

HW4 due now (ish). (Deadline extended until noon 12pm.)

Today : HW4 Discussion
Quiz 4 Topics
Preview of next week (?)

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Problem 1: SHAPES of Matrices.

Most important property of matrix multiplication is "associativity":

$$A(BC) = (AB)C.$$

Why does this hold? Suppose

A has shape $k \times l$

B has shape $l \times m$

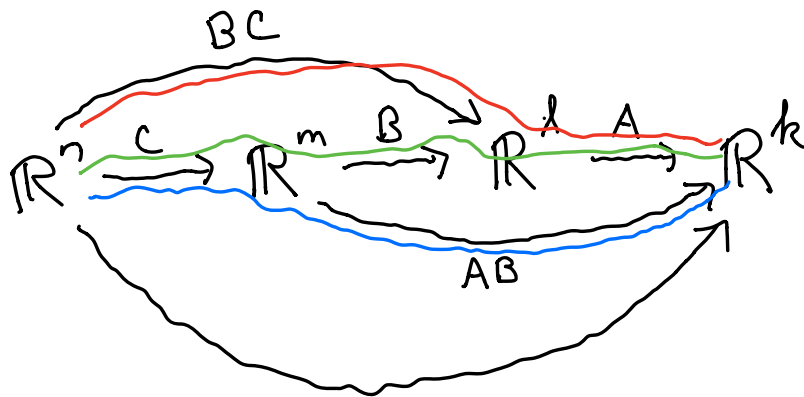
C has shape $m \times n$

so... AB has shape $k \times m$

BC has shape $l \times n$.

We should think of these as

Linear functions :



$$A(BC) = (AB)C = ABC$$

Composition of functions is naturally associative!

Example :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(B\vec{z}) &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$(AB)\vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Now let $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Compute $\vec{z}^T A \vec{x}$

$$= (1 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$= (2 \ 2 \ 2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ OR } (1 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 6 \quad \text{OR} \quad 6 \quad (\text{same } \checkmark)$$

[Remark : To me, a 1×1 matrix is a scalar, so I don't write parentheses around it.]

Finally, let $\vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and compute

$$BA + \vec{x} \vec{y}^T$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{☺}$$



Inversion : Say $n \times n$ matrix A is invertible if there exists some $n \times n$ matrix B such that

$$\begin{matrix} A & B & = & I & \text{identity matrix} \\ m \times n & n \times m & & m \times m & \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} B & A & = & I & \text{identity matrix.} \\ n \times m & m \times n & & n \times n & \end{matrix}$$

Theorem: If $m \neq n$ then this is impossible!

If $m = n$, then such B exists if and only if $\text{rank}(A) = m = n$, i.e. the rows & columns of A are independent.

More succinctly,

$$A \text{ is invertible } \iff \text{RREF}(A) = \begin{matrix} I \\ n \times n \end{matrix}$$

In this case the inverse is unique, we call it A^{-1} , and we can find it with the following trick:

$$(A \mid I) \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} (I \mid A^{-1}).$$

Problem 3: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & 4 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & 4 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Conclusion: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

We can use this to solve any linear system of the form

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y + 3z = a \\ 2x + 3y + 4z = b \\ x + 2y + 4z = c \end{cases}, \text{ i.e., } A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solution: Multiply on the left by A^{-1} .

$$A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4a + 2b + c \\ 4a - b - 2c \\ -a + c \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{!!}$$

We just solved an infinite family of linear systems.

Problem 4c, d: The power of matrix arithmetic.

c) If A^{-1} exists then $(A^T)^{-1}$ exists.

Proof: I claim that $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$.

check: $A^T (A^{-1})^T = I$?

$$(A^{-1})^T A^T = I ?$$

[Recall: $(CD)^T = D^T C^T$.]

So: Put $D = A$ & $C = A^{-1}$ to get

$$A^T (A^{-1})^T = (A^{-1}A)^T = I^T = I \checkmark$$

Put $D = A^{-1}$ & $C = A$ to get

$$(A^{-1})^T A^T = (AA^{-1})^T = I^T = I \checkmark$$

d) IF A^{-1} , B^{-1} , AB exist then $(AB)^{-1}$ exists.

Proof: I claim that $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$,
which exists because B^{-1} & A^{-1} are square
matrices of the same shape.

Need to show: $(AB)(B^{-1}A^{-1}) = I$,

$$(B^{-1}A^{-1})(AB) = I.$$

Check: $(AB)(B^{-1}A^{-1}) = A(BB^{-1})A^{-1}$
 $= AIA^{-1}$

$$= AA^{-1}$$

$$= I \quad \checkmark$$

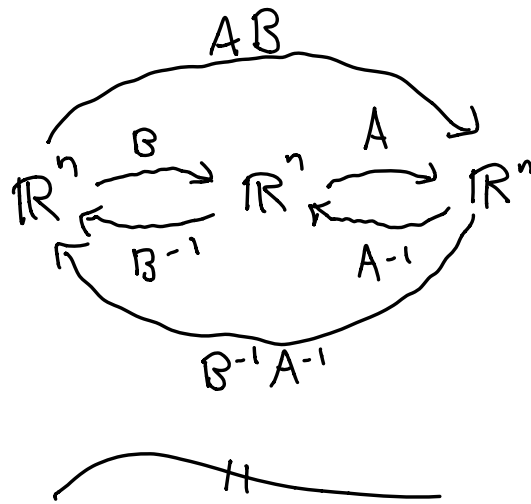
$$(B^{-1}A^{-1})(AB) = B^{-1}(A^{-1}A)B$$

$$= B^{-1}IB$$

$$= B^{-1}B$$

$$= I \quad \checkmark$$

More Conceptual Proof:



Some special 2×2 matrices:

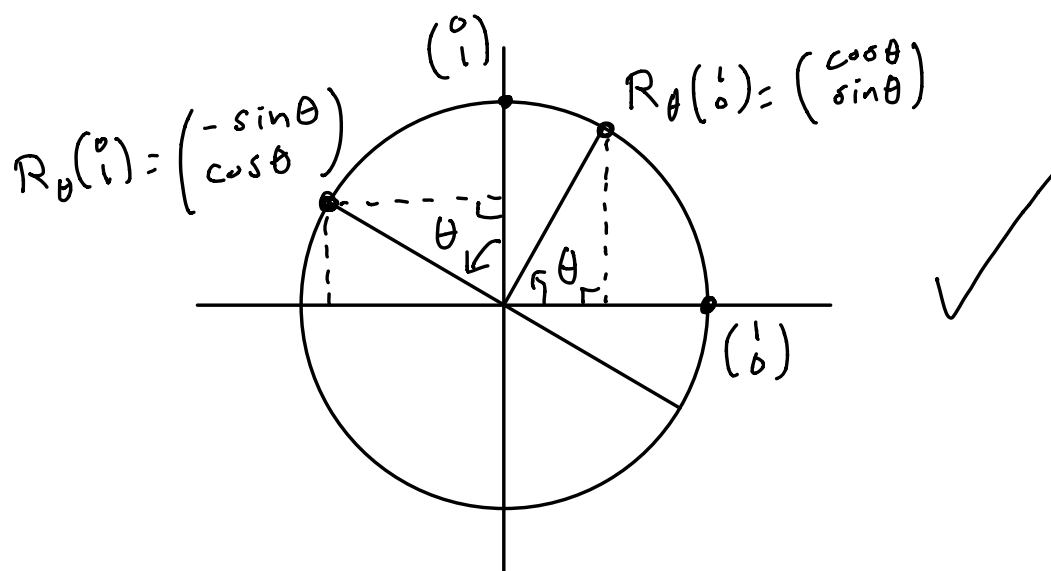
For any angle θ , we define

$$R_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad F_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

These matrices have some very interesting properties.

Claim: $R_\theta: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ rotates every point c.c.w. by θ around the origin.

Since rotation is linear, we only need to check that this works on a basis.



From this we see that

$$\begin{aligned} R_\theta^{-1} &= \text{rotate } \underline{\text{clockwise}} \text{ by } \theta. \\ &= \text{rotate c.c.w. by } -\theta. \\ &= R_{-\theta} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos(-\theta) & -\sin(-\theta) \\ \sin(-\theta) & \cos(-\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$



$$= R_{\theta}^T$$



Conclusion: $R_{\theta}^{-1} = R_{\theta}^T$.

[Jargon: Any matrix satisfying

$$A^{-1} = A^T$$

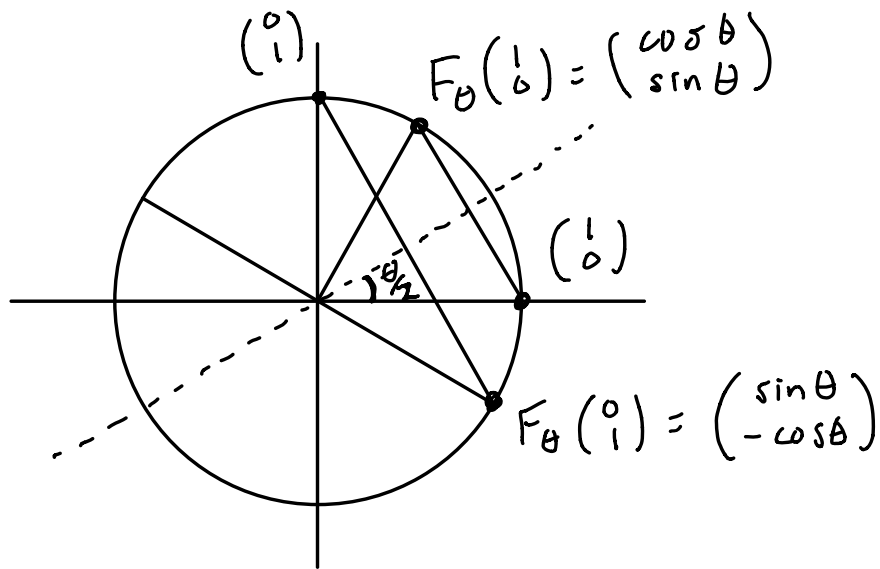
is called an orthogonal matrix.

Equivalently, the rows (or columns)

of A are an orthonormal basis,

i.e., are perpendicular of length 1.]

What about F_{θ} ?



This is actually a reflection across the line that has angle $\theta/2$ from the x -axis. From this we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{\theta}^{-1} &= \text{undo the reflection} \\
 &= \text{do the same reflection again} \\
 &= F_{\theta} .
 \end{aligned}$$

Also observe that

$$F_{\theta}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = F_{\theta} .$$

$$\text{Hence } F_{\theta}^{-1} = F_{\theta} = F_{\theta}^T ,$$

so F_θ is another example of an orthogonal matrix. In fact, there is a fancy theorem that says that any orthogonal matrix $A^{-1} = A^T$ (of any size) is a composition of reflections & rotations.



Topics for Quiz 4:

- Definition & Computation of Matrix Multiplication.

$$(ij \text{ entry of } AB) = (i\text{th row } A)(j\text{th col } B)$$

$$(j\text{th col } AB) = A(j\text{th col } B)$$

$$(i\text{th row } AB) = (i\text{th row } A)B.$$

- Definition & Computation of Matrix Inverses.
- Rules of Matrix Arithmetic.