

3.4 Matrix algebra

Matrix vector algebra that we've already touched on, but that we want to record carefully:

Vector addition and scalar multiplication:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ x_3 + y_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n + y_n \end{bmatrix} ; \quad c \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} c x_1 \\ c x_2 \\ c x_3 \\ \vdots \\ c x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \bullet$$

Vector dot product, which yields a scalar (i.e. number) output (regardless of whether vectors are column vectors or row vectors):

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} := x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n. \quad \bullet$$

Matrix times vector: If A is an $m \times n$ matrix and \underline{x} is an n column vector, then

$$A\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Row}_1(A) \cdot \underline{x} \\ \text{Row}_2(A) \cdot \underline{x} \\ \vdots \\ \text{Row}_m(A) \cdot \underline{x} \end{bmatrix}$$

Compact way to write our usual linear system:

$$\underline{A\underline{x} = \underline{b}}.$$

Exercise 1a) Compute

done!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix}.$$

columns in A ("n"), = # rows in B ("n")

Matrix times matrix: Let $A_{m \times n}$, $B_{n \times p}$ be two matrices such that the number of columns of A equals the number of rows of B . Then the product AB is an $m \times p$ matrix, with

$$\bullet \quad \text{col}_j(AB) = A \text{col}_j(B).$$

In other words, you just compute matrix times vector, for each column of B , to get the corresponding column of the product AB . So, the resulting matrix will have as many columns as B and as many rows as A .

Exercise 1b) Compute

did in warm-up!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ -8 & -3 \\ -7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

* In warmup Friday, we just computed

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -8 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Summary of different ways to think of the matrix product AB :

- The j^{th} column of AB is given by A times the j^{th} column of B

$$\text{col}_j(AB) = A \text{col}_j(B)$$

- The i^{th} entry in the j^{th} column of AB , i.e. $\text{entry}_{ij}(AB)$ is the dot product of the i^{th} row of A with the j^{th} column of B :

$$\text{entry}_{ij}(AB) := \text{row}_i(A) \cdot \text{col}_j(B) = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj}.$$

This stencil might help:

$$A_{m \times n} \cdot B_{n \times p} = (AB)_{m \times p}$$

The diagram shows the calculation of a specific entry in the matrix product. A horizontal row vector, labeled $\text{row}_i(A)$, is multiplied by a vertical column vector, labeled $\text{col}_j(B)$. The result is a single scalar value, which is identified as $\text{entry}_{ij}(AB)$.

More matrix operations:

- addition and scalar multiplication: Let $A_{m \times n}, B_{m \times n}$ be two matrices of the same dimensions (m rows and n columns). Let $\text{entry}_{ij}(A) = a_{ij}$, $\text{entry}_{ij}(B) = b_{ij}$. (In this case we write $A = [a_{ij}]$, $B = [b_{ij}]$.)

Let c be a scalar. Then

$$\text{entry}_{ij}(A + B) := a_{ij} + b_{ij}.$$

$$\text{entry}_{ij}(cA) := c a_{ij}.$$

In other words, addition and scalar multiplication are defined analogously as for vectors. In fact, for these two operations you can just think of matrices as vectors written in a rectangular rather than row or column format.

Exercise 3) Let $A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 27 \\ 5 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Compute $4A - B$. 3x2 matrices.

$$4A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -8 \\ 12 & -4 \\ 0 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \quad -B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -27 \\ -5 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4A - B = 4A + (-B) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -35 \\ 7 & -3 \\ 1 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

try to get so
that you can write down $4A - B$ entry by entry, in one step.

Properties for the algebra of matrix addition and multiplication :

- Multiplication is not commutative in general (AB usually does not equal BA , even if you're multiplying square matrices so that at least the product matrices are the same size).

size: $A_{m \times n} B_{n \times m} = (AB)_{m \times m}$ $B_{n \times m} A_{m \times n} = (BA)_{n \times n}$ ↗ not even same size, unless $m=n$ (i.e. square matrices), even for square matrices, almost never true that $AB=BA$

But other properties you're used to do hold:

- $+$ is commutative

$$A + B = B + A$$

ij entry: $a_{ij} + b_{ij} = b_{ij} + a_{ij}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $+$ is associative

$$(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$$

ij entry on both sides
 $a_{ij} + b_{ij} + c_{ij}$

- scalar multiplication distributes over $+$ $c(A + B) = cA + cB$.

ij entry on both sides:

$$c(a_{ij} + b_{ij}) = ca_{ij} + cb_{ij}$$

$$c \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right) = c \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4c \\ 6c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ 2c \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3c \\ 4c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4c \\ 6c \end{bmatrix}$$

- multiplication is associative

$$(AB)C = A(BC)$$

* magic.

you can do this by brute force
also, see HW for example.

- matrix multiplication distributes over $+$ $A(B + C) = AB + AC$;
 $(A + B)C = AC + BC$

e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 + c_1 \\ b_2 + c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}(b_1 + c_1) + a_{12}(b_2 + c_2) \\ a_{21}(b_1 + c_1) + a_{22}(b_2 + c_2) \end{bmatrix}$

- If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, and we use the letter I for identity matrices, then $I_{m \times m} A_{m \times n} = A$ and $A_{m \times n} I_{n \times n} = A$.

$$I_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, I_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \dots$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_1 + a_{12}b_2 \\ a_{21}b_1 + a_{22}b_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}c_1 + a_{12}c_2 \\ a_{21}c_1 + a_{22}c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

\downarrow

$$= A \begin{matrix} b \text{ terms} \\ \vec{b} \end{matrix} + A \begin{matrix} c \text{ terms} \\ \vec{c} \end{matrix}$$

Fri Feb 9

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- 3.5 Matrix inverses

Announcements: • finish Wed notes on matrix algebra

- start 3.5 on matrix inverses
- ... to be continued on Monday

* what's it all good for?

exam thru 3.5

Warm-up Exercise:

Compute $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -8 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$

$$3 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot (-4) + 1 \cdot 0 + (-2) \cdot 3 = 6 - 8 - 6 = -8$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-5 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot (-1) + 1 \cdot 2 = 2$$

so!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ -8 & -3 \\ -7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{col}_j(AB) = A \text{col}_j(B)$$

$$A_{3 \times 4} B_{4 \times 2} = (AB)_{3 \times 2}$$

this is how we
define matrix
multiplication,
column by
column

We've been talking about matrix algebra: addition, scalar multiplication, multiplication, and how these operations combine. If necessary, finish those notes.

But I haven't told you what all that algebra is good for. Today we'll start to find out. By way of comparison, think of a scalar linear equation with known numbers a, b, c, d and an single unknown number x ,

$$ax + b = cx + d$$

We know how to solve it by collecting terms and doing scalar algebra:

$$ax - cx = d - b$$

$$(a - c)x = d - b \quad *$$

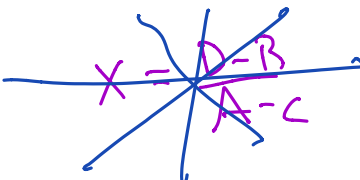
$$x = \frac{d - b}{a - c}.$$

How would you solve such an equation if A, B, C, D were square matrices, and X was a vector (or matrix) ? Well, you could use the matrix algebra properties we've been discussing to get to the $*$ step. And then if X was a vector you could solve the system $*$ with Gaussian elimination. In fact, if X was a matrix, you could solve for each column of X (and do it all at once) with Gaussian elimination.

But you couldn't proceed as with scalars and do the final step after the $*$ because it is not possible to divide by a matrix. Today we'll talk about a potential shortcut for that last step that is an analog of of dividing, in order to solve for X . It involves the concept of *inverse matrices*.

$$\begin{array}{r} AX + B = CX + D \\ -CX = -CX \\ \hline AX - CX = D - B \\ (A - C)X = D - B. \end{array}$$

can't divide by a matrix



Matrix inverses: A square matrix $A_{n \times n}$ is invertible if there is a matrix $B_{n \times n}$ so that

$$AB = BA = I,$$

where I is the $n \times n$ identity matrix. In this case we call B the inverse of A , and write $B = A^{-1}$.

Remark: A matrix A can have at most one inverse, because if we have two candidates B, C with

$$AB = BA = I \quad \text{and also} \quad AC = CA = I$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} (BA)C &= IC = C \\ B(AC) &= BI = B \end{aligned}$$

so since the associative property $(BA)C = B(AC)$ is true, it must be that $B = C$.

Exercise 1a) Verify that for $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ the inverse matrix is $B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$.

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad BA = I \text{ too!}$$

Inverse matrices are very useful in solving algebra problems. For example

Theorem: If A^{-1} exists then the only solution to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$.

$$\begin{aligned} A\mathbf{x} &= \mathbf{b} \\ A^{-1}(A\mathbf{x}) &= A^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ (A^{-1}A)\mathbf{x} &= A^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ I\mathbf{x} &= A^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ \boxed{\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 1b) Use the theorem and A^{-1} in 1a, to write down the solution to the system

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y &= 5 \\ 3x + 4y &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 9/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{check } x + 2y &= -4 + 9 = 5 \quad \checkmark \\ 3x + 4y &= -12 + 18 = 6 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$