

Today: Inverting matrices

- 6.4? "the adjugate matrix" - a ~~diff~~ formula for A^{-1} that uses det
- 7.2 Cramer's rule - a formula for the solution to $Ax=b$ (system of linear equations) using det.

Recall: our algorithm for finding A^{-1} for a square matrix A .

- A^{-1} is a matrix such that $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = \text{Id}$
also the matrix of the inverse linear operator (so should exist if and only if $A: V \rightarrow W$ is an isomorphism, \Leftrightarrow)
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \dim V = \dim W \quad (A \text{ is a square matrix}) \\ \text{Ker}(A) = \{0\} \end{array} \right\} \Downarrow A \text{ is } \underline{\text{injective}}$
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \dim(V) = \dim(W) \\ \text{rk}(A) = n \end{array} \right\} \Leftrightarrow A \text{ is } \underline{\text{surjective}}$

Let A be $n \times n$ -matrix.

To find A^{-1} we did:

$$\left(A \mid \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{elem.} \\ \text{row} \\ \text{operations}}} \left(\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{array} \mid A^{-1} \right)$$

augmented matrix \uparrow Id

(No column operations)

\uparrow if didn't get a pivot in each column, then A^{-1} doesn't exist.

Reminder: this is equivalent to solving n systems of linear equations:

$$Ax_i = e_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow i^{\text{th}} \text{ place} \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, n$$

$x_i = A^{-1}e_i$ — becomes the i^{th} column of A^{-1} .

Today: Cramer's rule — formula for finding a solution for a system of linear equations $Ax = b$.

We have:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

(A — a square matrix, assume A is invertible

$$\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0)$$

so we know the solution exists and is unique!

$$x = A^{-1}b.$$

Imagine that

$\begin{pmatrix} x_1^0 \\ \vdots \\ x_n^0 \end{pmatrix}$ is the solution to this system of equations.

Take x_i^0 for one fixed value of i — the i^{th} component of the solution vector
Consider the matrix

$$M_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & (x_i^0 a_{1i} - b_1) & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & (x_i^0 a_{ni} - b_n) & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

↑
multiplied the i^{th} column of A by x_i^0 and subtract the RHS.

Claim : det of this matrix M_i is 0.
 (because x_i^0 is the i th component of the solution.)

Get:

$$x_i^0 \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

↑
 i th column of A
 replaced by the
 vector $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$

So $x_i^0 = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & \overset{\substack{\text{ith column} \\ \text{is } b}}{\vdots} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \vdots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}}{\det(A)}$ Cramer's rule.

Pf of Claim: our system of equations says:

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11} x_1^0 + a_{12} x_2^0 + \dots + a_{1n} x_n^0 &= b_1 \\ \vdots & \\ a_{n1} x_1^0 + a_{n2} x_2^0 + \dots + a_{nn} x_n^0 &= b_n \end{aligned}$$

x_i^0 appears in: $a_{1i} x_i^0$
 \vdots
 $a_{ni} x_i^0$

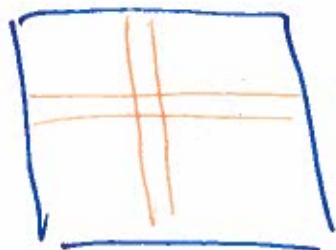
so we have: $M_i \begin{pmatrix} x_1^0 \\ \vdots \\ x_i^0 \\ \vdots \\ x_n^0 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{0}$, i.e. $\ker(M_i) \neq \{0\}$.
 so $\det(M_i) = 0$.

A formula for A^{-1}

Assume A^{-1} exists $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$. (A is an $n \times n$ -matrix)

build the "adjugate" matrix of A .

Let $A_{ij} = \det(\begin{matrix} \text{grid} \\ \text{with } i\text{th row and } j\text{th column removed} \end{matrix})$



$\nearrow A$
j-th column

throw away the i th row and the j th column.

Get an $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix.

Let $B = \left((-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij}) \right)^t$ ← each entry is the det of a "minor" of A (the matrix A_{ij}) (up to sign)

Then $B = A^{-1} \cdot \det(A)$.

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\left((-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij}) \right)^t}{\det(A)}$$

Example (Memorize the result!)

for 2×2 -matrix

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

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

with signs: $\begin{pmatrix} d & -c \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$

Now transpose: $\left((-1)^{i+j} A_{ij} \right)^t = \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$

Then

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} da-bc & db-bd \\ -ca+ac & -cb+ad \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Why does this formula work

The book: take $((-1)^{i+j} A_{ij})^t \cdot A$

(in 6.4)

see the diag. entries are $\det(A)$
by the formula for expansion of $\det(A)$
by the i th ~~row~~ column

off-diagonal entries are 0 because get
→ matrices with 2 identical columns
(requires thought.)

Our proof: use Cramer's rule

the i th column of A^{-1} is the vector of
solutions to $Ax = e_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ i th place.

use Cramer's rule:

$$x_j =$$

$$\frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & \overset{j\text{th column}}{\vdots} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \underset{i\text{th place}}{\vdots} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}}{\det A}$$

\cong
↑
expand the
numerator in the
ith column

$$\frac{(-1)^{i+j} \det A_{ij}}{\det(A)}$$

← row i away jth column and ith row

↑
a formula for the
jth entry in the
ith column of A^{-1} .

$(A^{-1})_{ji} =$

$$\text{So } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \left((-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij}) \right)^t$$

↑ this is why you need to transpose

Monday: review. Please bring questions.

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