

# Math 107 Lecture 18

## Matrix Invertibility and Properties

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## » Announcements and Objectives

### Announcements

- \* Skill Check 5 is next Wed (11/6, 110 mins)
- \* Solutions to Homeworks 1-8 available in Canvas Modules
- \* Pre-Notes due before start of next lecture
- \* Assignments Due Friday (11/1):
  - \* HW9 Handwritten Questions
  - \* HW9 Coding Problems
  - \* HW9 MATLAB File Upload

### Objectives

- \* Discuss properties of the inverse and transpose
- \* Discuss special types of matrices and their features
- \* Use the Invertible Matrix Theorem to determine whether given matrices are invertible
- \* Define and compute the determinant of  $n \times n$  matrices

## » Diagonal entries

**Definition:** Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. The **diagonal** of  $A$  consists of the entries  $a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots$

**Example:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & \mathbf{4} & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{6} \end{bmatrix}$

**Example:**  $B = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{3} & 1 & 7 \\ 8 & \mathbf{7} & -2 \\ 0 & 5 & \mathbf{-1} \end{bmatrix}$

» **Triangular Matrices****Definition**

**Definition:** An  $n \times n$  matrix for which all elements above the main diagonal are zero is called a **lower triangular matrix**.

**Example:**  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 21 & 0 \\ 7 & 5\pi & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Definition:** An  $n \times n$  matrix for which all elements below the main diagonal are zero is called an **upper triangular matrix**.

**Example:**  $C = \begin{bmatrix} -10 & 34 & 9 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 57 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

## » Diagonal matrix

## Definition

**Definition:** A **diagonal matrix** is an  $n \times n$  matrix in which the only nonzero entries lie on the diagonal.

**Example:**  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Remark:** For a matrix to be a diagonal matrix, it *must* be square (same number of rows as columns).

## » Inverse of diagonal matrices

**Fact:** If  $A$  is a diagonal matrix with diagonal entries  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$ , i.e.,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & d_n \end{bmatrix}$$

where none of the diagonal entries are zero then  $A^{-1}$  exists and is equal to

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/d_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1/d_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1/d_n \end{bmatrix}$$

## Matrix Transpose

## » Transpose

## Definition

**Definition:** Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. The **transpose** of  $A$ , denoted  $A^T$ , is the  $n \times m$  matrix whose columns are the respective rows of  $A$ .



## » Properties of the Matrix Transpose

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be matrices where the following operations are defined, and let  $k$  be a scalar. Then:

1.  $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
2.  $(kA)^T = kA^T$
3.  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$
4.  $(A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$
5.  $(A^T)^T = A$

## » Transpose of Product

**Question:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 6 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Use MATLAB to compute the following:

(a)  $A^T$

(b)  $B^T$

(c)  $(AB)^T$

(d)  $A^T B^T$

(e)  $B^T A^T$

## » Properties of the Matrix Transpose

### Example

**Question:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any  $n \times n$  invertible matrices. Simplify  $((A^{-1}B^{-1})^T)^{-1}$ .

## » Symmetric and Skew Symmetric

**Definition:** A matrix  $A$  is **symmetric** if  $A^T = A$

**Example:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 5 \\ 6 & 4 & 3 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

**Definition:** A matrix  $A$  is **skew symmetric** if  $A^T = -A$ .

**Example:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

## Invertible Matrix Theorem

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**Theorem:** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. The following statements are equivalent.

- \*  $A$  is invertible.
- \* The reduced row echelon form of  $A$  is  $I$ .
- \* The equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has exactly one solution for every  $n \times 1$  vector  $\vec{b}$ .
- \* The equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  has exactly one solution (namely,  $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ ).

**Remark:** We will add more statements to this theorem!

## Determinant of $2 \times 2$ Matrices

» **Determinants of  $2 \times 2$  matrices****Definition**

**Definition:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ . The determinant of  $A$ , denoted

$\det(A)$  or  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$ , is given by

$$\det(A) = ad - bc.$$

**Connection to inverse:**

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$



» **Determinants of  $2 \times 2$  matrices****Examples**

**Example:** Compute the determinants of the following matrices:

1.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

2.  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

3.  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

## » Question

**Question:** (True or False?) Let  $B$  be a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with  $\det(B) = 0$ . Then  $B$  is not invertible.

## Determinants of $n \times n$ Matrices

» Minor of  $A$ 

## Definition

**Definition:** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. The  $ij$ -minor of  $A$ , denoted  $A_{ij}$ , is the determinant of the  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  matrix formed by deleting the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column of  $A$ .

**Example:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $A_{11}$ ,  $A_{23}$ , and  $A_{32}$ .

## » Cofactor

## Definition

**Definition:** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. The  $ij$ -**cofactor** of  $A$ , denoted  $C_{ij}$  is the number

$$C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} A_{ij}.$$

**Example:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $C_{23}$  and  $C_{11}$ .

## » Cofactor Expansion

## Definition

**Definition:** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. The **cofactor expansion of  $A$  along the  $i$ th row** is the sum

$$a_{i1}C_{i1} + a_{i2}C_{i2} + \cdots + a_{in}C_{in}$$

The **cofactor expansion of  $A$  down the  $j$ th column** is the sum

$$a_{1j}C_{1j} + a_{2j}C_{2j} + \cdots + a_{nj}C_{nj}$$

**Example:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the cofactor expansion along the 2nd row.

**Example:** Find the cofactor expansion down the 3rd column.

» Determinant of an  $n \times n$  Matrix

## Definition

**Definition:** The determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is a number given by the following:

- \* if  $A$  is  $1 \times 1$ , then  $A = [a]$  and  $\det(A) = a$
- \* if  $A$  is  $2 \times 2$ , then  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\det(A) = ad - bc$
- \* if  $A$  is  $n \times n$  with  $n > 2$ , then

$\det(A) = \text{cofactor expansion along any row or column}$

» Determinant of an  $n \times n$  Matrix

## Example 1

**Example:** Find the determinant of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 7 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$



» Determinant of an  $n \times n$  Matrix

## Example 2

**Example:** Find the determinant of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 5 & -7 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Properties of Determinants

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## Theorems

**Theorem:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  matrices and let  $k$  be a scalar. The following are true:

1.  $\det(kA) = k^n \det(A)$
2.  $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$
3.  $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$
4. If  $A$  is invertible, then  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ .

**Theorem:** A matrix  $A$  is invertible if and only if  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

## » Properties of Determinants

## Exercise

**Example:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $\det(A)$ ,  $\det(B)$ , and  $\det(AB)$ .

## » Invertible Matrix Theorem (revisited)

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- \*  $\det(A) \neq 0$

## » Shortcut for $3 \times 3$ matrices

(Reference: Pgs 259-261 of Main Textbook)

**Example:** Find the determinant of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

**Example:** Find the determinant of  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & -1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

**Question:** (True or False?) The matrix  $B$  above is invertible.