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• Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ be $m \times n$ matrices. Then the sum A + B is given by

$$(A+B)_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}.$$

The sum of two matrices of different sizes is undefined.

• Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ be an $m \times n$ matrix and let c be a real number. Then the scalar multiple of A by c, denoted cA, is given by

$$(cA)_{ij} = ca_{ij}$$
.

• Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ be an $m \times n$ matrix and $B = [b_{ij}]$ be an $n \times p$ matrix. The **matrix product** AB is the $m \times p$ matrix given by

$$(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{ik} b_{kj}.$$

Theorem 10.3.1

If A, B, and C are matrices of the appropriate sizes such that all matrix multiplications are defined, and c and d are real numbers, then the following are true.

1. A + B = B + A

2. A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C

3. (cd)A = c(dA)

4. 1A = A

5. A(BC) = (AB)C

6. c(AB) = (cA)B

7. c(A+B) = cA + cB

8. (c+d)A = cA + dA

9. A(B+C) = AB + AC

10. (A + B)C = AC + BC

commutative property of addition

associative property of addition

associative property of scalar multiplication

scalar multiplicative identity

associative property of matrix multiplication

associative property of scalar and matrix multiplication

scalar multiplication distributes over addition

scalar addition distributes over scalar multiplication

matrix left-multiplication distributes over addition

matrix right-multiplication distributes over addition

Definition 10.3.2

A square matrix is a matrix which has an equal number of rows and columns.

Definition 10.3.3

The **zero matrix** of size $m \times n$, denoted $O_{m \times n}$ is a matrix where all the entries are zero. The **zero vector**, denoted $\vec{0}$, is a vector where all the entries are zero. The dimensions of a zero vector depend on the context.

Definition 10.3.4

The **identity matrix** of order n, denoted I_n is a square matrix of size $n \times n$, where

$$(I_n)_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Theorem 10.3.5

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix and c is a real number, then the following properties are true.

- 1. $A + O_{m \times n} = A$.
- 2. $A + (-A) = O_{m \times n}$.
- 3. If $cA = O_{m \times n}$, then c = 0 or $A = O_{m \times n}$.
- 4. $AI_n = A$.
- 5. $I_m A = A$.

Theorem 10.3.7

If A and B are matrices with sizes such that the given matrix operations are defined, and c is a real number, then the following properties are true.

- 1. $(A^T)^T = A$
- 2. $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$
- 3. $(cA)^T = c(A^T)$
- 4. $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

Definition 10.4.1

A matrix E is called an **elementary matrix** if it can be obtained from an identity matrix by performing a single elementary row operation.

Theorem 10.4.2

Let E be the elementary matrix obtained by performing an elementary row operation on I_m . If that same elementary row operation is performed on an $m \times n$ matrix then the resulting matrix is given by the product EA.

Definition 10.4.3

Let A and B be $m \times n$ matrices. We say A is **row-equivalent** to B when there exists a finite number of elementary matrices $E_1, E_2, ..., E_k$ such that

$$E_k E_{k-1} \cdots E_2 E_1 A = B.$$

Definition 10.4.4

An $n \times n$ matrix A is **invertible** (or **nonsingular**) when there exists an $n \times n$ matrix B such that

$$AB = BA = I_n$$
.

The matrix B is called the **inverse** of A, and is denoted A^{-1} .

A matrix that does not have an inverse is called **noninvertible** (or **singular**).

Theorem 10.4.7

Suppose A and B are invertible matrices of the same size, and suppose c is a nonzero real number. Then

- 1. $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$
- 2. $(A^k)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^k$ 3. $(cA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{c}A^{-1}$
- 4. $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$.
- 5. $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

Example. Find a solution to the linear system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 = 3 \\ x_1 - x_3 = 4 \\ -6x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 5 \end{cases}$$

given that the inverse of
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -6 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 is $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & -3 & -1 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Solution. The linear system can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -6 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Left-multiplying the inverse of the coefficient matrix gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & -3 & -1 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -6 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & -3 & -1 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$I_3 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & -3 & -1 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -23 \\ -26 \\ -27 \end{pmatrix}$$

which gives the solution $x_1 = -23, x_2 = -26, x_3 = -27.$

Theorem 10.4.9

The matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ is invertible if and only if $ad - bc \neq 0$, in which case the inverse is given by the formula

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

Theorem 10.5.2: The RREF of a square matrix

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. The RREF of A is I_n if and only if A is invertible.

Theorem 10.5.3: Solving general linear systems

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix and consider the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

A is invertible if and only if the system has exactly one solution, given by $\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$.

A is not invertible if and only if the system has no solution or infinitely many solutions.

$$\begin{cases} 2x + 3y + z = -1 \\ 3x + 3y + z = 1 \\ 2x + 4y + z = -2 \end{cases} \begin{cases} 2x + 3y + z = 4 \\ 3x + 3y + z = 8 \\ 2x + 4y + z = 5 \end{cases} \begin{cases} 2x + 3y + z = 0 \\ 3x + 3y + z = 1 \\ 2x + 4y + z = 0 \end{cases} \begin{cases} 2x + 3y + z = 0 \\ 3x + 3y + z = 0 \\ 2x + 4y + z = 1 \end{cases}$$

Solution. If we form a combined augmented matrix for this problem, we would have to reduce a 3×7 matrix to RREF. But if we instead get the inverse of the coefficient matrix, we only need to reduce a 3×6 matrix to RREF.

We can determine that
$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

Since A^{-1} exists, all of the linear systems have unique solutions. We can multiply $A^{-1}\vec{b}$ for each system to obtain the solution to each system. We can do this efficiently by multiplying by a partitioned matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & | & 4 & | & 0 & | & 3 \\ 1 & 8 & 1 & | & 0 & | & 1 \\ -2 & | & 5 & | & 0 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & | & 4 & | & 1 & | & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & | & 0 & | & -2 \\ -2 & | & -7 & | & 2 & | & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

Definition 10.5.4

A system of linear equations is **homogeneous** if all the constant terms are 0; that is, if the system is of the form

$$a_{1,1}x_1 + a_{1,2}x_2 + a_{1,3}x_3 + \dots + a_{1,n}x_n = 0$$

$$a_{2,1}x_1 + a_{2,2}x_2 + a_{2,3}x_3 + \dots + a_{2,n}x_n = 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a_{m,1}x_1 + a_{m,2}x_2 + a_{m,3}x_3 + \dots + a_{m,n}x_n = 0$$

Every homogeneous system of linear equations has a solution, obtained by setting all the variables to 0. This solution is called the **trivial solution**. If a homogeneous system of equations has other solutions, these are called **nontrivial solutions**.

Theorem 10.5.5: Solving homogeneous linear systems

If a homogeneous system has fewer equations than variables, then it must have infinitely many solutions.

And if we have a homogeneous linear systems involving n equations in n variables, then the invertibility of the coefficient matrix can once again be used to characterise the solutions.

Theorem 10.5.6: Solving homogeneous linear systems (n equations in n unknowns)

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix.

A is invertible if and only if the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only the trivial solution.

If A is not invertible, then the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has infinitely many solutions.