

Linear Algebra I

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Recall: $A \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times m}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ v_1 & \dots & v_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$$A \cdot B = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ Av_1 & \dots & Av_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times n}$$

$I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is the

Identity matrix.

For all $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we have $I_n v = v$.

§ 7 The inverse of a linear map

Recall: $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is invertible if there exists
(Lecture 3) a $g: Y \rightarrow X$ with $g(f(x)) = x \quad \forall x \in X$

g : The inverse of f $f(g(y)) = y \quad \forall y \in Y$.

Notation: $g = f^{-1}$

(equivalently:
 $g \circ f = \text{id}_X$, $f \circ g = \text{id}_Y$)

We saw: f is invertible $\Leftrightarrow f$ is bijective

$$\forall y \in Y, \exists! x \in X : y = f(x)$$

surjective injective

Define the Inverse by $g(y) = x$.

Questions: • When is a linear map invertible?

• Is the inverse again linear?

• How to calculate the inverse?

Example 27: Consider the linear map

$$F: \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Is F invertible?

Take $y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and check if $F(x) = y$ has a unique solution.

$$\textcircled{-2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & y_1 \\ 2 & 4 & | & y_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & y_1 \\ 0 & -2 & | & y_2 - 2y_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & y_1 \\ 0 & 1 & | & y_1 - \frac{1}{2}y_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & -2y_1 + \frac{3}{2}y_2 \\ 0 & 1 & | & y_1 - \frac{1}{2}y_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get the unique solution

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2y_1 + \frac{3}{2}y_2 \\ y_1 - \frac{1}{2}y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

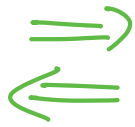
$\Rightarrow F$ is invertible.

The inverse of F : $F^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \longmapsto \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -2 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}}_{[F^{-1}]} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow F^{-1}$ is linear.

Theorem 7.1 A linear map $F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is invertible if and only if $n = m = \text{rk}(F) \stackrel{ii}{=} \text{rk}([F])$.



Proof: F invertible $\Leftrightarrow [F]x = y$ has a unique solution for all $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{matrix} \overset{\leftarrow n+1 \rightarrow}{([F] | y)} \sim \dots \sim \underset{\substack{\parallel \\ \text{rref}([F] | y)}}{(B | z)} \quad \begin{matrix} B = \text{rref}([F]) \\ z \in \mathbb{R}^m \text{ can be} \\ \text{an arbitrary vector} \\ \text{depending on } y. \end{matrix}$$

" \Rightarrow ": Suppose F is invertible. Want to show $n = m = \text{rk}(F) = \text{rk}([F])$.

$$\text{If } \text{rk}(F) < m: (B | z) = \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{matrix} \left(\begin{array}{c|c} * & | \\ \hline \text{O} & | \\ \hline & | \\ \hline & | \end{array} \begin{array}{l} z \\ | \\ | \\ | \end{array} \right)$$

\Rightarrow No solutions for some z (i.e. y).

$\Rightarrow \text{rk}(F) = m$.

$$\text{If } \text{rk}(F) < n: (B | z) = \begin{matrix} \leftarrow n \rightarrow \\ \downarrow \end{matrix} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & x & & | \\ \vdots & \vdots & & | \\ \vdots & 0 & 1 & | \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & | \\ \vdots & 0 & & | \end{array} \begin{array}{l} z \\ | \\ | \\ | \\ | \end{array} \right)$$

\Rightarrow There are columns without pivot element

\Rightarrow No unique solution $\Rightarrow \text{rk}(F) = n$.

" \Leftarrow ": If $m = n = \text{rk}(F) \Rightarrow B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow [F]x = y$ has a unique solution for all y

$\Rightarrow \bar{F}$ is invertible. \square

Because of Thm. 7.1
We can assume $m = n$

Proposition 7.2: If a linear map $F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is invertible, then F^{-1} is linear too.

Proof: let $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Set $x = \bar{F}^{-1}(u)$ i.e. $F(x) = u$
 $y = \bar{F}^{-1}(v)$ i.e. $F(y) = v$

Then $\bar{F}^{-1} \overset{\text{id}}{=} \bar{F}^{-1} F(x+y) \overset{F \text{ lin.}}{=} \bar{F}^{-1}(F(x) + F(y))$

\bullet $x+y \overset{||}{=} \bar{F}^{-1}(u) + \bar{F}^{-1}(v) \overset{||}{=} \bar{F}^{-1}(u+v)$

$\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

\bullet $\lambda \bar{F}^{-1}(u) = \lambda x = \bar{F}^{-1} F(\lambda x) = \bar{F}^{-1}(\lambda F(x)) = \bar{F}^{-1}(\lambda u)$.

\square

Since \bar{F}^{-1} is linear, there exists a matrix $[\bar{F}^{-1}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

Definition 7.3 If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is the matrix of an invertible linear map F (i.e. $[F] = A$), then we define the inverse of A by

$$A^{-1} := [F^{-1}].$$

Theorem 7.4 The inverse of A exists if and only if $\text{rref}(A) = I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

We say A is invertible in this case.

Proof: Follows from the proof of Thm. 7.1.

Proposition 7.5 If $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are invertible we have

$$i) \quad A A^{-1} = A^{-1} A = I_n$$

$$ii) \quad (BA)^{-1} = A^{-1} B^{-1}$$

Proof:
(check yourself)

$$i) \quad [F \circ F^{-1}] = A \cdot A^{-1} = A^{-1} \cdot A$$

$$F: x \mapsto Ax$$

$$G: x \mapsto Bx$$

$$[id_{\mathbb{R}^n}] = I_n = [F^{-1} \circ F]$$

$$ii) \quad BA = [G \circ F] \quad \text{and} \quad (G \circ F)^{-1} = F^{-1} \circ G^{-1}, \quad \text{therefore} \\ (BA)^{-1} = [(G \circ F)^{-1}] = [F^{-1} \circ G^{-1}] = A^{-1} B^{-1}.$$

How to determine A^{-1} ?

In Example 27 we determined the inverse of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ by solving the linear system $Ax = y$.

In general: If we want to determine the inverse of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, we can try to bring the augmented matrix

$$(A | I_n) = (A | \begin{matrix} 1 & & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \end{matrix}) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times 2n}$$

to rref.

If A is invertible we will get

$$(A | I_n) \sim \dots \sim (I_n | A^{-1}).$$

" rref($A | I_n$)

Now we extend A by the matrix I_n . And not just a vector.

Example 28: Determine the inverse of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$(A | I_2) \stackrel{\textcircled{-2}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & | & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & | & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \textcircled{-3} \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & -2 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & | & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = (I_2 | A^{-1})$$

A^{-1}

$$\text{Check: } A \cdot A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -2 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

" $A^{-1}A$

Compare this with Example 27.

Remark: 1) Row operations can also be described by multiplying with "elementary matrices". For each row operation (R1), (R2), (R3) there exist a corresponding elementary matrix. (See Def. 7.7 in lecture notes)

Definition 7.7 For $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ with $\lambda \neq 0$ and $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ we define the elementary matrices $R_i^{\lambda, j}, R_i^\lambda, R_{i, j} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ by

$$R_i^{\lambda, j} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & \lambda & & & 1 \\ & & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R_i^\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & \lambda & \\ & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R_{i, j} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 0 & & 1 \\ & & & \ddots & \\ 1 & & & & 0 \\ & & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here the λ in $R_i^{\lambda, j}$ is in the i -th row and j -th column, in R_i^λ it is in the i -th row, and in $R_{i, j}$ the 0 are on the diagonal in the i -th row and j -th column.

Multiplying with an elementary matrix from the left corresponds to the elementary row operations (Definition 2.6)

(R1) Multiplying with $R_i^{\lambda, j}$: Add λ -times row j to row i .

(R2) Multiplying with R_i^λ : Multiply row j by λ . ($\lambda \neq 0$)

(R3) Multiplying with $R_{i, j}$: Change row i and j .

e.g.

$$\begin{array}{c} A \\ \text{"} \\ \textcircled{-2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \sim \textcircled{-\frac{1}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \textcircled{-3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{"} \\ \text{vref}(A) \end{array}$$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot E_1 = R_2^{-2,1}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \cdot E_2 = R_2^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot E_3 = R_1^{-3,2}$

We get

$$\underbrace{E_3 \cdot E_2 \cdot E_1}_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}} \cdot A = I_2$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Theorem 7.8 Every invertible matrix is a product of elementary matrices.

2) There are explicit formulas for the inverse of a matrix. (Cramer's rule)

For example for $n=2$ we have for $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$

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

Notice: This formula just makes sense for

$ad-bc \neq 0$. Compare this to HW2
Ex 3 ii).

The determinant
of A .

Cramer's rule gives a formula for all n ,
but it is not practical for real life
applications. ("numerically expensive")