

Linear Algebra

Lecture notes

B.1 Matrices

- An $n \times m$ matrix is a list (a_{ij}) of numbers indexed by two indices i, j such that

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \leq i \leq n \\ 1 \leq j \leq m \end{aligned}$$

- Every matrix may be placed into an array:

$$(a_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nm} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{The } (a_{1j}), (a_{2j}) \dots (a_{nj}) \text{ are rows} \\ (a_{i1}), (a_{i2}) \dots (a_{in}) \text{ are columns.} \end{array}$$

Ex

$$\begin{array}{cccc} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} & B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} & C = (1 \ 3 \ 4) & D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \\ 2 \times 2 & 3 \times 1 & 1 \times 3 & 3 \times 2 \end{array}$$

- $n \times 1$ matrices are called column matrices/vectors.

$$\begin{aligned} X &= (x_i) \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad j=1 \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Operations on matrices:

Addition: given two $n \times m$ matrices $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$, define

$$A+B = (a_{ij}) + (b_{ij}) = (a_{ij} + b_{ij}).$$

Ex

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = ? \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Scaling: Let $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $A = (a_{ij})$. Then define

$$cA = c(a_{ij}) = (ca_{ij})$$

Ex

$$c \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ca_{11} & ca_{12} \\ ca_{21} & ca_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad -2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = ? \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix X vector: Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be an $n \times n$ matrix, $X = (x_i)$ a $n \times 1$ vector. Then define

$$AX = \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \right) = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j} x_j \\ \sum_{j=1}^n a_{2j} x_j \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^n a_{nj} x_j \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 1 \\ 2 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax + by \\ cx + dy \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = ? \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix X Matrix: Let $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$ be $n \times n$, $n \times l$ matrices.

Let $\vec{b}_j = (b_{ij})$ be the j th column of B .

$$\text{So } \vec{b}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} \\ b_{21} \\ \vdots \\ b_{n1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{b}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} b_{12} \\ b_{22} \\ \vdots \\ b_{n2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \dots, \quad \vec{b}_l = \begin{pmatrix} b_{1l} \\ b_{2l} \\ \vdots \\ b_{nl} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we may write

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1l} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2l} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n1} & b_{n2} & \dots & b_{nl} \end{pmatrix} = [\vec{b}_1 \quad \vec{b}_2 \quad \dots \quad \vec{b}_l].$$

We define

$$AB = [A\vec{b}_1 \quad A\vec{b}_2 \quad \dots \quad A\vec{b}_l]$$

Ex

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 & 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 & 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 \\ 3 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 1 & 3 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 & 3 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & 5 \\ 7 & 11 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

o A a $n \times n$, B a $p \times q$. Then AB is only defined if $n=p$. Moreover, AB will be $n \times q$.

$$\begin{matrix} A & \cdot & B \\ n \times n & & p \times q \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} AB \\ n \times q \end{matrix} \text{ if } n=p.$$

Matrices of functions. The matrix $A(t) = (a_{ij}(t))$ where $a_{ij}(t)$ are functions is called a matrix of functions.

Ex

$$A(t) = \begin{pmatrix} t & t^2+t \\ t^2+t & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^t \\ 2e^t \\ 3e^t \end{pmatrix}, \quad C(t) = (t-1) \begin{pmatrix} t & 1 \\ 1 & t \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t(t-1) & t-1 \\ t-1 & t(t-1) \\ 3(t-1) & 3(t-1) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Differentiating Matrices: Let $A(t) = (a_{ij}(t))$, where a_{ij} are differentiable. Then define

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \left(\frac{da_{ij}}{dt} \right).$$

Ex

$$A(t) = \begin{pmatrix} t & t \\ t^2 & 1 \\ t & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{dA}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2t & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad B(t) = \begin{pmatrix} t & t^2 \\ t^2 & t^3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{dB}{dt} = ? \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2t \\ 2t & 3t^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Determinants:

We only consider 2×2 and 3×3 matrices.

2×2 : Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$. Then the determinant $\det(A)$ is given by

$$\det(A) = ad - bc.$$

Graphically: Take SE diagonal of 2 entries

$$\begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array} \rightarrow ad$$

then subtract NE diagonal of 2 entries

$$\begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array} \rightarrow ad - cd = \det(A)$$

Ex

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$\det A = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 3 = -2$$

$$\det B = \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = ? \quad 2 \cdot 8 - 4 \cdot 4 = 0$$

3×3 : Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$\det(A) = a_{11} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} - a_{12} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} + a_{13} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) - a_{12}(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) + a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31}).$$

How to find $\det(A)$:

① Append by first two columns:

$$\begin{array}{ccc|cc} \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{3} & \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{2} \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{31} & a_{32} \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{ccccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{23} & a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{33} & a_{31} & a_{32} \end{array}$$

② Add all SE diagonals of 3 entries:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{31} & a_{32} \end{array} \longrightarrow a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32}$$

③ Subtract all NE diagonals of 3 entries:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{31} & a_{32} \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} \\ - a_{31}a_{22}a_{13} - a_{32}a_{23}a_{11} - a_{33}a_{21}a_{12} \end{array} = \det(A)$$

Ex
Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$1 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 0 \\ - 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 4 - 0 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3$$

$$= 2 + 3 + 0 - 4 - 0 - 12 \\ = -11.$$

$$\text{So } \det A = -11.$$

$$\text{Let } B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow ?$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$1 \cdot 0 \cdot -1 + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot -1 \cdot 1 \\ - 2 \cdot 0 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 - -1 \cdot -1 \cdot 2 \\ = 0 + 4 - 1 - 0 - 1 - 2 \\ = 0$$

$$\text{Let } C = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 1-\lambda & 1 & -1 & 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 2 & 0 & 1-\lambda \\ 1 & 1 & 2-\lambda & 1 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$(1-\lambda)^2(2-\lambda) + 2 + 0 + (1-\lambda) - 2(1-\lambda) - 0$$

$$\text{So } \det C = (1-\lambda)^2(2-\lambda) + 2 - (1-\lambda)$$

B.2 Gauss-Jordan Elimination

- Goal: use matrices to solve systems of linear equations.

Reduced Row Echelon form

- Elementary Row Operations on a matrix

$$R_{ij} - \text{swap rows } i \text{ and } j : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_{12}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$cR_i - \text{scale row } i \text{ by } c : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$cR_i + R_j - \text{scale row } i \text{ by } c : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-1R_3 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

the add to row j

- A matrix is in **reduced row echelon form (rref)** if

(i) 1st nonzero entry in nonzero row is 1. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ Bad!

(ii) The 1s make an echelon (stairs) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Bad!

(iii) Zero rows are on bottom. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ Bad!

(iv) If column contains a first entry 1, then every other entry above and below is zero. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ Bad!

Putting a matrix into rref.

- Let's go by example.

Ex Put $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = (a_{ij})$ into rref.

- ① Start with first column. Need a 1 at the a_{11} place

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_{13}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-1R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now need zeros below:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2R_1 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ② Move to 2nd column. Need a 1 at the a_{22} place and zeros above and below.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2R_2 + R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ③ Finish up with 3rd column.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{3}{6}R_3 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{6}R_3 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

System to Matrix Conversions

• Observe that to any system

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 = b_2$$

$$a_{31}x_1 + a_{32}x_2 + a_{33}x_3 = b_3$$

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 = b_2$$

We may associate a matrix equation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad / \quad \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \cdot X = B$$

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• We use the **augmented matrices**

$$(A|B) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & b_2 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & b_3 \end{array} \right)$$

$$(A|B) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & b_2 \end{array} \right)$$

to solve the respective linear system.

Ex

(a) Convert the system

$$x - y + z = 1$$

$$x + y + 2z = 0$$

$$x + z = -1$$

to an augmented matrix.

(b) Convert the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

to a linear system.

(c) Convert the system

$$x + 2y = 1$$

$$y + 2x = -1$$

to an augmented matrix

(a)

$$\begin{array}{lcl} x - y + z = 1 & \rightarrow & 1 \quad -1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \\ x + y + 2z = 0 & \rightarrow & 1 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 0 \\ x + z = -1 & \rightarrow & 1 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad -1 \end{array} \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

(b)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x - y = 1 \\ 2x + 2y = 1 \end{array}$$

(c)

$$\begin{array}{lcl} x + 2y = 1 & \rightarrow & 1 \quad 2 \quad 1 \\ y + 2x = -1 & \rightarrow & 2 \quad 1 \quad -1 \end{array} \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

Solving a System via Matrices

• To solve a system:

① Convert linear system to augmented matrix.

② Put augmented matrix into ref.

③ Convert resulting matrix back to linear system.

④ Done.

Ex

Solve the system

$$\begin{aligned}y - x &= 1 \\ y + x &= 3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x - y &= 1 \\ x + y &= 3\end{aligned} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right) \quad \downarrow -R_1 + R_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}x - y &= 1 \\ 0 + 2y &= 2\end{aligned} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right) \quad \downarrow \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}x - y &= 1 \\ y &= 1\end{aligned} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad \downarrow R_2 + R_1$$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 2 \\ y &= 1\end{aligned} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Ex

Find all all $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$ which satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}x - y + z &= 1 \\ -x - y + 2z &= 2 \\ 2x + 2y - 4z &= -4\end{aligned}$$

Solution.

①

$$\begin{aligned}x - y + z &= 1 \\ -x - y + 2z &= 2 \\ 2x + 2y - 4z &= -4\end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -4 & -4 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}② \quad \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -4 & -4 \end{array} \right) &\xrightarrow{R_1 + R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & -4 & -4 \end{array} \right) &\xrightarrow{-2R_1 + R_3} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & -6 & -6 \end{array} \right) &\xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{2}R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 4 & -6 & -6 \end{array} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 4 & -6 & -6 \end{array}\right) \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{4}R_3} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \end{array}\right) \xrightarrow{-R_2+R_3} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) \xrightarrow{R_2+R_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right)$$

③ $\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) \rightarrow$ The system $\begin{aligned} x - \frac{1}{2}z &= -\frac{1}{2} \\ y - \frac{3}{2}z &= -\frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$ describes all points which satisfy the original linear system.

Hence $\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{1}{2}z - \frac{1}{2} \\ y &= \frac{3}{2}z - \frac{3}{2} \\ z &= z \end{aligned}$

We can thus compute $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}z - \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2}z - \frac{3}{2} \\ z \end{pmatrix} = z \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where z can be any real number.

Three situations

o Consider the system

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n & = & b_1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n & = & b_n \end{array} \iff AX = B$$

(i) $AX=B$ has a unique solution X iff $\det A \neq 0$.
If $\det A = 0$,

(ii) $AX=B$ might have infinitely many solutions

(iii) $AX=B$ might have no solutions.

B.3 Eigenvalues/Eigenvectors

Complex numbers

- Define i by $i^2 = -1$. If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, then $a+ib$ is called a **complex number**.
- The set of complex numbers is denoted $\mathbb{C}$.
- Multiplication: if $a+ib$ and $x+iy$ are complex numbers, then
$$\begin{aligned}(a+ib)(x+iy) &= ax + a \cdot iy + ibx + i^2 by \\&= ax + iay + ibx + i^2 by \\&= ax + i(ay + bx) - by \\&= (ax - by) + i(ay + bx)\end{aligned}$$

Ex

$$(1+3i)(1-3i) = 1 - 3i + 3i + 9 = 10.$$

- Given $z = x+iy \in \mathbb{C}$, we define **conjugation**:

$$\bar{z} = x-iy.$$

- The **modulus** of $z = x+iy \in \mathbb{C}$
$$|z| = \sqrt{z \cdot \bar{z}} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$
- Division: Let $z = a+ib$, $w = x+iy$. Then

$$\frac{w}{z} = \frac{w\bar{z}}{z\bar{z}} = \frac{(x+iy)(a-ib)}{a^2+b^2}$$

- If $z = a+ib \in \mathbb{C}$, then

$$\text{Real part of } z = \operatorname{Re} z = a$$

$$\text{Imaginary part of } z = \operatorname{Im} z = b$$

Identity Matrix

- The $n \times n$ matrix with 1s on diagonal and zero elsewhere is called the identity matrix, and is denoted by I .

e.g.,

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Note $IA = A$ for all $n \times m$ matrices A .

- Theorem:

Consider the system

$$AX = 0$$

where A is $n \times n$, X $n \times 1$, B $n \times 1$.

This system has a unique solution iff $\det A \neq 0$.

- Corollary:

The system $AX = 0$ has a nonzero solution iff $\det A = 0$.

Eigenvalues

- Let A be $n \times n$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. If there exists $n \times 1$ $X \neq 0$ so that
$$AX = \lambda X,$$

we call λ an **eigenvalue**. Any $X \neq 0$ with $AX = \lambda X$ is called an **eigenvector** associated with λ .

Ex

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Verify $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are eigenvectors with corresponding eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 5$, $\lambda_2 = 0$

We compute

$$Av_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} = 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_1 v_1 \Rightarrow v_1 \text{ an eigenvector and } \lambda_1 \text{ an eigenvalue.}$$

$$Av_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_2 v_2 \Rightarrow v_2 \text{ an eigenvector and } \lambda_2 \text{ an eigenvalue.}$$

Finding Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues

• We want to find $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $X \neq 0$ so

$$AX = \lambda X.$$

• But

$$AX = \lambda X \Leftrightarrow AX - \lambda X = 0 \Leftrightarrow AX - \lambda IX = 0 \Leftrightarrow (A - \lambda I)X = 0.$$

• Recall for non matrix B , $BX = 0$ has nonzero solutions iff $\det B = 0$.

• So $(A - \lambda I)X = 0$ has nonzero solutions $\Leftrightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = 0$.

• Thus if we find all λ so that $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$, we will have found all eigenvalues.

• Note that $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ will be a polynomial equation in λ . Hence the problem will reduce to that of solving the zeros of a polynomial. We call $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ the **characteristic equation**.

• Now suppose we have found eigenvalue λ to A . Then to find X so that $AX = \lambda X$, we need to solve

$$(A - \lambda I)X = 0.$$

• But to find solutions to the system $(A - \lambda I)X = 0$, we need only to put the augmented matrix

$$(A - \lambda I | 0)$$

into ref. The resulting solution

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

will then be an eigenvector corresponding to eigen value λ .

• Note that if $AX = \lambda X$, then for any $c \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$A(cX) = c(AX) = c\lambda X = \lambda(cX).$$

So if X an eigenvector, so is cX .

Ex

Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors to $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$.

We want to find all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ so that $(A - \lambda I)X = 0$. Hence we solve the characteristic equation

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

We compute

$$\begin{aligned}\det\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) &= \det\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{pmatrix}\right) \\ &= \det\begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (1-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - 4 \\ &= 4 + \lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 4 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 5\lambda \\ &= \lambda(\lambda - 5).\end{aligned}$$

But $\lambda(\lambda - 5) = 0$ only when $\lambda = 0$, $\lambda = 5$. Hence

$$\lambda_1 = 0$$

$$\lambda_2 = 5$$

are the eigenvalues.

Now let's compute the eigenvectors.

We place $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$ into an augmented matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1-\lambda & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda & 0 \end{array} \right).$$

We find the eigenvector to $\lambda_1 = 0$ first:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1-\lambda_1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda_1 & 0 \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{-2R_1 + R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \longrightarrow x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$$

Hence $x_1 = -2x_2$, and so

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2x_2 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_2 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x_2 \neq 0$$

describes all eigenvectors corresponding to $\lambda_1 = 0$.

Choosing $x_2 = 1$, we get that

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is an eigenvector.