

1.3: Matrix Arithmetic

Notation $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \quad a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$

A is an $m \times n$ matrix.

For the sake of laziness, we may refer to A as

$$A = (a_{ij}).$$

Vectors

For now, a vector is a ordered n -tuple of real numbers. Also, an n -vector.

Written as a $1 \times n$ matrix, we call it a row vector.

Written as an $n \times 1$ matrix, we call it a column vector.

* Column vectors are the default, and will frequent be called simply "vectors".

Defn. The set of all $n \times 1$ vectors is called Euclidean n -space and is denoted by either $\mathbb{R}^n$ or $\mathbb{E}^n$.

Notation : $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{x} = (x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_n)$ or $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

A matrix A can be written as a column vector of its row vectors, or a row vector of its columns.

$$A = (a_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{a}_1 \\ \vec{a}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vec{a}_m \end{pmatrix} = (\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \dots, \vec{a}_n)$$

Ex. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 \\ -1 & 8 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ $a_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $a_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$, $a_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\vec{a}_1 = (3, 2, 5)$ $\vec{a}_2 = (-1, 8, 4)$

Defn. Two $m \times n$ matrices A and B are said to be equal iff $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for all i, j .

Scalar Multiplication

define this.
 $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, then (αA) is defined and $(\alpha A) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$.

Defn. The entries of αA are (αa_{ij}) for all i, j .

Ex. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 8 & 2 \\ 6 & 8 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$, $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\alpha A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix Addition

Defn. $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. The sum $A+B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ with entries $(A+B)_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$ for all i, j .

i.e., addition is done "component wise".

Ex. $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Some Identities

Let O be the matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ w/ all entries 0.

Then,

$$A + O = O + A = A, \quad \text{and} \quad \text{additive id.}$$

$$A + (-1)A = (-1)A + A = O \quad \text{additive inverse}$$

We write $(-1)A = -A$.

Now, the "good stuff,"

Matrix Multiplication and Linear systems

One eqn, one unknown: $ax = b$ $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

m eqn, n unknowns: $Ax = b$ $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $x \in V^n$, $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$
 where V^n shall represent the space of "n variables":
 $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$.

Better: $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is an unknown vector.

Ex. One eqn, many unknowns:

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 + 5x_3 = 4$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}_{1 \times 3} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}_{3 \times 1} \quad b = 4_{1 \times 1}$$

Define $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = 3x_1 + 2x_2 + 5x_3$

Ex $A = (a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n)$ $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$

$$Ax = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n$$

e.g., $A = (2 \ 1 \ -3 \ 4)$ $x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} Ax &= 2(3) + 1(2) + (-3)(-1) + 4(2) \\ &= 6 + 2 + 3 + 8 = 19 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ solves the system:

$$2x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 + 4x_4 = 19$$

We want to extend this idea to systems w/ more equations.

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

$$\vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots$$

$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$m \times n$ $n \times 1$ $m \times 1$

Each row of A corresponds to one equation from the system. Define Ax to be the matrix whose rows are the equations. $\hat{m \times 1}$

Ex. $A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ $x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ Find b . $b = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 24 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$

Another way:

$$Ax = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{pmatrix} + \dots + x_n \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= x_1 a_1 + x_2 a_2 + \dots + x_n a_n \quad a_i \in \mathbb{R}^m \text{ and } x_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ unknown.}$$

Since $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$, our job is to find coefficients $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$ that make b a linear combination of the columns a_i .

Ex. $\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 &= 5 \\ 5x_1 - 4x_2 + 2x_3 &= 6 \end{aligned}$

$$x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Verify that $x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ solves this system.

Thm. A linear system $Ax=b$ is consistent iff b can be written as a linear combination of the column vectors of A .

Ex. $\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 &= 1 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 &= 1 \end{aligned}$ is inconsistent.

Matrix Multiplication

Defn If $A = (a_{ij})$ is an $m \times n$ matrix and $B = (b_{ij})$ is an $n \times r$ matrix, then the product $AB = C = (c_{ij})$ is the $m \times r$ matrix whose entries are defined by

$$c_{ij} = \vec{a_i} \cdot \vec{b_j} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj}$$

~~Defn~~ i.e., the matrix A is multiplied by each column of B separately.

Ex. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} -14 & 1 & -3 \\ 12 & 6 & 30 \\ -14 & -2 & -15 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$AB \neq BA !$$

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 20 & -22 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad BA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Transpose of a Matrix

Defn. The transpose of an $m \times n$ matrix A is the $n \times m$ matrix B defined by

$$\text{~~where~~ } i=1, \dots, m \quad j=1, \dots, n. \\ b_{ji} = a_{ij}$$

The transpose of A is denoted by A^T .

Ex. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad C^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

RE.14. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Explain why the multiplications $A^T A$ and $A A^T$ are always possible.

RE.15. A matrix is called skew-symmetric if $A^T = -A$. Show that if A is skew-symmetric, its diagonal entries must be 0.

