

Mathematics 2

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The matrix-vector product

Let $A \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{n})$ and $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbf{n}}$. Then $\mathbf{w} = A \cdot \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbf{k}}$ given by

$$\mathbf{w} = u_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + u_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \cdots + u_n \mathbf{a}_n$$

where $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ are the columns of the matrix A and $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$.

A special case: Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^k$, then $\mathbf{u}^\top \cdot \mathbf{v}$ is a real number given by

$$\mathbf{u}^\top \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \cdots + u_k v_k$$

The (square) identity matrix

Definition

The *identity matrix* $I_n \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$ is a square matrix with entries equal to 1 on the diagonal and 0 otherwise,

$$I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The (square) identity matrix

Definition

The **identity matrix** $I_n \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$ is a square matrix whose columns are the standard vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

Property: The identity matrix is a **multiplicative identity**, that is for any vector $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we have that

$$I_n \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}.$$

Proof. @ the blackboard

Properties of the matrix-vector product

Theorem

Let $A, B \in \mathcal{M}(k \times n)$, $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

- ① $A \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = A \cdot \mathbf{u} + A \cdot \mathbf{v}$
- ② $A \cdot (\lambda \mathbf{u}) = \lambda A \cdot \mathbf{u}$
- ③ $(A + B) \cdot \mathbf{u} = A \cdot \mathbf{u} + B \cdot \mathbf{u}$
- ④ $A \cdot \mathbf{e}_j = \mathbf{a}_j$ where \mathbf{a}_j is the j -th column of A
- ⑤ $A \cdot \mathbf{o}_n = \mathbf{o}_k$, where \mathbf{o}_n is the zero vector in \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbf{o}_k is the zero vector in \mathbb{R}^k
- ⑥ $O_{k \times n} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{o}_k$ where $O_{k \times n}$ is the null $k \times n$ -matrix
- ⑦ $I_n \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$, where I_n is the $n \times n$ -identity matrix

Matrix multiplication

Let $A \in \mathcal{M}(\textcolor{red}{k} \times \textcolor{blue}{n})$ and $B \in \mathcal{M}(\textcolor{blue}{n} \times \textcolor{green}{m})$, then $P = A \cdot B$ is a $\textcolor{red}{k} \times \textcolor{green}{m}$ matrix whose columns are given by

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = A \cdot \mathbf{b}_1, \quad \mathbf{p}_2 = A \cdot \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{p}_m = A \cdot \mathbf{b}_m$$

Notice that this is just a repetition of the matrix-vector product.

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}(3 \times 2), \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}(2 \times 2)$$

Then $P = AB \in \mathcal{M}(3 \times 2)$ with columns

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = A\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_2 = A\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

That is

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 \\ 10 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}(2 \times 3), \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}(3 \times 2)$$

Then $P = AB \in \mathcal{M}(2 \times 2)$ with columns

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = A\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_{11} \\ p_{21} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_{11} = \text{1st row of } A \text{ times 1st column of } B \Rightarrow (2 \ -1 \ 3) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_{21} = \text{2nd row of } A \text{ times 1st column of } B \Rightarrow -5$$

$$\mathbf{p}_2 = A\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_{12} \\ p_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

p_{12} = 1st row of A times 2nd column of $B \Rightarrow 5$

p_{22} = 2nd row of A times 2nd column of $B \Rightarrow 0$

Finally,

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 5 \\ -5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark

An important property! The matrix product is NOT commutative

Theorem

Properties of the matrix product Let $A, B \in \mathcal{M}(k \times n)$, $C \in \mathcal{M}(n \times m)$ and $P, Q \in \mathcal{M}(m \times l)$. We get that:

- ① $\lambda(AC) = (\lambda A)C = A(\lambda C)$, for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$
- ② $(AC)P = A(CP)$
- ③ $(A + B)C = AC + BC$
- ④ $C(P + Q) = CP + CQ$
- ⑤ $I_k A = A = A I_n$
- ⑥ $A O_{n \times m} = O_{k \times m}$
- ⑦ $(AC)^T = C^T A^T$

By now we know how to *multiply* matrices. Can we *divide* matrices?

For real numbers, we know that $\frac{a}{b} = ab^{-1}$. Similarly we want to define the operation of multiplication by the *inverse* of matrix.

Definition

Let $A \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{n})$. We say that A is ***invertible*** if there exists a matrix $B \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{n})$ such that

$$AB = BA = I_n.$$

B is called the *inverse* of A

In the sequel we will denote the inverse of A by A^{-1} .

The inverse of a 2×2 matrix

Theorem

Let $A \in \mathcal{M}(2 \times 2)$ given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

with $ad - cb \neq 0$. Then

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - cb} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark

A 2×2 matrix is invertible if and only if $ad - cb \neq 0$ (we will see later why and where this condition comes from).

What about higher dimension matrices? We need more mathematical instruments

Theorem

Let $A, P \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$ and **invertible**. Then

- ① $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$
- ② $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$
- ③ AP is invertible and $(AP)^{-1} = P^{-1}A^{-1}$

When is a matrix invertible? (conditions will be provided later in the lecture)

Determinant

- $n = 1$ A 1×1 matrix is a real number $a \in \mathbb{R}$. We define $\det(a) = a$.
- $n = 2$ Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

we define $\det(A) = ad - cb$

- $n \geq 3$ For higher dimension the determinant has a more complicated definition which requires additional definitions

Determinant

For any square matrix $A \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$ we denote by A_{ij} the matrix obtained from A by deleting the row i and the column j

Notice that we can express the determinant of a 2×2 matrix in terms of these *reduced* matrices:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = a \det(A_{11}) - b \det(A_{12})$$

Definition (Determinant)

For any $A \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$ the determinant of A is given by

$$\det(A) = (-1)^{i+1} a_{i1} \det(A_{i1}) + (-1)^{i+2} a_{i2} \det(A_{i2}) + \cdots + (-1)^{i+n} a_{in} \det(A_{in})$$

Define $c_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij})$. This coefficient is called **cofactor**. Then we can rewrite the determinant as:

$$\det(A) = a_{i1}c_{i1} + a_{i2}c_{i2} + \cdots + a_{in}c_{in}$$

This equation is called the **cofactor expansion**.

Definition (Determinant (equivalent definition))

For any $A \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$ the determinant of A is given by

$$\det(A) = a_{1j}c_{1j} + a_{2j}c_{2j} + \cdots + a_{nj}c_{nj}$$

Theorem

The determinant of a **diagonal, lower triangular or upper triangular** matrix is the product of its diagonal elements

Proof. @ the blackboard

Theorem (Properties of determinants)

Let $A, B \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$. Then the following properties hold:

- ① A is invertible if and only if $\det A \neq 0$
- ② $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$
- ③ $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$
- ④ If A is invertible then $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$
- ⑤ $\det(\lambda A) = \lambda^n \det(A)$

Remark: $\det(A + B) \neq \det(A) + \det(B)$

Inverse of a matrix

Definition

Let $A \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$. We define the *cofactor matrix* of A , $\text{Cof}(A)$, the matrix of all cofactors of A , that is the matrix with entries c_{ij} .

Theorem

Let $A \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$ be invertible. Then

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} (\text{Cof}(A))^T$$