

CSE 475: Statistical Methods in AI

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## Lec 2: Mathematics for ML

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The following is a list of topics in Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics and Vector Calculus that you should revise to ensure that you can follow the topics in this course well.

## Linear Algebra

You may find the "Essence of Linear Algebra" video series of the youtube channel: 3Blue1Brown quite useful for these.

1. *Vectors and Vector Spaces:*
  - Vectors, Dimensions
  - Length: L2-Norm; Unit vector
  - L1-Norm; Lp-Norm; L0-Norm; Linf-Norm
2. *Span and Basis*
  - Span of two/three vectors; Basis
  - Linear dependence and independence
  - Degenerate Cases
  - Orthonormal Basis
3. *Vector Operations*
  - Vector addition
  - Scalar multiplication
  - Dot product and Cross Product
  - Outer Product
4. *Linear Entities*
  - Line Representation
  - Distance from/along a line
  - Planes and Hyperplanes
5. *Matrices*
  - Matrix multiplication as Linear Transformation
  - Special Transformations: Rotation
  - Transformation as Basis change
  - Rank of a Matrix
  - Inverse of a Matrix
  - Pseudo-inverse
6. *Matrix Decomposition*
  - Eigen Values and Eigen Vectors

## Probability and Statistics

### 1. *Random Variables and Probabilities*

- Random Variables
- Random Vectors

### 2. *Probability Distribution and Density Functions*

- Binomial distribution
- Poisson distribution
- Gaussian density
- Uniform density
- Exponential density

### 3. *Multivariate Densities; Gaussian*

### 4. *Bayes Theorem of Decision Making*

### 5. *Covariance Matrices and Properties*

## Vector Calculus

### 1. *Functions of Vectors*

- $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

### 2. *Derivatives*

- Derivative and Slope
- Gradient: A vector of first partial derivatives
- Hessian: A matrix of second partial derivatives
- Jacobian: A matrix of first derivative of vector valued function.