

Orthogonal Transformations

- spatial relationships in 3D

Def - An $n \times n$ matrix A is an orthogonal transformation I.F.F (if and only if)

- It has n mutually perpendicular rows or columns with unit length
 - \perp rows must be independent
(can't be multiples of each other)

ex $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$ linearly dependent

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{independent but } \underline{\text{not }} \perp$$

- to be perpendicular,
the dot product must be 0

dot product: $x \cdot y = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$

$$x \cdot y = 0 \iff x \perp y \text{ (perp.)}$$

- rows/columns must have unit length

$$\hookrightarrow \|x\| = \sqrt{\sum_i x_i^2} = \sqrt{x \cdot x}$$

- The rows or columns of A form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^n

- basic for space - set of vectors that can combine to create any vector in a space

- basically first point with more words

- $A A^T = A^T A = I \rightsquigarrow$ transpose [$]^T$ switches the rows and columns
- $A^{-1} = A^T$

* More about transpose on next page

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ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$