

Linear Systems: Matrix Inverse Assignment

1. Consider the following bases for \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$A^S = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$B^A = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Where, X^Y is the basis X represented in another basis Y ; S stands for the standard basis. Let \mathbf{b}_X stand for the representation of vector in \mathbb{R}^3 in the basis X .

- (a) Consider a vector $\mathbf{b}_S = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ represented in the standard basis. What is the representation of \mathbf{b}_S in the other four basis A , and B ?

- (b) Consider a vector $\mathbf{d}_B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ represented in the basis B . What is the representation of this vector in the standard basis?

2. When does the following diagonal matrix have an inverse?

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Write down an expression for \mathbf{D}^{-1} .

3. Prove that the inverse of a non-singular upper-triangular matrix is upper-triangular. Using this show that for a lower triangular matrix it is lower-triangular.

4. Consider a 2×2 block matrix, $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{C} \\ \mathbf{D} & \mathbf{E} \end{bmatrix}$, where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$. Find an expression for the inverse \mathbf{A}^{-1} in terms of the block components and their inverses (if they exist) of \mathbf{A} . Hint: Consider $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P} & \mathbf{Q} \\ \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{S} \end{bmatrix}$, and solve $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$.

5. Express the inverse of the following matrix in terms of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{b} .

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n+1) \times (n+1)}$$

where, $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

6. Consider a matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ with linearly independent columns. Prove that the Gram matrix $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is invertible.
7. Find all possible left/right inverses for the following matrices, if they exist.

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

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

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

(d) $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

For each of these matrices find the corresponding pseudo-inverse \mathbf{A}^\dagger , and verify that the pseudo-inverse has the minimum squared sum of its components.

8. Prove that the inverse of a non-singular symmetric matrix is symmetric.
9. Consider the scalar equation, $ax = ay$. Here we can cancel a from the equation when $a \neq 0$. When can we carry out similar cancellations for matrices?

- (a) $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y}$. Prove that here $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Y}$ only when \mathbf{A} is left invertible.
- (b) $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{A}$. Prove that here $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Y}$ only when \mathbf{A} is right invertible.

10. Consider two non-singular matrices $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. Explain whether or not the following matrices are invertible. If they are, then provide an expression for its inverse.

(a) $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$

(b) $\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix}$

(c) $\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix}$

(d) $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}$

11. Consider the matrices $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times l_1}$ and $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{l_2 \times m}$. Can you find the requirements for matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} , such that $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}$, where $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{l_1 \times l_2}$? Assuming those conditions are satisfied, find an expression for \mathbf{X} ?

12. Consider a matrix $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}$, where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$. Explain why \mathbf{C} is not invertible when $m > n$. Suppose $m < n$, under what conditions is \mathbf{C} invertible?

13. For a square matrix \mathbf{A} with non-singular $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}$, prove that $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{A}$.

14. Consider the non-singular matrices \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} and $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$. Prove that,

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^{-1}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^{-1}\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}^{-1} + \mathbf{B}^{-1})^{-1}$$