

# LECTURE 2:

# FORK 1003

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LINEAR ALGEBRA

SUMMARY:

- MATRIX MULTIPLICATION
- TRANSPOSE
- DETERMINANT

} [EMEA] 15.2 - 15.5  
} [EMEA] 16.1 - 16.5

REVIEW: MATRIX-VECTOR multiplication

If  $A = (\underline{a}_1 | \underline{a}_2 | \dots | \underline{a}_n)$  is  $m \times n$ -matrix and  $\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$  is  $n$ -vector, then

$$A \cdot \underline{x} = (\underline{a}_1 | \underline{a}_2 | \dots | \underline{a}_n) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} := \underbrace{x_1 \cdot \underline{a}_1 + x_2 \cdot \underline{a}_2 + \dots + x_n \cdot \underline{a}_n}_{\text{linear combination of columns of } A \text{ with coeff. } x_1 \dots x_n}.$$

↑                    ↑                    m × 1

The lin. system  $(A | \underline{b}) = (\underline{a}_1 | \underline{a}_2 | \dots | \underline{a}_n | \underline{b})$  can be written  $A \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{b}$ .

augmented matrix

Matrix multiplication:

If  $A = (\underline{a}_1 | \underline{a}_2 | \dots | \underline{a}_n)$  is  $m \times n$ -matrix, and  $B = (\underline{b}_1 | \underline{b}_2 | \dots | \underline{b}_p)$  is  $n \times p$ -matrix, then

$$A \cdot B = (\underbrace{A \cdot \underline{b}_1 | A \cdot \underline{b}_2 | \dots | A \cdot \underline{b}_p}_{\text{matrix-vector products}})$$

↑                    m × n                    n × p                    m × p

Ex:

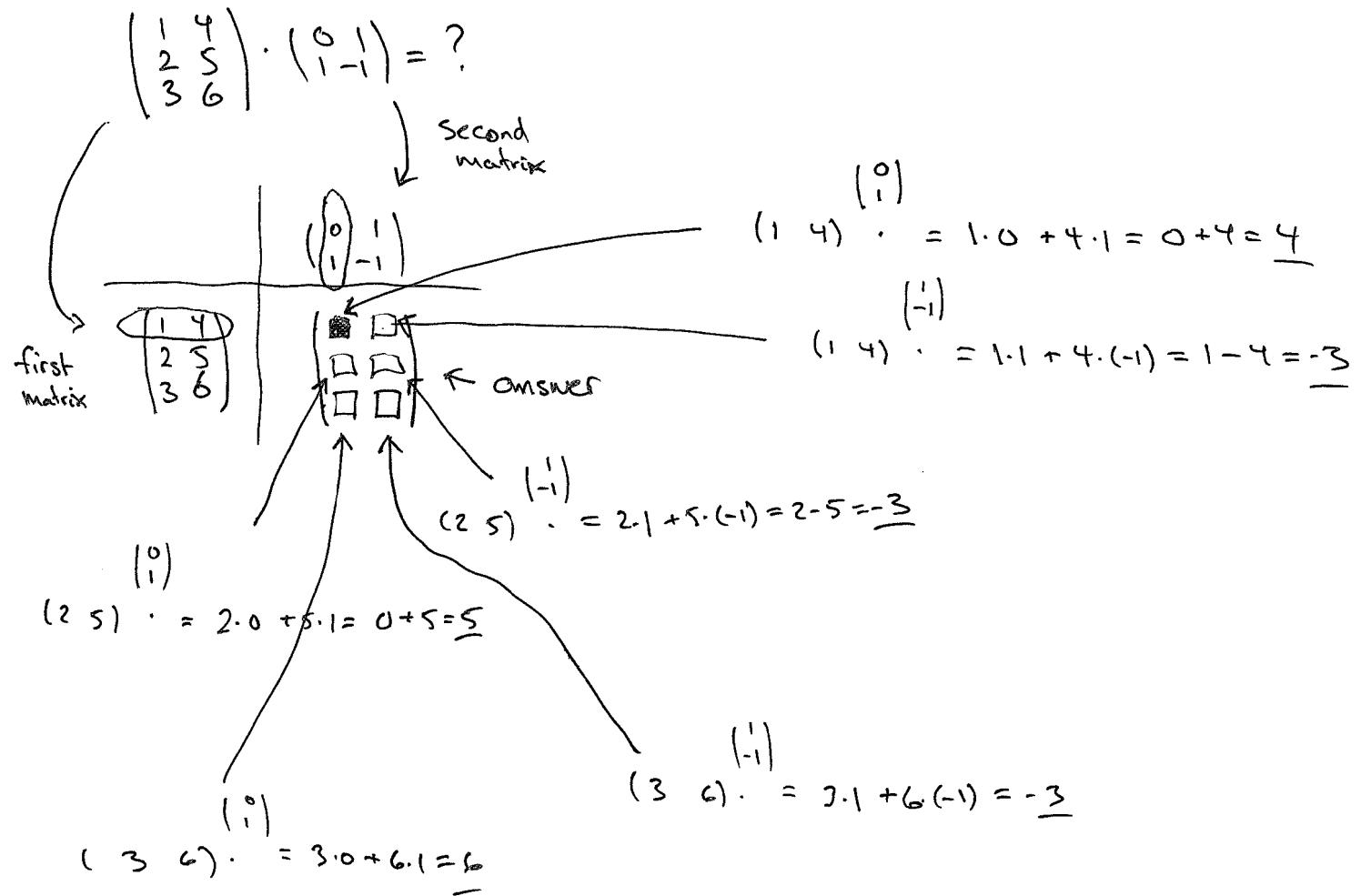
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \middle| \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 5 & -3 \\ 6 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 5 & -3 \\ 6 & -3 \end{pmatrix}}_{3 \times 2}$$

↑                    3 × 2                    2 × 2                    3 × 2

$0 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$

$1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + (-1) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$

A better way of computing matrix mult:



Conclusion:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 5 & -3 \\ 6 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$

$\underbrace{\begin{matrix} 3 \times 2 \\ = \end{matrix}}_{2 \times 2} \quad \underbrace{\begin{matrix} \\ \end{matrix}}_{=}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \text{not defined}$

Note: (1)  $A \cdot B \neq B \cdot A$  !

(2)  $A \cdot B$  defined if  $\boxed{\# \text{cols in } A = \# \text{rows in } B}$

SEE [LNJ] SECTION 2.1

## 2.1 Matrix Operations

### Matrix Notation:

Two ways to denote  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ :

In terms of the *columns* of  $A$ :

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_n \end{array} \right]$$

In terms of the *entries* of  $A$ :

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1j} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & \cdots & a_{ij} & \cdots & a_{in} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mj} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{array} \right]$$

Main diagonal entries:  $a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{mm}$

Zero matrix:

$$0 = \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

## THEOREM 1

Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be matrices of the same size, and let  $r$  and  $s$  be scalars. Then

- a.  $A + B = B + A$
- b.  $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$
- c.  $A + 0 = A$
- d.  $r(A + B) = rA + rB$
- e.  $(r + s)A = rA + sA$
- f.  $r(sA) = (rs)A$

## Matrix Multiplication

Multiplying  $B$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  transforms  $\mathbf{x}$  into the vector  $B\mathbf{x}$ . In turn, if we multiply  $A$  and  $B\mathbf{x}$ , we transform  $B\mathbf{x}$  into  $A(B\mathbf{x})$ . So  $A(B\mathbf{x})$  is the composition of two mappings.

Define the product  $AB$  so that  $A(B\mathbf{x}) = (AB)\mathbf{x}$ .

Suppose  $A$  is  $m \times n$  and  $B$  is  $n \times p$  where

$$B = [\mathbf{b}_1 \ \mathbf{b}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{b}_p] \text{ and } \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_p \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$B\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{b}_1 + x_2\mathbf{b}_2 + \cdots + x_p\mathbf{b}_p$$

and

$$A(B\mathbf{x}) = A(x_1\mathbf{b}_1 + x_2\mathbf{b}_2 + \cdots + x_p\mathbf{b}_p)$$

$$= A(x_1\mathbf{b}_1) + A(x_2\mathbf{b}_2) + \cdots + A(x_p\mathbf{b}_p)$$

$$= x_1A\mathbf{b}_1 + x_2A\mathbf{b}_2 + \cdots + x_pA\mathbf{b}_p = [A\mathbf{b}_1 \ A\mathbf{b}_2 \ \cdots \ A\mathbf{b}_p] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_p \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$A(B\mathbf{x}) = [A\mathbf{b}_1 \ A\mathbf{b}_2 \ \cdots \ A\mathbf{b}_p]\mathbf{x}.$$

and by defining

$$AB = [A\mathbf{b}_1 \ A\mathbf{b}_2 \ \cdots \ A\mathbf{b}_p]$$

we have  $A(B\mathbf{x}) = (AB)\mathbf{x}$ .

**EXAMPLE:** Compute  $AB$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  
 $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 6 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$ .

*Solution:*

$$A\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -24 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 26 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ -24 & 26 \\ 6 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that  $A\mathbf{b}_1$  is a linear combination of the columns of  $A$  and  $A\mathbf{b}_2$  is a linear combination of the columns of  $A$ .

Each column of  $AB$  is a linear combination of the columns of  $A$  using weights from the corresponding columns of  $B$ .

**EXAMPLE:** If  $A$  is  $4 \times 3$  and  $B$  is  $3 \times 2$ , then what are the sizes of  $AB$  and  $BA$ ?

*Solution:*

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$(4 \times 3) \quad 3 \times 2 \quad 4 \times 2$

$BA$  would be  $\begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix}$

$3 \times 2 \quad 4 \times 3$

which is not defined. ( $2 \neq 4$ )

If  $A$  is  $m \times n$  and  $B$  is  $n \times p$ , then  $AB$  is  $m \times p$ .

## Row-Column Rule for Computing AB (alternate method)

The definition

$$AB = [A\mathbf{b}_1 \ A\mathbf{b}_2 \ \cdots \ A\mathbf{b}_p]$$

is good for theoretical work.

When  $A$  and  $B$  have small sizes, the following method is more efficient when working by hand.

If  $AB$  is defined, let  $(AB)_{ij}$  denote the entry in the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column of  $AB$ . Then

$$(AB)_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \cdots + a_{in}b_{nj}.$$

$$= \boxed{(AB)_{ij}}$$

entry in position  $(i, j)$

**EXAMPLE**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $AB$ , if it is defined.

*Solution:* Since  $A$  is  $2 \times 3$  and  $B$  is  $3 \times 2$ , then  $AB$  is defined and  $AB$  is 2 2.

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 28 & \square \\ \square & \square \end{bmatrix} \quad 2 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 0 + 6 \cdot 4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 28 & -45 \\ \square & \square \end{bmatrix} \quad 2 \cdot (-3) + ? \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot (-7)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 28 & -45 \\ 2 & \square \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 28 & -45 \\ 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } AB = \begin{bmatrix} 28 & -45 \\ 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$I_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## THEOREM 2

Let  $A$  be  $m \times n$  and let  $B$  and  $C$  have sizes for which the indicated sums and products are defined.

- a.  $A(BC) = (AB)C$  (associative law of multiplication)
- b.  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$  (left - distributive law)
- c.  $(B + C)A = BA + CA$  (right-distributive law)
- d.  $r(AB) = (rA)B = A(rB)$   
for any scalar  $r$
- e.  $I_mA = A = AI_n$  (identity for matrix multiplication)

$I$  = identity matrix = "one" for matrices

## WARNINGS

Properties above are analogous to properties of real numbers.  
But **NOT ALL** real number properties correspond to matrix properties.

1. It is not the case that  $AB$  always equal  $BA$ . (see Example 7, page 114)
2. Even if  $AB = AC$ , then  $B$  may not equal  $C$ . (see Exercise 10, page 116)
3. It is possible for  $AB = 0$  even if  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$ . (see Exercise 12, page 116)

$$AB = AC \Rightarrow AB - AC = 0 \Rightarrow A \cdot (B - C) = 0$$

For numbers: If  $A \neq 0$ , then  $B - C = 0 \Rightarrow B = C$

For matrices: Even if  $A \neq 0$ ,  $B \neq C$  can happen

## Powers of $A$

Defined if  $A$  is square  
(# cols = # rows)

$$A^k = \underbrace{A \cdots A}_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{m} \times n \quad \text{m} \times n \quad \text{m} \times n \\ & A^2 = A \cdot A \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ & A^3 = A \cdot A \cdot A \end{aligned}$$

Ok if  $m=n$

## EXAMPLE:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^3 &= \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 9 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 21 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

If  $A$  is  $m \times n$ , the **transpose** of  $A$  is the  $n \times m$  matrix, denoted by  $A^T$ , whose columns are formed from the corresponding rows of  $A$ .

## EXAMPLE:

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

**EXAMPLE:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $AB$ ,  $(AB)^T$ ,  $A^T B^T$  and  $B^T A^T$ .

*Solution:*

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(AB)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 & 10 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^T A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

In general:  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

### THEOREM 3

Let  $A$  and  $B$  denote matrices whose sizes are appropriate for the following sums and products.

- a.  $(A^T)^T = A$  (i.e., the transpose of  $A^T$  is  $A$ )
- b.  $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
- c. For any scalar  $r$ ,  $(rA)^T = rA^T$
- d.  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$  (i.e. the transpose of a product of matrices equals the product of their transposes in reverse order. )

**EXAMPLE:** Prove that  $(ABC)^T = \underline{C^T B^T A^T}$ .

*Solution:* By Theorem 3d,

$$\begin{aligned}(ABC)^T &= ((AB)C)^T = C^T ( \quad )^T \\ &= C^T ( \quad ) = \underline{\quad}.\end{aligned}$$

## DETERMINANTS

For every square matrix  $A$  ( $\# \text{cols} = \# \text{rows}$ ), we can compute the determinant

$$\det(A) = |A|$$

It is a numerical value.

Eks: A  $2 \times 2$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow |A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = \underline{ad - bc}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 3 = 4 - 6 = \underline{\underline{-2}}$$

SEE [LN] SECTION 31-3.2

When  $A$  is  $n \times n$ -matrix with  $n \geq 3$ , there are two methods for computing  $|A|$ :

- ① Cofactor expansion
- ② Gaussian elimination / row operations

} See [LN]  
for details

Defn: An inverse of  $A$  is a matrix  $B$  (also  $n \times n$ ) such that

$$(A \cdot B = B \cdot A = I_n)$$

- Facts:
- i) If an inverse of  $A$  exists, it is unique (and is usually called  $A^{-1}$ , not  $B$ )
  - ii) Even if  $A \neq 0$  (zero matrix), it is not sure that  $A^{-1}$  exists

Theorem:

$$A^{-1} \text{ exists } \Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$$

In other words:

If  $|A| \neq 0$ ,  $A^{-1}$  exists

If  $|A|=0$ ,  $A^{-1}$  does not exist



This is the main property of the determinant.

Case  $n=2$ :

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

i)  $|A| = \det(A) = ad - bc$

ii)  $A^{-1} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{ad-bc} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}, & \text{if } ad-bc \neq 0 \\ \text{does not exist}, & \text{if } ad-bc = 0 \end{cases}$

Ex: Use of determinants and inverses

Linear system:  $\begin{cases} x - y = 7 \\ y = 13 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{Matrix form: } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $A \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{b}$ .

Solution of  $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ :

$$A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

$$\underline{x} = A^{-1} \cdot \underline{b} = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 1 - (-1) \cdot 0} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x} = \frac{1}{1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 7+13 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}}}$$

(since  $|A| = 1 \cdot 1 - (-1) \cdot 0 = 1 \neq 0$ )

$$A^{-1} \cdot (A\underline{x}) = A^{-1} \cdot \underline{b}$$

$$(A^{-1}A)\underline{x} = A^{-1}\underline{b}$$

$$I\underline{x} = A^{-1}\underline{b}$$

$$\underline{x} = A^{-1}\underline{b}$$

If  $A^{-1}$  exists



$$|A| \neq 0$$

### 3.1 Introduction to Determinants

*Notation:*  $A_{ij}$  is the matrix obtained from matrix  $A$  by deleting the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column of  $A$ .

**EXAMPLE:**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 9 & 10 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall that  $\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = ad - bc$  and we let  $\det[a] = a$ .

For  $n \geq 2$ , the **determinant** of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is given by

$$\det A = a_{11} \det A_{11} - a_{12} \det A_{12} + \cdots + (-1)^{1+n} a_{1n} \det A_{1n}$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} \det A_{1j}$$

Cofactor  
expansion

(first row)

**EXAMPLE:** Compute the determinant of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

*Solution*

$$\det A = 1 \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1 \cdot (-1) - 2 \cdot (3-4) + 0}{1} = \frac{1}{1}$$

Common notation:  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ .

So

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

The **(i, j)-cofactor** of  $A$  is the number  $C_{ij}$  where  
 $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det A_{ij}$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1C_{11} + 2C_{12} + 0C_{13}$$

(cofactor expansion across row 1)

**THEOREM 1** The determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  can be computed by a cofactor expansion across any row or down any column:

$$\det A = a_{i1}C_{i1} + a_{i2}C_{i2} + \cdots + a_{in}C_{in} \quad (\text{expansion across row } i)$$

$$\det A = a_{1j}C_{1j} + a_{2j}C_{2j} + \cdots + a_{nj}C_{nj} \quad (\text{expansion down column } j)$$

Use a matrix of signs to determine  $(-1)^{i+j}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} + & - & + & \cdots \\ - & + & - & \cdots \\ + & - & + & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

**EXAMPLE:** Compute the determinant of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

using cofactor expansion down column 3.

*Solution*

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 1.$$

**EXAMPLE:** Compute the determinant of  $A =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Solution*

cofactor expansion

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

new cofactor expansion

$$= 1 \cdot 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 14$$

*Method of cofactor expansion is not practical for large matrices - see Numerical Note on page 190.*

## Triangular Matrices:

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & * & \cdots & * & * \\ 0 & * & \cdots & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{bmatrix}$$

(upper triangular)

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & \ddots & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & \cdots & * & 0 \\ * & * & \cdots & * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

(lower triangular)

**THEOREM 2:** If  $A$  is a triangular matrix, then  $\det A$  is the product of the main diagonal entries of  $A$ .

## EXAMPLE:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{2 \cdot 1 \cdot (-3) \cdot 4}{ } = -24$$

### 3.2 Properties of Determinants

**THEOREM 3** Let  $A$  be a square matrix.

- If a multiple of one row of  $A$  is added to another row of  $A$  to produce a matrix  $B$ , then  $\det A = \det B$ .
- If two rows of  $A$  are interchanged to produce  $B$ , then  $\det B = -\det A$ .
- If one row of  $A$  is multiplied by  $k$  to produce  $B$ , then  $\det B = k \cdot \det A$ .

**EXAMPLE:** Compute  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 & 10 \\ 2 & 9 & 7 & 11 \end{vmatrix}$ .

*Solution*

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 & 10 \\ 2 & 9 & 7 & 11 \end{vmatrix} = 5 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 & 10 \\ 2 & 7 & 11 \end{vmatrix} = 5 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 7 & 11 \end{vmatrix} = 5 \cdot (-2) = -10$$

$$= 5 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -5 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -5 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 = -10.$$

Theorem 3(c) indicates that

$$\begin{vmatrix} * & * & * \\ -2k & 5k & 4k \\ * & * & * \end{vmatrix} = k \begin{vmatrix} * & * & * \\ -2 & 5 & 4 \\ * & * & * \end{vmatrix}.$$

**EXAMPLE:** Compute

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 7 & 6 & 10 \end{vmatrix}$$

*Solution*

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 7 & 6 & 10 \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{:2}{=} 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 7 & 6 & 10 \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{\substack{\text{C1} \\ \leftrightarrow \\ \text{C2}}}{=} 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -4 & -8 \\ 0 & -8 & -11 \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{:(-4)}{=} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(-4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -8 & -11 \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{\text{C3}}{=} 2(-4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(-4)(1)(1)(5) = -40$$

**EXAMPLE:** Compute  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 7 & 0 & 3 \\ 7 & 9 & -2 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$  using a combination of row reduction and cofactor expansion.

$$\text{Solution} \quad \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 7 & 0 & 3 \\ 7 & 9 & -2 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 7 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = -2(1)(-1)(-6) = -12.$$

Suppose  $A$  has been reduced to  $U = \begin{bmatrix} \blacksquare & * & * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & \blacksquare & * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & 0 & \blacksquare & \cdots & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \blacksquare \end{bmatrix}$  by

row replacements and row interchanges, then

$$\det A = \begin{cases} (-1)^r \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{product of} \\ \text{pivots in } U \end{array} \right) & \text{when } A \text{ is invertible} \\ 0 & \text{when } A \text{ is not invertible} \end{cases}$$

**THEOREM 4** A square matrix is invertible if and only if  $\det A \neq 0$ .

**THEOREM 5** If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $\det A^T = \det A$ .

**Partial proof ( $2 \times 2$  case)**

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = ad - bc \quad \text{and}$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^T = \det \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} = ad - bc$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

( $3 \times 3$  case)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{vmatrix} e & h \\ f & i \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} d & g \\ f & i \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} d & g \\ e & h \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{bmatrix}.$$

*Implications of Theorem 5?*

Theorem 3 still holds if the word *row* is replaced

with column.

## THEOREM 6 (Multiplicative Property)

For  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $\det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B)$ .

**EXAMPLE:** Compute  $\det A^3$  if  $\det A = 5$ .

*Solution:*  $\det A^3 = \det(AAA) = (\det A)(\det A)(\det A)$

$$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

**EXAMPLE:** For  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , show that  $A$  is singular if  $\det B \neq 0$  and  $\det AB = 0$ .

*Solution:* Since

$$(\det A)(\det B) = \det AB = 0$$

and

$$\det B \neq 0,$$

then  $\det A = 0$ . Therefore  $A$  is singular.

A singular means  
 $\det A = 0$