

Day Two: Linear Algebra

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Vectors: basic notation

Data source for vectors and matrix: senators' co-sponsorship of bills during 2004 session



Source for data: James H. Fowler: Connecting the Congress: A Study of Cosponsorship Networks , *Political Analysis* 14 (4): 456-487 (Fall 2006) and Legislative Cosponsorship Networks in the U.S. House and Senate, *Social Networks* 28 (4): 454-465 (October 2006). Cleaned senate network data provided as part of Skyler Cranmer, ICPSR 2016 Network Analysis workshop.

Why vectors?

- Compact way of storing information, instead of:

Cosponsors: S.1775 — 110th Congress (2007-2008)

[All Bill Information](#) (Except Text)

Sponsor: [Sen. Burr, Richard \[R-NC\]](#) (includes 1 original)

* = Original cosponsor

Sort by

Party	Cosponsor	Date Cosponsored
<input type="checkbox"/> Republican [3]	Sen. Gregg, Judd [R-NH]*	07/12/2007
Cosponsors by U.S. State or Territory	Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	11/06/2007
Georgia [1]	Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	11/06/2007
New Hampshire [1]		
Tennessee [1]		

- Use:

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Burr	1	1	1	0

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Vectors: operations

Basic operations with vectors

Two types of operations:

- 1 Vector *operation* scalar
- 2 Vector *operation* other vector (can include the vector itself)

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- ② Rescaling two (maximum cosponsorship within each senator). Let $s_1 = \frac{1}{\max(\mathbf{u})} \implies s_1 = \frac{1}{10}$, $s_2 = \frac{1}{\max(\mathbf{v})} \implies s_2 = \frac{1}{8}$:

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Table 1: John McCain's cosponsorship

	Hillary	Lincoln	Joe	Strom
Original	1	1	10	5
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Max within senator	0.10	0.10	1.00	0.50

Table 2: Russ Feingold's cosponsorship

	Hillary	Lincoln	Joe	Strom
Original	2	2	8	1
Max across all	0.20	0.20	0.80	0.10
Max within senator	0.25	0.25	1.00	0.12

So what does it *mean*?

The answer to the pressing question that has been keeping you up at night (who is closer to Joe Lieberman, John McCain or Russ Feingold?) depends on whether you adjust for senator-specific levels of co-sponsorship activity or not.

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Conformability

When we do scalar operations, we apply one scalar to each element of a vector.

$$\begin{matrix} \left[\frac{1}{10} \right] \\ 1 \times 1 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} [1 & 1 & 10 & 5] \\ 1 \times 4 \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} [0.1 & 0.1 & 1 & 0.5] \\ 1 \times 4 \end{matrix}$$

But when we perform operations with two vectors, we need to make sure they have compatible dimensions. The vectors need to be **conformable**.

Conformable is a term for when the dimensions of a vector or matrix allow us to perform some operation. Conformability is always in the context of *some operation* (e.g., addition versus multiplication).

Vector addition and subtraction

For addition and subtraction, two vectors are conformable if they have the same number of elements. When you have two conformable vectors, you perform vector addition or subtraction by adding or subtracting the matching elements of each vector, yielding a new vector as your answer.

Let's look at an example. . .

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- **Example from cosponsorship data:** fit a linear regression that regresses a senator's total number of cosponsorships against a measure of how liberal versus conservative they are on economic issues . Residuals are:

$$\hat{e} = \text{observed cosponsorship count} - \text{predicted (fitted) cosponsorship count}$$

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Say we're interested in five senators:

$$\begin{array}{c} \textit{Senators} \\ \left[\begin{array}{c} \textit{John McCain} \\ \textit{Joe Lieberman} \\ \textit{Rick Santorum} \\ \textit{Joe Biden} \\ \textit{John Edwards} \end{array} \right] \\ 5 \times 1 \end{array}$$

And we have the following observed and predicted cosponsorship counts for each:

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$$\begin{array}{c} \left[\begin{array}{c} 176 \\ 351 \\ 158 \\ 247 \\ 203 \end{array} \right] \\ 5 \times 1 \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \left[\begin{array}{c} 215.21 \\ 300.92 \\ 211.23 \\ 320.14 \\ 304.06 \end{array} \right] \\ 5 \times 1 \end{array}$$

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Because these two vectors are conformable (have the same number of elements), we can find our residuals:

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But if we throw in Barack Obama, we run into problems.

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- We will use this example to review two forms of vector multiplication:
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On your worksheet, find the dot product by hand for the other two combinations: Wellstone and Feinstein, Lieberman and Feinstein.

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- **Results:**

- 1 Paul Wellstone and Joe Lieberman (28)
- 2 Joe Lieberman and Dianne Feinstein (20)
- 3 Paul Wellstone and Dianne Feinstein (10)

- **Interpretation:** the fact that Dianne Feinstein's highest collaborator is Mary L. hurts her potential-for-collaboration score with Paul Wellstone, since his zero collaborations with Mary L. makes her high score count for nothing towards their potential

Vector multiplication: dot product notation

See Gill page 88 for formal properties (commutative, associative, etc.) but for now, worth highlighting the following:

- Alternate way to write the inner product: $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}'\mathbf{v}$
- Can write Lieberman and Wellstone vectors as:

$$\mathbf{u}' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} : \mathbf{u}'\mathbf{v} = 1 \times 1$$

1×3 3×1

$$\mathbf{u}'\mathbf{v} = 0 * 4 + 8 * 2 + 6 * 2 = 28 = \mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v}$$

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- When the dot product equals zero, the vectors are **orthogonal**. Formally, this means they are perpendicular to each other. Intuitively, this means there's no overlap between them, no similarity. Imagine the following senator for whom we're trying to find a collaboration score with Wellstone (\mathbf{u}):

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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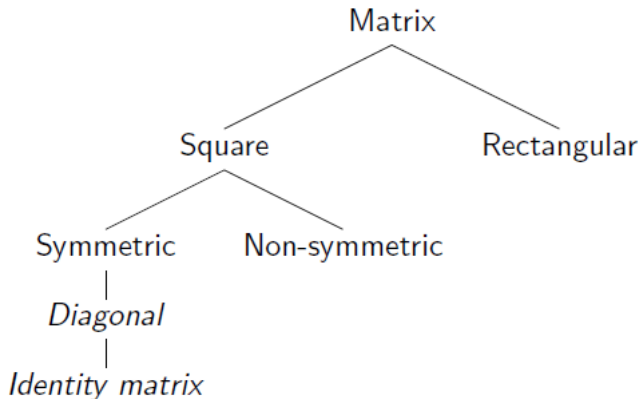
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Note: *italicized* nodes on the tree represent special cases of the matrix in question rather than an exhaustive set of cases. So, for example, all square matrices are either symmetric or non-symmetric, but there are symmetric matrices that are *not* diagonal matrices.



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- In addition, the matrix algebra and summary operations we review next are mechanically easier for certain special matrices
 - ▶ For instance, the determinant of a diagonal matrix is just the product of the diagonal elements

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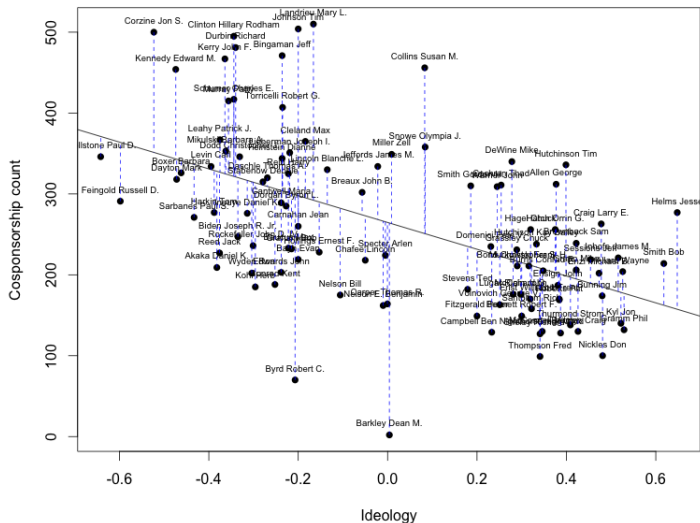
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- You might be familiar (if not, you'll learn this year) with how to adjudicate between these options in the univariate case by using a "best fit" line when we have just one predictor. In the single variable case, we're just trying to find the best values for a intercept and slope of a linear equation.

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- Informally, we can 1) draw out a shell matrix with correct dimensions for results; 2) circle rows in first, columns in second and proceed

Matrices: matrix multiplication practice

Now practice with conformability and multiplication. For the following matrices:

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