

1 Chapter 1

Definition 1.1 (Matrix). A $m \times n$ matrix is a collection of mn numbers arranged in a rectangle like so:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix multiplication is distributive:

$$A(B + B') = AB + AB', \quad (A + A')B = AB + A'B$$

And associative:

$$(AB)C = A(BC)$$

But not commutative: $AB \neq BA$. Note that this also works in exactly the same fashion with block matrices.

Definition 1.2 (unit matrix). e_{ij} is 1 at entry i, j and zero everywhere else.

Definition 1.3 (elementary matrices). There are three types of elementary $n \times n$ matrices:

(i) One nonzero off-diagonal entry is added to the identity matrix at (i, j) . In this case, EX adds a of row j of X to row i . (draw it out) (ii) The i th and j th diagonal entries of the identity matrix are replaced with zeros and 1's are added in the (i, j) and (j, i) positions. In this case when we have EX , we just swap rows i and j of X . (iii) One diagonal entry of the identity matrix is replaced by a nonzero scalar c . EX simply scales up row i by (a) .

All elementary matrices are invertible. Their inverses are also elementary matrices.

Definition 1.4 (Row Echelon matrix). A row echelon matrix, M has the following properties:

- if row i of M is zero, then row j is zero $\forall j > i$
- if row i isn't zero, its first nonzero entry is 1. This is called a pivot
- if row $i + 1$ isn't zero, the pivot in row $i+1$ is to the right of the pivot in row i .
- The entries above and below a pivot are zero

Definition 1.5 (Permutation). A permutation is a mapping from a set to another set. The notation here is new. Basically, suppose we have a set of numbers $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Then, we have something that looks like this that represents p :

$$p = (341)(25)$$

This means that $3 \rightarrow 4$, $4 \rightarrow 1$, $1 \rightarrow 3$, etc.

Each group within parentheses is considered a n -cycle. 2-cycles are denoted transpositions. Note that when you have a permutation and elements are not listed, they are implicitly identity. Each permutation has a permutation matrix associated with it, which performs the permutation on a matrix.

The inverse of a permutation matrix is its transpose.

Definition 1.6 (random properties of invertible matrices).

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

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \det(A)$$

2 Chapter 2

Definition 2.1 (Function types). For a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ (domain to codomain):

surjective is at least one arrow per ele in codomain (codomain overmapped):

$$\forall y \in Y \exists x \in X \text{ s.t. } y = f(x)$$

injective is at most one in arrow per ele in codomain (codomain undermapped): $\forall x, x' \in X, f(x) = f(x') \implies x = x'$

bijective is one to one: both surjective and injective

Definition 2.2 (Law of Composition). A function of two variables:

$$S \times S \rightarrow S$$

Where $S \times S$ is the product of two sets (set of pairs).

Definition 2.3 (Examples of laws of composition). Here's two examples:

- $(ab) c = a(bc)$ (associative law)
- $ab = ba$ (communative)

Definition 2.4 (Group). A group is a set G and a law of composition with the following properties:

- The law of composition is associative: $(ab)c = a(bc)$
- G contains an identity element 1 s.t. $1a = a$ and $a1 = a$ for all a in G
- Every element a of G has an inverse, an element b s.t. $ab = 1$ and $ba = 1$

A group's order (number elements) is its cardinality.

Definition 2.5 (Abelian Group). A group whose law of composition is commutative. That is to say, $ab = ba$. Also denoted a **commutative group**

And now for some common groups...

Definition 2.6 ($n \times n$ Common groups). General linear group: group of all invertible n by n matrices. Denoted GL_n

Special linear group: group of all n by n matrices with determinant 1. Denoted SL_n .

Alternating group: set of even permutations. Denoted A_n

Definition 2.7 (permutation group). The group of permutations of the set of n indices is called the **symmetric group**. This includes all permutations of those n indices.

Definition 2.8 (Subgroup). A subset H of a group G is a subgroup if it has the following properties:

- Closure: if a and b are in H , then ab is in H
- Identity: 1 is in H
- Inverses: If a is in H , then a^{-1} is also in H

There are two *trivial* subgroups for any group G . The subgroup containing every element in G , and the subgroup only containing the identity. Subgroups that are not *trivial* are denoted *proper*.

Definition 2.9 (divides). Given two integers a and b , we say a divides b if there is an integer c such that $b = ac$. E.g. a divides b if b is a multiple of a . Equivalently, if a is a factor of b .

Definition 2.10 (Subgroup of Additive Group of Integers). A subset of a group G with law of composition written additively is a subgroup if it has these properties:

- Closure: if a and b are in S then $a + b$ is in S
- Identity: 0 is in S
- Inverses: If a is in S then $-a$ is in S

Define an additive subgroup notationally like this:

$$\mathbb{Z}a = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} | n = ka \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Also union of two groups is gcd, difference is lcm.

Definition 2.11 (bracket notation). $\langle x \rangle$ means smallest subgroup generated by single element x in group G . Using multiplicative notation, this means:

$$\langle x \rangle = \{\dots, x^{-1}, 1, x, x^2\}$$

Definition 2.12 (order of element). The order of an element n in a group G is the smallest positive integer with the property $x^n = 1$

Definition 2.13 (homomorphism). Let G and G' be groups written with multiplicative notation. A homomorphism $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ is a map from G to G' s.t. $\forall a, b \in G$:

$$\phi(ab) = \phi(a)\phi(b)$$

Trivial homomorphism maps every element in G to the identity in G' .

Note that this preserves both identity and inverse relations.

The image of a homomorphism is the set elements mapped to in G' from G THIS IS A SUBSET OF G' . This is a subgroup of the range.

$$\phi(G) = \text{im}\phi = \{x \in G' | \exists a \text{ s.t. } x = \phi(a)\}$$

The kernel of a homomorphism is the set of elements of G that map to G'_{id} . This is also a subgroup.

$$\ker \phi = \{a \in G | \phi(a) = id\}$$

The kernel is a normal subgroup of G .

If the kernel is trivial, then this implies the mapping is injective because $a^{-1}b \in \ker \phi \implies \phi(a) = \phi(b)$. But we can't have this by defn b/c then the kernel is no longer trivial.

Congruence relation is defined to be elements a, b s.t. $\phi(a) = \phi(b)$

Definition 2.14 (cosets). Let H be a subgroup of a group G and a be an element of G . Then define:

$$aH = \{g \in G | g = ah \forall h \in H\} \text{ (left coset)}$$

$$Ha = \{g \in G | g = ha \forall h \in H\} \text{ (right coset)}$$

The number of left cosets in a subgroup is called **index** of H in G and denoted $[G : H]$. Let $G \supset H \supset K$ be subgroups of a group G . Then $[G : K] = [G : H][H : K]$

If H is normal subgroup, left and right cosets are equal.

Definition 2.15 (conjugate). If a and g are elements of a group G , then the element gag^{-1} is the conjugate of a by g .

Definition 2.16 (normal subgroup). A subgroup N of a group G is a normal subgroup if for every a in N and every g in G , the conjugate gag^{-1} is also in N .

Definition 2.17 (center of group). The center of group G , denoted Z , is defined as:

$$Z = \{z \in G | zx = xz \forall x \in G\}$$

This is always normal (because commutativity)

Definition 2.18 (isomorphism). An isomorphism $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ between groups G and G' is a **bijective** group homomorphism. E.g. each element is only mapped to once. This means there is another isomorphism $\phi^{-1} : G' \rightarrow G$. We denote isomorphic to as $G \approx G'$.

Definition 2.19 (Isomorphic Class). The groups isomorphic to a given group G form what is called the isomorphism class of G .

Definition 2.20 (Automorphism). An automorphism on G is defined to be a isomorphism $\phi : G \rightarrow G$.

Definition 2.21 (Conjugation). Let g be a fixed element of a group G . Conjugation by g is the map $\phi(x) = gxg^{-1}$. This is (fairly obviously) an automorphism.

Definition 2.22 (commuting in a group). The **commutator** $aba^{-1}b^{-1}$ is an element associated with a pair (a, b) in a group. Two elements a and b of a group commute, eg $ab = ba$, iff

$$aba^{-1}b^{-1} = 1 \iff ab = ba$$

Definition 2.23 (partition). A partition Π of a set S is a subdivision of S into nonoverlapping, nonempty subsets.

Definition 2.24 (equivalence relation). An equivalence relation on a set S is a relation that holds between certain pairs of elements of S . We denote this $a \sim b$. Requirements are:

- **transitive:** if $a \sim b$ and $b \sim c$, then $a \sim c$
- **symmetric:** if $a \sim b$, then $b \sim a$
- **reflexive:** $\forall a, a \sim a$

With group homomorphisms, the equivalence relation is defined by:

$$\phi(a) = \phi(b) \rightarrow a \equiv b$$

Definition 2.25 (equivalence classes). An equivalent relation defines a partition (and vice versa). All the elements in one of the subsets in the partition are equivalent by \sim . These subsets are denoted **equivalence classes**. Bar is used to denote equivalence class. The set of equivalence classes from a set S is denoted \bar{S} . An equivalence class of element b is denoted \bar{b} .

Definition 2.26 (maps). For a map of sets $f : S \rightarrow T$, the inverse image, or *fibre* is defined:

$$f^{-1}(t) = \{s \in S | f(s) = t\}$$

Non-empty fibres are equivalence classes for equivalence relation $a \sim b$ if $f(a) = f(b)$.

Definition 2.27 (Counting Formula). Note that all left cosets aH of a subgroup H of a group G have the same order, $|H|$, because the mapping is bijective (any element a has an inverse so you can undo whatever you did). We also know that these cosets partition G (each element in G times the identity element in H means g is in some coset). As a result:

$$|G| = |H|[G : H]$$

Colloraries:

- Langrange's theorem states if H is a subgroup of finite group G , then the order of H divides the order of G . Another collorary is (noting that the kernel is a subgroup), $|G| = |\ker \phi| * |\text{im } \phi|$. Note that to prove this, use the fact $[G : \ker \phi] = |\text{im } \phi|$. This holds true because the LHS is the number of nonempty fibres in G' , and the RHS is the number of elements mapped to in G' .

- $|\text{im } \phi|$ also divides $|G'|$ b/c the image is a subgroup of G' (follows from lagrange).

Definition 2.28 (Congruence Relation). Given some subgroup H of a group G , right and left congruence are defined as follows:

$$a \equiv b \text{ if } b = ah \text{ for some } h \in H (\text{left congruence})$$

$$a \equiv b \text{ if } b = ha \text{ for some } h \in H (\text{right congruence})$$

These cosets both individually partition G .

Definition 2.29 (congruence classes modulo n). Denoted $\mathbb{Z}/\mathbb{Z}n$, $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$, or $\mathbb{Z}/(n)$. Means set of congruence classes modulo n : congruence classes $\mathbb{Z}i$ for $i \in [0, n-1]$.

Definition 2.30 (restricting homomorphism). Let $\psi : G \rightarrow G'$ be a homomorphism and let H be a subgroup of G . We may restrict ϕ to H to get the homomorphism:

$$\phi|_H : H \rightarrow G'$$

Same map ϕ , smaller domain.

Definition 2.31 (Correspondence Theorem). Let $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ be a surjective homomorphism with kernel K . There is a bijective correspondence between subgroups of G' and subgroups of G that contain K . Then we have that that map is:

$$\text{subgroup } H \text{ of } G \text{ that contains } K \rightarrow \text{its image } \phi(H) \in G'$$

$$\text{a subgroup } H' \text{ of } G' \rightarrow \text{its inverse image } \phi^{-1}(H') \in G$$

If H and H' are corresponding subgroups, then H is normal in G iff H' is normal in G' .

If H and H' are corresponding subgroups, then $|H| = |H'| |K|$ (follows naturally from counting formula).

Definition 2.32 (Product group). A product group is defined to be cartesian product of two groups with pairs. Multiplication is pairwise- $(a, b) \cdot (a', b') = (aa', bb')$. It's denoted $G \times G'$. Mapping from product group back to G or G' is called a projection.

Definition 2.33 (Quotient Group).

$$\bar{G} = G/N \text{ is the set of cosets of a normal subgroup } N \text{ in group } G$$

A theorem for why quotient groups are useful:

Let N is a normal subgroup of a group G , and let \bar{G} denote the set of cosets of N in G . There is a law of composition of \bar{G} that makes this set into a group s.t. the map $\phi : G \rightarrow \bar{G}$ defined by $\pi(a) \rightarrow \bar{a}$ is a surjective homomorphism whose kernel is N .

π is denoted **canonical map** from G to \bar{G} .

Definition 2.34 (Proper Subgroup). The subgroup is an actual subset; e.g. G and H (H is subset of G) are not the same.

Definition 2.35 (Product Set). If A and B are subsets of a group G , then AB denotes the set of products:

$$AB = \{x \in G | x = ab \text{ for some } a \in A, b \in B\}$$

Definition 2.36 (First Isomorphism Theorem). Let $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ be a surjective group homomorphism with kernel N . The quotient group $\bar{G} = G/N$ is isomorphic to the image G' . If $\pi : G \rightarrow \bar{G}$ is the canonical map, then there is a unique isomorphism $\bar{\phi} : \bar{G} \rightarrow G'$ s.t. $\phi = \bar{\phi} \circ \pi$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\phi} & G' \\ \downarrow \pi & \nearrow \bar{\phi} & \\ \bar{G} & & \end{array}$$