

Math 2/30. Lecture 14.

Last time: · matrix operations: addition, scalar mult, multiplication.

Today: · properties of matrix multiplication

Warm-up: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 \\ 7 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$, $C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Compute $A(-B)$, $-(AB)$, $A(B+C)$, $AB+AC$.

$$A(-B) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ -5 & 0 \\ -7 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -33 & 8 \\ -23 & 8 \\ -52 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad -(AB) = - \begin{bmatrix} 33 & -8 \\ 23 & -8 \\ 52 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -33 & 8 \\ -23 & 8 \\ -52 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: $A(-B) = -(AB)$.

Similarly, $A(B+C) = AB+AC = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 0 \\ 7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 35 & \dots \\ \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$.

1. Properties of mat mult.

Prop. (a) (Matrix mult interacts well with addition and scalar multiplication.)

Given matrices A, B, C and scalar $c \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$A(B+C) = AB+AC, \quad (cA)B = c(AB) = A(cB) \quad \text{whenever the products make sense.}$$
$$(A+B)C = AC+BC,$$

(b) (Mat. mult not commutative in general!)

It is not generally true that $AB=BA$, even when both AB, BA are defined.

eg. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow AB$ is defined, BA is not

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow DC = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 9 & 12 \end{bmatrix}, \quad CD = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 6 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \neq DC.$$

(c). (Matrix mult. \Rightarrow not defined coordinatewise even when possible).

e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

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 $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$.

(id). $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$I_2 \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Similarly, $A = A \cdot I_3$.

(d). (There's no cancellation law for matrix multiplication in general.)

$AB = 0 \not\Rightarrow A=B$ or $B=0$ Counterexample: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

More generally, $AB = AC \Rightarrow B=C$. Counterexample: $(AB=0)$
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

\rightarrow the $k \times k$ identity matrix

(e). Define $I_k = \text{diag}_k(1, 1, \dots, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. id. \uparrow

Then for any $m \times n$ matrix A , we have $I_m \cdot A = A = A \cdot I_n$.

Q. Is it true that $(AB)C = A(BC)$ whenever all the products make sense?

Answer. Yes — matrix mult is associative.

Thm. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ and $S: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be linear maps

and let A, B be the standard matrices of T, S , respectively.

($M_T = A, M_S = B$). Then the standard matrix of $S \circ T$ is BA ,

i.e. $M_{S \circ T} = M_S \cdot M_T$.

E.g. Take $m = n = p = 2$. Consider the geometric linear maps

$$T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} x \\ -y \end{bmatrix}. \rightarrow \text{ref. w.r.t. } x\text{-axis. } M_T = A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} y \\ x \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{ref. w.r.t. } y=x, M_S = B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let's get the matrix $M_{S \circ T}$ of $S \circ T$ by computing

$$S \circ T(e_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, S \circ T(e_2) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ So } M_{S \circ T} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Meanwhile,

$$M_S \cdot M_T = BA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = M_{S \circ T}.$$

(b). Associativity

Thm. Let A, B, C be matrices such that AB and BC both make sense,

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

① = ② since $R \circ (S \circ T) = (R \circ S) \circ T$.
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Eg.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ \searrow \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} (AB)C = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ A(BC) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 1 \\ -8 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Pf. Say A is $m \times n$, B is $n \times p$, C is $p \times q$. Consider the maps

$R: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, $S: \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $T: \mathbb{R}^q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ given by

$R(v) = Av$, $S(w) = Bw$, $T(u) = Cu$. Fact: $M_R = A$, $M_S = B$, $M_T = C$.

So $(AB)C = (M_{R \circ S}) \cdot M_T = \underbrace{M_{(R \circ S) \circ T}}_{\text{①}}$, $A(BC) = M_R \cdot (M_{S \circ T}) = \underbrace{M_{R \circ (S \circ T)}}_{\text{②}}$.