

## Yiddish word of the day

"fregn a fragch" = פֿרעגן אַ פֿראַג

to ask a question

## Yiddish phrase of the day

As me fregt,  
blanzhet men nisht

= אַז מע פֿרעגט,  
בלאַנזשט מען נישט

"As one asks, one cannot sit"

## Recall from last time

1) Given linear system

$$a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$\vdots$

$$a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m$$

$$\longleftrightarrow A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

2) We saw we could mult matrices, but they "behave" diff than mult of  $\mathbb{R}$ 's.

• We had two non-zero matrices  $A, B$   
such that  $AB = 0$   $\longleftarrow$  the "0 matrix"

• We had 3 matrices  $A, B, C$  with  $B \neq C$   
and  $AB = AC$  (could not "cancel" the  $A$ )

1) Note the similarities of  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  with  $ax = b$   
• note  $ax = b$  has a unique solution precisely when  
 $a \neq 0$  ( $x = \frac{1}{a} \cdot b$ )

Q: Can we "divide" by matrix  $A$ ?

Def: Let  $A$   $n \times n$  matrix. Then  $A$  is invertible if there exists  
some other matrix, denoted  $A^{-1}$  such that

$$A^{-1}A = AA^{-1} = \mathbf{I}_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

↑  
identity matrix

• Note:  $\mathbf{I}_n \vec{x} = \vec{x}$  and  $\mathbf{I}_n B = B$  Check!

Note: If matrix  $A$  is invertible then the linear system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has a unique solution for any  $\vec{b}$ .

$$\boxed{\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}}$$

Some consequences of being an invertible matrix

Have 2 old results. Let  $A$   $n \times n$  matrix.

1) the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$  iff the matrix eqn  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has a solution for any  $\vec{b}$ .

2) The columns of  $A$  are LI iff

$$\text{null}(A) = \{\vec{0}\}$$

(also equivalently, whenever  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has a solution,  
it will be unique)

Thus, since we saw  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has unique solutions  
for any  $\vec{b}$  if  $A$  is invertible, then,

the columns of  $A$  are a basis !!!

• Invertible matrix  $A \iff$  a matrix whose columns are a basis.

## A couple of results

1) If  $A$  is invertible, so is  $A^{-1}$ , and  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$

2) If  $A, B$  are 2 invertible  $n \times n$  matrices, then  $AB$  is invertible too, with  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

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

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

3) Suppose  $A$  is invertible Then multiplication behaves more like how we are familiar.

ex) Suppose  $A$  invertible and we have 2 matrices  $B, C$  with  $AB = AC$

then ...  $B = C$

ex) Similar statement about "zero divisors"

See HW

Q2: How to determine if matrix is invertible, and how to find the inverse if it is.

A) First in case  $A$  is  $2 \times 2$  matrix.

$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $A$  is invertible when

$$ad - bc \neq 0$$



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

ex)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find  $A^{-1}$  if it exists.

$$(1)(3) - 2(-1) = 3 + 2 = 5$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & -2/5 \\ 1/5 & 1/5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Check:  $A^{-1}A = \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & -2/5 \\ 1/5 & 1/5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$AA^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & -2/5 \\ 1/5 & 1/5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Now more generally

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

1) Augment  $A$  by  $I_n$

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|ccc} A & & & \\ \hline & 1 & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ & 0 & & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

2) Put  $A$  into Reduced Row Echelon Form

• if at any point, you get a  $0$  row on left

STOP,  $A$  is not-invertible !!

• else finish putting it into reduced row ech form

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & B \end{array} \right)$$

This matrix  $B$  is  $A^{-1}$  !!

ex)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  Find  $A^{-1}$  if it exists.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2/2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3/2 \end{array}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 & -1 & 1/2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/2 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 & -1 & 1/2 \end{array} \right)$$

Claim  $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix}$  - Skip the checking

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ex)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Find  $A^{-1}$  if it exists,

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

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After some work

get a zero row, not invertible.

- A sneaky way:  $\det(B) = 2 \det(A)$  so columns not LI

# Elementary Matrices

- These matrices will do the following
  - Justify this invertible matrix algorithm.
  - Justify our row operations
    - lead to some new ideas (see HW)
- Provide a bridge to determinants.

Recall the 3 elementary row operations

1) Scaling a row  $\longleftrightarrow D_i^n(c)$

2) Swap a row  $\longleftrightarrow P_{ij}^n$

3) Add multiples of 1 row to another  $\longleftrightarrow T_{ij}^n(c)$

Associated to these 3 operations are the following 3 matrices

1)  $D_i^n(c) =$  the  $n \times n$  identity matrix, except in row  $i$  where it is  $c$  and not  $1$

$$\text{ex) } D_2^3(1/2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_3^4(-12) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_2^5(5) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

2)  $P_{i,j}^n = n \times n$  identity matrix but swap row  $i$  and row  $j$ .

$$\text{ex) } P_{12}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\text{ex) } P_{24}^5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{ex) } P_{14}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

3)  $T_{ij}^n(c) = n \times n$  identity but add  $c \times \text{row } i$  to  $\text{row } j$

$$\text{ex) } T_{12}^2(2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T_{23}^3(-1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T_{24}^4(-6) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T_{35}^5(4) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q - Who the hell cares?

$$\text{ex) } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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 $P_{12}^2$

$$\text{ex) } \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 9 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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 $D_1^2(3)$

$$\text{ex) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\parallel$$
$$T_{12}^2(-2)$$

Q: What does  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$  give?

Doing row operations to our matrix

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Multiplying my matrix **ON THE LEFT**

by an Elementary Matrix !!

Note: • Doing row operations to a matrix is a reversible process

- So thinking of row operations as matrix mult, the fact that they are reversible means

the elementary matrices are invertible.

$$\eta(D_i^n(c))^{-1} = D_i^n\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)$$

$$\text{ex) } D_1^2(2) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -c \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{\text{Check!}}$$

$$2) \left( P_{ij}^n \right)^{-1} = P_{ji}^n = P_{ij}^n \quad \text{Ex) Check that } \begin{pmatrix} P_{12}^3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_{12}^3 \end{pmatrix} = I_{3 \times 3}$$

$$3) \left( T_{ij}^n(c) \right)^{-1} = T_{ij}^n(-c)$$

$$\text{ex) Check } T_{12}^3(2) T_{12}^3(-2) = I_{3 \times 3}$$

$$T_{12}^3(-2) T_{12}^3(2) = I_{3 \times 3}$$