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Why matrix algebra?

Makes many other formulas and computations clearer.

Ex: The β_0 and β_1 in the line-of-best-fit $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$

are:

(Matrix) $\begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{bmatrix} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \vec{b}$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$.

(No matrices): $\beta_1 = \frac{n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)}{n(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2) - (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2}$

$\beta_0 =$ something equally messy.

I: Matrix basics:

* Matrices are rectangles of numbers, functions, ...

* An $m \times n$ matrix has m rows & n columns.

* The entry i rows from the top and j columns from the left in a matrix A is written a_{ij} , A_{ij} , ...

* Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

is a matrix. It's 3×4 . $A_{31} = 9$.

* $A_{23} = 7$, $A_{42} =$ doesn't exist.

Two matrices are the same if they have the same dimensions, and the corresponding entries match.

II: Adding, Subtracting, Transposing, and Scalar Multiplying Matrices

Adding: You can add or subtract two matrices only if they have the same size.

Then you add/subtract corresponding entries.

Example: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & -8 \\ -2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 7 & -9 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \text{does not exist.}$$

$$(1 \ 4) - (5 \ 3) = (-4 \ 1)$$

Scalar Multiplying: You can multiply any matrix by any scalar (number). Multiply every entry by that number:

$$3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 21 \end{pmatrix}$$

Transpose: Flip the matrix over this diagonal.



Ex:
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 9 \\ 2 & 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 7 & 11 \\ 4 & 8 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex: The transpose of an $m \times n$ matrix is $n \times m$

Formulas: $(A+B)_{ij} = A_{ij} + B_{ij}$ $(A-B)_{ij} = A_{ij} - B_{ij}$
 $(cA)_{ij} = c(A_{ij})$ $(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji}$

Example: Show that $A+B = B+A$ for any two matrices A & B , and that one side exists only when the other does.

Solution: * $A+B$ and $B+A$ each exist only when A & B have the same size.

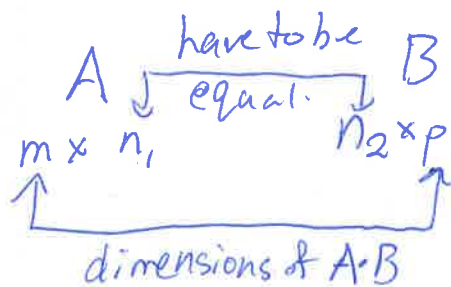
* If A and B are both $m \times n$, then so are $A+B$ and $B+A$.

* $(A+B)_{ij} = A_{ij} + B_{ij} = B_{ij} + A_{ij} = (B+A)_{ij}$

$A+B$ and $B+A$ have the same size, and their corresponding entries match, so $A+B = B+A$. ✓

III = Matrix multiplication

If A is $m \times n_1$, and B is $n_2 \times p$,
 AB exists only when $n_1 = n_2$, and
in that case AB is $m \times p$.



To find the ij entry of AB , multiply the entries in the i th row of A and the j th column of B , then add those products together.

Example: $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \\ t & u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ap+br+ct & aq+bs+cu \\ dp+er+ft & dq+es+fu \end{pmatrix}$

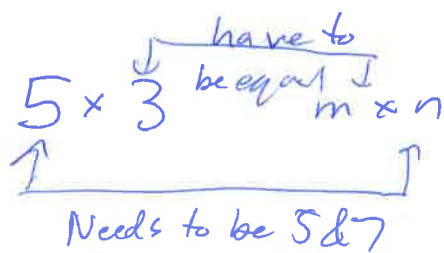
Example: If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
what are AB and BA ?

Answer: AB does not exist!

$$\begin{aligned} BA &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2-2 & -2-3 & 8-5 \\ -1+2 & 1+3 & -4+5 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -5 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Example: If A is 5×3 and AB is 5×7 , what size is B ?

Solution:



So B is $\boxed{3 \times 7}$.

Matrix multiplication distributes, and is associative:

$$(A+B) \cdot C = A \cdot C + B \cdot C$$

$$C \cdot (A+B) = C \cdot A + C \cdot B$$

$$A(BC) = (AB) \cdot C$$

Matrix multiplication doesn't always commute:

AB is not always the same as BA even if both exist and are the same size.

Example: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0+1 & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & 0+0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0+0 & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & 1+0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Because of this, algebra with matrices is basically the same as algebra w/ numbers, but you need to make sure you don't do $AB=BA$.

Example: True/False: For any $n \geq 1$, and any two $n \times n$ matrices A and B ,

$$A^2 - B^2 = (A+B)(A-B).$$

Solution 1: Figure out what both sides are.

But I don't want to do that. @_@

Solution 2:

$$\begin{aligned}(A+B)(A-B) &= A(A-B) + B(A-B) \\ &= A^2 - AB + BA - B^2.\end{aligned}$$

This isn't the same as $A^2 - B^2$, unless $AB=BA$.
So it's False.

Example: Find a 2×2 matrix B with

$$B^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

that is different from $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

[Different from numbers, since if x is a number, $x^2 = 0$ means $x = 0$.]

Answer: $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-1 & 1-1 \\ -1+1 & -1+1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$$

There are infinitely many B 's that work:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c(a+d) = b(a+d) = 0$$

Either $b=0$ and $c=0$, but that forces $a=d=0$. \times

Or $d = -a$. Then $a^2 + bc = bc + d^2 = 0$

means $c = -\frac{a^2}{b}$ if $b \neq 0$

~~$a = 0$~~ if $b = 0$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -\frac{a^2}{b} & -a \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } b \neq 0, \text{ any } a$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ for any } c.$$

Lesson: Be careful when trying to divide matrices:

$$AB = \text{matrix of } 0\text{'s}$$

doesn't mean A or B is a matrix of 0's.

What is matrix multiplication good for?

Look at this system of equations:

$$x + 2y + z = 4$$

$$-2x + 5y = -1$$

$$3x - 4y + 2z = 3$$

~~⊗~~ Rewrite like this:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Call this } A} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}}_{\vec{x}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Call this } \vec{b}}$$

If I could "divide" by A, I could divide

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \quad |$$

through by A and get

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \cdot \vec{b}.$$

The matrices you can divide by are called "invertible." See Thursday's lecture.

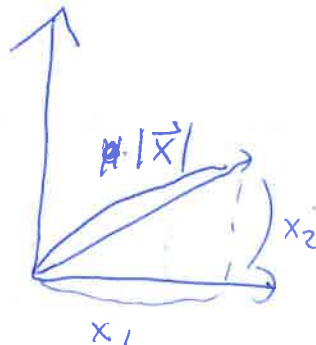
IV: Lengths and dot products.

* If $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, then its length

is: $\sqrt{(x_1)^2 + \dots + (x_n)^2}$,

Eg. if $n=2$,

length is written as " $|\vec{x}|$ ".



* If $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $\vec{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$
then their dot product is:

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n.$$

Example: If $\vec{x} = (1, -2, 1)$ $\vec{y} = (0, 3, -4)$

then:

$$|\vec{x}| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2} = \boxed{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$|\vec{y}| = \sqrt{0^2 + 3^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{25} = \boxed{5}$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = 1 \cdot 0 + (-2) \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot (-4) = \boxed{-10}$$

Notice: $|\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}| = 10 \leq |\vec{x}| \cdot |\vec{y}| = 5\sqrt{6}$

That's always true: Cauchy-Schwarz says this always works.

$$\underbrace{|\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}|}_{\text{absolute value}} \leq \underbrace{|\vec{x}| \cdot |\vec{y}|}_{\text{lengths}}$$

Notes use this to get an upper bound for errors, by writing the error as $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}$.