

Isometries and Orthogonal Matrices

Defn An isometry $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a distance preserving map:

$$|T(x) - T(y)| = |x - y| \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

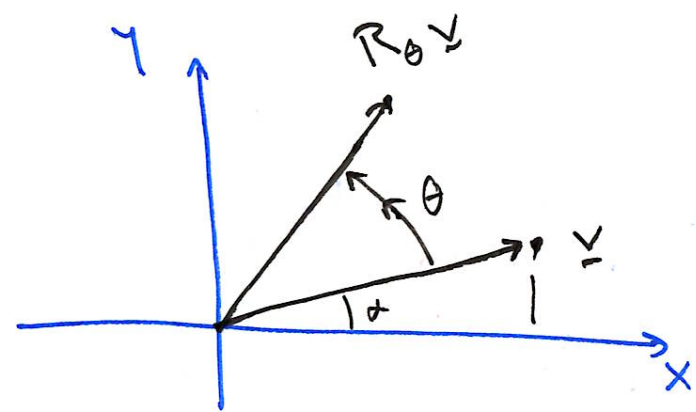
Ex. Rotations, reflections, translations (consider throwing a rock)



\nleftrightarrow $t=0$ \nleftrightarrow

Q. Can we describe w/ matrix? in \mathbb{R}^2

• Rotations about origin by angle θ

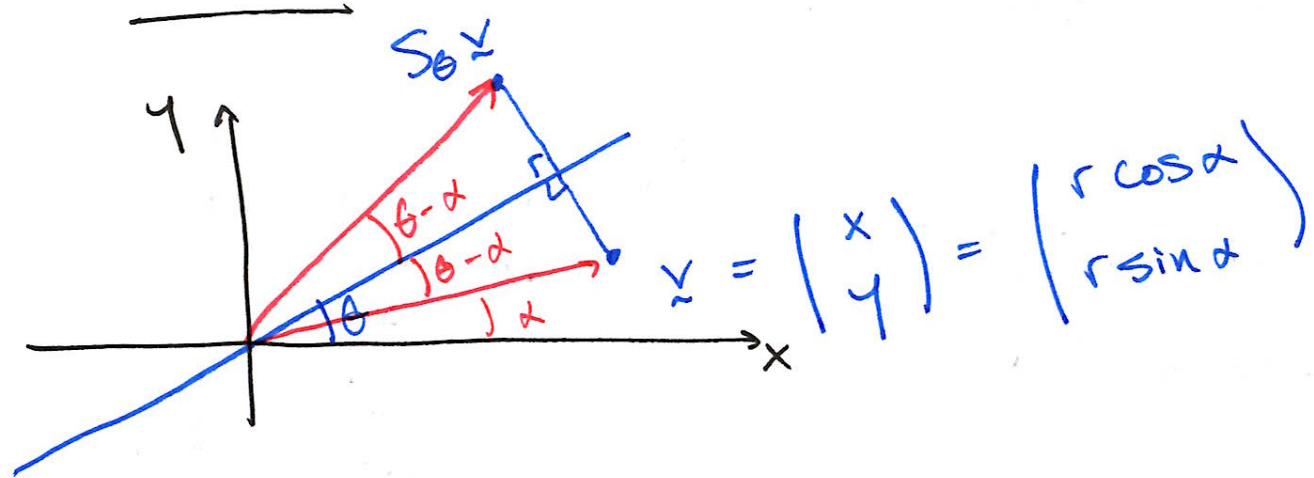


- in polar coords: $\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} r \cos \alpha \\ r \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix}$
 - transforms to $R_\theta \underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} r \cos(\alpha + \theta) \\ r \sin(\alpha + \theta) \end{pmatrix}$ * expand

$$= \begin{pmatrix} r(\cos \theta \cos \alpha - \sin \theta \sin \alpha) \\ r(\cos \theta \sin \alpha + \sin \theta \cos \alpha) \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}}_{R_\theta} \begin{pmatrix} r \cos \alpha \\ r \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix} =: R_\theta \underline{v}$$

\therefore For any \underline{v} , multiply by $R_\theta \rightarrow$ rotated vec. by θ

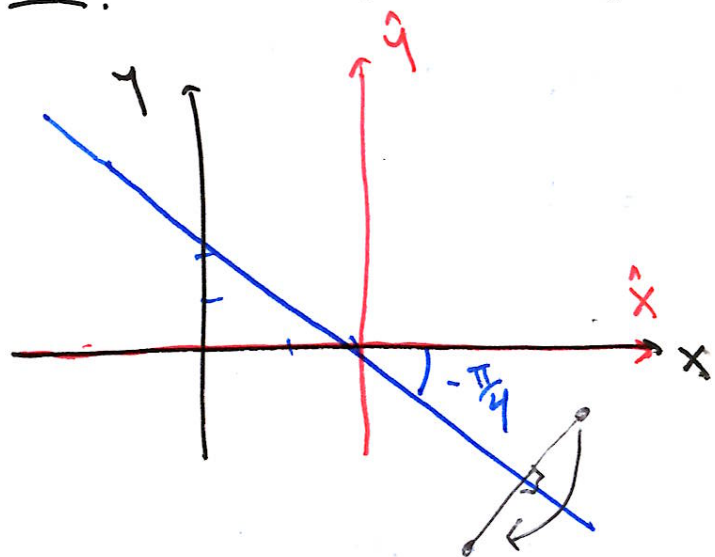
Reflection about line $y = \tan \theta x$



$$S_\theta \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} r \cos(2\theta - \alpha) \\ r \sin(2\theta - \alpha) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ \sin 2\theta & -\cos 2\theta \end{pmatrix}}_{S_\theta} \begin{pmatrix} r \cos \alpha \\ r \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix} =: S_\theta \vec{x}$$

Ex. 61 Reflection about line $x + y = 2$



1. Shift coords: $\hat{x} = x - 2, \hat{y} = y$

\rightarrow in (\hat{x}, \hat{y}) , line is thru origin: $\hat{y} = -\hat{x} = \tan(-\frac{\pi}{4})\hat{x}$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{S}_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Thus } \begin{pmatrix} \hat{x} \\ \hat{y} \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{x} \\ \hat{y} \end{pmatrix}$$

2. "To unshift" $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Are the maps R_θ, S_θ isometries?

Want $|R_\theta \underline{u} - R_\theta \underline{v}| = |\underline{u} - \underline{v}| = |R_\theta(\underline{u} - \underline{v})| = |\underline{u} - \underline{v}| \quad \forall \underline{x} \quad |R_\theta \underline{x}| = |\underline{x}|$

Let $\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$, recall $R_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow |R_\theta \underline{x}|^2 = (\cos\theta x - \sin\theta y)^2 + (\sin\theta x + \cos\theta y)^2 = x^2 + y^2 = |\underline{x}|^2 \quad \checkmark$ (similar for S_θ)

Q. Let A be $n \times n$ matrix. When is $\underline{v} \mapsto A\underline{v}$ an isometry?

First, a note about angles. Let T be an isometry that fixes the origin ($T\underline{0} = \underline{0}$)

$|T\underline{x} - T\underline{y}|^2 = |T\underline{x}|^2 - 2 T\underline{x} \cdot T\underline{y} + |T\underline{y}|^2 \stackrel{\text{by isom.}}{=} |\underline{x} - \underline{y}|^2 = |\underline{x}|^2 - 2\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} + |\underline{y}|^2$

Also, $|T\underline{x}| = |\underline{x}|, |T\underline{y}| = |\underline{y}| \Rightarrow T\underline{x} \cdot T\underline{y} = \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}$ Thus T preserves angles

- We seek A st $A\underline{v} \cdot A\underline{w} = \underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} \quad \forall \underline{v}, \underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 \downarrow column vectors

[$\underline{v} = \underline{w} \Rightarrow$ length preserving, and $A\underline{v} \cdot A\underline{w} = |A\underline{v}| |A\underline{w}| \cos\theta$]

$\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i w_i = (v_1 \dots v_n) \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} = \underline{v}^T \underline{w}$

\Rightarrow angle preserving
 $A\underline{v} \cdot A\underline{w} = A(\underline{v} - \underline{w})$]

So $A\underline{v} \cdot A\underline{w} = (A\underline{v})^T A\underline{w} = (\underline{v}^T A^T) (A\underline{w}) = \underline{v}^T A^T A \underline{w} \stackrel{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{transpose} \\ \text{rule}}}{=} \underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = \underline{v}^T \underline{w} \quad \Rightarrow \text{if } A^T A = \mathbb{1}$

So $A\underline{v} \cdot A\underline{w} = \underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} \quad \forall \underline{v}, \underline{w} \quad \text{iff} \quad A^T A = \mathbb{1}$

{ let $\underline{v} = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$ then $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = 1$ $A\underline{v} \cdot A\underline{w} = \underline{v}^T \underbrace{A^T A}_M \underline{w} = (1 \dots 0) \begin{pmatrix} M \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = M_{11}$

Def'n A real square matrix A is orthogonal if $A^T A = \mathbb{1}_n$ i.e. $A^{-1} = A^T$

Note: for $\underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, a linear map $\underline{v} \mapsto T(\underline{v})$ can be represented by a

matrix: $T(\underline{v}) = A\underline{v}$

Thus, all linear isometries of \mathbb{R}^n have form $T(\underline{v}) = A\underline{v}$ w/ A orthogonal

$T(\alpha \underline{a} + \beta \underline{b}) = \alpha T(\underline{a}) + \beta T(\underline{b})$. Let $\underline{v} = v_1 \underline{e}_1 + \dots + v_n \underline{e}_n \rightarrow T(\underline{v}) = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i T(\underline{e}_i) = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ T(\underline{e}_1) & T(\underline{e}_2) & \dots & T(\underline{e}_n) \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$

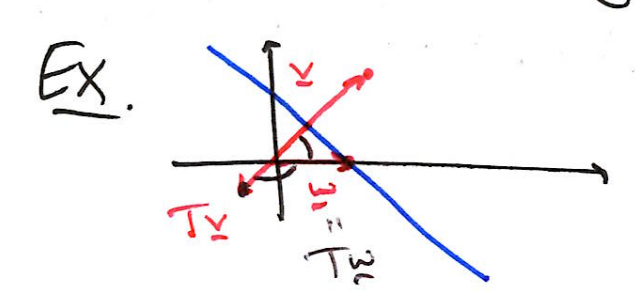
- But $T(\underline{v}) = A\underline{v} + \underline{b}$ for $\underline{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $A^T A = \mathbb{1}$ is also an isometry, but
 not linear $[T(\underline{x} + \underline{y}) = A(\underline{x} + \underline{y}) + \underline{b} = A\underline{x} + A\underline{y} + \underline{b} \neq T\underline{x} + T\underline{y}]$

Check: $|T\underline{x} - T\underline{y}| = |A\underline{x} + \underline{b} - (A\underline{y} + \underline{b})| = |A\underline{x} - A\underline{y}| = |\underline{x} - \underline{y}| \quad \checkmark$

Isometry $|Tu - Tv| = |u - v|$
 length preserving

Linear
 $(T0 = 0)$
 ↓
 Matrix repr.
 $T(v) = Av$
 $w/ A^T A = I$
 ↓
 Angle preserving
 $Tv \cdot Tw = v \cdot w$

Nonlinear
 ↓
 $T(v) = Av + b, (T(0) \neq 0)$
 $A^T A = I, b$ const
 ↓
 Not angle preserving



$\therefore A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$ OR $A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$

R_θ "rotation" $S_{\theta/2}$: reflection about $y = \tan(\theta/2)x$

$A^T A = I$

Note: $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$
 $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$

$\Rightarrow \det(A^T A) = (\det(A))^2 = 1$

$\Rightarrow \det A = \pm 1$

"signature" for orthog matrix

$A^T A = I, B^T B = I \Rightarrow (AB)^T AB = I$

LHS = $B^T A^T A B = B^T B = I$

\therefore Product of 2 orthog matrices is orthog.

in \mathbb{R}^2 Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} a^2+c^2 & ab+cd \\ ab+cd & b^2+d^2 \end{pmatrix}$

$A^T A = I \Rightarrow a^2+c^2=1, b^2+d^2=1, ab+cd=0$

$a = \cos\theta, c = \sin\theta$ for some $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$

$b = \cos\phi, d = \sin\phi$
 $\phi \in [0, 2\pi)$

$\cos(\theta - \phi) = 0 \Rightarrow \phi = \theta \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$

$\Rightarrow b = \mp \sin\theta, d = \pm \cos\theta$

Observe

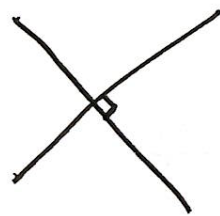
$\det R_\theta = 1, \det S_{\theta/2} = -1$

On Coords. and Measurement

- We make calcs. using variables defined in a coord. sys.
- But a coord. sys. is effectively arbitrary
- Q How much are our calcs. tied to our choice of coord. sys?
- Distinguish between:

Geometric truths

System dependent statements/measurements



"these lines are perpendicular"



"this line has length 5"



"this is a circle"

" $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ is a circle"



" \underline{a} is twice the length of \underline{b} "

"the length of \underline{a} is $\sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2}$ "

- Measurements require coordinates, coords. require axes - i.e. a basis

The point:

Defn $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n if we can write every $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ as $\underline{x} = \alpha_1 \underline{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_n \underline{v}_n$ for some unique numbers $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$

- the α_i are the coords of \underline{x} in the basis.

- We've been using standard basis $\underline{e}_i = (0, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$

- Only require $\{\underline{v}_i\}$ is
 - lin. indep ← "not too many"
 - spanning ← "enough"

Q. What makes a "good" basis?

"Good" means: our formulas hold;

$$|\underline{x}|^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2$$

$$\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n$$

$\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}$ is a geometric truth

Intuition: formulas rely on

1. Pythagoras, or right triangles

2. x_i is distance in direction of i th axis.

→ suggests: a "good" basis has unit vectors that are mutually orthogonal

Supp. $\{B_1 : \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}, B_2 : \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}\}$ form bases for \mathbb{R}^n

\vec{x} "an arrow": $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$ in B_1 means $\vec{x} = \sum x_i v_i$

Observe: by construction,

$$v_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow i\text{th} \text{ in } B_1$$

$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{pmatrix}$ in B_2 means $\vec{x} = \sum X_i u_i$

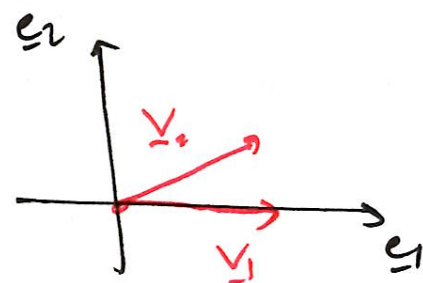
Claim $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n$, where

$\{x_i\}, \{y_i\}$ are coords in basis $\{v_i\}$
holds iff $v_i \cdot v_j = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$

PF (\Rightarrow) $v_i \cdot v_j = \delta_{ij}$ b/c $v_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow i\text{th}$

$$(\Leftarrow) \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i v_i \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^n y_j v_j \right)$$

$$= \sum_i \sum_j x_i y_j \underbrace{v_i \cdot v_j}_{\delta_{ij}} = \sum_i x_i y_i \quad \checkmark$$



Defn An orthonormal basis satisfies $\underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_j = \delta_{ij}$

Notes: • n orthonormal vectors forms a basis for \mathbb{R}^n

• if $\underline{x} = x_1 \underline{v}_1 + \dots + x_n \underline{v}_n$ and $\{\underline{v}_i\}$ is orthonormal, then

$x_i = \underline{x} \cdot \underline{v}_i$, and this is the distance along \underline{v}_i

• Connection to orthog. matrices: Let A be matrix w/ columns $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n$

then
$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} \leftarrow \underline{v}_1 \rightarrow \\ \vdots \\ \leftarrow \underline{v}_n \rightarrow \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow \\ \underline{v}_1 \dots \underline{v}_n \\ \downarrow \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_1 & \underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_2 & & \\ \underline{v}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_1 & \underline{v}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \underline{v}_n \cdot \underline{v}_n \end{pmatrix} \therefore A^T A = \mathbb{1}$$
 iff $\underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_j = \delta_{ij}$

So A is an orthog. matrix iff columns of A form orthon. basis

[rows too, since $A^T A = \mathbb{1} \iff A A^T = \mathbb{1}$]

~~$A A^T A A^T = A A^T$~~
 $A A^T = (A^T A)^T = \mathbb{1}$

Supp. 2 bases $B_1: \underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ st $\underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_j = \delta_{ij}$. Supp. pt P has coords x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n in B_1 , and

$B_2: \underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_n$

x_1, \dots, x_n in B_2

we can express P via $\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$ in B_1 OR $\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$ in B_2

• We know: $\square \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n = \underline{x}^T \underline{y}$ since B_1 orthon.

$\square \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = \underline{X} \cdot \underline{Y}$ "since geometric truth"

Q $\underline{X} \cdot \underline{Y} = \underline{X}^T \underline{Y}$?

• We'll answer by considering change of coords (change of basis)

- let's stick to $n=2$: can write $\underline{u}_1 = \alpha_1 \underline{v}_1 + \beta_1 \underline{v}_2$
 $\underline{u}_2 = \alpha_2 \underline{v}_1 + \beta_2 \underline{v}_2$

$$\text{Then } \underline{x} = X_1 \underline{u}_1 + X_2 \underline{u}_2 = \underbrace{(X_1 \alpha_1 + X_2 \alpha_2)}_{x_1} \underline{v}_1 + \underbrace{(X_1 \beta_1 + X_2 \beta_2)}_{x_2} \underline{v}_2 = \underline{x}$$

$$\text{So } \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 \\ \beta_1 & \beta_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\substack{\text{call} \\ P}} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Thus } \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = P \underline{X}$$

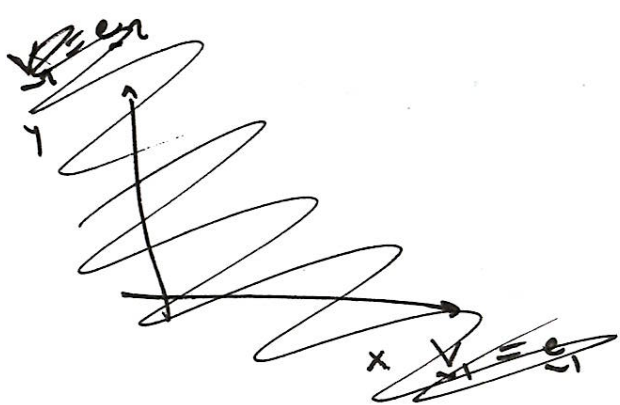
Now consider

$$\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = \underline{x}^T \underline{y} = (P\underline{X})^T (P\underline{Y})$$

$$= \underline{X}^T P^T P \underline{Y} = \underline{X} \cdot \underline{Y}$$

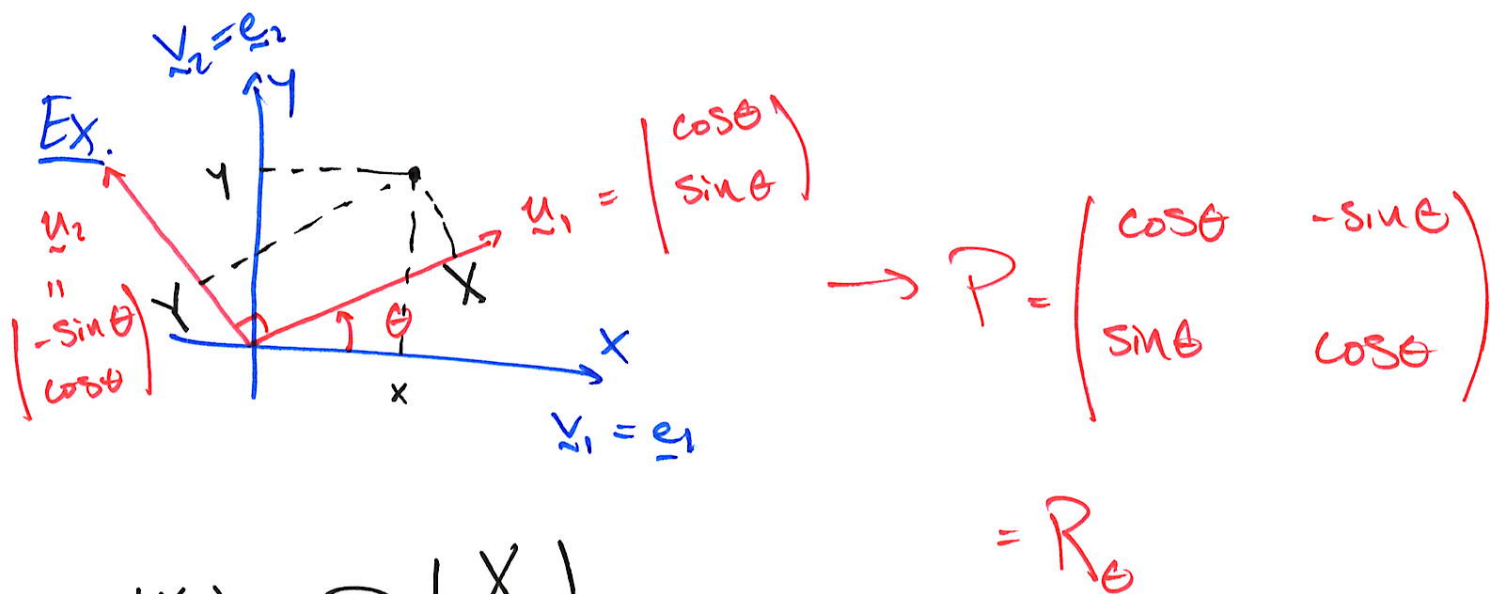
$$\therefore \underline{X} \cdot \underline{Y} = \underline{X}^T \underline{Y} = X_1 Y_1 + \dots + X_n Y_n \quad \text{iff } P^T P = \mathbb{1}$$

ie if change of basis matrix is orthog.



Note: if $\underline{v}_i = \underline{e}_i$ - "standard basis",

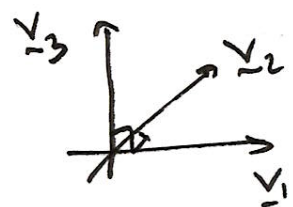
then
$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \underline{u}_1 & \dots & \underline{u}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = P \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$$

Orthogonal Change of Coords

Summary



- orthonormal basis - "good" basis

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

- orthogonal matrix P ($P^T P = I$)

transforms coords b/t orthon. bases:

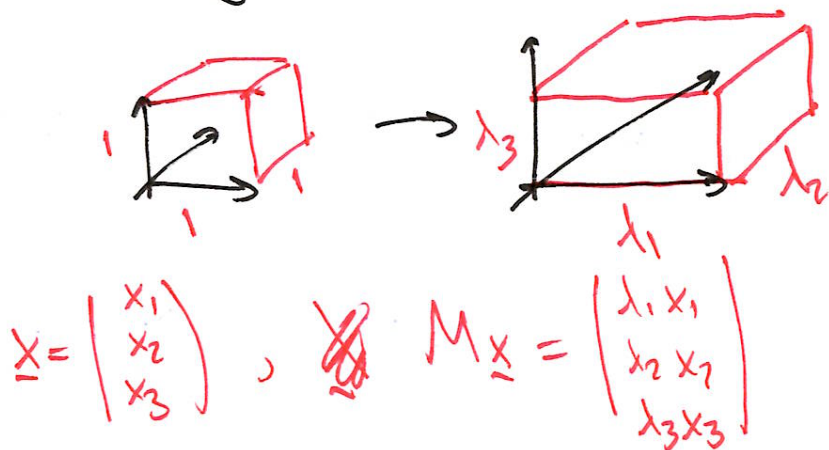
$$\vec{x} = P \vec{X}$$

→ Q. Can we solve a problem by converting coordinates? ("ideal" basis?)

- if view matrix as map $\vec{x} \mapsto M \vec{x}$

"simplest" map is diagonal

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 x_1 \\ \lambda_2 x_2 \\ \lambda_3 x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Spectral Theorem

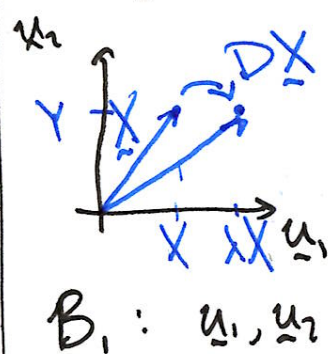
Let A be a square symmetric matrix. Then

\exists orthog. P and diagonal D

$$\text{st } P^T A P = D$$

-equiv. , $A = \overline{P D P^T}$

Ex. Consider 2D transformation: stretch by λ in direction u_1



in B_1 : $D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

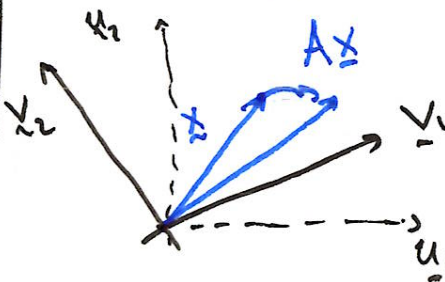
$$\vec{x} \mapsto D \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

B_1 : u_1, u_2

• in another basis B_2 : $\{x_1, x_2\}$

A not diagonal!

$\exists P$ orthog: $B_1 \rightarrow B_2$



Spec. Thm:

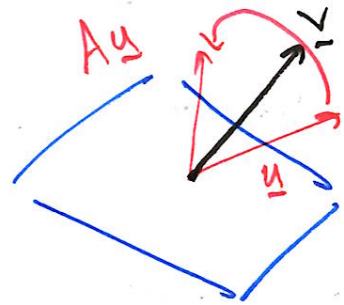
$$A \vec{x} = \overbrace{P D P^T}^{\text{rotate to } B_1} \vec{x}$$

rotate to B_1
apply stretch
rotate back

3x3 orthogonal matrices

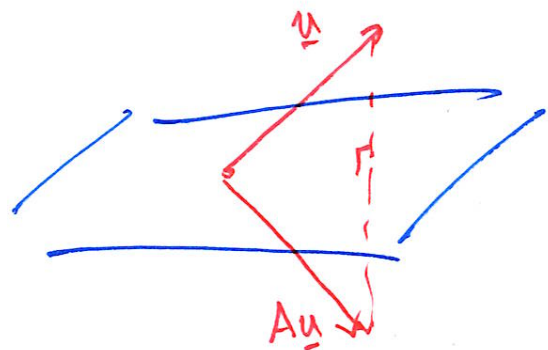
• A is orthog $\Rightarrow A^T A = \mathbb{1}$, $\det A = \pm 1$

Key:



rotation has axis of rot.
 - axis forms a 1D
invariant space of map: $A\underline{v} = \underline{v}$

$\Rightarrow A - \mathbb{1}$ has 1D null space



reflection requires plane of
~~refl.~~ refl. - forms a 2D
invariant space.

$\Rightarrow A\underline{v} = \underline{v}$ has 2 indep. soln directions

$\therefore A - \mathbb{1}$ has 2D null space

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$$A = \frac{1}{25} \begin{pmatrix} 20 & 15 & 0 \\ -12 & 16 & 15 \\ 9 & -12 & 20 \end{pmatrix}, B = \frac{1}{25} \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 0 & -24 \\ 0 & 25 & 0 \\ -24 & 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

- We're told: $A^T A = \mathbb{1} = B^T B$, one
 is a reflector, one a rotation.

- row reduction of $A - \mathbb{1}$, $B - \mathbb{1}$:

$$A - \mathbb{1} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow (A - \mathbb{1})\underline{x}$ has soln space

$$\lambda (3, 1, 3) \leftarrow \text{axis of rotation}$$

$$B - \mathbb{1} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ so } (B - \mathbb{1})\underline{x}$$

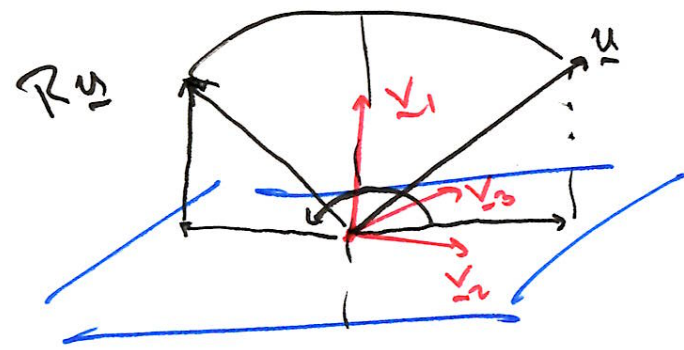
has soln space $4x + 3z = 0$

or spanned by $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3/4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

- plane of reflection

"Ideal" basis?

For a rotation R , let \underline{v}_1 be a unit vec. along axis of rotation, and $\underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3$ be unit vectors in orthog. plane st $\{\underline{v}_i\}$ orthonormal



since $R\underline{v}_1 = \underline{v}_1$ - "looks like" a 2D rotation in

$\underline{v}_2 - \underline{v}_3$ plane $\Rightarrow \exists \theta$ st

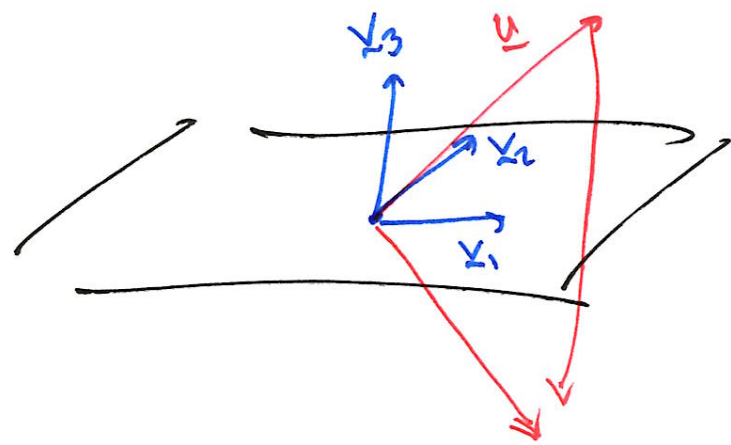
$$R\underline{v}_2 = \cos\theta \underline{v}_2 + \sin\theta \underline{v}_3$$

$$R\underline{v}_3 = -\sin\theta \underline{v}_2 + \cos\theta \underline{v}_3$$

Thus, if x_i are coords. in $\{\underline{v}_i\}$, $R \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ 0 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$

For reflection S

let $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2$ be orthon. basis for the plane of reflection, (2D null space of $S - \mathbb{1}$)



$$S\underline{v}_1 = \underline{v}_1$$

$$S\underline{v}_2 = \underline{v}_2$$

$$S\underline{v}_3 = -\underline{v}_3$$

$$\Rightarrow S \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ -x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Classifying ("the signature" of reflections, rotations)

Let A be a 3×3 orthog. matrix

(a) if $\det A = 1$, then A is a rotation by angle θ where

$$\text{tr} A = 1 + 2 \cos \theta$$

(b) ~~if~~ $\det A = -1$ and $\text{tr} A = 1$ iff A is a reflection

[observe: these hold in "ideal" basis, and trace and determinant are invariant under coord. change]

Proof (Outline) (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \mathbb{1}) &= \det(A - A^T A) = \det(\underbrace{\mathbb{1} - A^T}_{(A - \mathbb{1})^T}) \\ &= \det(\mathbb{1} - A) = -\det(A - \mathbb{1}) \end{aligned}$$

• $\det A = 1 \Rightarrow \det(A - \mathbb{1}) = 0 \Rightarrow \exists \underline{v}_1$ st $A \underline{v}_1 = \underline{v}_1$
& $A^T A = \mathbb{1}$

• Create orthon. basis w/ $\underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3$, and show $A \underline{v}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_3 = 0$
 $A \underline{v}_3 \cdot \underline{v}_1 = 0$
[$A \underline{v}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_1 = A \underline{v}_2 \cdot A \underline{v}_1 = \underline{v}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_1 = 0$]

\Rightarrow the effect of A on $\underline{v}_2 - \underline{v}_3$ plane is 2D

$\Rightarrow A$ has form $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{A} \\ 0 & & \end{pmatrix}$

$\det A = 1 \Rightarrow \det \tilde{A} = 1$ so can use 2D results
 $\rightarrow \exists \theta$ st $\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$

• Note $\text{tr} A = 1 + 2 \cos \theta$

Proof of (b) (\Rightarrow) • $C = -A$ satisfies $\det C = 1$, so by

(a), C is a rotation by θ : $1 + 2 \cos \theta = \text{tr } C$

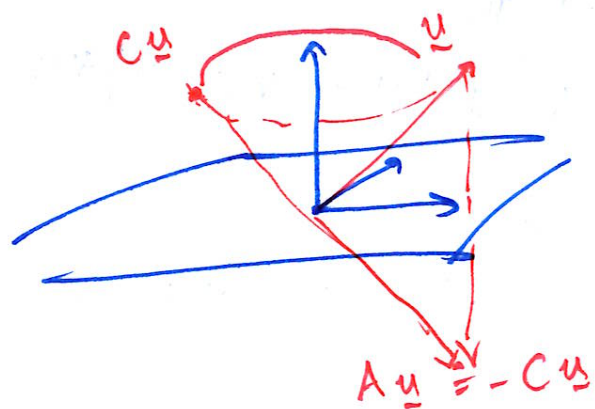
But $\text{tr } C = -\text{tr } A = -1 \Rightarrow 2(1 + \cos \theta) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \theta = \pi$

$$\Rightarrow A = -C = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

which is reflection in

$x_2 - x_3$ plane

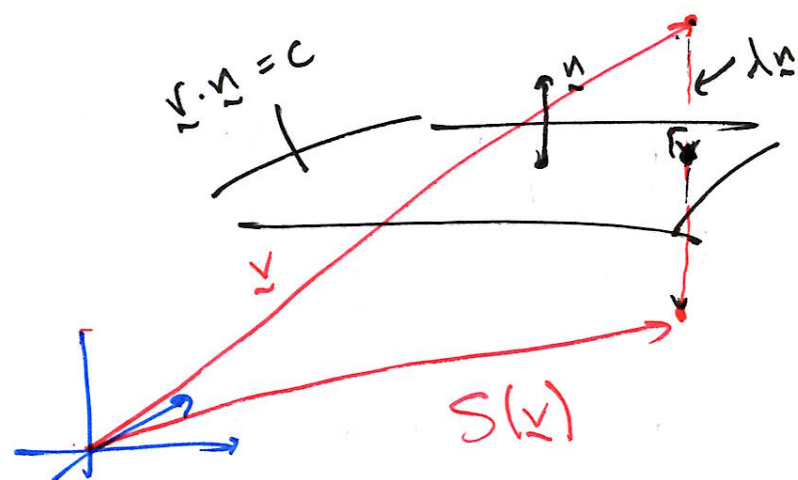


($\det A = -1$, $\text{tr } A \neq 1$, eg $A = -I$)

Ex 75. Let $\|\underline{n}\| = 1$ be given. Show that reflection in plane $\underline{r} \cdot \underline{n} = c$

is given by $S(\underline{v}) = \underline{v} - 2(\underline{v} \cdot \underline{n})\underline{n} + 2c\underline{n}$

[$c \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ not a plane containing origin, so won't have form just outlined!]



$$\exists \lambda \text{ st } (\underline{v} - \lambda \underline{n}) \cdot \underline{n} = c \Rightarrow \lambda = \underline{v} \cdot \underline{n} - c$$

$$\text{Thus } S(\underline{v}) = \underline{v} - 2\lambda \underline{n} = \underline{v} - 2(\underline{v} \cdot \underline{n})\underline{n} + 2c\underline{n}$$

Products of Rotations

$$| \det A = 1, \det B = 1 \Rightarrow \det (AB) = 1 |$$

[an even # of reflections equiv. to a rot.!]]

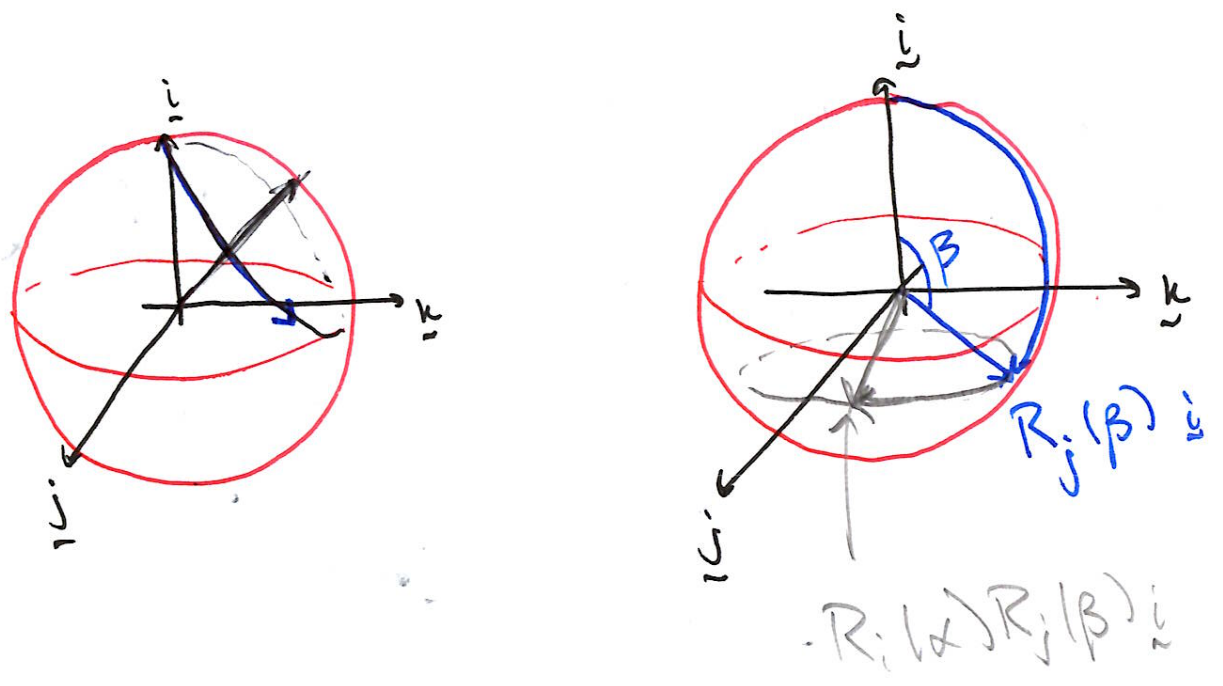
$$R_i(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ 0 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}, R_i(\theta) \underline{i} = \underline{i}, R_j(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 & -\sin\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin\theta & 0 & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}, R_j(\theta) \underline{j} = \underline{j}$$

Ex 77. Claim: can write any rotation R as $R = R_i(\alpha) R_j(\beta) R_i(\gamma)$ ★
for some $\alpha, \gamma \in (-\pi, \pi], \beta \in [0, \pi]$

★ true iff $R_j^{-1}(\beta) R_i^{-1}(\alpha) R = R_i(\gamma)$
iff $R_j^{-1}(\beta) R_i^{-1}(\alpha) R \underline{i} = \underline{i}$

$$[R_j^{-1}(\beta) = R_j(\beta)]$$

iff $R \underline{i} = R_i(\alpha) R_j(\beta) \underline{i}$
 $\underline{i} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$ $\underbrace{c_1^2 + c_2^2 + c_3^2 = 1}$
 fix latitude
 fix longitude



Isometries of \mathbb{R}^n

Defn: $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is isometry if $|T(\underline{y}) - T(\underline{x})| = |\underline{y} - \underline{x}| \quad \forall \underline{y}, \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

• Main result: if T is an isometry, then \exists an orthogonal A and constant vector \underline{b} st $T(\underline{v}) = A\underline{v} + \underline{b}$

Proof Start w/ case: $S(\underline{0}) = \underline{0}$ 1. $|S(\underline{x})| = |\underline{x}|$ ← by defn w/ $\underline{y} = \underline{0}$

2. $S(\underline{y}) \cdot S(\underline{x}) = \underline{y} \cdot \underline{x}$ ← expand defn and use 1

3. (Linearity) $S(\underline{a} + \alpha \underline{b}) = S(\underline{a}) + \alpha S(\underline{b})$

Pf: Show $|S(\underline{a} + \alpha \underline{b}) - (S(\underline{a}) + \alpha S(\underline{b}))|^2 = 0$ ← expand plus repeated use of 1 & 2

Let $\{\underline{e}_i\}$ be an orthonormal basis, Define $A = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow S\underline{e}_1 & \dots & \uparrow S\underline{e}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$

- let $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow \underline{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \underline{e}_i$ - in coords: $\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

By 3, $S(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i S(\underline{e}_i)$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow S\underline{e}_1 & \dots & \uparrow S\underline{e}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} = A\underline{x}$$

And $A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} \leftarrow S\underline{e}_1 \rightarrow \\ \vdots \\ \leftarrow S\underline{e}_n \rightarrow \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow S\underline{e}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \uparrow S\underline{e}_n \end{pmatrix}$

So $(A^T A)_{ij} = S\underline{e}_i \cdot S\underline{e}_j$

$\stackrel{(2)}{=} \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = \delta_{ij} \quad \therefore A^T A = \mathbb{1}$

• If $T(\underline{0}) = \underline{b} \neq \underline{0}$
 Then $S(\underline{v}) = T(\underline{v}) - \underline{b}$ is an isometry w/ $S(\underline{0}) = \underline{0}$
 $\Rightarrow \exists$ orthog. A st $S(\underline{v}) = A\underline{v}$
 $\Rightarrow T(\underline{v}) = A\underline{v} + \underline{b}$ ✓
 Unique? if $T(\underline{x}) = A_1 \underline{x} + \underline{b}_1 = A_2 \underline{x} + \underline{b}_2$
 $\underline{x} = \underline{0} \Rightarrow \underline{b}_1 = \underline{b}_2 \Rightarrow A_1 \underline{v} = A_2 \underline{v} \quad \forall \underline{v}$
 $\Rightarrow A_1 = A_2$

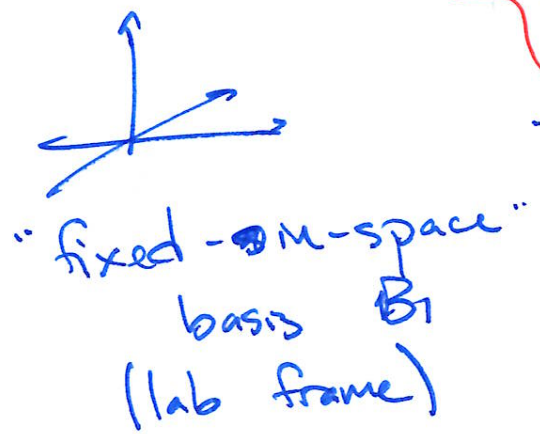
Rotating Frames

Motivation

Rigid body motion

- 3 degrees of freedom - translation

- 3 " " " " - rotation



"fixed-in-space" basis B_1 (lab frame)

- We've seen: \exists orthogonal matrix $A = A(t)$ relating B_1 to B_2

$$A^T A = \mathbb{1} \quad \forall t$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$A A^T = \mathbb{1}$$

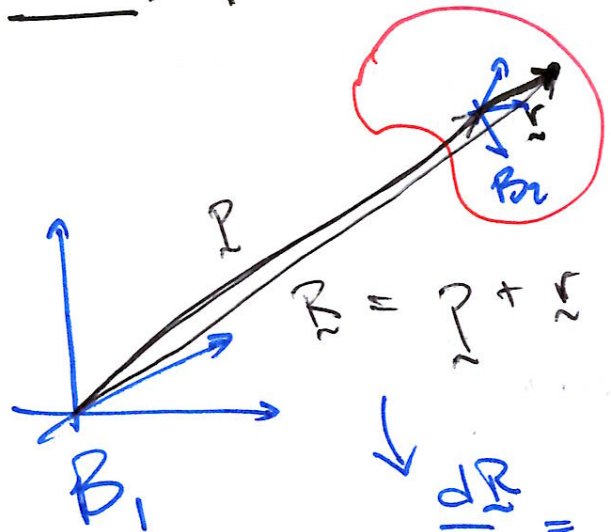
$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{A'(t) A^T(t)}_{(A' A^T)^T} + \underbrace{A(t) (A'(t))^T}_{(A' A^T)^T} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbb{1} = 0 \Rightarrow A' A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\gamma & \beta \\ \gamma & 0 & -\alpha \\ -\beta & \alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{\text{call}}{=} M(t)$$

skew symmetric

Recall (PS 2): if define $\underline{\omega}(t) = (\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then $M \underline{x} = \underline{\omega} \wedge \underline{x} \quad \forall \underline{x}$

$\sim B_2$: \underline{r} constant, $\frac{d\underline{r}}{dt} = \underline{0}$

$\sim B_1$: $\underline{r} = \underline{r}(t) = A(t) \underline{r}_0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \underline{r}(t) = A'(t) \underline{r}_0 = M A \underline{r}_0 = M \underline{r}$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{d}{dt} \underline{r}(t) = \underline{\omega}(t) \wedge \underline{r}(t) \right|$$


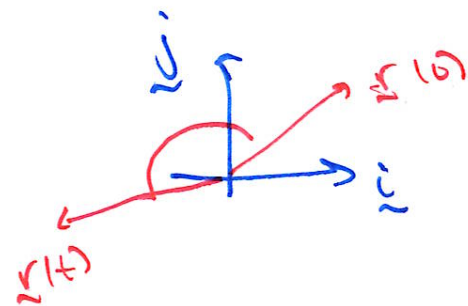
$$\frac{d\underline{r}}{dt} = \frac{d\underline{r}}{dt} + \underline{\omega} \wedge \underline{r}$$

Note • same $\underline{\omega} = \underline{\omega}(t)$ for any \underline{r} in body

• $\underline{\omega}$ is called angular velocity

[More to come in Dynamics HT]

Ex. 2D motion



rotation in plane:

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

[could write $A = \begin{pmatrix} c & -s & 0 \\ s & c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ for 3D]

Then $A'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta & -\cos \theta \\ \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \theta'(t) \Rightarrow M = A'A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\theta'(t) \\ \theta'(t) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

so if $\underline{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x'(t) \\ y'(t) \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\theta'(t) y(t) \\ \theta'(t) x(t) \end{pmatrix}$

• in 3D: $M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\theta' & 0 \\ \theta' & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow (\gamma = \theta', \alpha = \beta = 0) \quad \boxed{\underline{\omega}(t) = \theta'(t) \underline{k}}$

Interpretation

$\underline{\omega}$ points along/defines

(instantaneous) axis of rotation

$|\underline{\omega}|$ is rotation rate