = \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_j$$

$$y = Wx$$

$w_{ij}$  = weight from  $x_j$  to  $y_i$

## Convolution as Toeplitz matrix

For experts: even a convolution operation can be recast as matrix multiplication:



$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \\ x_7 & x_8 & x_9 \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \\ k_3 & k_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Here is a constructed matrix with a vector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} k_1 & k_2 & 0 & k_3 & k_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_1 & k_2 & 0 & k_3 & k_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k_1 & k_2 & 0 & k_3 & k_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & k_1 & k_2 & 0 & k_3 & k_4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \\ x_7 \\ x_8 \\ x_9 \end{pmatrix}$$

which is equal to

$$\begin{pmatrix} k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2 + k_3 x_4 + k_4 x_5 \\ k_1 x_2 + k_2 x_3 + k_3 x_5 + k_4 x_6 \\ k_1 x_4 + k_2 x_5 + k_3 x_7 + k_4 x_8 \\ k_1 x_5 + k_2 x_6 + k_3 x_8 + k_4 x_9 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Norms

A function that measures the “size” of a vector is called a **norm**.

The  $L^p$  norm is given by  $\|x\|_p = \left( \sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$

More generally, the norm has to satisfy the following:

- $f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$
- $f(x + y) \leq f(x) + f(y)$  (triangle inequality)
- $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, f(\alpha x) = |\alpha|f(x)$

## Norms

The most commonly used norm for vectors is  $p = 2$ , which is compatible with the inner product  $\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{x \cdot x}$

Another useful norm is the  $L_\infty$  norm, also known as **max norm**:

$$\|x\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|$$

The most natural measure of matrix “size” is the **Frobenius norm**:

$$\|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} A_{ij}^2}$$



## Trace

The **trace** of a matrix is the sum of its' diagonal entries

$$\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_i A_{ii}$$

Some useful properties:

- $\text{Tr}(A) = \text{Tr}(A^T)$
- $\text{Tr}(ABC) = \text{Tr}(CAB) = \text{Tr}(BCA)$  (if defined)

## Determinant

The **determinant** is a value that can be computed for a square matrix.

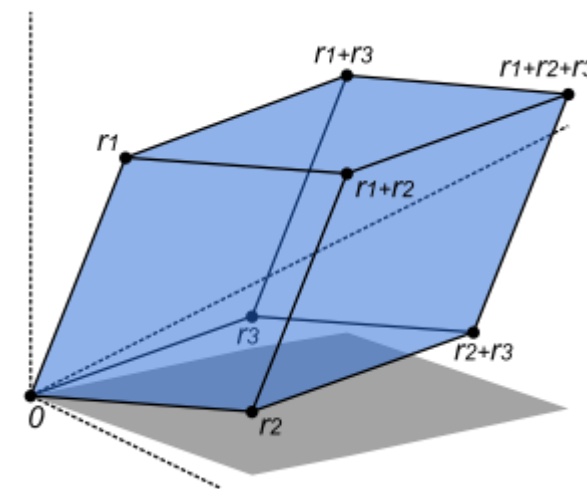
For a 2x2 matrix it is given by  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$ .

Interpretation: volume of parallelepiped is the absolute value of the determinant of a matrix formed of row vectors  $r_1, r_2, r_3$ .

In general for an  $(n,n)$  matrix it is given by

$$\det(A) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \left( \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n A_{i,\sigma(i)} \right)$$

Computed over all permutations  $\sigma$  of the set  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ .



## 2. Matrices and data transformations

## Linear equations

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \text{ and } y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$$

Example:

let  $n = 2$  and  $m = 2$

$$x = (x_1, x_2) \text{ and } y = (y_1, y_2)$$

We have 2 linear equations:

$$y_1 = a_{11} * x_1 + a_{12} * x_2$$

$$y_2 = a_{21} * x_1 + a_{22} * x_2$$

$$y_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j$$

gives  $m$  linear equations

## Linear equations with Matrices

We have 2 linear equations:

$$y_1 = a_{11} * x_1 + a_{12} * x_2$$

$$y_2 = a_{21} * x_1 + a_{22} * x_2$$

We write this as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

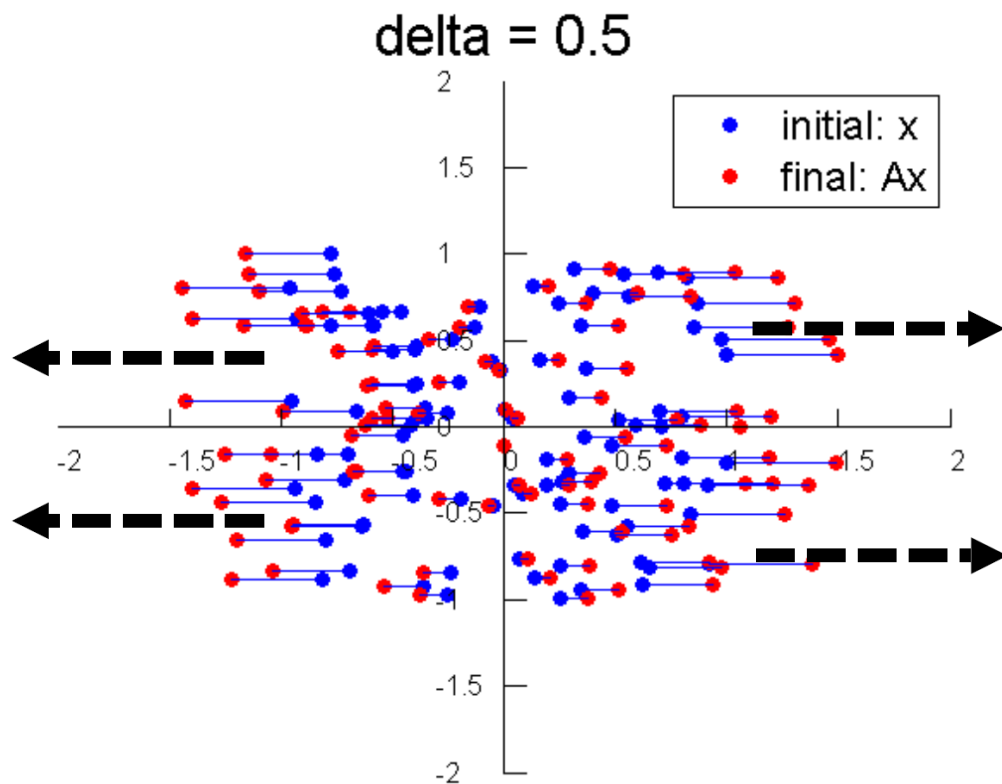
We can think of the matrix  $A$  as a function or transformation of  $x$ :

$$y = f(x) = Ax$$

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Matrix Example: Stretch

$$S_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

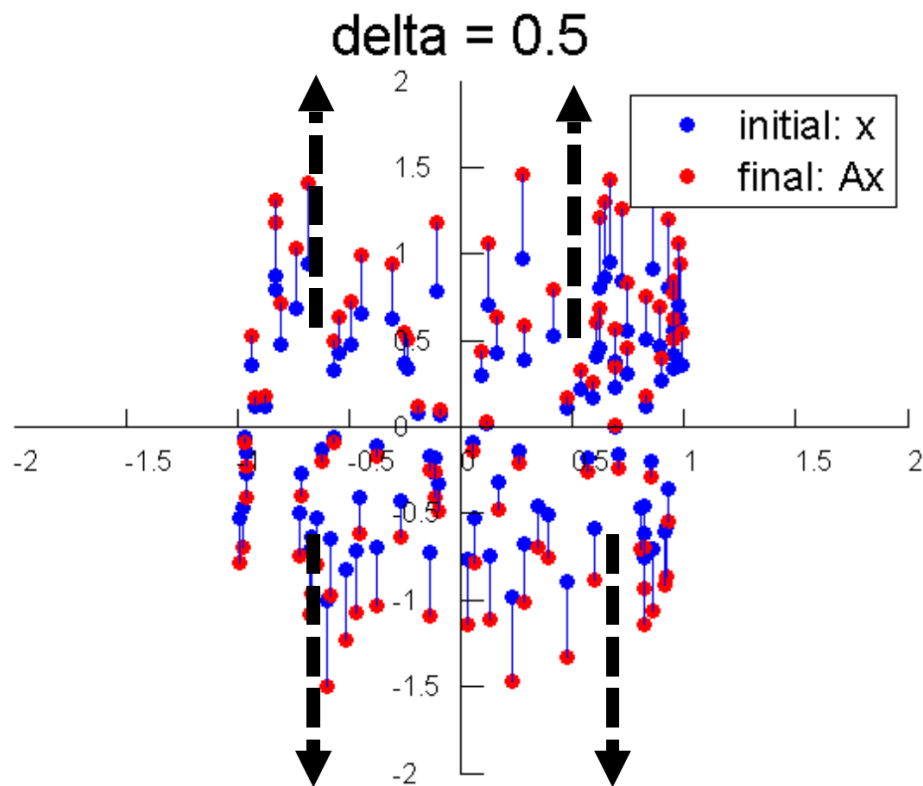


$$S_1 x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} (1 + \delta)x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Matrix Example: Stretch

$$S_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \delta \end{pmatrix}$$

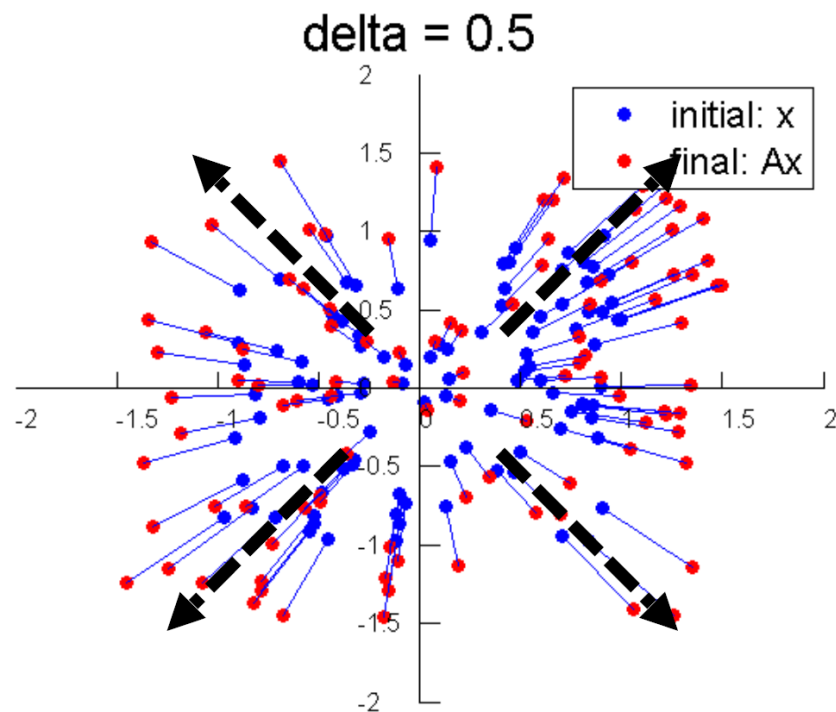


$$\begin{aligned} S_2 x &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \delta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ (1 + \delta)x_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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Matrix Example: Stretch

$$S_{1,2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \delta \end{pmatrix}$$

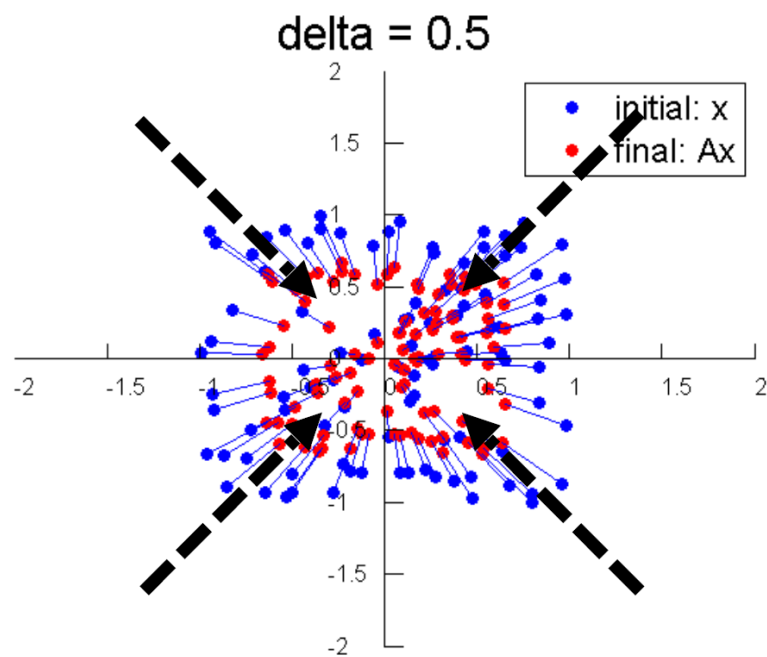


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Matrix Example: Shrink  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1/(1 + \delta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1/(1 + \delta) \end{pmatrix}$



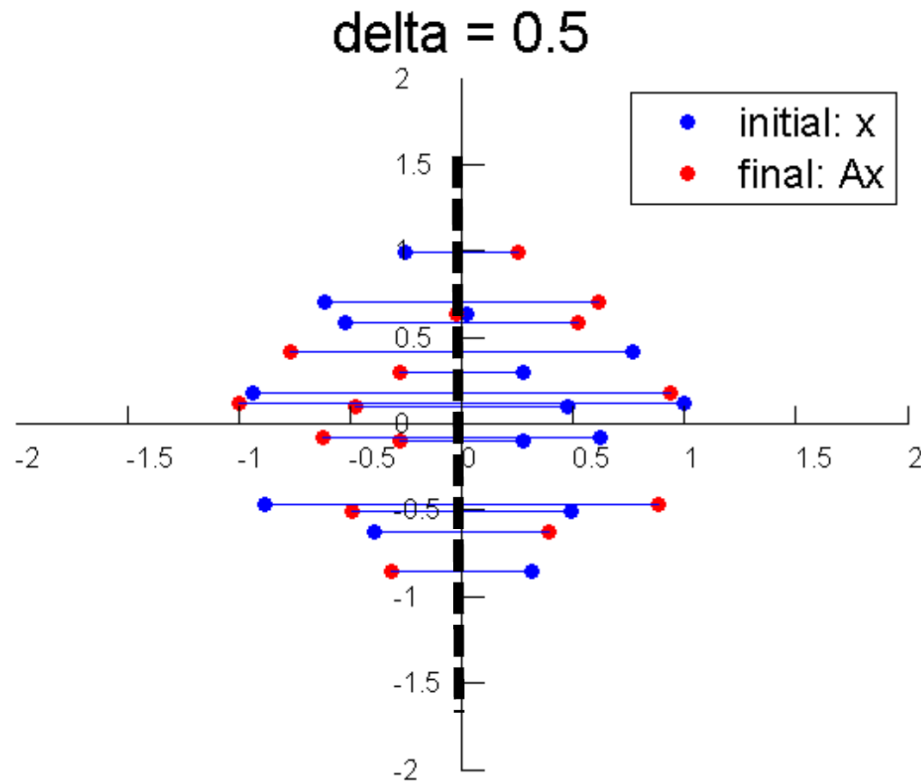
$$Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1/(1 + \delta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1/(1 + \delta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x_1/(1 + \delta) \\ x_2/(1 + \delta) \end{pmatrix}$$

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Matrix Example: Reflection

$$R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

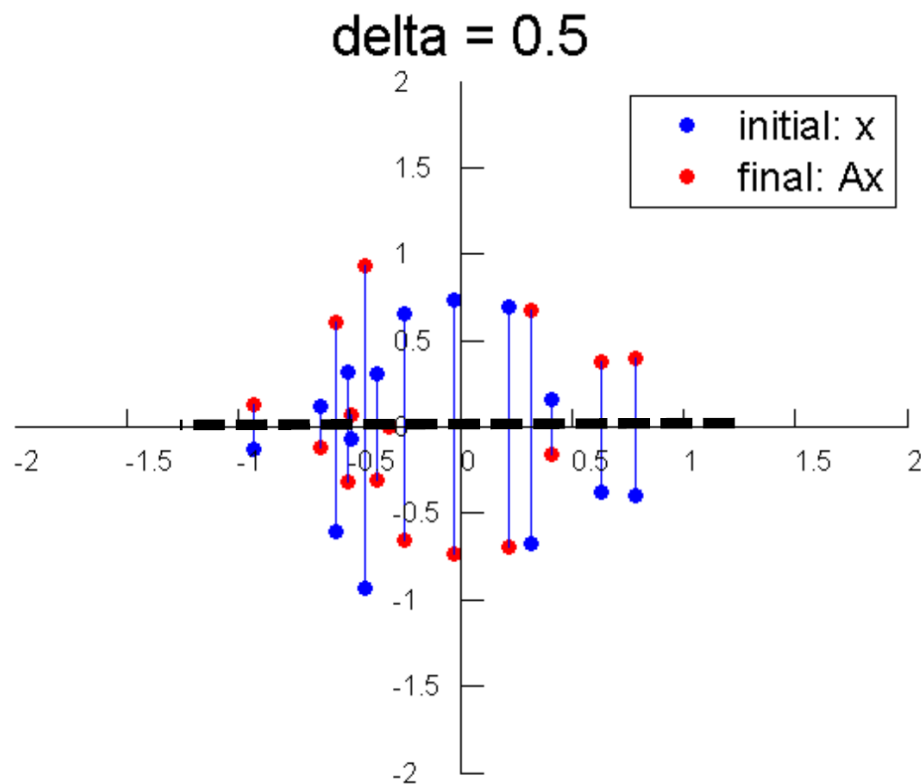


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Matrix Example: Reflection

$$R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

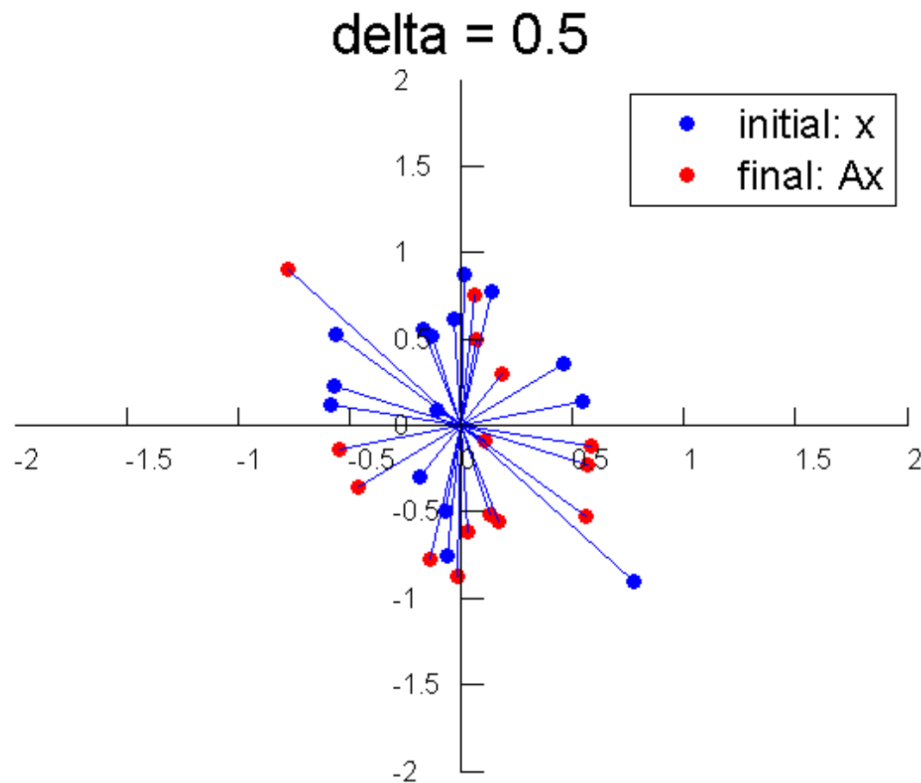


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Matrix Example: Reflection

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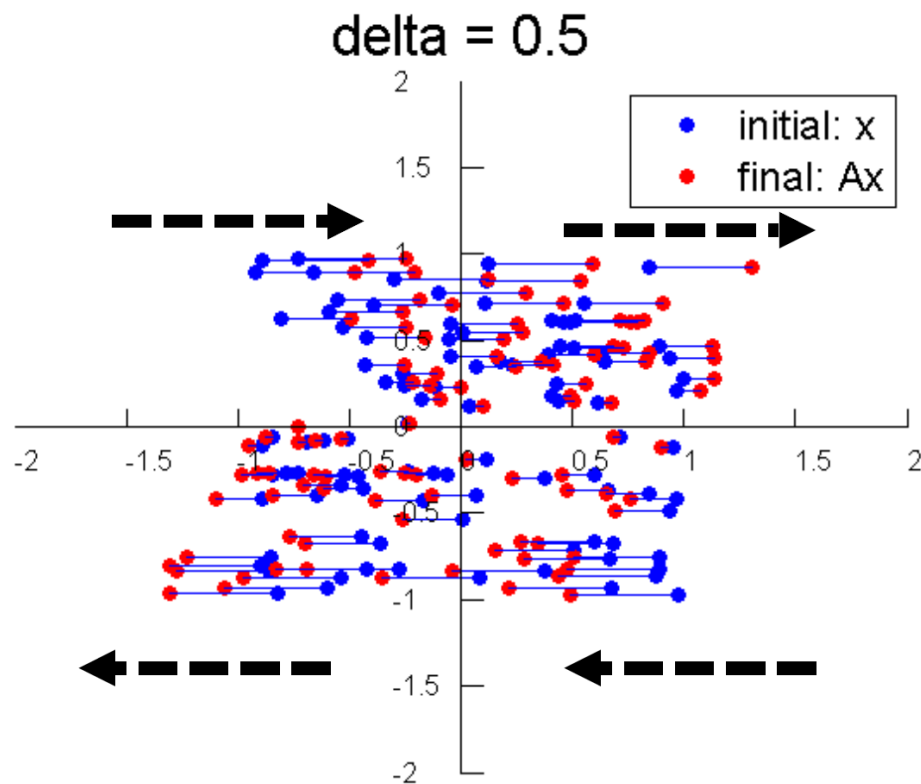


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Matrix Example: Shear

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \delta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

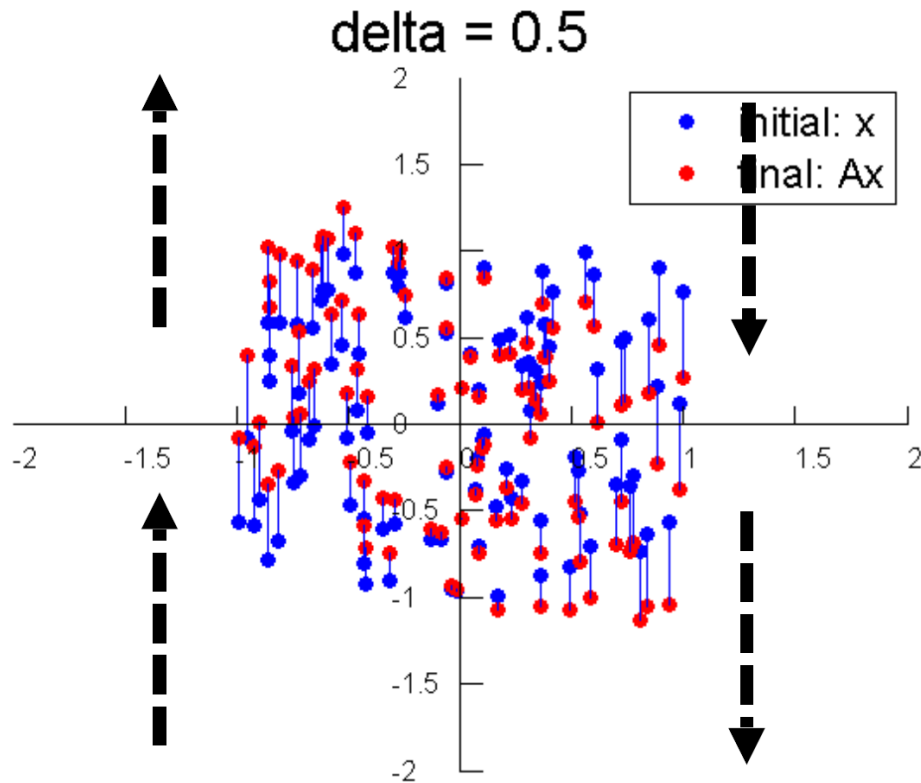


$$\begin{aligned} T_1 x &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \delta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + \delta x_2 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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Matrix Example: Shear

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\delta & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

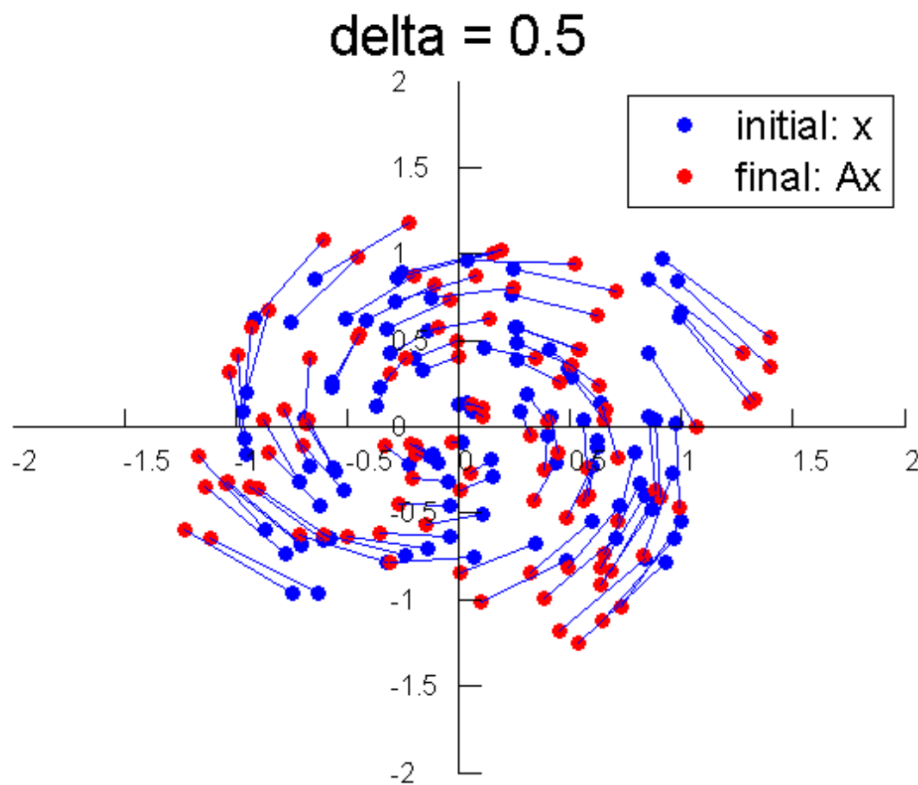


$$\begin{aligned}
 T_2 x &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\delta & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 - \delta x_1 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

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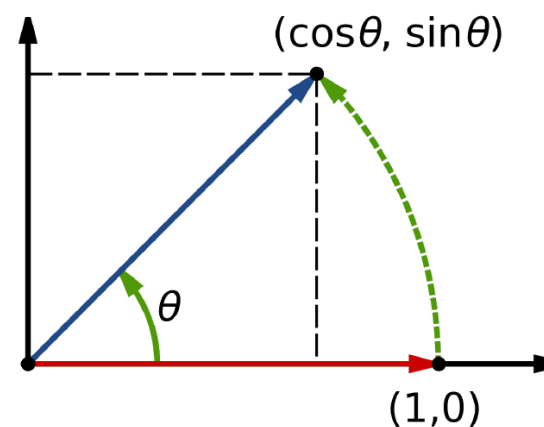
## Rotation Matrices

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

is the small-angle approximation to the true rotation matrix.

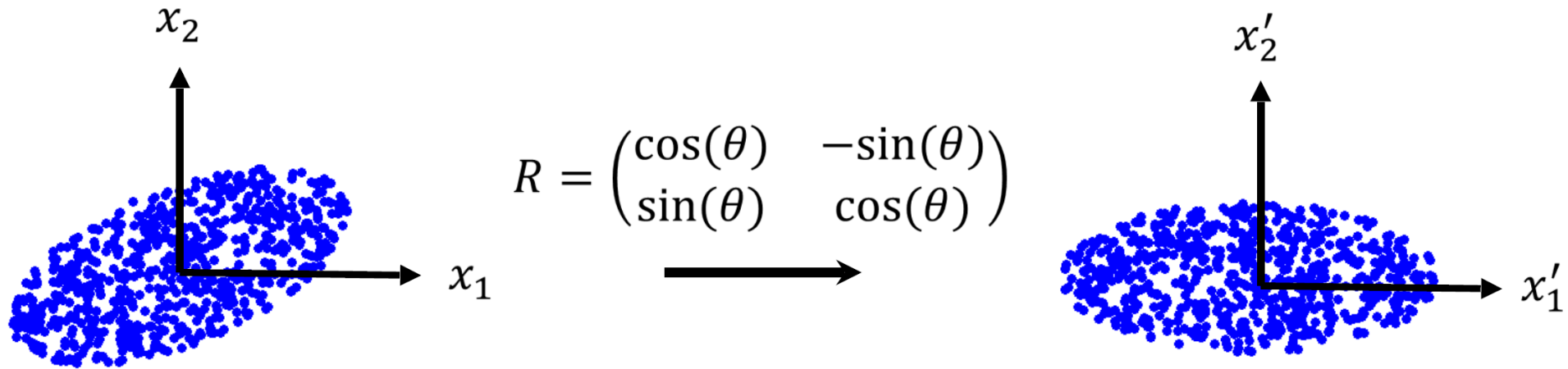
$$R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

is a counter-clockwise rotation by angle  $\theta$ .





## Rotation Matrices



## Matrix Example: Inverses

The inverse of a function  $f$ , denoted by  $f^{-1}$ , satisfies:

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$$

i.e.  $f^{-1}(f(\cdot))$  is the identity function.

Similarly, the inverse of a matrix satisfies:

$$A^{-1}Ax = AA^{-1}x = x$$

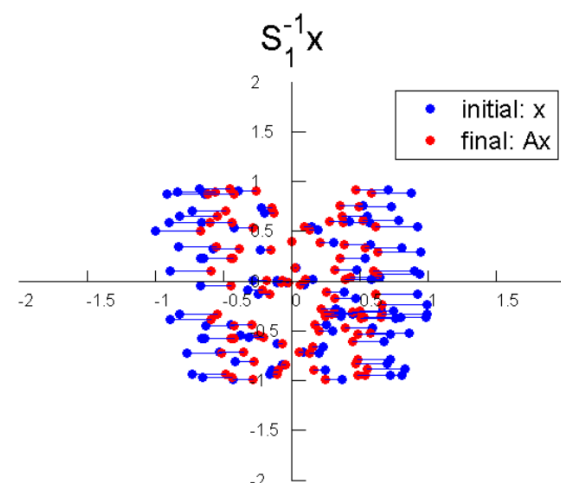
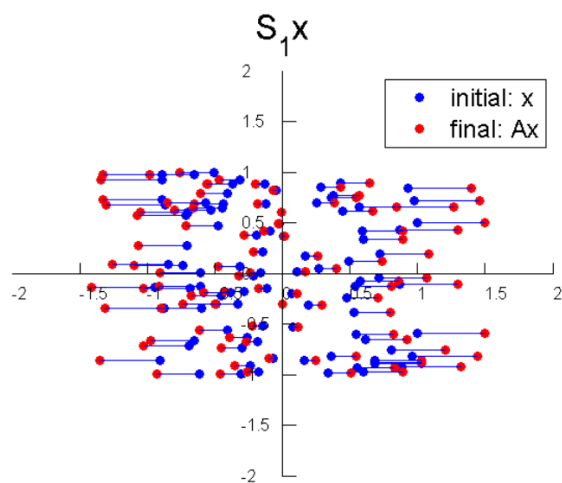
$$A^{-1}A = AA^{-1} = I$$

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Matrix Example: Inverses  $A^{-1}A = AA^{-1} = I$

$$S_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ has inverse } S_1^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/(1 + \delta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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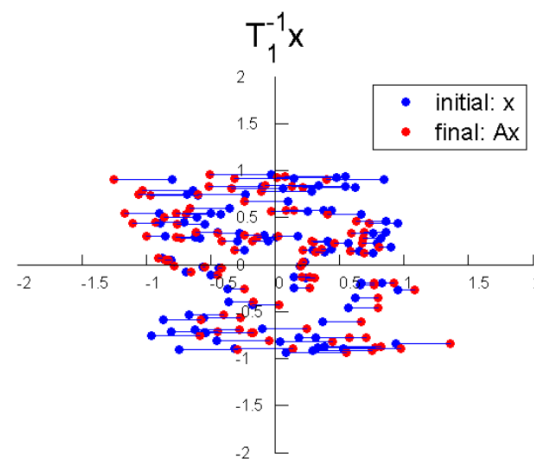
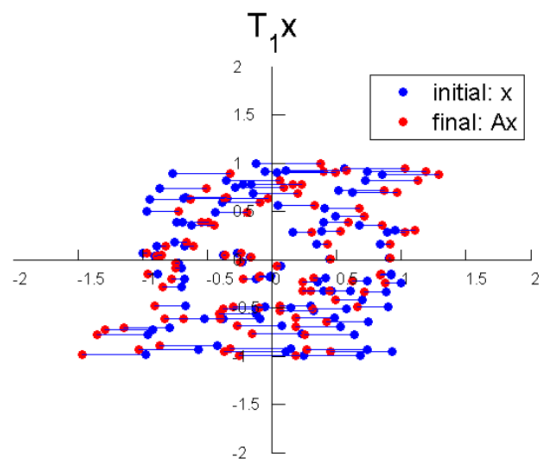


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$$T_1 T_1^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \delta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\delta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\delta + \delta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

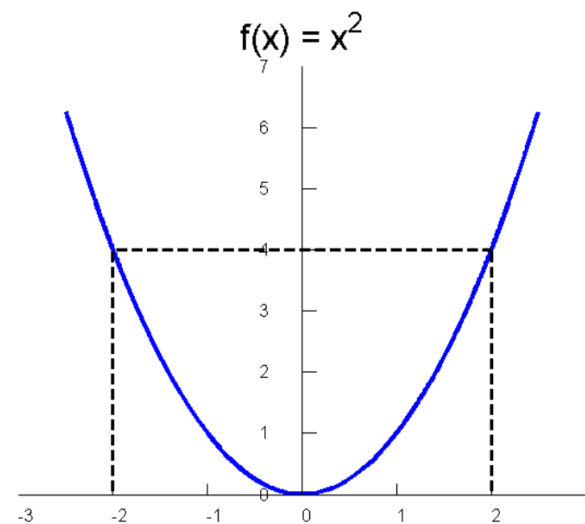


## Non-Invertible

A function is non-invertible if taking the inverse would be ambiguous. Mathematically, if there are points  $x_1, x_2$  such that  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ . Because then  $f^{-1}(f(x_1)) = x_1$  or  $x_2$ .

Example:  $f(x) = x^2$  has an ambiguous inverse because  $f^{-1}(4) = 2$  or  $-2$ .

Thus  $f(x) = x^2$  is non-invertible



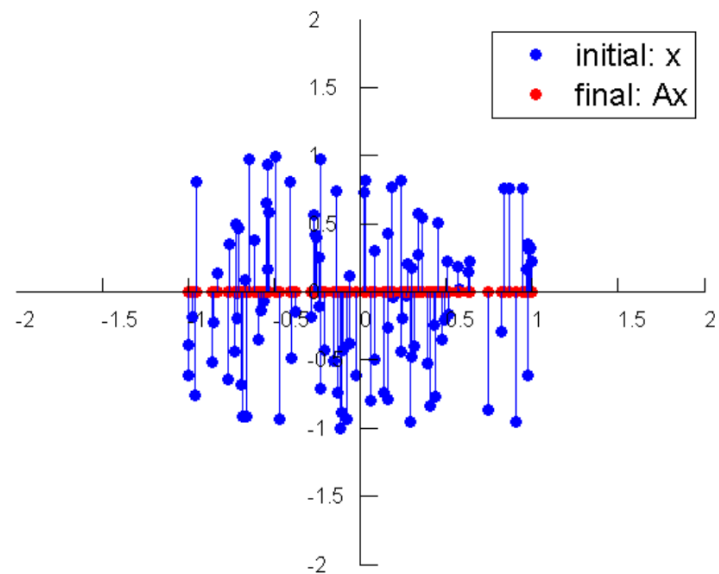
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## Matrix Example: Projection (no inverse)

Projection matrices project all the points to a smaller number of dimensions (dimensionality reduction).

$$P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_1 x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



## When is a matrix invertible

In general, for an inverse matrix  $A^{-1}$  to exist,  $A$  has to be square and its' columns have to form a **linearly independent** set of vectors – no column can be a linear combination of the others.

A necessary and sufficient condition is that  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

Finding the inverse is usually quite arduous, even though an explicit expression exists:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \sum_{s=0}^{n-1} A^s \sum_{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n} \prod_{l=1}^{n-1} \frac{(-1)^{k_l+1}}{k_l! l^{k_l}} \text{Tr}(A^l)^{k_l}$$

## Orthogonal Matrices

The matrix  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix if:  $Q^T Q = I$

The dot product across different column-vectors of  $Q$  are 0, ie.  $q_i^T q_j = 0, i \neq j$

Or equivalently, the matrix  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix if:  $Q^T = Q^{-1}$

To show this, recall that  $Q^{-1}Q = I$



## Orthogonal Matrices

A square matrix  $U$  is *orthogonal* if  $U^{-1} = U^T$

**What matrices are orthogonal?**

Rotation:

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} = R^T$$

Reflection:

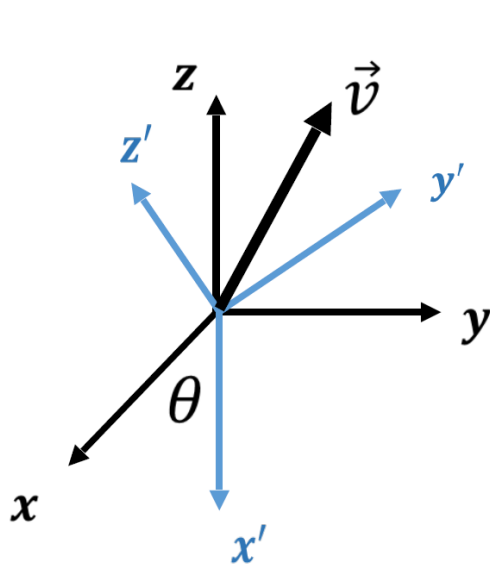
$$M = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M^{-1} = M^T = M$$

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## Orthogonal Matrices

Orthogonal matrix changes the coordinate system



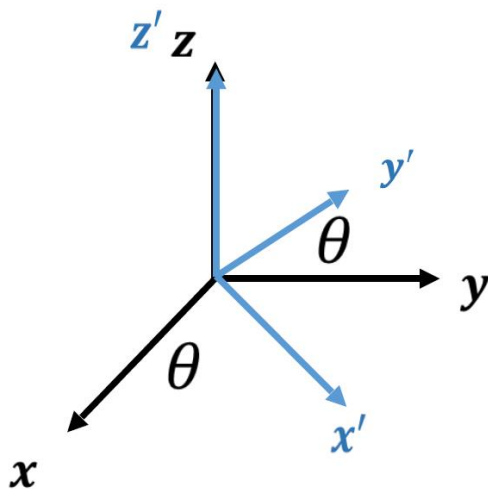
$$U' = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}'^T \\ \vec{y}'^T \\ \vec{z}'^T \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{v} = v_1 \vec{x} + v_2 \vec{y} + v_3 \vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix}_{B1}$$

$$U' \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}' \cdot \vec{v} \\ \vec{y}' \cdot \vec{v} \\ \vec{z}' \cdot \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v'_1 \\ v'_2 \\ v'_3 \end{pmatrix}_{B2} = v'_1 \vec{x}' + v'_2 \vec{y}' + v'_3 \vec{z}'$$

Projection of  $v$  onto new coordinate system

## Orthogonal Matrices

The rows and columns of orthogonal matrices form an **ortho-normal basis**



$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{y}' = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\theta) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{z}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Define } U' = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}'^T \\ \vec{y}'^T \\ \vec{z}'^T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 3. Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

## Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

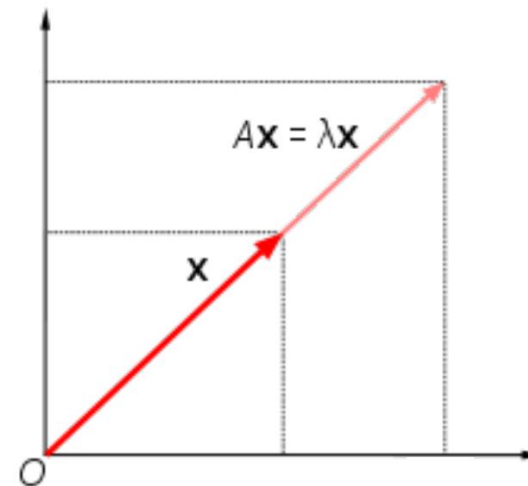
Eigen is German for “proper”, “special”, “characteristic”

The eigenvector  $x$  of a matrix  $A$  is a vector that satisfies the equation:

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

where  $\lambda$ , called the eigenvalue, is a number.

Graphically, this means that under the operation  $A$ , the vector  $x$  doesn't change direction, just magnitude.

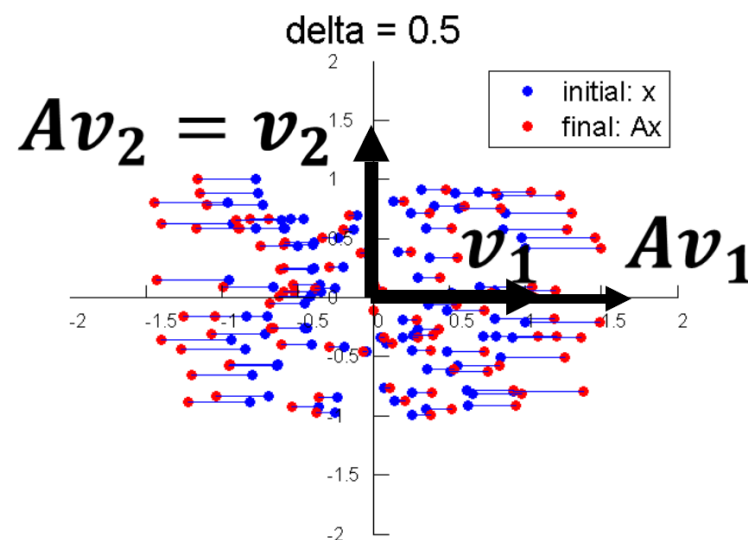


# Linear Algebra

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ has eigenvectors } v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Av_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \delta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = (1 + \delta)v_1 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1 + \delta$$

$$Av_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 * v_2 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = 1$$

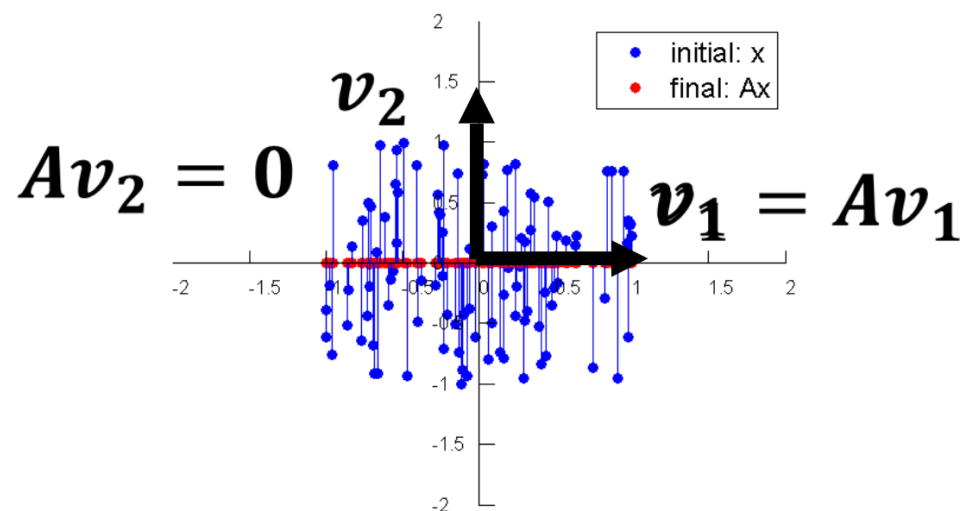


# Linear Algebra

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ also has eigenvectors } v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Pv_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1 * v_1 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1$$

$$Pv_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 * v_2 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = 0$$



A matrix is **non-invertible** if it has an eigenvalue  $\lambda = 0$

## Property of Symmetric Matrices

The eigenvectors of any symmetric matrix  $A$  are orthogonal.

Idea of proof:

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be eigenvectors of  $A$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda, \mu$  respectively. Assume  $\lambda \neq \mu$ .

$$(Ax) \cdot y = (Ax)^T y = \lambda x^T y$$

$$(Ax) \cdot y = y^T Ax = y^T A^T x = (Ay)^T x = \mu y^T x = \mu x^T y$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda x^T y = \mu x^T y$$

Since  $\lambda \neq \mu$  then  $x^T y = 0$ . Thus  $x$  and  $y$  are orthogonal.



## Property of Symmetric Matrices

Any **symmetric matrix  $A$**  is **diagonalizable**.

Proof:

Let  $A$  be size  $(n,n)$ . Let  $U_i = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1i} \\ \vdots \\ x_{ni} \end{pmatrix}$  be an eigenvector of  $A$  so that  $AU_i = \lambda_i U_i$ .

Assume the set of  $U_i$  form an orthonormal basis. Let  $U = (U_1 \quad \dots \quad U_n)$ .

$$U^T A U = \begin{pmatrix} U_1^T \\ \vdots \\ U_n^T \end{pmatrix} A (U_1 \quad \dots \quad U_n) = \begin{pmatrix} U_1^T \\ \vdots \\ U_n^T \end{pmatrix} (\lambda_1 U_1 \quad \dots \quad \lambda_n U_n) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

## Eigendecomposition and SVD

In fact, if a square matrix has  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors, it can always be diagonalized  $A = U \text{diag}(\lambda)U^T$ .

In this case we also immediately get the inverse matrix  $A^{-1} = U \text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)U^T$

For a non-square  $m \times n$  matrix we can at best perform the **Singular Value Decomposition**:  $A = U D V^T$ , where  $U$  is an  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix,  $D$  is diagonal  $m \times n$  and  $V$  another  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix. Elements of  $D$  are known as **singular values**

## Moore-Penrose Pseudoinverse

Matrix inversion is not defined for non-square matrices. Suppose we have a linear equation  $Ax = y$  and we want to solve for  $x$ .

- If  $A$  is taller than wider, there might be no solutions
- If it is wider than taller, there might be many solutions.

The pseudoinverse is defined as 
$$A^+ = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0^+} (A^T A + \alpha I)^{-1} A^T$$

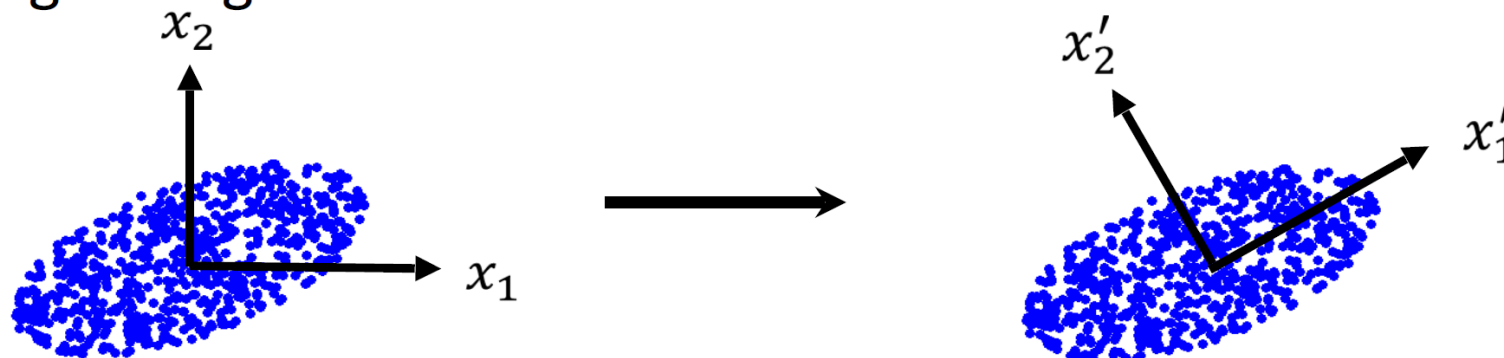
In practice we calculate it as  $A^+ = VD^+U^T$ , where  $U, D, V$  are the SVD of  $A$  and  $D^+$  is calculated by taking the reciprocal of non-zero singular values and taking the transpose of the result. (Note this is clearly discontinuous)

## 4. Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

# Linear Algebra

We are now ready for PCA

The goal of PCA is to visualize and find structure in the data. This is challenging for high dimensional data.

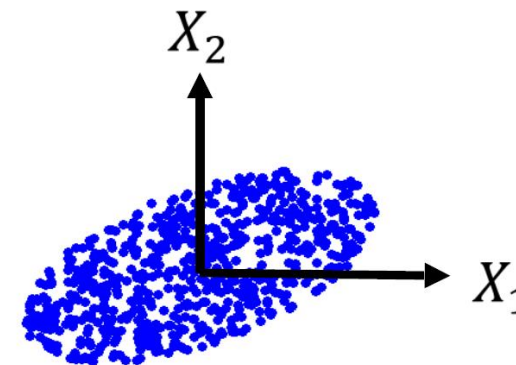


**Assumption: The relevant dimensions are a linear combination of the variables we measured.**

**Assumption: The relevant variables are orthogonal**

# Linear Algebra

## PCA



We measure  $n$  variables  $m$  times.

Example:  $n = \#$  of neurons,  $m = \#$  of measurements/trials.

$X_i^T = (x_{i1} \quad \dots \quad x_{im})$  is the measures of neuron  $i$  over all trials.

Assume  $X_i$  has zero mean.

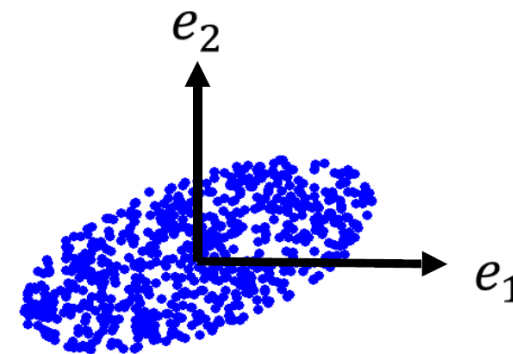
$$\text{var}(i) = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^m x_{ik}^2 = \frac{1}{m-1} X_i^T X_i$$

$$\text{cov}(i, j) = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{k=1}^m x_{ik} x_{jk} = \frac{1}{m-1} X_i^T X_j$$

# Linear Algebra

## PCA

$$\text{Let } X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1^T \\ \vdots \\ X_n^T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & \cdots & x_{nm} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$C_X = \frac{1}{m-1} X X^T = \frac{1}{m-1} \begin{pmatrix} X_1^T \\ \vdots \\ X_n^T \end{pmatrix} (X_1 \quad \cdots \quad X_n) \text{ is the Covariance Matrix.}$$

It is symmetric.

$$C_X^T = \frac{1}{m-1} (X X^T)^T = \frac{1}{m-1} (X^T)^T X^T = \frac{1}{m-1} X X^T = C_X$$

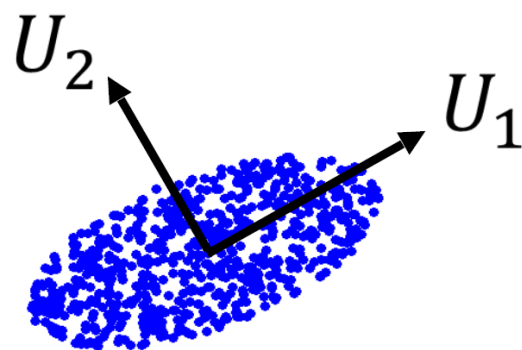
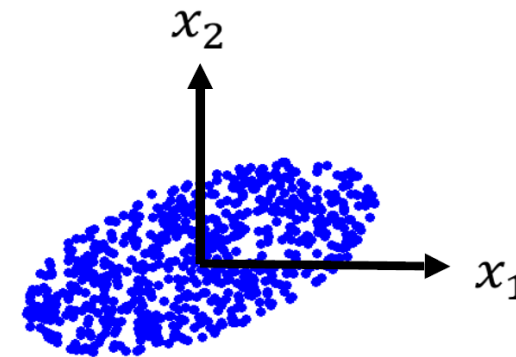
## PCA

$C_X = \frac{1}{m-1} X X^T$  has orthonormal eigenvectors

Let  $U = (U_1 \quad \dots \quad U_n)$  be an orthogonal matrix

whose columns are eigenvectors of  $C_X$  with

eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ . We can choose  $U$  such that  $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \dots > \lambda_n$ .



$U_1$  points in the directions of the greatest variance.

$U_2$  points in the orthogonal direction of next greatest variance. Etc.



## PCA

Let  $Y = U^T X$  be a transformation of the data.

The new variables  $Y_i$  are uncorrelated

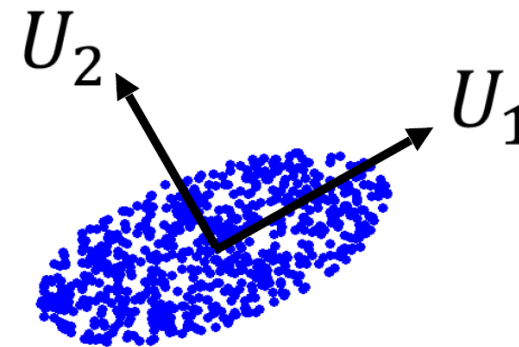
$$C_Y = \frac{1}{m-1} Y Y^T = \frac{1}{m-1} U^T X X^T U = U^T C_X U = \text{diag}(\lambda_1 \quad \dots \quad \lambda_n)$$

The eigenvectors are the principal components:

$U_1 = 1^{\text{st}}$  principal component

$U_2 = 2^{\text{nd}}$  principal component

Etc.



## PCA in MATLAB

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Cx = (1/m).*X*X';
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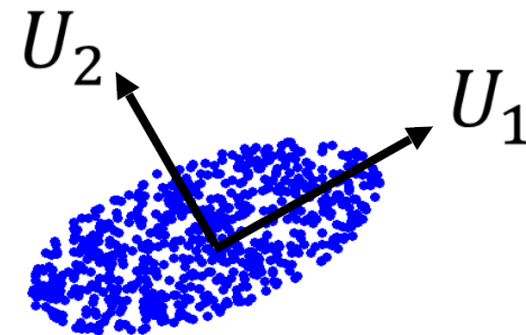
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[U,D]=eig(Cx);
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% reorder things
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[D,ord]=sort(diag(D));
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D = flip(D); ord=flip(ord);
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U=U(:,ord); % U(:,i) is the ith principal component
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## When PCA fails

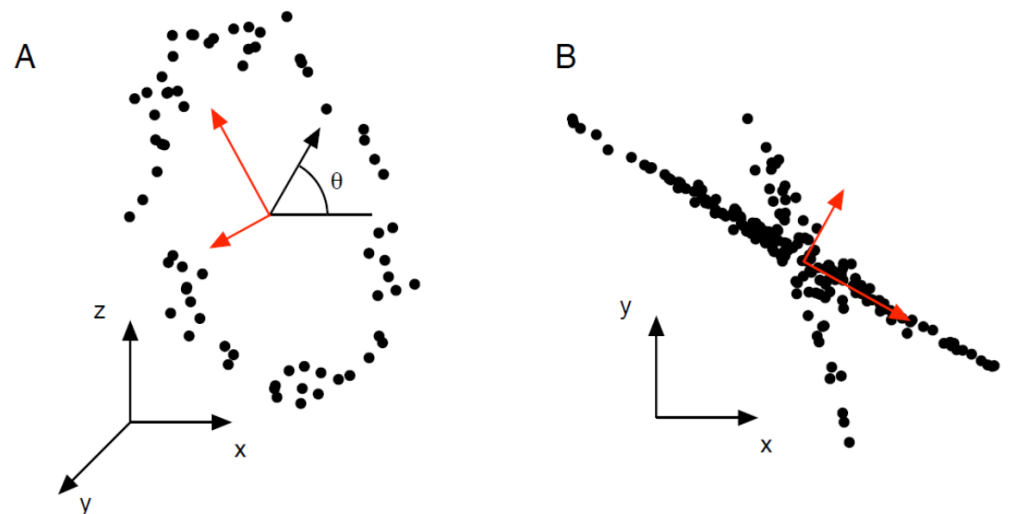
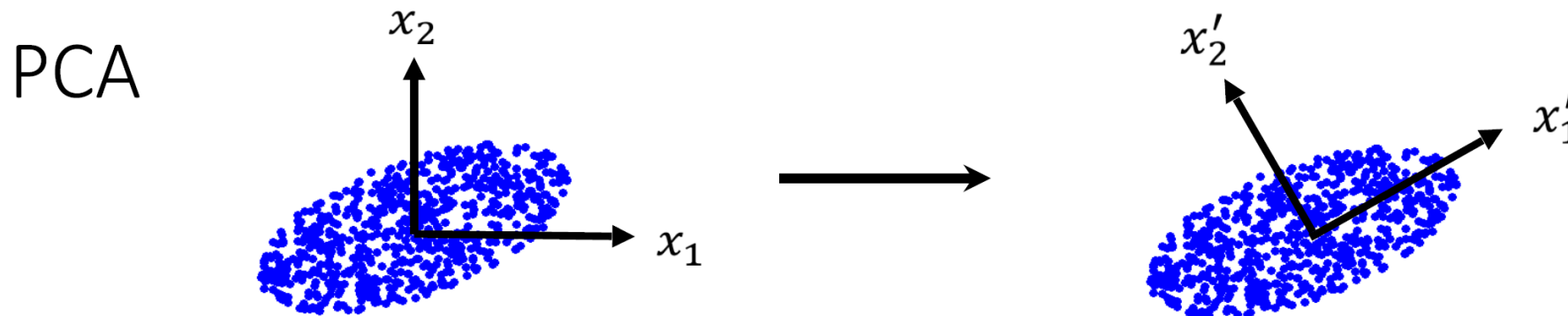


FIG. 6 Example of when PCA fails (red lines). (a) Tracking a person on a ferris wheel (black dots). All dynamics can be described by the phase of the wheel  $\theta$ , a non-linear combination of the naive basis. (b) In this example data set, non-Gaussian distributed data and non-orthogonal axes causes PCA to fail. The axes with the largest variance do not correspond to the appropriate answer.

# Linear Algebra



*Dimensionality reduction:* We can use PCA to reduce the dimensions of our data to include only those dimensions which have high variance and regard the other dimensions as noise.

**We assume the direction in the data which contains the most variance contains the interesting dynamics**

# Thanks!