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0. Lecture 0

0.1. Matrix Terminology

A matrix is a structured way of organizing data in a rectangular array with rows and columns. For this module the notation of a matrix and reference to matrix terms is shown in **Eq. 1**.

$$[K]_{i \times j} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{11} & k_{12} & \dots & k_{1j} \\ k_{21} & k_{22} & \dots & k_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ k_{i1} & k_{i2} & \dots & k_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} \quad (1)$$

Where:

- $[K]_{i \times j}$: The matrix $[K]$ (Note for this module a matrix will be defined by the $[]$ notation).
- i : The row index (indexed from 1).
- j : The column index (indexed from 2).
- $i \times j$: The shape of the matrix (i number of rows, j number of columns).
- k_{ij} : The item in the i th row and the j th column.

A special type of commonly used matrix is a **diagonal matrix** shown in **Eq. 2**. This type of matrix only features terms that sit on the indexes where the row index is equal to the column index ($i = j$).

$$[K]_{i \times j} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & k_{22} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & k_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} \quad (2)$$

0.2. Vector Terminology

A vector is a quantity that has a **magnitude** as well as a **direction**. A vector is like one column out of a matrix, the number of terms signifies the dimensions of a vector, the notation used in this module for a vector is shown in **Eq. 3**.

$$\{q\}_{i \times 1} = \begin{Bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ \vdots \\ q_i \end{Bmatrix}_{i \times 1} \quad (3)$$

0.3. Matrix Addition and Subtraction

Matrixes with the same shape can be added or subtracted. Matrix addition or subtraction is a **commutative** property and the process to do so is shown in **Eq. 4**.

$$[A]_{i \times j} \pm [B]_{i \times j} \quad (4.1)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1j} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & a_{i2} & \dots & a_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} \pm \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1j} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{i1} & b_{i2} & \dots & b_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \pm b_{11} & a_{12} \pm b_{12} & \dots & a_{1j} \pm b_{1j} \\ a_{21} \pm b_{21} & a_{22} \pm b_{22} & \dots & a_{2j} \pm b_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i1} \pm b_{i1} & a_{i2} \pm b_{i2} & \dots & a_{ij} \pm b_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} \quad (4.2)$$

$$[A]_{i \times j} \pm [B]_{i \times j} = [B]_{i \times j} \pm [A]_{i \times j} \quad (4.3)$$

0.4. Matrix Multiplication

0.4.1. Scalar \times Matrix Multiplication

A scalar can be multiplied with a matrix or vector of any shape, the scalar value is multiplied with every term within the matrix, as shown in **Eq. 5**.

$$k[A]_{i \times j} = k \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1j} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & a_{i2} & \dots & a_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} = \begin{bmatrix} ka_{11} & ka_{12} & \dots & ka_{1j} \\ ka_{21} & ka_{22} & \dots & ka_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ ka_{i1} & ka_{i2} & \dots & ka_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} \quad (5)$$

0.4.2. Matrix \times Matrix Multiplication

Any two matrices can be multiplied as long as **the number of columns of the first matrix is the same as the number of rows in the second matrix**. Given this criteria is satisfied the formula to then multiply two matrices together is shown in **Eq. 6**.

$$[A]_{i \times k} [B]_{k \times j} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1k} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & a_{i2} & \dots & a_{ik} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times k} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1j} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{k1} & b_{k2} & \dots & b_{kj} \end{bmatrix}_{k \times j} \quad (6.1)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{1r} b_{r1}) & \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{1r} b_{r2}) & \dots & \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{1r} b_{rj}) \\ \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{2r} b_{r1}) & \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{2r} b_{r2}) & \dots & \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{2r} b_{rj}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{ir} b_{r1}) & \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{ir} b_{r2}) & \dots & \sum_{r=1}^k (a_{ir} b_{rj}) \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} \quad (6.2)$$

Note that matrix multiplication has some key properties associated with it, these are:

- **Non commutable** $([A]_{i \times k} [B]_{k \times j} \neq [B]_{k \times j} [A]_{i \times k})$.
- **Associative** $([A]_{i \times k} [B]_{k \times l} [C]_{l \times j} = [A]_{i \times k} ([B]_{k \times l} [C]_{l \times j}))$
- **Distributable** $[A]_{i \times k} ([B]_{k \times j} + [C]_{k \times j}) = [A]_{i \times k} [B]_{k \times j} + [A]_{i \times k} [C]_{k \times j}$

0.5. Identity Matrix

The identity matrix is a special matrix with some key and is defined in **Eq. 7**.

$$I_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases} \quad [I]_{i \times j} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} \quad (7)$$

Identity matrices **are** commutable and multiplication by an appropriately sized identity matrix will not itself change the value of the matrix, these properties are shown in.

$$[I]_{i \times i} [K]_{i \times j} = [K]_{i \times j} = [K]_{i \times j} [I]_{j \times j} \quad (8)$$

0.6. Matrix Transposition

The transpose of a matrix is signified by the T symbol and will flip the matrix along the diagonal. The generalized expression for transposition is shown in **Eq. 9**.

$$[A]_{i \times j} = [a_{ij}] \rightarrow [A]_{j \times i}^T = [a_{ji}] \quad \text{where} \quad ([A]^T)_{ij} = a_{ji} \quad (9)$$

For example the transpose of a general 3×2 matrix is shown in **Eq. 10**.

$$[A]_{3 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \rightarrow [A]_{2 \times 3}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \quad (10)$$

0.7. Matrix Determinant

The determinant of a matrix is a scalar-valued function of a **square matrix** (matrix must be square for there to exist a determinant). Determinants are symbolized via a $|$ and the general form of a determinant is shown in **Eq. 11**.

$$\text{let } [A]_{n \times n} = [a_{ij}] \text{ then } \det([A]) = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(M_{ij}) \quad (11.1)$$

$$\text{where } M_{ij} \text{ is the minor of } a_{ij} \quad (11.2)$$

Determinants can be long and repetitive to calculate for larger matrices, the determinant for a 2×2 matrix is shown in **Eq. 12**.

$$[A]_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \rightarrow |[A]_{2 \times 2}| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} \quad (12)$$

Just for completion, the determinant for a 3×3 matrix is shown in **Eq. 13**.

$$[A]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \rightarrow |[A]_{3 \times 3}| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} \quad (13.1)$$

$$= a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} \quad (13.2)$$

$$= a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} - a_{13}a_{22}a_{31} \quad (13.3)$$

0.8. Minor of an Element, Adjoint Matrix and Cofactor Matrix

The **adjoint** or **adjugate** matrix is a useful mathematical tool which will eventually allow us to be able to form the inverse of a matrix. Before defining the adjoint matrix, the minor of an element and the cofactor matrix must first be understood.

0.8.1. Minor of an Element

To find the minor of a given element, **the i th row and j th column of that element are deleted** and the **determinant of the remaining submatrix is the minor**. As an example, the minor of the a_{12} element in a 3×3 matrix is shown in **Eq. 14**.

$$[A]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \rightarrow M_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{21}a_{33} - a_{31}a_{23} \quad (14)$$

0.8.2. Cofactor Matrix

The cofactor matrix utilizes the minor of every element within a matrix to form a new matrix, the general mathematical definition for what a cofactor matrix is, is shown in **Eq. 15**.

$$\text{Cof}([A]_{i \times j}) = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & \dots & C_{1j} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & \dots & C_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_{i1} & C_{i2} & \dots & C_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{i \times j} \quad \text{Where } C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(M_{ij}) \quad (15)$$

Note that this equation is effectively calculating the minor of every element within a matrix and then adding the sign in a checkerboard form as shown in **Eq. 16**.

$$\begin{bmatrix} + & - & + & \dots \\ - & + & - & \dots \\ + & - & + & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \quad (16)$$

The cofactor matrix for a general 2×2 matrix is shown in **Eq. 17**

$$[A]_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \quad (17.1)$$

$$\text{Cof}([A])_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} +M_{11} & -M_{12} \\ -M_{21} & +M_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{21} \\ -a_{12} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \quad (17.2)$$

The cofactor matrix for a general 3×3 matrix is shown in **Eq. 18**

$$[A]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \quad (18.1)$$

$$\text{Cof}([A])_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} +M_{11} & -M_{12} & +M_{13} \\ -M_{21} & +M_{22} & -M_{23} \\ +M_{31} & -M_{32} & +M_{33} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} \\ - \begin{vmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} \\ + \begin{vmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{22} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \quad (18.2)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} +(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) & -(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) & +(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31}) \\ -(a_{12}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{32}) & +(a_{11}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{31}) & -(a_{11}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{31}) \\ +(a_{12}a_{23} - a_{13}a_{22}) & -(a_{11}a_{23} - a_{13}a_{21}) & +(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}) \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \quad (18.3)$$

0.8.3. Adjoint Matrix

To finish off, the adjoint matrix is just the **transposition of the cofactor matrix**, the general mathematical definition of the adjoint matrix is shown in **Eq. 19**. Note that the adjoint and cofactor operations can only be done on **square matrices**.

$$\text{Adj}([A]_{i \times j}) = \text{Cof}([A]_{i \times j})^T \quad (19)$$

For completeness the adjoint of a general 2×2 matrix is shown in **Eq. 20** and for a 3×3 matrix in **Eq. 21**.

$$[A]_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \rightarrow \text{Adj}([A]_{2 \times 2}) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \quad (20)$$

$$[A]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \quad (21.1)$$

$$\text{Adj}([A]_{3 \times 3}) = \begin{bmatrix} (a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) & -(a_{12}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{32}) & (a_{12}a_{23} - a_{13}a_{22}) \\ -(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) & (a_{11}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{31}) & -(a_{11}a_{23} - a_{13}a_{21}) \\ (a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31}) & -(a_{11}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{31}) & (a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}) \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \quad (21.2)$$

0.9. Inverse Matrix

The inversion of a matrix is a key tool within linear algebra and will act as a backbone for FEA in general. The mathematical definition to invert a matrix is shown in **Eq. 22**.

$$[A]_{i \times j}^{-1} = \frac{1}{|[A]_{i \times j}|} \text{Adj}([A]_{i \times j}) \quad (22)$$