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We overview fundamental concepts in linear algebra

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Definition

A matrix

A **matrix** \mathbf{A} of dimension $(m \times n)$ is a table of elements

- m rows and n columns

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,j} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,j} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & a_{i,2} & \cdots & a_{i,j} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,j} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

We use the notation $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$ to denote that matrix \mathbf{A} has elements $a_{i,j}$

- At the intersection of row i with column j

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Matrices and vectors (cont.)

We consider real matrices, in which element $a_{i,j} \in \mathcal{R}$

To indicate a matrix, we use upper-case bold letters

$$\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \dots$$

$\mathbf{A}^{m \times n}$ indicates a matrix \mathbf{A} of dimension $(m \times n)$

Matrices and vectors (cont.)

Example

Consider the (2×3) matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3.5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The elements of the matrix

$$\rightsquigarrow a_{1,1} = 1$$

$$\rightsquigarrow a_{1,2} = 3.5$$

$$\rightsquigarrow a_{1,3} = 2$$

$$\rightsquigarrow a_{2,1} = 0$$

$$\rightsquigarrow a_{2,2} = 1$$

$$\rightsquigarrow a_{2,3} = 3$$

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Definition

A scalar and a vector

A **scalar** is a matrix of dimension (1×1)

A **vector** is a matrix in which one of the dimensions is one

\rightsquigarrow **Row-vector**, a $(m \times 1)$ matrix (a column)

\rightsquigarrow **Column-vector**, $(1 \times n)$ matrix (a row)

To indicate a vector, we use lower-case bold letters

$$\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \dots$$

$\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}^m$ indicates a column-vector \mathbf{x} of dimension $(m \times 1)$

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Example

Consider the 2 vectors

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y} = [2 \quad 3 \quad 0 \quad 1.4]$$

The type of vectors

\rightsquigarrow Vector \mathbf{x} has dimension (3×1) , a column-vector with 3 components

\rightsquigarrow Vector \mathbf{y} has dimension (1×4) , a row-vector with 4 components

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A $(m \times n)$ matrix is understood as consisting of n $(m \times 1)$ column-vectors

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1 \mid \mathbf{a}_2 \mid \cdots \mid \mathbf{a}_n]$$

$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{a}_i$ is the i -th column

A $(m \times n)$ matrix is understood as consisting of m $(1 \times n)$ row-vectors

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}'_1 \\ \mathbf{a}'_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}'_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{a}'_i$ is the i -th row

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$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3.5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

As component columns

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3.5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{a}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

As component rows

$$\mathbf{a}'_1 = [1 \quad 3.5 \quad 2], \quad \mathbf{a}'_2 = [0 \quad 1 \quad 3]$$

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A square matrix

A matrix \mathbf{A} is said to be a **square matrix** if its dimension is $(n \times n)$

- The number of rows equals the number of columns

The **diagonal** of a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n is the set of elements

$$\{a_{1,1}, a_{2,2}, \dots, a_{n,n}\}$$

They have the same row- and column-number

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Consider the order 4 square matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3.5 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

The diagonal

$$\{1, 4, 6\}$$

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Definition

Square matrices

Diagonal

- All off-diagonal elements are zero

Block-diagonal

- All elements are zero except for some square blocks along the diagonal

Lower- (upper-) triangular

- All elements above (below) the diagonal are zero

Lower- (upper-) block-triangular

- All elements above (below) the diagonal are zero except for some square blocks along the diagonal

Identity matrix

- A diagonal matrix whose diagonal elements are equal to one, \mathbf{I} or \mathbf{I}_n



Matrices and vectors (cont.)

Example

Consider the order 4 square matrices

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

↪ Matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonal

↪ Matrix \mathbf{B} is lower-triangular

↪ Matrix \mathbf{C} is upper-triangular

↪ Matrix \mathbf{I} is an identity of order 3

Matrices and vectors (cont.)

Matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ is block-diagonal

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Three blocks, $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1$, $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_2$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_3$, one of order 2 and 2 of order 1

Matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ is upper-block-triangular

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_1 & \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_3 \\ 0 & \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Two diagonal blocks, $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_1$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_2$, both of order 2

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Definition

Matrix transposition

Consider a matrix $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$ of dimension $(m \times n)$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

The **transpose** of \mathbf{A} is the matrix $\mathbf{A}^T = \{a'_{i,j} = a_{j,i}\}$ of dimension $(n \times m)$

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{2,1} & \cdots & a_{m,1} \\ a_{1,2} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{m,2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1,n} & a_{2,n} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

- On the j -th row of \mathbf{A}^T , the elements of the j -th column of \mathbf{A}
- On the i -th column of \mathbf{A}^T , the elements of the i -th row of \mathbf{A}

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Transposition (cont.)

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Consider the (2×3) matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3.5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Its transpose

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3.5 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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The following properties hold

- If \mathbf{D} is a diagonal matrix, we have $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{D}^T$
- If \mathbf{A} is lower-triangular, then \mathbf{A}^T is upper-triangular
- If \mathbf{A} is upper-triangular, then \mathbf{A}^T is lower-triangular
- If \mathbf{A} is a row-vector, \mathbf{A}^T is a column-vector
- If \mathbf{A} is a column-vector, \mathbf{A}^T is a row-vector
- If $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^T$, we have $\mathbf{B}^T = (\mathbf{A}^T)^T$

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Matrix sum and difference

Consider two matrices $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$ and $\mathbf{B} = \{b_{i,j}\}$ both of dimension $(m \times n)$

Define the **sum** of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} as the $(m \times n)$ matrix $\mathbf{C} = \{c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + b_{i,j}\}$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} + b_{1,1} & a_{1,2} + b_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,j} + b_{1,j} & \cdots & a_{1,n} + b_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} + b_{2,1} & a_{2,2} + b_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,j} + b_{2,j} & \cdots & a_{2,n} + b_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} + b_{i,1} & a_{i,2} + b_{i,2} & \cdots & a_{i,j} + b_{i,j} & \cdots & a_{i,n} + b_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} + b_{m,1} & a_{m,2} + b_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,j} + b_{m,j} & \cdots & a_{m,n} + b_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Element $c_{i,j}$ is equal to the sum of elements $a_{i,j}$ and $b_{i,j}$

Define the **difference** of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} as the $(m \times n)$ matrix

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = \{d_{i,j} = a_{i,j} - b_{i,j}\}$$

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Example

Consider the two (2×3) matrices

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3.5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Their sum

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2.5 & 5 \\ 4 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Their difference

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1.5 & -1 \\ -4 & -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Matrix-scalar product

Consider a number $s \in \mathcal{R}$ and a $(m \times n)$ matrix $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$

Define **matrix-scalar product** of \mathbf{A} and s as the $(m \times n)$ matrix $\mathbf{B} = s\mathbf{A}$

$$\mathbf{B} = s\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} s \cdot a_{1,1} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{1,j} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s \cdot a_{i,1} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{i,j} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s \cdot a_{m,1} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{m,j} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Element $b_{i,j}$ is equal to the product of s and element $a_{i,j}$

Matrix-scalar product (cont.)

Example

Let $s = 4$ and let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3.5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

We have,

$$s\mathbf{A} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3.5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 14 & 8 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Definition

Matrix-matrix product

Let $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$ be a $(m \times n)$ matrix and let $\mathbf{B} = \{b_{i,j}\}$ be a $(n \times p)$ matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,k} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & \cdots & a_{i,k} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,k} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & \cdots & b_{1,j} & \cdots & b_{1,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{k,1} & \cdots & b_{k,j} & \cdots & b_{k,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n,1} & \cdots & b_{n,j} & \cdots & b_{n,p} \end{bmatrix}$$

The product between \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} is defined as a $(m \times p)$ matrix $\mathbf{C} = \{c_{i,j}\}$

$$\mathbf{C} = \{c_{i,j} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{i,k} b_{k,j}\}$$

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$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1,1} & c_{1,2} & \cdots & c_{1,j} & \cdots & c_{1,p-1} & c_{1,p} \\ c_{2,1} & c_{2,2} & \cdots & c_{2,j} & \cdots & c_{2,p-1} & c_{2,p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ c_{i,1} & c_{i,2} & \cdots & c_{i,j} & \cdots & c_{i,p-1} & c_{i,p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ c_{m-1,1} & c_{m-1,2} & \cdots & c_{m-1,j} & \cdots & c_{m-1,p-1} & c_{m-1,p} \\ c_{m,1} & c_{m,2} & \cdots & c_{m,j} & \cdots & c_{m,p-1} & c_{m,p} \end{bmatrix}$$

Element $c_{i,j}$ of matrix \mathbf{C} is given by the scalar product between \mathbf{a}'_i and \mathbf{b}_j

$$\begin{aligned} c_{i,j} &= \mathbf{a}'_i \mathbf{b}_j = \begin{bmatrix} a_{i,1} & a_{i,2} & \cdots & a_{i,k} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,j} \\ b_{2,j} \\ \vdots \\ b_{k,j} \\ \vdots \\ b_{n,j} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= a_{i,1} b_{1,j} + a_{i,2} b_{2,j} + \cdots + a_{i,n} b_{n,j} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{i,k} b_{k,j} \end{aligned}$$

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Example

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3.5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and let } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 1 + 3.5 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 5 & 1 \cdot 2 + 3.5 \cdot 4 + 2 \cdot 6 \\ 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 5 & 0 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 6 \\ 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 5 & 0 \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 21.5 & 28 \\ 18 & 22 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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For every $(m \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A} , we have

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{I}_m}_{(m \times m)} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(m \times n)} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(m \times n)} \underbrace{\mathbf{I}_n}_{(n \times n)} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(m \times n)}$$

Right- and left-multiplication of matrix \mathbf{A} by an identity matrix

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Matrix product is not necessarily commutative, $\mathbf{AB} \neq \mathbf{BA}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(m \times n)} \underbrace{\mathbf{B}}_{(n \times p)} &= \underbrace{\mathbf{C}}_{(m \times p)} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,k} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & \cdots & a_{i,k} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,k} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & \cdots & b_{1,j} & \cdots & b_{1,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{k,1} & \cdots & b_{k,j} & \cdots & b_{k,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n,1} & \cdots & b_{n,j} & \cdots & b_{n,p} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The product \mathbf{BA} is not defined

\mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} must be both square and of the same order

- (necessary condition)

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A $(n \times n)$ diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} commutes with any $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{DA} = \mathbf{AD}$$

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{D}}_{(n \times n)} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(n \times n)} = \underbrace{\mathbf{C}}_{(n \times n)}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} d_{1,1} & \cdots & d_{1,k} & \cdots & d_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ d_{i,1} & \cdots & d_{i,k} & \cdots & d_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ d_{n,1} & \cdots & d_{n,k} & \cdots & d_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,j} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{k,1} & \cdots & a_{k,j} & \cdots & a_{k,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & \cdots & a_{n,j} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow c_{ij} = \cancel{d_{i,1}} a_{1,j} + \cdots + d_{i,k} a_{k,j} + \cdots + \cancel{d_{i,n}} a_{n,j} = d_{i,k} a_{k,j}$$

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$$\underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(n \times n)} \underbrace{\mathbf{D}}_{(n \times n)} = \underbrace{\mathbf{C}}_{(n \times n)}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,j} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{k,1} & \cdots & a_{k,j} & \cdots & a_{k,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & \cdots & a_{n,j} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_{1,1} & \cdots & d_{1,k} & \cdots & d_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ d_{i,1} & \cdots & d_{i,k} & \cdots & d_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ d_{n,1} & \cdots & d_{n,k} & \cdots & d_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow c_{ij} = \cancel{a_{k,1}} d_{1,k} + \cdots + a_{k,j} d_{i,k} + \cdots + \cancel{a_{k,n}} d_{n,k} = a_{k,j} d_{i,k}$$

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Example

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and let } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We have,

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 6 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{BA}$$

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Proposition

Let \mathbf{A} be a $(m \times n)$ matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}'_1 \\ \mathbf{a}'_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}'_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Let \mathbf{B} be a $(n \times p)$ matrix

$$\mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{b}_1 | \mathbf{b}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{b}_p]$$

Let \mathbf{S} and \mathbf{Z} be order m and order p diagonal matrices

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & s_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & z_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & z_p \end{bmatrix}$$

We can state a number of identities

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$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}'_1 \\ \mathbf{a}'_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}'_m \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}'_1 \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{a}'_2 \mathbf{B} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}'_m \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix} \\ = \mathbf{A} [\mathbf{b}_1 | \mathbf{b}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{b}_p] = [\mathbf{Ab}_1 | \mathbf{Ab}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{Ab}_p]$$

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$$\mathbf{SA} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & s_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}'_1 \\ \mathbf{a}'_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}'_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \mathbf{a}'_1 \\ s_2 \mathbf{a}'_2 \\ \vdots \\ s_m \mathbf{a}'_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{BZ} = [\mathbf{b}_1 | \mathbf{b}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{b}_p] \begin{bmatrix} z_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & z_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & z_p \end{bmatrix} = [z_1 \mathbf{b}_1 | z_2 \mathbf{b}_2 | \cdots | z_p \mathbf{b}_p]$$

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Definition

Powers of a matrix

Let \mathbf{A} be a square matrix of order n

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,j} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & \cdots & a_{i,j} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & \cdots & a_{n,j} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

The k -th power of matrix \mathbf{A} is defined as matrix \mathbf{A}^k of order n

$$\mathbf{A}^k = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}\cdots\mathbf{A}}_{k \text{ times}}$$

Special cases,

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}^{k=0} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}^{k=1} = \mathbf{A}$$

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Example

Consider the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

We have,

$$\mathbf{A}^0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dots = \dots$$



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The matrix exponential

Definition

The matrix exponential

Let z be some scalar, by definition its exponential is a scalar

$$\rightsquigarrow e^z = 1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k!}$$

The series always converges

Let \mathbf{A} be a $(n \times n)$ matrix, by definition its exponential is a $(n \times n)$ matrix

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^k}{k!}$$

The series always converges



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The matrix exponential (cont.)

Proposition

The matrix exponential of block-diagonal matrices

Consider a block-diagonal matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1 & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{A}_q \end{bmatrix}$$

We have,

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\mathbf{A}_1} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & e^{\mathbf{A}_2} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & e^{\mathbf{A}_q} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Proof

For all $k \in \mathcal{N}$, we have

$$\mathbf{A}^k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1^k & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{A}_2^k & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \mathbf{A}_q^k \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^k}{k!} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}_1^k}{k!} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}_2^k}{k!} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}_q^k}{k!} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Proposition

The matrix exponential of diagonal matrixes

Consider a diagonal $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

We have,

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

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The result is a special case of the previous proposition

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The matrix exponential (cont.)

Example

Consider the (3×3) matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in its matrix exponential

We have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{0.5} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Determinant (cont.)

Definition

Matrix minors

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order $n \geq 2$

The **minor** (i, j) of matrix \mathbf{A} is a square matrix $\mathbf{A}_{i,j}$ of order $(n-1)$

↪ From \mathbf{A} by deleting the i -th row and the j -th column

$$\mathbf{A}_{i,j} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{1,j}} & \cdots & a_{1,p} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{2,j}} & \cdots & a_{2,p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \cancel{a_{i,1}} & \cancel{a_{i,2}} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{i,j}} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{i,p}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{m,j}} & \cdots & a_{m,p} \end{bmatrix}$$



Determinant (cont.)

Example

Consider the (3×3) matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

The minors of order 2

$$\mathbf{A}_{1,1} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_{1,2} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{2,1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_{2,2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determinant (cont.)

Definition

Matrix determinant

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

The **determinant** of \mathbf{A} is a real number

$$\rightsquigarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) = |\mathbf{A}|$$

- For $n = 1$, let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{1,1}]$, we have

$$\rightsquigarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,1}$$

- For $n \geq 2$, we have

$$\rightsquigarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,1} \hat{a}_{1,1} + a_{2,1} \hat{a}_{2,1} + \cdots + a_{n,1} \hat{a}_{n,1} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i,1} \hat{a}_{i,1}$$

$\hat{a}_{i,j}$, the **cofactor** of element (i, j) , is a scalar

- It is the determinant of minor $\mathbf{A}_{i,j}$, multiplied by $(-1)^{i+j}$



Determinant (cont.)

If $\det(\mathbf{A}) = 0$, then matrix \mathbf{A} is said to be **singular**

- It is otherwise said to be non-singular

This definition of determinant allows for a recursive computation

- The determinant of a matrix of order n is a function
- The determinants of matrices of order $(n-1)$
- The determinants of matrices of order $(n-2)$
- \cdots , $n = 1$

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Example

Consider a matrix \mathbf{A} of order $n = 2$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in computing its determinant

We have,

$$\mathbf{A}_{1,1} = [a_{2,2}], \rightsquigarrow \hat{a}_{1,1} = a_{2,2}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{2,1} = [a_{1,2}], \rightsquigarrow \hat{a}_{2,1} = -a_{1,2}$$

The determinant

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = \begin{vmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} \end{vmatrix} = a_{1,1} a_{2,2} - a_{2,1} a_{1,2}$$

For $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, we obtain $\det(\mathbf{A}) = 2 \cdot 4 - 6 \cdot 1 = 2$



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Example

Consider a matrix \mathbf{A} of order $n = 3$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} \\ a_{3,1} & a_{3,2} & a_{3,3} \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in computing its determinant

The cofactors of the elements along the first column

$$\hat{a}_{1,1} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} \\ a_{3,2} & a_{3,3} \end{vmatrix} = a_{2,2} a_{3,3} - a_{2,3} a_{3,2}$$

$$\hat{a}_{2,1} = (-1) \begin{vmatrix} a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} \\ a_{3,2} & a_{3,3} \end{vmatrix} = -(a_{1,2} a_{3,3} - a_{1,3} a_{3,2})$$

$$\hat{a}_{3,1} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} \\ a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} \end{vmatrix} = a_{1,2} a_{2,3} - a_{1,3} a_{2,2}$$

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Determinant (cont.)

Sum the product of each element $a_{i,1}$ along the first column by cofactor $\hat{a}_{i,1}$

$$\rightsquigarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,1}(a_{2,2} a_{3,3} - a_{2,3} a_{3,2}) - a_{2,1}(a_{1,2} a_{3,3} - a_{1,3} a_{3,2}) + a_{3,1}(a_{1,2} a_{2,3} - a_{1,3} a_{2,2})$$



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Determinant (cont.)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,j} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,j} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & a_{i,2} & \cdots & a_{i,j} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & \cdots & a_{n,j} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Computation of $\det(\mathbf{A})$ develops along the elements of \mathbf{A} 's first column

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,1} \hat{a}_{1,1} + a_{2,1} \hat{a}_{2,1} + \cdots + a_{n,1} \hat{a}_{n,1} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i,1} \hat{a}_{i,1}$$

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Analogous formulas develop along the elements of any column

For column j , we have

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,j} \hat{a}_{1,j} + a_{2,j} \hat{a}_{2,j} + \cdots + a_{n,j} \hat{a}_{n,j} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i,j} \hat{a}_{i,j}$$

Similarly, formulas develop along the elements of any row

For row i , we have

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{i,1} \hat{a}_{i,1} + a_{i,2} \hat{a}_{i,2} + \cdots + a_{i,n} \hat{a}_{i,n} = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} \hat{a}_{i,j}$$

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Determinant (cont.)

Some relationships

The determinant of a diagonal or triangular matrix \mathbf{A} is equal to the product of the elements along the diagonal

$$\rightsquigarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,1} a_{2,2} \cdots a_{n,n}$$

The determinant of a block-diagonal or block-triangular matrix \mathbf{A} is equal to the product of the determinants of the blocks along the diagonal

$$\rightsquigarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) = \prod_{i=1}^q \det(\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_i)$$

The determinant of the product of square matrices $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB}$ is equal to the product of the determinants

$$\rightsquigarrow \det(\mathbf{C}) = \det(\mathbf{A}) \det(\mathbf{B})$$

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Definition

Matrix rank

The **rank** of a $(m \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A} is equal to the number of columns (or rows, equivalently) of the matrix that are linearly independent

$$\rightsquigarrow \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$$



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Proposition

Define the minors of matrix \mathbf{A} any matrix obtained from \mathbf{A} by deleting an arbitrary number of rows and columns

$\rightsquigarrow \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$ equals the order of the largest non-singular square minor



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Definition

Matrix kernel or null space

Consider a $(m \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

We define the **null space** or **kernel**

$$\rightsquigarrow \ker(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}^n | \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\}$$

It is all vectors $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}^n$ that left-multiplied by \mathbf{A} produce the null vector

The set is a vector space, its dimension is called the **nullity** of matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\rightsquigarrow \text{null}(\mathbf{A})$$


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The null vector always belong to $\ker(\mathbf{A})$

If the null vector is also the only element of $\ker(\mathbf{A})$, then $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$

For a matrix \mathbf{A} with n columns we have

$$\rightsquigarrow \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) + \text{null}(\mathbf{A})$$

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Proposition

Consider a system of n linear equations in n unknowns

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$$

- ↪ \mathbf{A} is a $(n \times n)$ matrix of **coefficients**
- ↪ \mathbf{b} is a $(n \times 1)$ vector of **known terms**
- ↪ \mathbf{x} is a $(n \times 1)$ vector of **unknowns**

If matrix \mathbf{A} is non-singular, the system admits one and only one solution

If \mathbf{A} is singular, let $\mathbf{M} = [\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$ be a $[n \times (n + 1)]$ matrix

- If $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{M})$, system has infinite solutions
- If $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) < \text{rank}(\mathbf{M})$, system has no solutions



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Example

Consider a system of two equations and two unknowns

$$\begin{cases} 4 &= 2x_1 + x_2 \\ 14 &= 6x_1 + 4x_2 \end{cases}$$

In matrix form, $\mathbf{Ab} = \mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The determinant of matrix \mathbf{A} , $\det(\mathbf{A}) = 2$

↪ One and only one solution

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The system can be solved by substitution

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 2 - 1/2x_2 \\ 6x_1 + 4x_2 = 14 \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 2 - 1/2x_2 \\ x_2 = 2 \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 1 \\ x_2 = 2 \end{cases}$$

The solution in matrix form, $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$



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Example

Consider a system of two equations and two unknowns

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 = 3 \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{b}}$$

This system of equations has not got any solution, as $\text{rank}([\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]) > \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$

↪ Matrix \mathbf{A} is singular and rank 1

↪ Matrix $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$ is rank 2



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Example

Consider the linear system of two equation and two unknowns

$$\begin{cases} 1 = x_1 + 2x_2 \\ 2 = 2x_1 + 4x_2 \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{b}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}}$$

This system of equations has infinite solutions, as $\text{rank}([\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$

\rightsquigarrow Matrix \mathbf{A} is singular and rank 1

\rightsquigarrow Matrix $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$ is rank 1



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Definition

Matrix inverse

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

Define **inverse** of \mathbf{A} as the square matrix \mathbf{A}^{-1} of order n

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$$

The inverse of \mathbf{A} exists if and only if \mathbf{A} is non-singular

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Definition

Cofactor and adjunct matrix

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order $n \geq 2$

The **cofactor matrix** of \mathbf{A} is a square matrix of order n whose element (i, j) is the cofactor $\hat{a}_{i,j}$ of \mathbf{A}

$$\rightsquigarrow \hat{\mathbf{A}} = \{\hat{a}_{i,j}\}$$

The **adjunct matrix** of \mathbf{A} is a square matrix of order n obtained by transposition of the cofactors

$$\rightsquigarrow \text{adj}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\alpha_{i,j} = \hat{a}_{j,i}\}$$



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Proposition

Consider a non-singular square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

- If $n = 1$, let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{1,1}]$, we have

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = [a_{1,1}^{-1}]$$

- If $n \geq 2$, we have

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det \mathbf{A}} \text{adj}(\mathbf{A})$$

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Proposition

Consider a system of n linear equations in n unknowns $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

Suppose that matrix \mathbf{A} is non-singular

We have,

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

Proof

Left-multiply both sides of $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{Ax}$ by \mathbf{A}^{-1}

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{Ax} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{Ax} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{Ix} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

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Consider a non-singular diagonal matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^{-1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2^{-1} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Its inverse \mathbf{A}^{-1} is obtained by inverting the diagonal elements

Consider a non-singular block-diagonal matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{A}_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \mathbf{A}_n \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1^{-1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{A}_2^{-1} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \mathbf{A}_n^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Its inverse \mathbf{A}^{-1} is obtained by inverting the diagonal blocks

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Consider two non-singular matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} of order n

We have,

$$(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

Consider a non-singular matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

We have,

$$\det(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{A})}$$

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Definition

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Let $\lambda \in \mathcal{R}$ be some scalar and let $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ be a $(n \times 1)$ column vector

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

We have,

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

- The scalar λ is called an *eigenvalue* of \mathbf{A}
- The vector \mathbf{v} is the associated *eigenvector*

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Proposition

Eigenvalues/eigenvectors of triangular/diagonal matrices

Let $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$ be a triangular or a diagonal matrix

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are the n diagonal elements $\{a_{i,i}\}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$

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Example

Consider the matrices

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in their eigenvalues

The three matrices are triangular or diagonal

We have,

- \rightsquigarrow Matrix \mathbf{A}_1 has eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1$ and $\lambda_3 = 2$
- \rightsquigarrow Matrix \mathbf{A}_2 has eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 1$, $\lambda_2 = 2$ and $\lambda_3 = 3$
- \rightsquigarrow Matrix \mathbf{A}_3 has eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 3$ and $\lambda_3 = -2$

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Definition

Characteristic polynomial

The **characteristic polynomial** of a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

The n -order polynomial in the variable s

$$\leadsto P(s) = \det(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$$



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Example

Consider the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in its characteristic polynomial

We first calculate the matrix $(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$

$$(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s-2 & -1 \\ -3 & s-4 \end{bmatrix}$$

\leadsto The elements are function of s

The determinant of the matrix

$$\leadsto \det(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = (s-2)(s-4) - 3 = s^2 - 6s + 5$$

This is also the characteristic polynomial $P(s)$



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Proposition

Eigenvalues as roots of the characteristic polynomial

The eigenvalues of a matrix \mathbf{A} of order n are the roots of its characteristic polynomial, that is the solutions to the equation $P(s) = \det(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = 0$

Let λ be an eigenvalue of matrix \mathbf{A}

Each eigenvector \mathbf{v} associated to it is a non-trivial solution to the system

$$(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$$

$\mathbf{0}$ is a $(n \times 1)$ column-vector whose elements are all zero

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Proof

An eigenvalue λ and an eigenvector \mathbf{v} must satisfy

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

$(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ follows from this

The non-trivial solution $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ is admissible iff matrix $(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$ is singular

$$\leadsto \det(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = 0$$

Thus, λ is root to the characteristic polynomial of matrix \mathbf{A}



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Example

Consider the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Its eigenvalues

$$\lambda_{1|2} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 20}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm 4}{2} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 1 \\ \lambda_2 = 5 \end{cases}$$

We are interested in its eigenvectors

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Consider the eigenvector

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvector \mathbf{v}_1 corresponds to eigenvalue $\lambda_1 = 1$

- It must satisfy $(\lambda_1 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{0}$

$$(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} 0 = -a - b \\ 0 = -3a - 3b \end{cases}$$

If the first equation is satisfied then also the second one will be

\rightsquigarrow The two equations are linearly dependent

- Always with $(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$

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We limit ourselves and consider only one equation

- Say, $b = -a$

The choice of the first component is arbitrary, then $b = -a$

Let $a = 1$, then we have

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Consider the eigenvector

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvector \mathbf{v}_2 corresponds to eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 5$

- It must satisfy $(\lambda_2 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{0}$

$$(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} 0 = 3c - d \\ 0 = -3c + d \end{cases}$$

If the first equation is satisfied then also the second one will be

- Again, the two equations are linearly dependent

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By considering only the first equation, we have $d = 3c$

As the choice of the first component is arbitrary, we set $c = 1$

$$\leadsto \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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We have shown that the system $(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v}$ has an infinite number of solutions

- Eigenvectors are determined up to a multiplicative constant

\leadsto We always select the non-trivial (non-null) solution

Let \mathbf{v} be the eigenvector associated to eigenvalue λ

\leadsto Then, also $\mathbf{y} = r\mathbf{v}$ is eigenvector for λ ($r \neq 0$)

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}(r\mathbf{v}) = r(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}) = r(\lambda\mathbf{v}) = \lambda(r\mathbf{v}) = \lambda\mathbf{y}$$

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Proposition

Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$ be the eigenvectors of matrix \mathbf{A}

Suppose that the corresponding eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ are distinct

It can be shown that $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$ are linearly independent

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Proposition

Let \mathbf{A} be a matrix of order n with n distinct eigenvalues

It can be shown that there exists a set of n linearly independent eigenvectors

The eigenvectors are a base for \mathcal{R}^n

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Definition

Multiplicity

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

Suppose that \mathbf{A} has $r \leq n$ distinct eigenvalues

$$\leadsto \lambda_i \neq \lambda_j, \text{ for } i \neq j \quad \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r$$

The characteristic polynomial can be written in the form

$$P(s) = (s - \lambda_1)^{\nu_1} (s - \lambda_2)^{\nu_2} \cdots (s - \lambda_r)^{\nu_r}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^r \nu_i = n$$

$$\leadsto \nu_i \in \mathcal{N}^+ \text{ (algebraic multiplicity)}$$

Define the **geometric multiplicity** of the eigenvalue λ_i

- Number ν_i of linearly independent eigenvectors associated to it

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Proposition

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A}

Let λ be an eigenvalue with algebraic multiplicity ν

The geometric multiplicity μ of the eigenvalue

$$\leadsto \mu = \text{null}(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \leq \nu$$

Proof

For each eigenvector \mathbf{v} associated to λ , we have that $(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$

$$\leadsto \mathbf{v} \text{ belongs to the null space of } (\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$$

$$\leadsto \text{Dimension of } (\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \text{ is } \text{null}(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$$

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Example

Consider the matrix of order $n = 4$

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

The characteristic polynomial

$$P(s) = (s - 2)^2 (s - 3)^2$$

The roots

$$\leadsto \lambda_1 = 2, \text{ algebraic multiplicity } \nu_1 = 2$$

$$\leadsto \lambda_2 = 3, \text{ algebraic multiplicity } \nu_2 = 2$$

We are interested in the geometric multiplicities

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The geometric multiplicity of the first eigenvalue

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1 &= \text{null}(\lambda_1 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = n - \text{rank}(\lambda_1 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \\ &= 4 - \text{rank} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 4 - 3 = 1 < \nu_1 \end{aligned}$$

Each eigenvector associated to λ_1 is a linear combination of a single vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

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The geometric multiplicity of the second eigenvalue

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_2 &= \text{null}(\lambda_2 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = n - \text{rank}(\lambda_2 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \\ &= 4 - \text{rank} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 2 - 2 = 2 = \nu_2\end{aligned}$$

Each eigenvector associated to λ_2 is a linear combination of two vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}_1 &= [0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 0]^T \\ \mathbf{v}_2 &= [0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1]^T\end{aligned}$$

