

Last time: We started to look at matrix multiplication: (36)

(matrix)(matrix) = another matrix

Key property of matrix multiplication:  $A(B\vec{x}) = (AB)\vec{x}$

Two matrix-vector multiplications      matrix-matrix multiplication      matrix-vector

If we want this property, there's only one way to define  $AB$ :

$$AB = A \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \dots & \vec{b}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\vec{b}_1 & A\vec{b}_2 & \dots & A\vec{b}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Columns of  $B$                       Columns of  $AB$

For this to work, the matrix-vector products  $A\vec{b}_1, \dots, A\vec{b}_n$  have to make sense: # columns of  $A$  = # components in  $\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n$   
same as # rows in  $B$

Also: # rows in  $AB$  = # components in  $A\vec{b}_1, \dots, A\vec{b}_n$  = # rows of  $A$

So:  $(k \times m \text{ matrix})(m \times n \text{ matrix}) = k \times n \text{ matrix}$

same

Also last time: Matrix multiplication is not "commutative":

$AB \neq BA$  usually, even if both products exist and have same size.

Sometimes  $AB = BA$ , but not always.

Example (Problem 2.4.34) Find all matrices  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  that satisfy  $A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+b & a+b \\ c+d & c+d \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+c & b+d \\ a+c & b+d \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ c \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

When are these two the same? We need:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a+b = a+c \\ a+b = b+d \\ c+d = a+c \\ c+d = b+d \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{4 linear equations} \\ \text{in 4 variables!} \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} b=c \\ a=d \\ d=a \\ c=b \end{array} \rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } a, b \text{ can be any real numbers}$$

This matrix will "commute" with  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

For example:  $a=2, b=-1$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{both equal } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} !)$$

But:  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$a \neq d$        $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$        $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Also last time: Matrix multiplication is associative:

$$A(BC) = (AB)C \quad (\text{the Key Property } A(B\vec{x}) = (AB)\vec{x} \text{ is the special case where } C \text{ is a column vector } \vec{x})$$

So far, I've shown you how to calculate  $AB$  one column at a time:

$$A \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \dots & \vec{b}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\vec{b}_1 & A\vec{b}_2 & \dots & A\vec{b}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

because this is related to the Key Property  $(AB)\vec{x} = A(B\vec{x})$

Strong calls this the "Second Way" of matrix multiplication.

There are other ways to do the calculation:

"1st Way" Think: How do I get the  $(i,j)$ -entry of  $AB$ ?

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & (AB)_{ij} & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow i\text{th row}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $j\text{th column}$

We know the  $j$ th column of  $AB$  is  $A\vec{b}_j$ .

What is the  $i$ th component of  $A\vec{b}_j$ ?

It's a dot product:  $(i\text{th row of } A) \cdot \vec{b}_j$

$\nwarrow$  call it  $\vec{a}_i$

So here's the matrix multiplication formula: the  $(i,j)$ -entry of  $AB$  is the dot product  $(i\text{th row of } A) \cdot (j\text{th column of } B)$ : (38)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 \\ \vec{a}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vec{a}_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \dots & \vec{b}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_1 & \vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_2 & \dots & \vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{b}_n \\ \vec{a}_2 \cdot \vec{b}_1 & \vec{a}_2 \cdot \vec{b}_2 & \dots & \vec{a}_2 \cdot \vec{b}_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vec{a}_m \cdot \vec{b}_1 & \vec{a}_m \cdot \vec{b}_2 & \dots & \vec{a}_m \cdot \vec{b}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

"3rd Way": Calculate  $AB$  one row at a time:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 \\ \vec{a}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vec{a}_m \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 B \\ \vec{a}_2 B \\ \vdots \\ \vec{a}_m B \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Rows of } AB \\ \leftarrow \text{(row vector} \times \text{matrix} = \text{another row vector)} \\ \leftarrow \end{matrix}$$

"4th Way": Multiply columns of  $A$  by rows of  $B$ , then add.

Example:  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

(col 1)(row 1) + (col 2)(row 2)

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compare "1st way":  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2(1) - 1(3) & 2(2) - 1(4) \\ -1(1) + 2(3) & -1(2) + 2(4) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$

This method involves another operation: matrix addition.

If two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  have the same size ( $m \times n$ ), you can add them just by adding corresponding entries:

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

Matrix multiplication is commutative:  $A+B = B+A$

and associative:  $A+(B+C) = (A+B)+C$

One final operation: scalar multiplication with matrices:

$$(-3) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3(2) & -3(-1) \\ -3(-1) & -3(2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

We have a distributive law for scalar multiplication:

$$c(A+B) = cA + cB$$

$\uparrow$  scalar     $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 scalar     $m \times n$  matrices

But we have two distributive laws for matrix multiplication:

$$A(B+C) = AB + AC$$

$\nwarrow$  multiply A on left  
or on right

These are not usually the same, so we have to write out both distributive laws

$$(B+C)A = BA + CA$$

Problem 2.4.3: Let's check these rules with  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(B+C) &\stackrel{??}{=} AB + AC = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\parallel \qquad \qquad \qquad \parallel \\
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) & \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1(0)+5(0) & 1(2)+5(1) \\ 2(0)+3(0) & 2(2)+3(1) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1(3)+5(0) & 1(1)+5(0) \\ 2(3)+3(0) & 2(1)+3(0) \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\parallel \qquad \qquad \qquad \parallel \\
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\parallel \qquad \qquad \qquad \parallel \\
 \begin{bmatrix} 1(3)+5(0) & 1(3)+5(1) \\ 2(3)+3(0) & 2(3)+3(1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

Other way:

$$(B+C)A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 24 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$BA + CA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 18 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 24 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

But notice  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 24 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

So far: We can add matrices:  $A+B$   
subtract:  $A-B = A+(-1)B$  ↙ scalar multiplication  
multiply:  $AB$  } if sizes are compatible

But can we divide by a matrix?  $B/A = ??$  (or:  $A^{-1}B$ )

For real numbers:  $\frac{b}{a}$  is the same thing as  $\underbrace{a^{-1}}_{\text{"inverse" of } a} b$

The inverse  $a^{-1}$  satisfies  $aa^{-1} = 1$  (also  $a^{-1}a = 1$ ),  
 and the number 1 satisfies  $1b = b$  (also  $b1 = b$ ).

Now go from numbers ( $1 \times 1$  matrices) to  $n \times n$  matrices  
↙ square

$a \rightsquigarrow A$   
 $1 \rightsquigarrow$  Identity matrix  $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Identity matrix satisfies  $IA = A$  and  $AI = A$

Check for  $2 \times 2$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1(a)+0(c) & 1(b)+0(d) \\ 0(a)+1(c) & 0(b)+1(d) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$

Other way:  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a(1)+b(0) & a(0)+b(1) \\ c(1)+d(0) & c(0)+d(1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$

The identity matrix allows us to define inverse matrices:

An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is invertible if it has an inverse  $A^{-1}$  such that

$$AA^{-1} = I \text{ and } A^{-1}A = I$$

"two-sided inverse"

Warning: Not all  $n \times n$  matrices have inverses.

Simplest cases:  $1 \times 1$  matrix  $[a]$ .

$$[a][a^{-1}] = [aa^{-1}] = [1] = I \text{ and } [a^{-1}][a] = [a^{-1}a] = [1] = I$$

Inverse matrix  $[a^{-1}]$  exists exactly when  $a \neq 0$ , so a  $1 \times 1$  matrix  $[a]$  is invertible exactly when  $a \neq 0$ . (41)

What about  $2 \times 2$ ?  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

There's a simple formula for the inverse (if it exists):

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

negate divide by "determinant"

Let's test this formula:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ad-bc & -ab+ba \\ cd-dc & -cb+da \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ad-bc & 0 \\ 0 & ad-bc \end{bmatrix}$$

Not quite the identity  $I$ , but it will be if we divide by  $ad-bc$ .  
But  $A^{-1}$  won't exist if  $ad-bc=0$ ! So  $A$  is invertible exactly when  $ad-bc \neq 0$ .

Formula also works the other way:

$$\frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} da-bc & db-bd \\ -ca+ac & -cb+ad \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

Notice: In the  $2 \times 2$  case non-zero matrices can be non-invertible:

Example:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$   $(1)(4) - (2)(2) = 0 \rightarrow$  no inverse

↖ not the zero matrix

On the other hand:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$   $(1)(4) - (3)(1) = 1 \rightarrow$  yes inverse

Inverse is:  $\frac{1}{1(4)-3(1)} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

One more type of matrix where finding the inverse is easy:

Diagonal matrices:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  Only non-zero entries go on the diagonal

To find inverse, just invert diagonal entries:

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

How about  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ?

↑ No inverse because we can't invert 0.