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24.1 Matrix Inverses

Theorem 24.1 If β and ζ are bases for an n -dimensional vector space \mathbb{V} , then the change of coordinate matrices ${}_{\zeta}P_{\beta}$ and ${}_{\beta}P_{\zeta}$ satisfy

$${}_{\zeta}P_{\beta}{}_{\beta}P_{\zeta} = I = {}_{\beta}P_{\zeta}{}_{\zeta}P_{\beta}$$

This shows that ${}_{\zeta}P_{\beta}$ and ${}_{\beta}P_{\zeta}$ are multiplicative inverses of each other

24.2 Left and Right Inverse

Definition 24.2 Let A be a $m \times n$ matrix.

If B is an $m \times n$ matrix such that $AB = I_m$, then B is a right inverse of A

If C is an $n \times m$ matrix such that $CA = I_n$, then C is called a left inverse of A

Note (For Right Inverses) : $[\vec{e}_1 \dots \vec{e}_m] = AB = [A\vec{b}_1 \dots A\vec{b}_m]$

Theorem 24.3 If A is an $m \times n$ matrix with $m > n$, then A cannot have a right inverse

Corollary 24.4 If A is an $m \times n$ matrix with $m < n$, then A cannot have a left inverse

24.3 Matrix Inverse

Definition 24.5 An $n \times n$ matrix is called a square matrix

Definition 24.6 Let A be a $n \times n$ matrix. If B is a matrix such that $AB = I = BA$, then B is called a inverse of A .

We write $B = A^{-1}$ and we A is said to be invertible

Remark : If $B = A^{-1}$ then $A = B^{-1}$

Theorem 24.7 The inverse of a matrix is unique

Proof: $B = BI = B(AC) = (BA)C = IC = C$ ■

Theorem 24.8 If A and B are $n \times n$ matrices such that $AB = I$, then A and B are invertible and $\text{rank} A = \text{rank} B = n$

End of Lecture Notes
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