

How to find inverse of a matrix

1. Determinant
2. How to inverse

Example 2x2 Matrix

A => find its inverse and also verify inverse using a transformation.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$A \cdot X = y$$

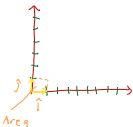
$$A^{-1}$$

Find the inverse of A

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

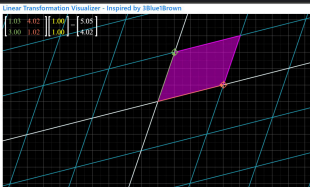
$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

Determinant



The determinant is a scalar value that can be computed from a square matrix. It provides important information about the matrix, such as whether the matrix is invertible (i.e., has an inverse), and it also has geometric interpretations, such as describing the scaling factor of linear transformations represented by the matrix.

Linear Transformation Visualizer - Inspired by 3Blue1Brown



Determinant

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow ad - cb \Rightarrow \text{scalar} \Rightarrow \text{Determinant}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A) = 24 - 14 = 10 \quad \text{Step 1}$$

$$\det(A) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{Inverse of the matrix}$$

Since the determinant is non zero the matrix A is invertible

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

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -7 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{6}{10} & -\frac{7}{10} \\ -\frac{2}{10} & \frac{4}{10} \end{bmatrix}$$

3 Verify using a vector

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{X using A then use } A^{-1} \text{ to recover the original vector}$$

$$y = Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4+7 \\ 2+6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recover x using A^{-1}

$$X = A^{-1}y = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{6}{10} & -\frac{7}{10} \\ -\frac{2}{10} & \frac{4}{10} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{11 \cdot 6}{10} - \frac{8 \cdot 7}{10} \\ -\frac{11 \cdot 2}{10} + \frac{8 \cdot 4}{10} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus A^{-1} successfully recover the original vector x