



MAT1320-Linear Algebra

Lecture Notes

Matrices

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- Analogously, matrices whose entries are all complex numbers are called **complex matrices** and are said to be matrices over \mathbb{C} . This text will be mainly concerned with such real matrices.

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$$(kI)A = k(IA) = kA$$

That is, multiplying a matrix A by the scalar matrix kI is equivalent to multiplying A by the scalar k

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Example

The following are the identity matrices of orders 3 and 4 and the corresponding scalar matrices for $k = 5$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 5 & & & \\ & 5 & & \\ & & 5 & \\ & & & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -6 \\ -9 & 22 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and}$$

$$A^3 = A^2 A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -6 \\ -9 & 22 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -11 & 38 \\ 57 & -106 \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + 5$ and $g(x) = x^2 + 3x - 10$. Then

$$f(A) = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -6 \\ -9 & 22 \end{pmatrix} - 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 16 & -18 \\ -27 & 61 \end{pmatrix}$$

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A square matrix A is said to be invertible or nonsingular if there exists a matrix B such that

$$AB = BA = I$$

where I is the identity matrix. Such a matrix B is unique. We will prove this fact by contradiction. Assume that the matrix A has two different inverses B_1 and B_2 . That is, if $AB_1 = B_1A = I$ and $AB_2 = B_2A = I$ then

$$B_1 = B_1I = B_1(AB_2) = (B_1A)B_2 = IB_2 = B_2$$

This is a contradiction. So, the inverse of a matrix, if exists, is unique. We call such a matrix B the **inverse** of A and denote it by A^{-1} . Observe that the above relation is symmetric; that is, if B is the inverse of A , then A is the inverse of B .

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Suppose that $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Then

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 6-5 & -10+10 \\ 3-3 & -5+6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} 6-5 & 15-15 \\ -2+2 & -5+6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, A and B are inverses. It is known that $AB = I$ if and only if $BA = I$. Thus, it is necessary to test only one product to determine whether or not two given matrices are inverses.

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Now suppose A and B are invertible. Then AB is invertible and $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$. More generally, if A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k are invertible, then their product is invertible and

$$(A_1 A_2 \dots A_k)^{-1} = A_k^{-1} \dots A_2^{-1} A_1^{-1}$$

the product of the inverses in the reverse order.

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