

A First Course in Linear Algebra

An Open-Source Textbook

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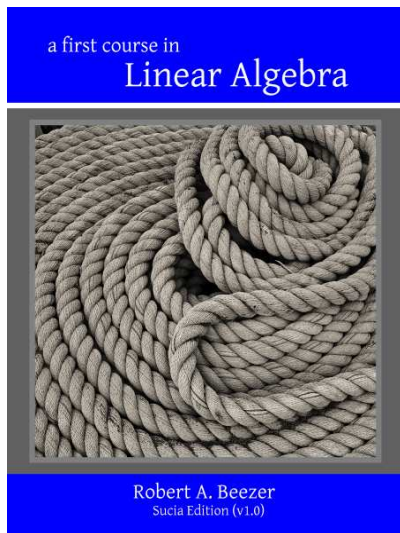
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Today's Talk

- Open source
- Linear algebra
- SAGE enhanced version
- Parallels to SAGE development
- A wee bit of Python

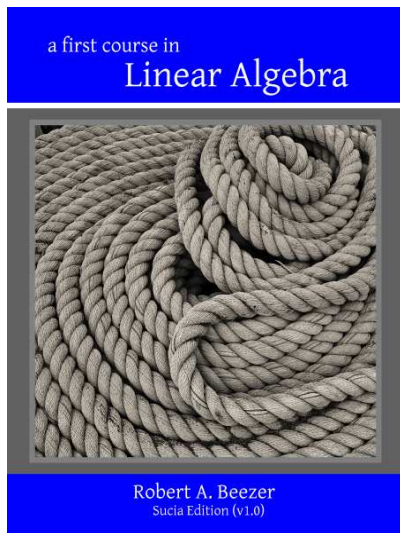
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 - ▶ And more ...
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By The Numbers

- 7 Chapters (Core)
- 43 Sections (Core)
- 10 Topics
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- 133 Definitions
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- Would open-source software model carry over?
- Scratching an itch
- “The world does not need another linear algebra text, the world does needs a free linear algebra text.”
- Lead by example

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Under the Hood

- Primary Tool: \LaTeX + pdflatex
- Packages: AMS, hyperref, tocloft
- Translator: tex4ht to build MathML and jsMath
- Graphics: PyX + Python to build PDF
- Sectioning: Custom macros override/extend \LaTeX
- References: Custom macros override/extend \LaTeX , hyperref

Acronyms

Every definition, theorem, chapter, section, figure, exercise is labeled with a mnemonic acronym (five letter maximum).

- Promotes customization (e.g. deleting sections)
- “Theorem SMZD” preferable to “Theorem 8.3.2”
- Macro: `\acronymref{theorem}{SMZD}` for easy referencing
- Unexpected benefits for text processing

Typical PDF

Theorem MMDAA

Matrix Multiplication Distributes Across Addition

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□

Proof We'll do (1), you do (2). Entry-by-entry, for $1 \leq i \leq m$, $1 \leq j \leq p$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 [A(B + C)]_{ij} &= \sum_{k=1}^n [A]_{ik} [B + C]_{kj} && \text{Theorem EMP [209]} \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n [A]_{ik} ([B]_{kj} + [C]_{kj}) && \text{Definition MA [192]} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

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 Subsection MM.PMM Properties of Matrix Multiplication 212

$$= [AB + AC]_{ij} \quad \text{Definition MA [192]}$$

So the matrices $A(B + C)$ and $AB + AC$ are equal, entry-by-entry, and by the definition of matrix equality (Definition ME [191]) we can say they are equal matrices. ■

Typical Front Matter

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Typical jsMath

Section MM Matrix Multiplication - Mozilla Firefox 3 Beta 5

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jsMath

Find: MMDAA Previous Next Highlight all Match case

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Prototypical SAGE Worksheet

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Typical Figure

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbf{u} & \xrightarrow{T} & T(\mathbf{u}) = \rho_C^{-1} (M_{B,C}^T \rho_B(\mathbf{u})) \\
 \downarrow \rho_B & & \uparrow \rho_C^{-1} \\
 \rho_B(\mathbf{u}) & \xrightarrow{M_{B,C}^T} & M_{B,C}^T \rho_B(\mathbf{u})
 \end{array}$$

Figure Source, Python + PyX

```

def FTMRA():
    ..
    # Guides - vertical and horizontal markers.
    v1=0.0
    v2=v1+0.8
    h1=0.0
    h2=h1+2.25

    c=canvas.canvas()

    # Textual areas (box names recycled from additive diagram, so not as meaningful here)
    vector = c.text(h1, v2, "$\\vector{u}$", centerboxstyle )
    represent = c.text(h1, v1, "$\\vectrep(B){\\vector{u}}$", centerboxstyle )
    ltaction = c.text(h2, v2, "$\\lt(T){\\vector{u}}=\\vectrepin{C}{\\matrixrep{T}{B}{C}\\vectrep(B){\\vector{u}}}$", centerboxstyle )
    theorem = c.text(h2, v1, "$\\matrixrep{T}{B}{C}\\vectrep(B){\\vector{u}}$", centerboxstyle )

    # Adorned arrows
    toparrow = path.line( h1+0.5*vector.width+epsilon, v2, h2 - 0.5*ltaction.width-epsilon, v2 )
    c.stroke(toparrow, arrowheadstyle)
    c.text( 0.5*(h1+0.5*vector.width + h2 - 0.5*ltaction.width), v2+epsilon, "$T$", [text.halign.center, text.valign.baseline] )

    bottomarrow = path.line( h1+0.5*represent.width+epsilon, v1, h2 - 0.5*theorem.width-epsilon, v1 )
    c.stroke(bottomarrow, arrowheadstyle)
    c.text( 0.5*(h1+0.5*represent.width + h2 - 0.5*theorem.width), v1+epsilon, "$\\matrixrep{T}{B}{C}$", [text.halign.center, text.valign.baseline] )

    leftarrow = path.line( h1, v2 - 0.5*vector.height - epsilon, h1, v1 + 0.5*represent.height+epsilon )
    c.stroke( leftarrow, arrowheadstyle )
    c.text( h1 - epsilon, 0.5*(v2 - 0.5*vector.height + v1 + 0.5*represent.height), "$\\vectrepname{B}$", [text.halign.right, text.valign.middle] )

    # Reversed the ends, and inverted label
    rightarrow = path.line( h2, v1 + 0.5*theorem.height+epsilon, h2, v2 - 0.5*ltaction.height - epsilon )
    c.stroke( rightarrow, arrowheadstyle )
    c.text( h2 + epsilon, 0.5*(v2 - 0.5*ltaction.height + v1 + 0.5*theorem.height), "$\\vectrepinname{C}$", [text.halign.left, text.valign.middle] )

    c.writePDFfile( finalpdfdir + "FTMRA.pdf" )

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Flash Cards

Simple sed script extracts every definition and theorem

Reformat as two 4" \times 6" cards per page

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- Draw graph with GraphViz
- Analyze resultant graph: high degree?, root?, longest path?

Customizable

- Designed to be customized
- Extensive use of macros
 - ▶ Notation: $\backslash\text{newcommand}[1]\{\backslash\text{transpose}\}\{\#1^t\}$
 - ▶ $\backslash\text{transpose}\{(AB)\}=\backslash\text{transpose}\{B\}\backslash\text{transpose}\{A\}$
- Even diagrams/figures have editable source code
- Switches control format, organization, inclusion (keyval package)
- Granular, 1250 files
- Benefits for adapting to translators
- Benefits for text processing

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A common textbook approach:

- Column space is vectors \mathbf{b} such that $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent
- So row-reduce augmented matrix $[A|\mathbf{b}]$ to study solutions
- $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2b_1 + b_2 \end{bmatrix}$
- \mathbf{b} in column space \iff system consistent $\iff -2b_1 + b_2 = 0$
- Column space vectors are solutions to a homogeneous system

CAS Assistance

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Scale row 2: $\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & \frac{b_2}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2b_1 & b_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Add last two columns:

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Column space of A is null space of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

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Then

- B is echelon form of A
- J is nonsingular
- J is product of elementary matrices for row operations
- $B = JA$
- $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} \iff B\mathbf{x} = J\mathbf{y}$
- A nonsingular $\Rightarrow J = A^{-1}$

Four Subspaces

$$[A|I_m] \rightarrow [B|J] = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} C & K \\ \hline 0 & L \end{array} \right]$$

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Proof:

- $B = JA$ is key tool
- No dimension arguments
- No vector space properties of subspaces
- Corollary: Subspace dimensions in terms of n , m and r

Open-Source Benefits

- No deadlines!
- Rapid correction of typos and frequent releases
- Unparalleled navigation in electronic editions (no DRM!)
- Text processing of source for derivative supplements
- Classroom-inspired exercises
- Student contributions
- tex4ht: $\text{\LaTeX} \rightarrow \text{XML} \rightarrow \text{Braille}$
- Introduced to SAGE (contributed Computation Notes)
- Interesting contributors
 - ▶ Frenchman correcting my discourse on “liberte” versus “gratis”
 - ▶ Retired South African mining engineer coding `echelon_form()` routine
 - ▶ Indonesian lecturer commenting on finer points of a proof

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