

Lecture 16: More on matrix multiplication

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remember

- matrix multiplication is not commutative
- in general, no cancellation is possible

ie.

numbers

$$(a + b) \cdot (a - b) \\ = a^2 - b^2$$

matrices

$$(A + B) \cdot (B - A) \\ = AA - AB + BA - BB \\ = A^2 - AB + BA - B^2$$

Cayley-Hamilton Theorem

Let $A \in M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$ and consider:

$$p(x) = x^2 - \text{tr}(A) \cdot x + \det(A)$$

Then,

$$p(A) = 0$$

14.5 Block Multiplication

Treat sub-matrices as numbers:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & C \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & C \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B^2 & 0 \\ 0 & C^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{100} = \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

14.6 Matrices and linear systems

The following are equivalent:

a) linear system:

$$x + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 4 \\ x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 2 \\ x_2 - 3x_3 = 0$$

b) matrix equation:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}}_A \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}}_x = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_b$$

They can both be solved with Gaussian elimination.

Let's go further with b):

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}}_A \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}}_x = [C_1 \ C_2 \ C_3] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{with } C_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, C_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= x_1 C_1 + x_2 C_2 + x_3 C_3$$

(*linear combinations of the columns of A*)

Hence, Ax is a linear combination of the columns of A .

This allows us to say:

- (i) $Ax = b$ is consistent $\Leftrightarrow b$ is a linear combination of the columns of A
- (ii) $Ax = 0$ has a unique solution ($x=0$)
 \Leftrightarrow the columns of A are linearly independent
 $\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(A) = \# \text{ columns of } A$

4.7 Definition of column space

Let $A = [C_1 \ C_2 \ \dots \ C_n]$. Then, $\text{col}(A) := \text{span}\{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n\}$.

Check for linear independence

- 1) Write vectors in columns of A
- 2) Perform Gaussian elimination
- 3) Count leading ones: if there's a leading one in each column:
 \Rightarrow linearly independent
otherwise:
 \Rightarrow linearly dependent

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

REF

$\text{rank}(A) < \# \text{ columns of } A$
 \Rightarrow linearly dependent

We can write $\text{Col}(A) = \{Ax \mid x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$.

- this is the **image** of A , or $\text{im}(A)$

15 Further spaces associated to matrices

15.1 Definitions

- (i) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_m \end{bmatrix}$, that is the matrix with rows r_1, \dots, r_m .

Then, $\text{Row}(A) := \text{span}\{r_1, \dots, r_m\}$ is the **row space** of A . Typically, we transpose the rows to obtain column vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

- (ii) Let $A \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{R})$. Then, $\text{Null}(A) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = 0\}$ is the **nullspace** or **kernel** of A ($\ker(A)$).

\rightarrow Both are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^n !

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Col}(A) = \text{span}\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\text{Row}(A) = \text{span}\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \text{span}\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 2t \\ 3t \end{pmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

unnecessary

$$\text{Null}(A) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \mid \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

augmented matrix
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
RREF

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2s - 3t \\ s \\ t \end{pmatrix} \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ s \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$