

An Exploration into Linear Algebra

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Idk man, I just work here

1 The Inverse of a Matrick

Ok friends, we are going to be finding the inverse of a matrix today and it will be lots of fun. we will code this in python. so first we will go over what an integer is. ok so basically an integer is a number that isn't really a fraction or something¹. ok so to solve the inverse of a matrix we will row reduce the matrix until it is the identity matrix and has diagonal of 1s and rest are 0s. and we will perform row operations to do this. but we will do the same row operations on another identity matrix, and whatever that becomes will be the invser². ok thank you so much for watching, next episode we will create self driving car from scratch

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def inverse(matrix):  
  
    '''  
    finds the inverse of a matrix, uses very similar code to echelon  
    it takes reduces a matrix to upper triangle and applies the  
        same transforms to an indentity matrix  
    it then reflects both of them, and puts the reflect matrix into  
        upper triangle as well, and also  
    applies the changes to the identity matrix. we reflect again,  
        then we divide each each diagonal  
    and apply that to the identity as well. the original matrix  
        becomes an identity matrix,  
    array = [  
        [1,0,0,0...],  
        [0,1,0,0...],  
        [0,0,1,0...],
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¹the universe et al, basic 1st grade math, 1000BCE oor smth

²*ibid.*

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        [0,0,0,0...1]
    ]
    and the identity matrix we initialized becomes the matrices
    inverse. we return the identity matrix

'''

identity = make_identity(len(matrix)) # O(n**2) creates an
    identity matrix

for i in range(2): # O(1), we run through this twice, because
    we upper triangle and reflect twice

''' the following code is copypastad from echelon save for
    a few lines
so consult echelon for more detailed documentation'''

for col_index in range(len(matrix[0])): #O(n) this first
    for loop handles zeroes that might potentially lead to
    div by 0 errors
    col = get_col(matrix, col_index) # O(n)

    if col_index <= len(matrix): # O(1)

        if all((i == 0) for i in col[col_index:]): #O(n)
            continue

        elif col[col_index] == 0: # O(1)
            for i in range(len(col[col_index:])): #O(n)
                if col[col_index:][i] != 0: # O(1)
                    row_idx = col_index+i # O(1)
                    break

            matrix[col_index], matrix[row_idx] =
                matrix[row_idx], matrix[col_index] # O(n)

    for row_index in range(len(col)): # O(n)

        if row_index <= col_index: #O(1)
            if row_index == col_index: #O(1)
                denominator = matrix[row_index][col_index]
                    #O(1)

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        raw_subtractant_row = matrix[row_index] #0(1)
        raw_subtractant_row_identity =
            identity[row_index] # 0(1) this line is
            one of the main ones that differs from
            echelon
    pass

else:

    numerator = matrix[row_index][col_index] #0(1)

    row_to_sub_from = matrix[row_index] # 0(1)
    subtractant = row_by_scalar(raw_subtractant_row,
        (numerator/denominator)) # 0(n)
    subbed_row = subtract_row(row_to_sub_from,
        subtractant) # 0(1)
    matrix[row_index] = subbed_row

'''
the following three lines are mainly what
differs between this and echelon. it simply
takes
the operation we did on the row of the argument
"matrix" and does it to the row of the
identity
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    subtractant_identity =
        row_by_scalar(raw_subtractant_row_identity,
            (numerator/denominator))
    subbed_row1 = subtract_row(identity[row_index],
        subtractant_identity)
    identity[row_index] = subbed_row1

# the following reflects the matrices so that we can
# echelon both again. then it reflects it again so we can
# get back to the original matrix
matrix = reflect(matrix)
identity = reflect(identity)

# we divide by 1/the diagonal in each row of the matrix
for i in range(len(matrix)):
    identity[i] = row_by_scalar(identity[i], (1/matrix[i][i]))

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return identity
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