

SciComp with Py

Linear Algebra: Part 2

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Identity Matrix

An **identity** matrix is a square matrix (i.e., the number of rows is equal to the number of columns) where all diagonal elements are equal to 1 and the other elements are equal to 0. It is typically denoted as \mathbf{I}_m .

$$\mathbf{I}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{I}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse Matrix

An $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} is invertible if there exists an $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A}^{-1} such that $\mathbf{A}^{-1} \times \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$, where \mathbf{I} is the $n \times n$ identity matrix. The matrix \mathbf{A}^{-1} is called \mathbf{A} 's inverse.

Inverse Matrix in Numpy

```
import numpy as np
A = np.matrix([
    [2, 1],
    [6, 5]
])
I2 = np.matrix(np.eye(2))
## compute inverse of A.
print A.I
assert np.array_equal(I2, np.dot(A, A.I))
assert np.array_equal(np.dot(A, A.I), I2)
print 'assertions passed'
```

Augmented Matrix

An augmented matrix is the matrix in which rows or columns of another matrix of the appropriate order are appended to the original matrix. If \mathbf{A} is augmented on the right with \mathbf{B} , the resultant matrix is denoted as $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{B}]$. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then } [\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{B}] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 5 & 6 & 1 \end{array} \right] \text{ and } [\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{I}] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 6 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right].$$

Generic Linear System

A generic linear systems with m equations in n unknowns is written as follows:

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

$$\vdots$$
$$\vdots$$
$$\vdots$$

$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m$$

Since the system is determined by its $m \times n$ coefficient matrix $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$ and its column vector \mathbf{b} , it can be written as $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ where \mathbf{x} is a column vector (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) .

Generic Linear System as Augmented Matrix

A generic linear systems with m equations in n can be expressed with the following augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} & b_2 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{array} \right]$$

The above matrix is typically shorthanded as $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$.

Example

Here is a concrete linear system:

$$3x + 2y + z = 39$$

$$2x + 3y + z = 34$$

$$x + 2y + 3z = 26$$

Here is the corresponding linear system:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 1 & 39 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 34 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 26 \end{array} \right]$$

Elementary Row Operations on Augmented Matrix

Computing all solutions to a linear system is done with the three elementary row operations on the corresponding augmented matrix.

- ▶ **R1** (Row interchange): Interchange any two rows in a matrix.
- ▶ **R2** (Row scaling): Multiply any row in the matrix by a nonzero scalar.
- ▶ **R3** (Row addition): Replace any row in the matrix with the sum of that row and a multiple of another row in the matrix.

Accessing Rows and Columns in Numpy

```
import numpy as np
A = np.array([
    [7, 1],
    [4, -3],
    [2, 0]
])

for r in xrange(A.shape[0]):
    print 'row', r, A[r,:]

for c in xrange(A.shape[1]):
    print 'col', c, A[:,c]
```

Row Interchange

```
import numpy as np
A = np.array([
    [7, 1],
    [4, -3],
    [2, 0]
])

## Interchanging two rows r1, r2 in a matrix M, do
## M[[r1, r2]] = M[[r2, r1]].
print A
A[[1, 2]] = A[[2, 1]]
print A
```

Row and Column Scaling

```
## To multiply a row r by a scalar s in a 2D matrix  
## M, do s*M[r,:].  
print 4.0*A[1,:]
```

```
## To multiply a column c by a scalar s in a 2D matrix  
## M, do s*M[:,c].  
print 4.0*A[:,0]
```

Row Addition

```
## To replace row r1 in 2D matrix M with the sum  
## of r and a multiple of row r2,  
## do  $M[r1,:] = M[r1,:] + s*M[r2,:]$   
A2 = A.copy()  
print A2  
A2[1,:] = A2[1,:] + 2*A2[2,:]  
print A2
```

Row Equivalence

- ▶ If a matrix **B** can be obtained from a matrix **A** by a sequence of elementary row operations, then **B** is **row equivalent** to **A**.
- ▶ Since each elementary row operation can be undone (reversed), if **B** is row equivalent to **A**, denoted as $\mathbf{B} \sim \mathbf{A}$, then **A** is row equivalent to **B**, i.e., $\mathbf{A} \sim \mathbf{B}$.
- ▶ The elementary row operations do not change the solution set of an augmented matrix.

A Fundamental Theorem of Linear Algebra

If $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}] \sim [\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}]$, then the corresponding linear systems $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{Hx} = \mathbf{c}$ have the same solution set.

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Row Echelon Form and Pivot

A matrix is in **row echelon form** if:

- ▶ All rows containing only zeros appear below the rows containing nonzero entries
- ▶ The first nonzero entry in any row appears in a column to the right of the first nonzero entry in any preceding row

The first nonzero entry in a row of a row echelon form matrix is called the **pivot**

Row Echelon Form Quiz

Which matrices are in row echelon form?

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Back Substitution: Solving $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$

Before outlining a generic algorithm for solving linear systems, let's do several examples to determine all solutions of the system in row echelon form. Let's find all solutions of $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$, where

$$[\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} -5 & -1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -4 \end{array} \right]$$

The equations corresponding to $[\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}]$ are

1. $-5x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 3.$
2. $0x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 = 8.$
3. $0x_1 + 0x_2 + 2x_3 = -4.$

We solve for $x_3 = -2$ in 3, substitute x_3 in 2 to get $x_2 = 6$, substitute x_2 and x_3 into 1 to get $x_1 = -3$. This method is **back substitution**.

Back Substitution: No Solution

Use back substitution to find all solutions of $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$, where

$$[\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

The equations corresponding to $[\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}]$ are

1. $1x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3 = 3.$
2. $0x_1 + 1x_2 + 2x_3 = 2.$
3. $0x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 = -1.$

We cannot solve for x_3 in equation 3, thus the system has no solution, i.e., **inconsistent**.

Back Substitution: Multiple Solutions

Use back substitution to find all solutions of $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$, where

$$[\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}] = \left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Notice that the 2nd and 4th columns have no pivots. The equations corresponding to $[\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}]$ are

1. $x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_4 = 4.$
2. $x_3 + 2x_4 = -7.$
3. $x_5 = 1.$

We obtain the following solutions:

1. $x_1 = 3x_2 - 5x_4 + 4.$
2. $x_3 = -2x_4 - 7.$
3. $x_5 = 1.$

Back Substitution: Multiple Solutions

What does it mean to have a solution like this?

1. $x_1 = 3x_2 - 5x_4 + 4$.
2. $x_3 = -2x_4 - 7$.
3. $x_5 = 1$.

It means that we can take any real values for the values of x_2 and x_4 , say r and s , and get a solution to the system. In other words, the solution vector looks as follows:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3r - 5s + 4 \\ r \\ -2s - 7 \\ s \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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A Generic Algorithm for Solving Linear Systems

Given a linear system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$,

1. Obtain $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$;
2. Row-reduce $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$ to $[\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}]$, i.e., $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}] \sim [\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}]$;
3. Use back substitution to find a solution to $[\mathbf{H}|\mathbf{c}]$ (or not in case of inconsistency).

Gauss Reduction of $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ to $\mathbf{Hx} = \mathbf{c}$

- ▶ Place all zero rows to the bottom of the augmented matrix $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$.
- ▶ If the first column of \mathbf{A} contains only 0's, cross it off. Keep crossing off zero columns until the left column has a non-zero entry (or the matrix is exhausted).
- ▶ Use the row interchange, if necessary, to obtain the pivot entry in the top row of the first non-zero column.
- ▶ Use the scalar multiplication to set the value of the pivot entry in the top row of the first non-zero column to 1.
- ▶ Use row addition and scalar multiplication to create 0's below the pivot.
- ▶ Cross off the left column and recurse to step 1 on the smaller matrix.

Problem 1

Reduce to row echolon form the following matrix and make all pivots equal to 1.

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

Answer 1

Reduce to row echolon form the following matrix and make all pivots equal to 1.

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

Problem 2

Solve the following linear system:

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 6x_3 = 0$$

Answer 2

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 6x_3 = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 & | & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -6 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 3

Reduce to row echolon form the following matrix and make all pivots equal to 1.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 & -4 \\ 4 & -8 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer 3

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 & -4 \\ 4 & -8 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 4

Solve the following linear system:

$$x_2 - 3x_3 = -5$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 = 7$$

$$4x_1 + 5x_2 - 2x_3 = 10$$

Answer 4

$$\mathbf{A} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & -3 & -5 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & -2 & 10 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

So the solutions are $x_1 = -1$, $x_2 = 4$, $x_3 = 3$.

Computation of \mathbf{A}^{-1}

The inverse of a matrix \mathbf{A} is denoted as \mathbf{A}^{-1} . To find \mathbf{A}^{-1} , if it exists, proceed as follows:

1. Form the augmented matrix $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{I}]$.
2. Apply the Gauss method to attempt to reduce $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{I}]$ to $[\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{C}]$.
If the reduction can be carried out, then $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{C}$. Otherwise, \mathbf{A}^{-1} does not exist.

Problem 5

Compute \mathbf{A}^{-1} for the following matrix:

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

Answer 5

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 7 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 7 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

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

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

Using \mathbf{A}^{-1} to solve $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

- ▶ Compute \mathbf{A}^{-1} , if possible.
- ▶ Then $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b} \Rightarrow \mathbf{Ix} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b} \Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$.
- ▶ In other words, if \mathbf{A}^{-1} exists, then $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$.

Example of Using \mathbf{A}^{-1} to Solve Linear Systems

Solve the linear system:

$$2x_1 + 9x_2 = -5$$

$$x_1 + 4x_2 = 7$$

Then

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer to Example

$$[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{I}] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 2 & 9 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -4 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 9 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Thus,}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 9 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 83 \\ -19 \end{bmatrix}$$

Conditions for \mathbf{A}^{-1} to Exist

1. \mathbf{A} is invertible.
2. \mathbf{A} is row equivalent to the identity matrix \mathbf{I} .