

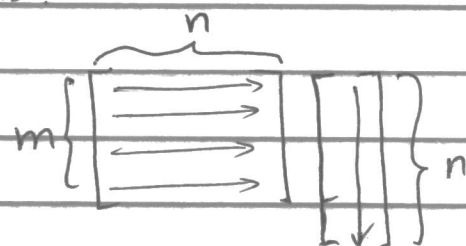
# Vectors and Matrices Review

\* Matrix - Vector Multiplication:

$$\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$A = [a_{ij}] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

m rows, n columns

$$\vec{y} = A\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$


Very important to understand that  $\vec{y}$  is a linear combination of the column vectors of  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 & \vec{a}_2 & \dots & \vec{a}_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$\vec{a}_j$  is the  $j$ th column of  $A$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{y} &= A\vec{x} \\ &= x_1\vec{a}_1 + x_2\vec{a}_2 + \dots + x_n\vec{a}_n \end{aligned}$$

Thm: Let  $F_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be a map defined as

$$F_A(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$$

Then,  $F_A$  is a linear map

i.e.,  $\forall \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{cases} F_A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = F_A(\vec{u}) + F_A(\vec{v}) \\ F_A(\alpha \vec{u}) = \alpha F_A(\vec{u}) \end{cases}$$

Conversely, for any linear map  $F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , there exists a unique matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  such that  $F = F_A$ .

Proof:

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Show that  $F_A$  is linear

For any  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

- $F_A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A\vec{u} + A\vec{v} = F_A(\vec{u}) + F_A(\vec{v})$
- $F_A(\alpha\vec{u}) = A(\alpha\vec{u}) = \alpha A\vec{u} = \alpha F_A(\vec{u})$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $F$  be a linear map

Let  $\{\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \dots, \vec{e}_n\}$  be the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , i.e.,  $\vec{e}_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Set  $F(\vec{e}_j) = \vec{a}_j \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Let  $A = [\vec{a}_1 \ \vec{a}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

Now pick any  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we can always write  $\vec{x} = x_1 \vec{e}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{e}_n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow F(\vec{x}) &= x_1 F(\vec{e}_1) + \dots + x_n F(\vec{e}_n) \\ &= x_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{a}_n \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow F(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x} = F_A(\vec{x})$$

Uniqueness, let  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$$F_A(\vec{e}_j) = \vec{a}_j$$

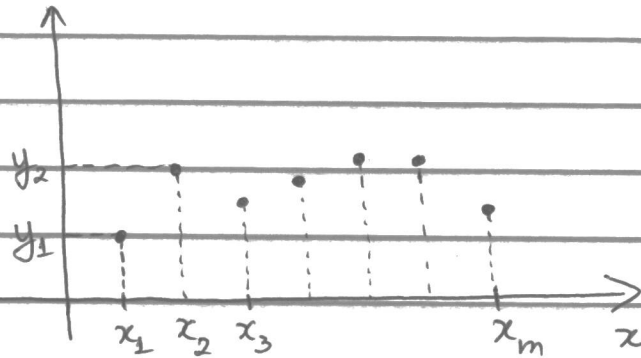
If  $F_A = F_B$ , Then

$$F_A(\vec{e}_j) = \vec{a}_j = F_B(\vec{e}_j) = \vec{b}_j \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$\Rightarrow A = B$$

Example: A Vandermonde matrix

Let  $\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$  be a set of sample points



(Assume  $x_i \neq x_j$   
if  $i \neq j$ )

Consider a space of polynomials of degree at most  $n-1$ :

$$\mathcal{P}_{n-1}[x] := \left\{ p(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_{n-1}x^{n-1}, \right. \\ \left. c_j \in \mathbb{R}, j = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \right\}$$

It's clear that  $\mathcal{P}_{n-1}[x]$  is a linear (vector) space  
since  $\forall p, q \in \mathcal{P}_{n-1}[x]$ ,  
 $p+q \in \mathcal{P}_{n-1}[x]$   
and  $\alpha p \in \mathcal{P}_{n-1}[x] \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Hence, a map from a coefficient vector

$$\vec{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{to vectors of sampled} \\ \text{polynomial values}$$

$$\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} p(x_1) \\ p(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ p(x_m) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad \text{is linear!}$$

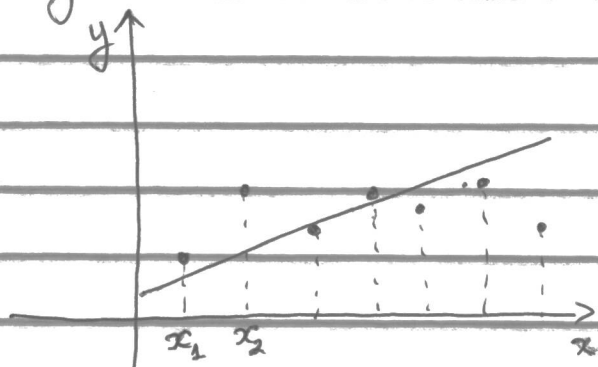
So,  $\exists A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  for such linear map  $F$ .  
 what is this matrix  $A$ ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \dots & x_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_m & x_m^2 & \dots & x_m^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

called the  $m \times n$  Vandermonde matrix.

$$\vec{y} = A\vec{c} \iff \begin{bmatrix} p(x_1) \\ p(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ p(x_m) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & \dots & x_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_2 & \dots & x_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_m & \dots & x_m^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

This matrix is often used in the least squares polynomial fitting to a set of measurements or noisy data.



In the case of a line fitting, ( $n = 2$ ).

But you may have many points, i.e.,  $m$  large.

Then you might want to find a line s.t. such that the size of  $\vec{y} - A\vec{c}$  is small.  
 residual error.

In the case of line fitting,  $\vec{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix}$

\* Matrix - Matrix Multiplication:

$$C = AB$$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}, \quad B \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$$

$$\Rightarrow C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

Note that

$$[\vec{c}_1 \dots \vec{c}_m] = [\vec{a}_1 \dots \vec{a}_k] [\vec{b}_1 \dots \vec{b}_n]$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{c}_j = A \vec{b}_j \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

$\Rightarrow$  each  $\vec{c}_j$  is a linear combination of column vectors of  $A$  with the coefficients vector  $\vec{b}_j$ .

Eg. 1) Outer Product.

$$\text{Let } \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m = \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$$

$$\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$$

Then the outer product between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is

$$\vec{u} \vec{v}^T = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_m \end{bmatrix} [\vec{v}_1 \dots \vec{v}_n] = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 v_1 & \dots & u_1 v_n \\ u_2 v_1 & \dots & u_2 v_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ u_m v_1 & \dots & u_m v_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

This matrix has rank 1 because  $\vec{u} \vec{v}^T = [v_1 \vec{u} \dots v_n \vec{u}]$   
i.e., each column is just a scalar multiple of the same vector  $\vec{u}$ .

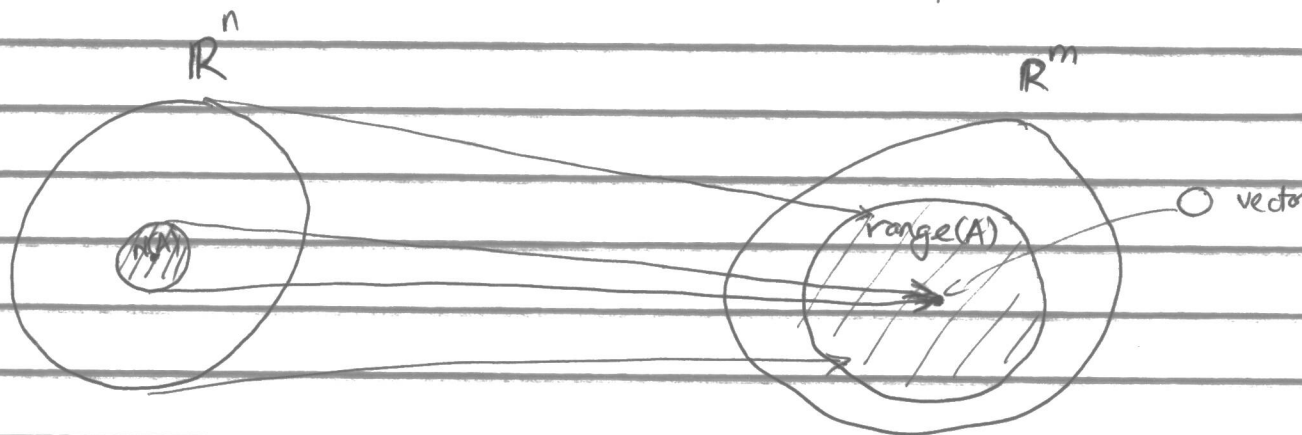
## \* Range and Nullspace (or kernel)

Def: Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix.

•  $\text{range}(A) := \{ \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid \vec{y} = A\vec{x}, \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \}$   
often written as  $\text{Ran}(A)$  or  $\text{Im}(A)$  or  $C(A)$   
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It's also called the column space of  $A$ .

•  $\text{Nul}(A) := \{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \}$   
is called the nullspace (or kernel) of  $A$



Thm:  $\text{range}(A) = \text{span} \{ \vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n \}$   
= a set of all possible linear combination of  $\{ \vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n \}$

pf: Need to show:

- 1)  $\text{range}(A) \subset \text{span} \{ \vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n \}$
- and 2)  $\text{span} \{ \vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n \} \subset \text{range}(A)$

1). Pick any  $\vec{y} \in \text{range}(A)$ . Then  $\exists \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\vec{y} = A\vec{x} = x_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{a}_n$   
 $\Rightarrow \vec{y} \in \text{span} \{ \vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n \}$ .

2) Take any  $\vec{y} \in \text{span}\{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n\}$ .

Then  $\vec{y} = x_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{a}_n$  for some scalars  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .

$$= A \vec{x}$$

$\Rightarrow \vec{y} \in \text{range}(A)$ .

### \* Linear Independence and Bases

Def: The vectors  $\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  are called linearly independent if

$$x_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{a}_n = \vec{0} \iff x_j = 0, 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

A set of  $m$  linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is called a basis in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

$\Rightarrow$  A matrix representation of a basis in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is an  $m \times m$  matrix. Note that any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  can be written as a linear combination of the  $m$  basis vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

Def: The dimension of  $\text{span}\{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n\}$  is the maximal number of linearly independent vectors among  $\{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n\}$ .

E.g.  $\vec{a}_1 = (1, 1, 1)^T$ ,  $\vec{a}_2 = (1, 1, 0)^T$  and  $\vec{a}_3 = (0, 0, 1)^T$

In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , these are linearly dependent

$$\vec{a}_1 = \vec{a}_2 + \vec{a}_3$$

And  $\dim \text{span}\{\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \vec{a}_3\} = 2$

and  $\text{span}\{\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \vec{a}_3\} = \text{span}\{\vec{a}_2, \vec{a}_3\}$ .



We cannot write any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  by a lin. combi. of  $\{\vec{a}_2, \vec{a}_3\}$ .

\* Rank:

Def: The column rank of  $A$

$$:= \dim(\text{range}(A))$$

= number of lin. indep. column vectors of  $A$

The row rank of  $A$

$$:= \dim(\text{range}(A^T))$$

= number of lin. indep. row vectors of  $A$

$$\text{rank}(A) = \dim(\text{range}(A))$$

$A^{m \times n}$  is

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is said to be of full rank if  $\text{rank}(A) = \min\{m, n\}$

Thm:  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $m \geq n$ , is of full rank

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \vec{x} \neq \vec{y},$$

$$A\vec{x} \neq A\vec{y}$$

Ppf ( $\Rightarrow$ )

If  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ , i.e.,  $A$  is full rank,

$\{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n\}$  are lin. indep.

$\Rightarrow \forall \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\vec{x} \neq \vec{y}$ ,  $\vec{z} = \vec{x} - \vec{y} \neq \vec{0}$ .

$$A\vec{z} = z_1\vec{a}_1 + \dots + z_n\vec{a}_n \neq \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow A\vec{x} \neq A\vec{y}$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $A$  is not of full rank, i.e.,  $\{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n\}$  are lin. dependent



$$\Rightarrow \exists \vec{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \vec{c} \neq 0 \text{ such that } \vec{c} \neq \vec{0}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n c_j \vec{a}_j = \vec{0} \quad \text{or} \quad A\vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

Set  $\vec{y} = \vec{x} + \vec{c} \neq \vec{x}$

Then  $A\vec{y} = A(\vec{x} + \vec{c}) = A\vec{x} + A\vec{c} = A\vec{x}$   
 contradiction!

\* Inverse:

Def: A is said to be nonsingular or invertible  
 $\Leftrightarrow$  A is square and of full rank.

If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  nonsingular,

$\Rightarrow \{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_m\}$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

$\Rightarrow$  The canonical basis vector  $\vec{e}_j \in \mathbb{R}^m$  can also be written as a lin. combi. of  $\{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_m\}$

$$\exists z_{ij} \quad \vec{e}_j = \sum_{i=1}^m z_{ij} \vec{a}_i$$

$$\vec{e}_j = A\vec{z}_j \quad \text{where } \vec{z}_j = (z_{1j}, \dots, z_{mj})^T$$

$$[\vec{e}_1 | \vec{e}_2 | \dots | \vec{e}_m] = [A\vec{z}_1 | A\vec{z}_2 | \dots | A\vec{z}_m]$$

$$\underbrace{\quad}_{\mathbf{I}} = A\mathbf{Z}$$

$m \times m$  identity matrix

Such matrix  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is called the inverse of A and written as  $A^{-1}$ .

Any nonsingular matrix has a unique inverse, and  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = \mathbf{I}$ .

\* Thm: (Equivalences of a nonsingular matrix)

For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ , the following statements are equivalent:

a)  $A$  has an inverse  $A^{-1}$ .

b)  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ .

c)  $\text{range}(A) = \mathbb{R}^m$ .

d)  $\text{Null}(A) = \{0\}$ .

e)  $0$  is not an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

f)  $0$  is not a singular value of  $A$ .

g)  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

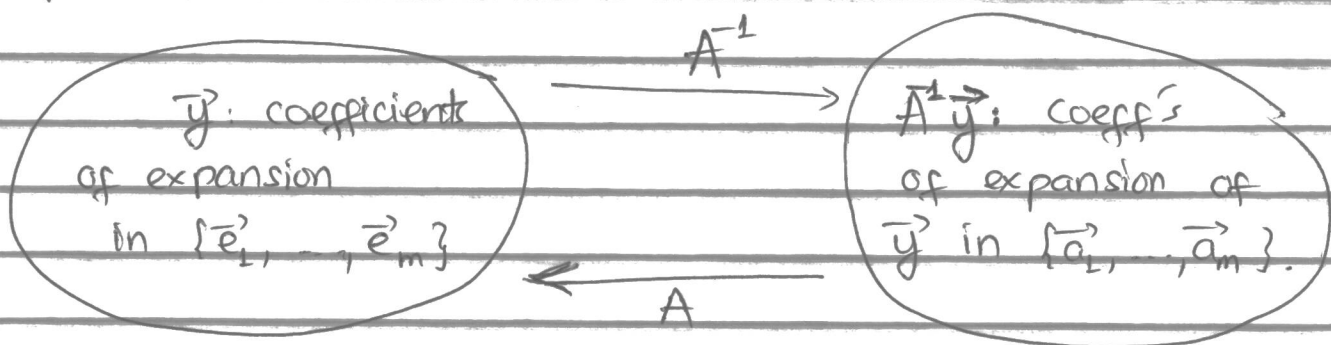
\* Matrix inverse times a vector:

$$\vec{y} = A\vec{x} \quad (A \text{ nonsingular})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{y}$$

This means that  $A^{-1}\vec{y}$  represents an expansion coefficients of  $\vec{y}$  in the basis of columns of  $A$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Multiplication by  $A^{-1}$  is a change of basis operation!



# Inner Product and Norms

## \* Inner Product

• Def: The inner product between two vectors  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is defined as

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = \vec{x}^T \vec{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \quad (\in \mathbb{R})$$

The  $l^2$ -norm of  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is defined as

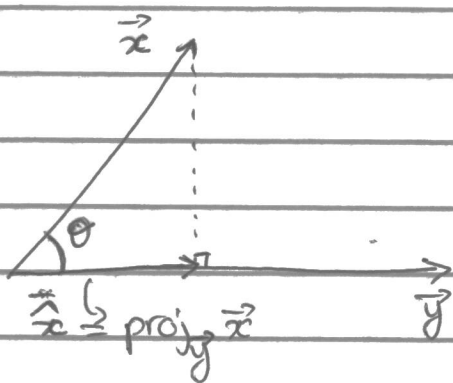
$$\|\vec{x}\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle \vec{x}^T, \vec{x} \rangle} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2}$$

We also denote it by  $\|\vec{x}\|$

(This is the Euclidean length of  $\vec{x}$ .)

The angle  $\theta$  between  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  can be computed by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle}{\|\vec{x}\| \|\vec{y}\|}$$



The projection of  $\vec{x}$  onto  $\vec{y}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_{\vec{y}} \vec{x} &= \|\vec{x}\| \cos \theta \frac{\vec{y}}{\|\vec{y}\|} \\ &= \frac{\vec{x}^T \vec{y}}{\|\vec{y}\|^2} \vec{y} \end{aligned}$$

\* Vector norms: to quantify (or measure) the size (or length) of a vector

Def: A norm is a function

$$\|\cdot\|: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ such that}$$

$$\forall \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

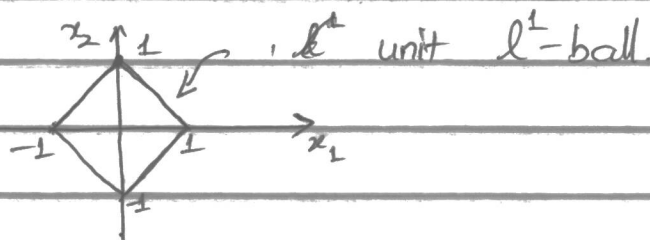
$$1) \|\vec{x}\| \geq 0 \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| = 0 \Leftrightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$2) \|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\| \leq \|\vec{x}\| + \|\vec{y}\| \text{ (the triangle inequality)}$$

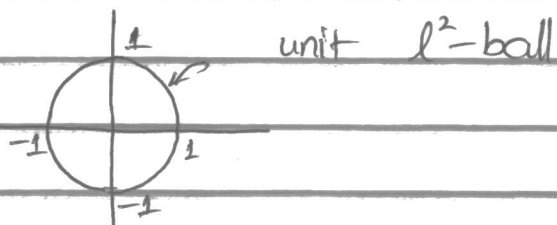
$$3) \|\alpha \vec{x}\| = |\alpha| \|\vec{x}\|.$$

Examples:  $p$ -norms ( $l^p$ -norms)

$$\|\vec{x}\|_1 := \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$$

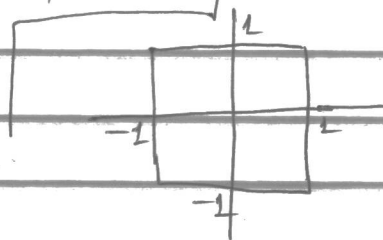


$$\|\vec{x}\|_2 := \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$



$$\|\vec{x}\|_p := \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$$

$$\|\vec{x}\|_\infty := \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |x_i|$$



Exercise: what is the vector  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  that achieves  $\max \|\vec{x}\|_1$  subject to  $\|\vec{x}\|_2 = 1$ ?