Outline

Week 8: Inverses and determinants

Course Notes: 4.5, 4.6

Goals: Be able to calculate a matrix's inverse; understand the relationship between the invertibility of a matrix and the solutions of associated linear systems; calculate the determinant of a square matrix of any size, and learn some tricks to make the computation more efficient.

Identity Matrix

The identity matrix, I, is a square matrix with 1s along its diagonal, and 0s everywhere else.

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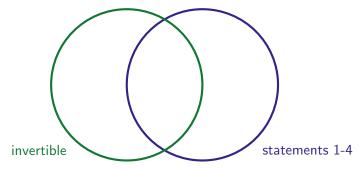
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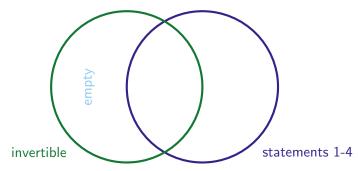
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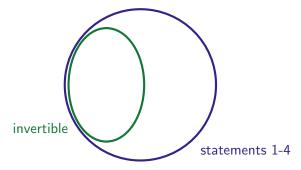
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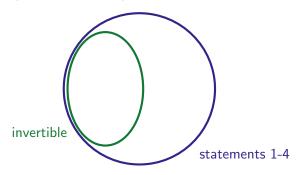


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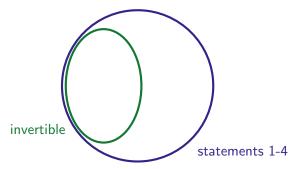
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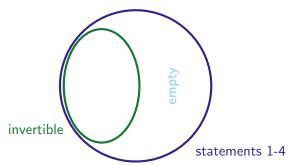


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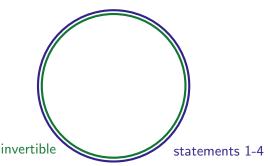


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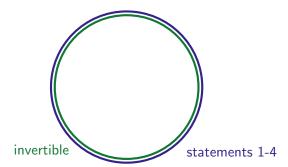
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In general:

$$\det\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ & & \vdots & \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} = a_{1,1}D_{1,1} - a_{1,2}D_{1,2} + a_{1,3}D_{1,3} \cdots \pm a_{1,n}D_{1,n}$$

where $D_{i,j}$ is the determinant of the matrix obtained from A by deleting row i and column j.

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Calculate, where * is any number:

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$$= a(bc) - *(0 \cdot c) + *(0 \cdot 0)$$

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$$= a(bc) - *(0 \cdot c) + *(0 \cdot 0)$$

$$= abc$$

The determinant of any triangular matrix (upper or lower) is the product of the diagonal entries.

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 9 & 8 & 4 & 12 \\ 0 & 5 & 9 & 7 & 15 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 32 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Careful: this ONLY works with triangular matrices!

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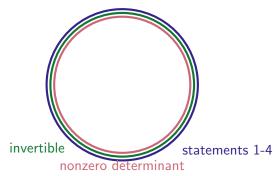
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Solutions to Systems of Equations

Let A be an n-by-n matrix. The following statements are equivalent:

- 1) $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has exactly one solution for any \mathbf{b} .
- 2) Ax = 0 has no nonzero solutions.
- 3) The rank of A is n.
- 4) The reduced form of A has no zeroes along the main diagonal.
- 5) A is invertible
- 6) $det(A) \neq 0$



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Suppose $\det A = 5$ for an invertible matrix A. What is $\det(A^{-1})$?

Suppose A is an n-by-n matrix with determinant 5. What is the determinant of 3A?

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\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
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$$\det : -1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{R_3 - R_2}{4}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{det} : -1}$$

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$$\det : -1 \qquad \overset{R_3 + R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \qquad \det : -1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_2} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \times}{} \leftarrow R_3 + R_2} \quad \text{det} : -1 \quad \xrightarrow{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \times}{} \leftarrow R_3 + R_2} \quad \text{det} : -1$$

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$$\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 8 & 7 \\ 0 & 6 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det : -2 \xleftarrow{R_2 + R_1} \det : -2 \xleftarrow{2R_2} \det : -2$$

 $=\det\left(\begin{bmatrix}1&1&1\\0&2&5\end{bmatrix}\right)$

 $= \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 1 \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ -3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \right)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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 $= \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 1 \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ -3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \right) = -16 + 15 = -1$

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$$= \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 1 \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ -3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \right) = -16 + 15 = -1$$

Is the original 4-by-4 matrix invertible?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Invertible; determinant unknowable but nonzero

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Not invertible; determinant 0

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$$\det \left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
9 & 8 & 5 & 6 & 10 \\
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
7 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
8 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
4 & 3 & 5 & 6 & 7
\end{array} \right)$$

Determinant Expansion across Alternate Lines

$$\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 8 & 5 & 6 & 10 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 7 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 8 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 9 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 8 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$