

# EE 459/611: Smart Grid Economics, Policy, and Engineering

## Lecture 3: Linear Algebra and Multi-Variable Calculus Review

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# Motivating Example

$$\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} P_{g1} \\ P_{g2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

- Two generator power system:

- Cost of generator 1 per MW is:

$$\rightarrow C_{g1} = \underbrace{3P_{g1}^2 + 1P_{g1}}_{\text{(\$)}} \quad \underline{10} \leq \underline{P_{g1}} \leq \underline{90}$$

- Cost of generator 2 per MW is:

$$C_{g2} = \underline{2P_{g2}^2 + 3P_{g2}} \quad \underline{5} \leq \underline{P_{g2}} \leq \underline{150}$$

- Load is 200 MW

$$P_L = 200$$

- What is the total cost? =  $C_{g1}(P_{g1}) + C_{g2}(P_{g2})$

- What is the cheapest way to operate the generators?

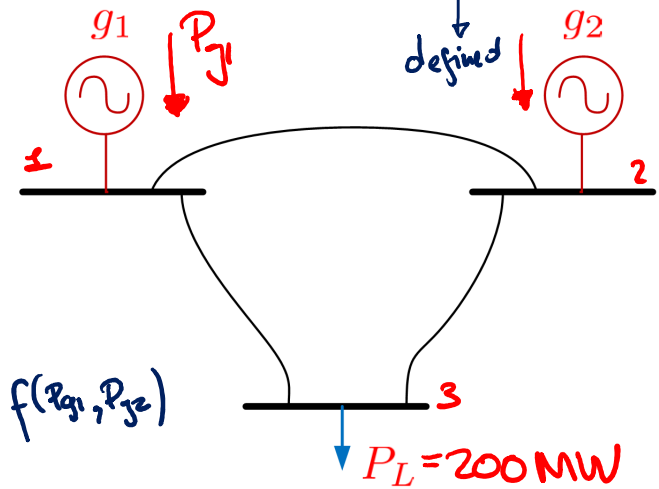
- Constraints:

$$* P_g = P_c \Rightarrow P_{g1} + P_{g2} = 200$$

(generation) = (load)

$$* 10 \leq P_{g1} \leq 90$$

$$* 5 \leq P_{g2} \leq 150$$



$$f(x) = f(P_{g1}, P_{g2})$$

best/optimal way  $P_{g1}^*, P_{g2}^*$   $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\min_{P_{g1}, P_{g2}} [C_{g1}(P_{g1}) + C_{g2}(P_{g2})] = f(x)$$

s.t.

$$P_{g1} + P_{g2} = 200 \Rightarrow g(x) = 200$$

$$10 \leq P_{g1} \leq 90$$

$$5 \leq P_{g2} \leq 150$$

# Motivating Example

- In general, an optimization problem has the following form:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{UNCONSTRAINED} \\
 \min_x (f(x)) \\
 \text{subject to:} \\
 \underline{h_i(x) = 0} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, \underbrace{N_e}_{\text{Total \#}} \rightarrow \text{Equality constraints} * \\
 \underline{g_j(x) \leq 0} \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N_I \rightarrow \text{Inequality constraints} *
 \end{array}$$

$f(x)$ : Cost function

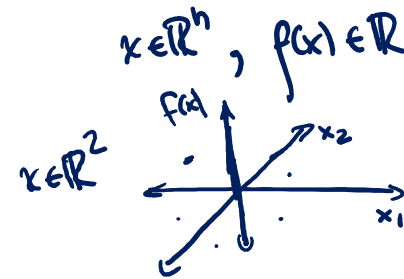
- The functions  $f(x)$ ,  $h_i(x)$ ,  $g_j(x)$  can be functions of several variables!

dimension

for  $\underline{x} \in \underline{\mathbb{R}^n}$ ,  $\underline{f(x)}: \underline{\mathbb{R}^n} \rightarrow \underline{\mathbb{R}}$

domain      range

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$



Example

$x \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$

$f(x): \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$f(x) = \cos(x_1 x_2) + 3x_3^2 + x_1 x_2^3$

# Real Vector Spaces

- Consider some examples of vector spaces and their notations:

1. The real numbers  $\mathbb{R}^1$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^1 \Rightarrow x = x_i, \quad x_i = s \in \mathbb{R}^1$$

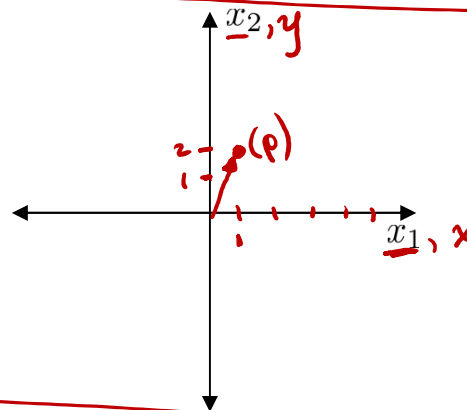


2. The 2 dimensional space,  $\mathbb{R}^2$

How to identify an element in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ?

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

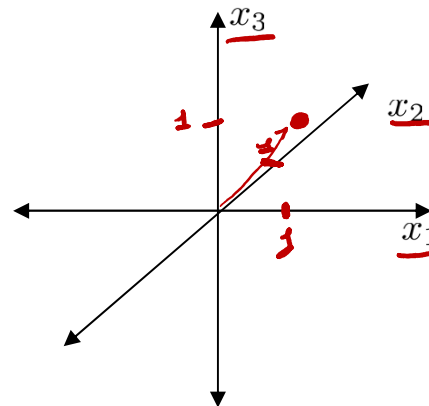


3. The 3 dimensional space,  $\mathbb{R}^3$

How to identify an element in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$q \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$\mathbb{R}^4$   
⋮

# Addition, Subtraction, and Scalar Multiplication

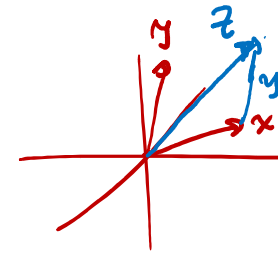
- Assume that we are in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , consider the following operations:

$$\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{x_1} \\ \underline{x_2} \\ \underline{x_3} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{y} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{y_1} \\ \underline{y_2} \\ \underline{y_3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

- Addition:**

$$\underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad \underline{x} + \underline{y} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{x_1} + \underline{y_1} \\ \underline{x_2} + \underline{y_2} \\ \underline{x_3} + \underline{y_3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{z_1} \\ \underline{z_2} \\ \underline{z_3} \end{pmatrix} = \underline{z} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$



- Scalar Mult.:**

$$\underline{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad \underline{\alpha}x = \underline{\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{\alpha}x_1 \\ \underline{\alpha}x_2 \\ \underline{\alpha}x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Subtraction:**

$$x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad x - y = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - y_1 \\ x_2 - y_2 \\ x_3 - y_3 \end{pmatrix} = x + (-1)y = z \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

# Inner Product in $\mathbb{R}^n$

- Consider two vectors  $\underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the inner product is:

$$\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \langle \underline{x}, \underline{y} \rangle = \underline{x}^T \underline{y} = (x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_n) \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}^T \underline{y} = \underline{x}_1 y_1 + \underline{x}_2 y_2 + \cdots + \underline{x}_n y_n \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Example

$$\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \langle \underline{x}, \underline{y} \rangle = \underline{x}^T \underline{y} = (1 \quad 2 \quad 3) \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle \underline{x}, \underline{y} \rangle = \underline{x}^T \underline{y} = 1(4) + 2(5) + 3(6) = 32$$

## 2-Norm in $\mathbb{R}^n$

- The inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be used to define "length" (Norm)  
(2-norm)
- The **length** of a vector is defined as:

$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle} = \sqrt{x^T x}$$

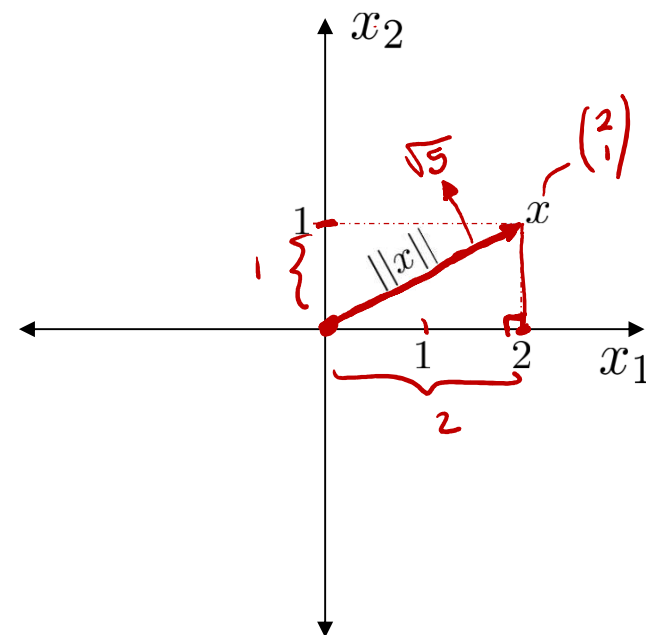
$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{x^T x} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$$

- For example, in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , consider  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\langle x, x \rangle = x^T x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{2^2} + \underline{1^2} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle} = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5}$$



$$\|x\|_2^2 = x^T x = \langle x, x \rangle$$

# Geometry/Angle Between Vectors

- We can also compute the "angle" between two vectors  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\boxed{x^T y} = \langle x, y \rangle = \underbrace{\|x\|_2 \|y\|_2}_{\text{product of magnitudes}} \cos(\theta) = \boxed{\alpha} = \underline{x^T y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|_2 \|y\|_2} = \cos(\theta) \Rightarrow \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{x^T y}{\|x\|_2 \|y\|_2} \right) = \theta^*$$

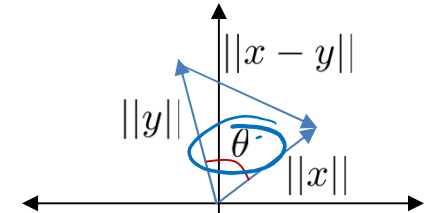
- Example, find the angle between  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{6}$$

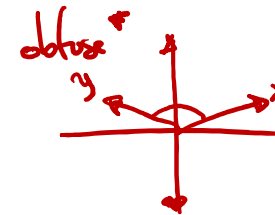
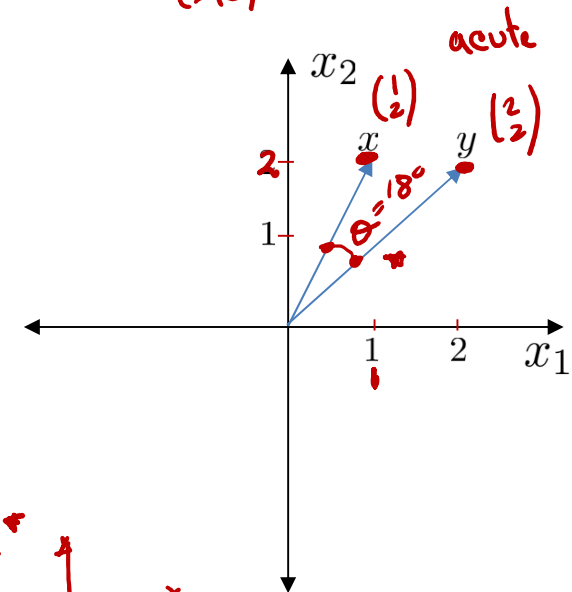
$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{x^T x} = \sqrt{5} \quad \|y\|_2 = \sqrt{y^T y} = \sqrt{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\| \|y\|} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}\sqrt{8}} = \cos(\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}\sqrt{8}} \right) \approx \underline{18^\circ}$$



angles are  
 acute?  $x^T y > 0$  ( $< 90^\circ$ )  
 obtuse?  $x^T y < 0$  ( $> 90^\circ$ )



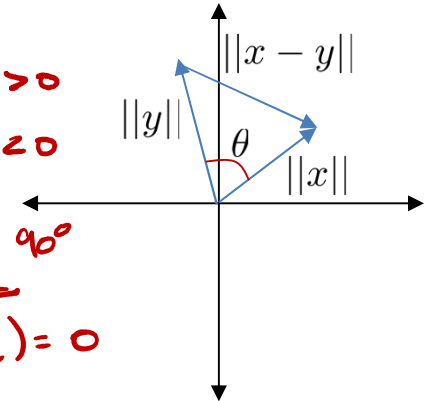


# Geometry/Angle Between Vectors

- We can also compute the “angle” between two vectors  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \underbrace{\|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\| \cos(\theta)}_* = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}$$

$\cos(\theta) > 0 \iff \theta < 90^\circ \Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} > 0$   
 $\cos(\theta) < 0 \iff \theta > 90^\circ \Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} < 0$



- Now, we can define when two vectors are “perpendicular” or  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} = 90^\circ$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$$

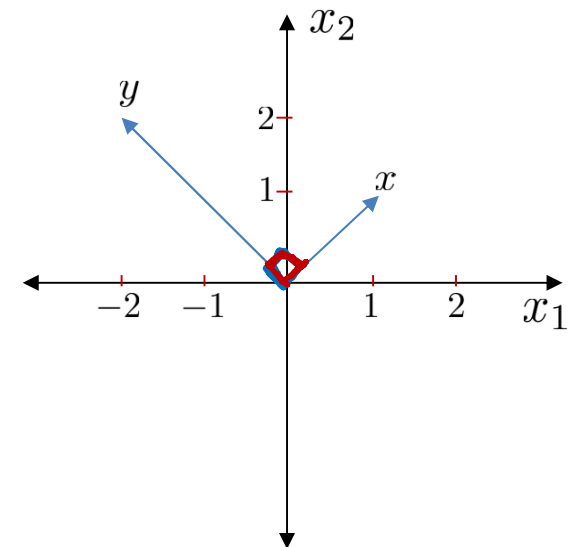
- Two vectors  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are **orthogonal** if  $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$

It will be denoted as  $x \perp y$  if  $\langle x, y \rangle = \underline{\underline{x^T y = 0}}$

- Show that  $\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  are orthogonal

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = (1 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = -2 + 2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow x \perp y$



# Matrices

- **Definition:** A *matrix* is an  $m$  by  $n$  array of scalars from a field  $\mathbf{F}$  (e.g.  $\mathbb{R}$ )

$$A = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \text{columns} \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \text{rows} \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ m \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$A \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times n}$$

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$   
 columns  
 rows

- A can also be written as  $A = [a_{ij}]$ 
  - The element  $a_{ij}$  is located in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row and  $j^{\text{th}}$  column
- If  $m=n$  the matrix is said to be **square**
- That is, the number of rows and columns are equal
- Example, a 3x3 matrix

$a_{12}$  — column  
 first row

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 9 \\ -9 & 6 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

# Matrix Transpose

- **Transpose:** The transpose of a matrix is obtained by interchanging the rows and columns of it.

- If matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , the transpose  $A^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^T = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

*Handwritten annotations: Red circles around the first row of A and the first column of A^T. Red arrows point from the first row of A to the first column of A^T. Red labels 'rows' and 'columns' are written above the matrices.*

- **Examples:**

- Let  $A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A_1^T = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

- Let  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B^T = (7 \ 2 \ \dots \ \dots)$

*Handwritten annotations: Red label 'B^T ∈ ℝ^{1×5}' above B^T. Red label 'B ∈ ℝ^{5×1}' below B.*

# Matrix Algebra: Addition and Subtraction

- **Matrix addition and subtraction:** let  $A = [a_{ij}]$ ,  $B = [b_{ij}]$  be matrices of the same size

$$C = A \pm B \Rightarrow c_{ij} = a_{ij} \pm b_{ij}$$

- **Properties**

- 1.  $A + B = B + A$
- 2.  $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$
- 3.  $A - B = -B + A$
- 4.  $(A - B) - C = A - (B + C)$

- **Example:**  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 9 & 10 \\ 11 & 12 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$

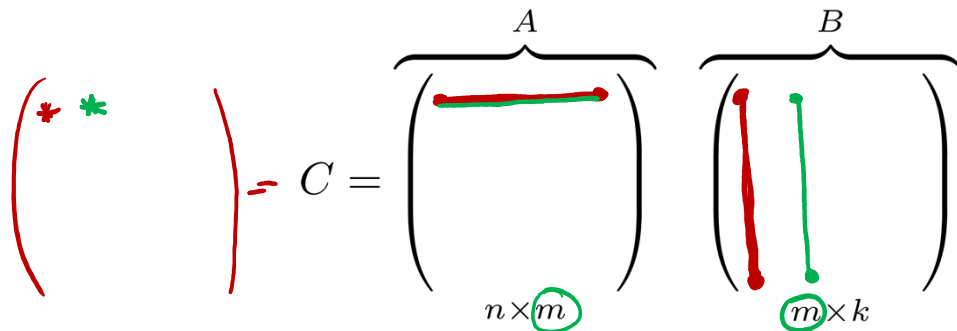
- $C_1 = \underline{A + B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+8 & 2+9 & 3+10 \\ 4+11 & 5+12 & 6+13 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 11 & 13 \\ 15 & 17 & 19 \end{pmatrix}$

- $C_2 = \underline{B - A} = \begin{pmatrix} ? & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$

# Matrix Algebra: Multiplication

- Matrix multiplication: let  $\underline{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $\underline{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$

- Then  $C = \underline{AB}$  is a  $n \times k$  matrix defined as



$$C_{n \times k} = A_{n \times m} B_{m \times k}$$

- $c_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^m a_{il} b_{lj}$  (multiplying the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row of A by the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of B)

- In general  $\underline{AB} \neq \underline{BA}$  (Not commutative)

## Properties

- Distributed:  $A(B + C) = \underline{AB} + \underline{AC}$
- Associative:  $A(BC) = (AB)C$  \*
- $\underline{A} = \underline{AI} = \underline{IA}$ ,  $\underline{I}$  is the identity matrix
- $\underline{A}^{m+n} = \underline{A}^m \underline{A}^n = \underline{A}^n \underline{A}^m$

$$\underline{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \Rightarrow \underline{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Matrix Algebra: Multiplication

○ Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

*(Handwritten: 2x3)*

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 9 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

*(Handwritten: 3x2)*

$$C = AB =$$

*(Handwritten: 2x2)*

$$C = AB = \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C = AB = \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 7 \\ 17 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_{11} = -1 + 18 - 1 = 16$$

$$c_{12} = 4 + 2 + 1 = 7$$

$$c_{21} = -2 + 9 + 10 = 17$$

$$c_{22} = 8 + 1 - 10 = -1$$

# Matrix Determinant

- It is useful to characterize matrices by a single number such as the determinant
- Denote  $A_{ij}$  the submatrix defined by eliminating the  $i$  row and  $j$  column

$$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n \overbrace{(-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(A_{ij})}^{\text{Fix row}} = \sum_{j=1}^n \overbrace{(-1)^{i+j} a_{ji} \det(A_{ji})}^{\text{Fix column}} \quad \forall i \quad (\text{pick any row or column!})$$

$$\circ \det[a_{11}] = \sum_{j=1}^1 (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} = (-1)^{1+1} a_{11} = \underline{a_{11}}$$

$$\circ \det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12} = \sum_{j=1}^2 (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} \det(A_{1j}) = (-1)^2 a_{11}a_{22} + (-1)^{1+2} a_{12}a_{21} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

(pick 1<sup>st</sup> row)  $i=1$

$$\circ \det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{j=1}^3 (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} \det(A_{1j})$$

$$\underline{A_{12}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Nonsingular Matrices

- A matrix is said to be *nonsingular* if it produces the output 0, only for the input 0
  - if A is nonsingular Ax = 0 iff x = 0  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$   $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$   $Ax = 0$  iff  $x = 0$
- If a matrix is nonsingular then it is invertible
  - For A  $\in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , the inverse is defined as A<sup>-1</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  A<sup>-1</sup>A = AA<sup>-1</sup> = I (identity matrix)

## Equivalent conditions for non-singularity:

- A is nonsingular
- Ax = 0 iff x = 0
- A<sup>-1</sup> exists
- det(A) ≠ 0 \*

System of Linear Equations

$$A^{-1}(Ax = b)$$

↓  
unknowns

if A is nonsingular = det(A) ≠ 0

$$\underline{x} = \frac{A^{-1}Ax}{I} = A^{-1}b$$

→ ○ Let  $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  (square matrix). If det(A) = 0 then A is singular  $\Rightarrow$  A<sup>-1</sup> doesn't exist!

→ Ax = b  
but det(A) = 0  $\Rightarrow$  A<sup>-1</sup> doesn't exist  $\Rightarrow$  ?



# Matrix Inversion

- Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. The inverse of  $A$  denoted as  $A^{-1}$  also  $n \times n$  satisfies:

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

- If  $A^{-1}$  exists, then  $A$  is nonsingular and  $\det(A) \neq 0$

*adjoint Matrix*

- $A^{-1}$  can be computed as follows:  $A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{\det(A)}$

*Matlab: inv(A)*

$$\text{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{C_{11}} & \underline{C_{12}} & \cdots & \underline{C_{1n}} \\ \underline{C_{21}} & \underline{C_{22}} & \cdots & \underline{C_{2n}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \underline{C_{n1}} & \underline{C_{n2}} & \cdots & \underline{C_{nn}} \end{pmatrix}^T$$

where  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij})$  *matrix by dim. i<sup>th</sup> row and j<sup>th</sup> column*

*row* ↑ *column* →

- Note that  $\underline{\text{adj}(A)} \underline{A} = \underline{A} \underline{\text{adj}(A)} = \underline{\det(A)} \underline{I}$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{\det(A)}$$

# Matrix Inversion

○ If  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix then  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{\det(A)} = \frac{1}{\underbrace{[a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{22}]}_{\det(A)}} \overbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix}}^{\text{adj}(A)}$$

$$\text{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij})$$

$$c_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} \det(A_{11})$$

○ If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix then

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} d_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & d_{22} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & d_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{d_{11}} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{d_{22}} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \frac{1}{d_{nn}} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

- Eigenvalues are very important in many applications
  - Optimization (positive definite, semi-definite matrices)
  - Linear differential equations

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . If a scalar  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and a nonzero vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfy the equation:
 

*↳ can be a complex number.  $x \neq 0$*

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

then  $\lambda$  is called an **eigenvalue** and  $x$  an **eigenvector** associated with  $\lambda$

- How can we find the eigenvalue/eigenvector pair?

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

- for an  $n \times n$  matrix, you have at most  $n$  distinct eigenvalues/eigenvectors.
 

$x \neq 0$

$$Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow Ax - \lambda x = 0 \Rightarrow \underbrace{(A - \lambda I)}_{\text{singular} \Rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = 0} x = 0$$

• To find eigenvalues

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

characteristic polynomial of  $A$

find roots

To find eigenvectors  $x$

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0 \quad \text{solve for } x$$

# Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

- Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors for

o  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 3.5 \end{pmatrix} = A^T$  (symmetric)

Sym. Matrix: the eigenvalues are always real  
 • eigenvectors are orthogonal  
 $x_1, x_2 \quad x_1^T x_2 = 0$

$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

$\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 3.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 3.5 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 3.5-\lambda & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 3.5-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$

$\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 12 = 0$   
 $= (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 4) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 3 \quad \lambda_2 = 4$   
 $\downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^2$

pick  $\lambda_1 = 3$

$(A - \lambda_1 I)x = 0$

$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

expand

$0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 = 0 \rightarrow 0.5x_1 = -0.5x_2$

$0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 = 0$

$x_1 = -x_2$

pick  $x_1 = 1 \Rightarrow x_2 = -1$

$\lambda_1 = 3 \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

# Functions of Several Variables

- One of the reasons for defining this concept of vector spaces, is that now it makes sense to write:

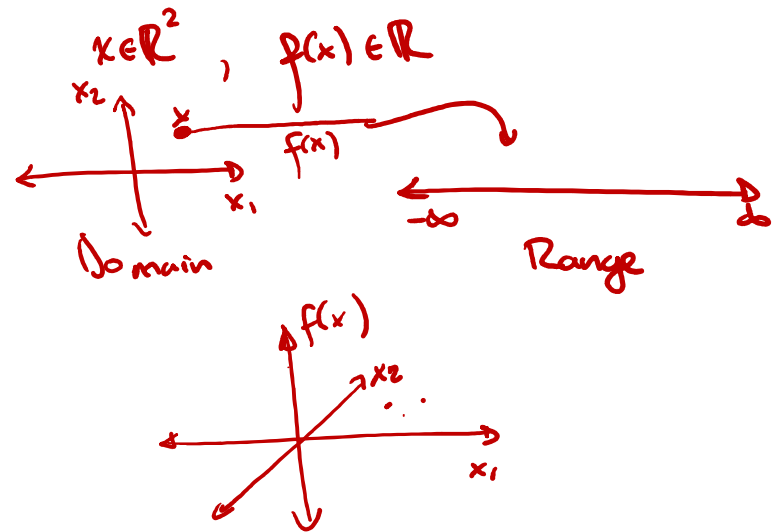
$$\underline{x \in \mathbb{R}^2}, \quad \underline{f(x)} : \underline{\mathbb{R}^2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

↓ domain      ↑ range

- Think of some examples:

$$f(x) = 3x_1 + 2x_2 + 10x_1x_2$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{\cos(x_1x_2)}$$



- How about linear functions? Can we write them in vector form?

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad f(x) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = \underline{10x_1} + \underline{5x_2} + \underline{7x_3} + \underline{5}$$

$$\underline{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad \text{linear function } f(x) = \underline{c_1x_1} + \underline{c_2x_2} + \dots + \underline{c_nx_n} + d$$

$$c \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad c = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} \quad f(x) = c^T x + d$$

# Functions of Several Variables – Quadratic Functions

- Many of the cost functions we will use are quadratic, i.e. they are polynomial functions of degree at most 2:

$$f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

- Example:  $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{degree} = 2$$

$$f(x) = \overbrace{10x_1^2} + \overbrace{5x_1x_3} + \overbrace{7x_3^2} + \overbrace{8x_2^2} + \overbrace{9x_2x_3} + \overbrace{10x_1 + 5x_3 + 8}$$

$$+ \cancel{8x_1x_3^2} \text{ (degree} = 3\text{)}$$

- Quadratic functions can be written in the form:  $f(x) = x^T Hx + c^T x + d$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad f(x) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$H \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \quad c \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

↓  
Symmetric

$$f(x) = (x_1 \ x_2) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} \\ H_{12} & H_{22} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Symmetric}} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + (c_1 \ c_2) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + d$$

$$\rightarrow f(x) = H_{11}x_1^2 + 2H_{12}x_1x_2 + H_{22}x_2^2 + c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + d$$

# Positivity of Quadratic Functions

- Consider quadratic functions with only second degree terms:

$$\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \underline{f(x)} = x^T H x \quad H \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \quad H \text{ symmetric}$$

- We can know what values  $\underline{f(x)}$  will take by simply analyzing  $\underline{H}$ :

1.  $\underline{f(x)} \geq 0$  if and only if  $\underline{H} \succeq 0$  (nonnegative eigenvalues)  $\lambda_i \geq 0$   $f(x) \in [0, \infty)$

2.  $\underline{f(x)} > 0$  if and only if  $\underline{H} \succ 0$  (positive eigenvalues)  $\lambda_i > 0$   $f(x) > 0$  for  $x \neq 0$

3.  $\underline{f(x)} \leq 0$  if and only if  $\underline{H} \preceq 0$  (nonpositive eigenvalues)  $\lambda_i \leq 0$   $f(x) \in (-\infty, 0]$

4.  $\underline{f(x)} < 0$  if and only if  $\underline{H} \prec 0$  (negative eigenvalues)

5. What if  $H$  contains both positive and negative eigenvalues?  $f(x) \in (-\infty, \infty)$

# Positivity of Quadratic Functions – Example 1

- Consider the following quadratic function:

\*  $f(x) = x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 1x_2^2$        $f(x): \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

- What values does this function take?

$f(x) = x^T H x$       where  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$       "

$f(x) = \underbrace{(x_1 \ x_2)}_{\text{?}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} \\ H_{12} & H_{22} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{?}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{?}}$

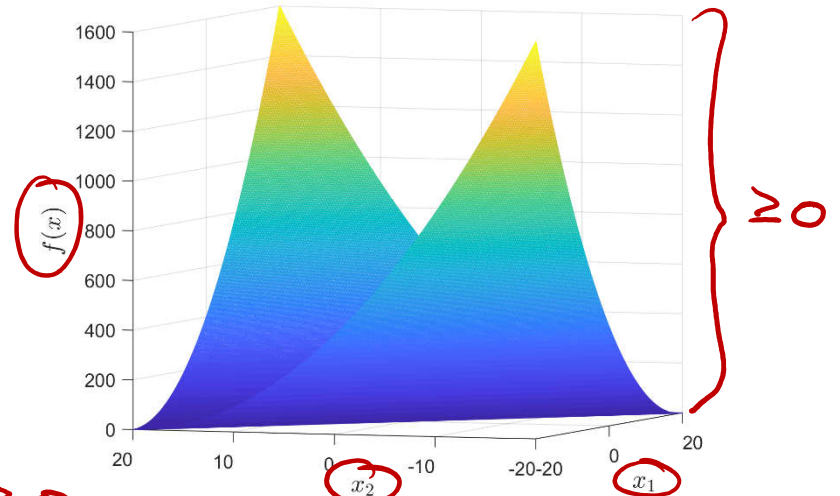
$f(x) = (x_1 \ x_2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$

$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

eigenvalues  $\begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 0 \\ \lambda_2 = 2 \end{cases}$

$\det(H - \lambda I) = 0$

$\lambda_{1,2} \geq 0 \Rightarrow f(x) \geq 0$





# Positivity of Quadratic Functions – Example 2

- Consider the following quadratic function:

$$f(x) = x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 1x_2^2$$

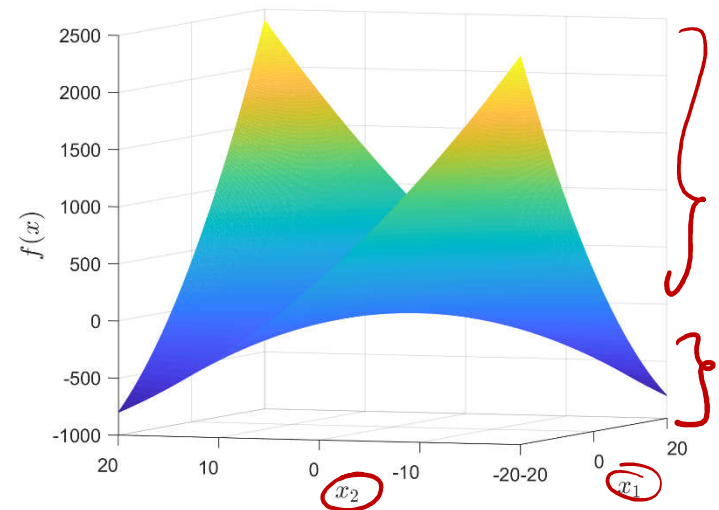
- What values does this function take? (Range)

$$f(x) = x^T \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_H x \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{eigenvalues} \quad \lambda_1 = -1$$

$$\lambda_2 = 3$$

$$f(x) \in (-\infty, \infty)$$



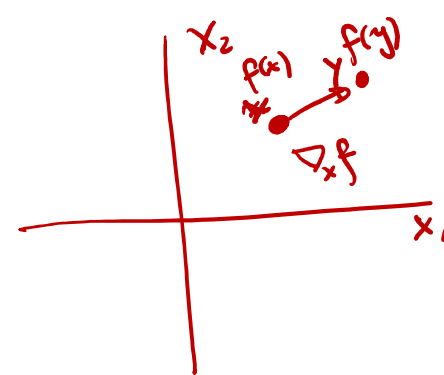
# Gradient Definition

- For a function of one variable, the derivative signifies the rate of change at a certain point

$$\underline{f(x)} : \underline{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \underline{\mathbb{R}} \quad \frac{df(x)}{dx} \text{ rate of change of } \underline{f} \text{ w.r.t } \underline{x} \quad f(x) = 3x^2 \quad \frac{df}{dx} = 6x$$

- For a function of several variables, this is analogous to the gradient (vector)

$$\underline{f(x)} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \underline{\mathbb{R}} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad f(x) = f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad f(y) \cong f(x)$$

$$\nabla f_x(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{r.o.c. of } f \text{ w.r.t. } x_1 \\ \text{" " " " } x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \text{" " " " } x_n \end{pmatrix}$$


- Notice that the gradient is a vector!

points where  $f$  increases the most

# Gradient Example

- Consider again a quadratic function:

$$f(x) = 3x_1^2 + \underline{10x_1x_2} + 5x_1 + 10 \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad f(x): \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\nabla_x f = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6x_1 + 10x_2 + 5 \\ 10x_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Next

- Introduction to optimization with power systems applications