

Properties of Transpose

Transpose has higher precedence than multiplication and addition, so

$$AB^T = A(B^T) \text{ and } A + B^T = A + (B^T)$$

As opposed to the bracketed expressions

$$(AB)^T \text{ and } (A + B)^T$$

Example 1

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find AB^T , and $(AB)^T$.

$$\begin{aligned} AB^T &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Whereas $(AB)^T$ is undefined.

Theorem 2 (Properties of Transpose) *Given matrices A and B so that the operations can be performed*

1. $(A^T)^T = A$

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

3. $(kA)^T = kA^T$

4. $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

Matrix Algebra

Theorem 3 (Algebraic Properties of Matrix Multiplication)

1. $(k + \ell)A = kA + \ell A$ (Distributivity of scalar multiplication I)
2. $k(A + B) = kA + kB$ (Distributivity of scalar multiplication II)
3. $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ (Distributivity of matrix multiplication)
4. $A(BC) = (AB)C$ (Associativity of matrix multiplication)
5. $A + B = B + A$ (Commutativity of matrix addition)
6. $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$ (Associativity of matrix addition)
7. $k(AB) = A(kB)$ (Commutativity of Scalar Multiplication)

The matrix 0 is the identity of matrix addition. That is, given a matrix A ,

$$A + 0 = 0 + A = A.$$

Further $0A = A0 = 0$, where 0 is the appropriately sized 0 matrix.

Note that it is possible to have two non-zero matrices which multiply to 0 .

Example 4

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

The matrix I is the identity of matrix multiplication. That is, given an $m \times n$ matrix A ,

$$AI_n = I_mA = A$$

Theorem 5 *If R is in reduced row echelon form then either $R = I$, or R has a row of zeros.*

Theorem 6 (Power Laws) For any square matrix A ,

$$A^r A^s = A^{r+s} \text{ and } (A^r)^s = A^{rs}$$

Example 7

$$1. \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^4 = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^2 \right)^2$$

2. Find A^6 , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^6 = A^2 A^4 = A^2 (A^2)^2.$$

$$\text{Now } A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ so}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 (A^2)^2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Inverse of a matrix

Given a square matrix A , the *inverse of A* , denoted A^{-1} , is defined to be the matrix such that

$$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

Note that inverses are only defined for square matrices

Note Not all matrices have inverses.

If A has an inverse, it is called *invertible*.

If A is not invertible it is called *singular*.

Example 8

$$1. \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \qquad A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Check: } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2. \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{Has no inverse}$$

$$3. \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \qquad A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Check: } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$4. \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{Has no inverse}$$

Inverses of 2×2 Matrices

Given a 2×2 matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

A is invertible if and only if $ad - bc \neq 0$ and

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

The quantity $ad - bc$ is called the *determinant* of the matrix and is written $\det(A)$, or $|A|$.

Example 9

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

$$\text{Check: } \frac{1}{-3} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

Algebra of Invertibility

Theorem 10 *Given an invertible matrix A :*

1. $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A,$

2. $(A^n)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^n \quad (= A^{-n}),$

3. $(kA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{k}A^{-1},$

4. $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T,$

Theorem 11 *Given two invertible matrices A and B*

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

Proof: Let A and B be invertible matrices and let $C = AB$, so $C^{-1} = (AB)^{-1}$.

Consider $C = AB$.

Multiply both sides on the left by A^{-1} :

$$A^{-1}C = A^{-1}AB = B.$$

Multiply both sides on the left by B^{-1} .

$$B^{-1}A^{-1}C = B^{-1}B = I.$$

So, $B^{-1}A^{-1}$ is the matrix you need to multiply C by to get the identity.

Thus, by the definition of inverse

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

A Method for Inverses

Given a square matrix A and a vector $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, consider the equation

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

This represents a system of equations with coefficient matrix A .

Multiply both sides by A^{-1} on the left, to get

$$A^{-1}A\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}.$$

But $A^{-1}A = I_n$ and $I\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$, so we have

$$\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}.$$

Note that we have a unique solution. The assumption that A is invertible is equivalent to the assumption that $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has unique solution.

During the course of Gauss-Jordan elimination on the augmented matrix $(A|\mathbf{b})$ we reduce $A \rightarrow I$ and $\mathbf{b} \rightarrow A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$, so $(A|\mathbf{b}) \rightarrow (I|A^{-1}\mathbf{b})$.

If we instead augment A with I , row reducing will produce (hopefully) I on the left and A^{-1} on the right, so $(A|I) \rightarrow (I|A^{-1})$.

The Method:

1. Augment A with I
2. Use Gauss-Jordan to obtain $(I|A^{-1})$.
3. If I does not appear on the left, A is not invertible.

Otherwise, A^{-1} is given on the right.

Example 12

1. Find A^{-1} , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Augment with I and row reduce:

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -5 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad R_3 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}R_3$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5/2 & -1/2 & -1/2 \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 3R_3 \\ R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & -13/2 & 3/2 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5/2 & -1/2 & -1/2 \end{array} \right) \quad R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 2R_2$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -15/2 & 1/2 & 5/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5/2 & -1/2 & -1/2 \end{array} \right)$$

So

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -15 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

To check inverse multiply together:

$$\begin{aligned} AA^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -15 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = I \end{aligned}$$

2. Solve $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ in the case where $\mathbf{b} = (2, 2, 4)^T$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &= A^{-1}\mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -15 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -18 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

3. Solve $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ in the case where $\mathbf{b} = (2, 0, 2)^T$.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x} &= A^{-1}\mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -15 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -20 \\ 0 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

4. Give a solution to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ in the general case where $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x} &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -15 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -15b_1 + b_2 + 5b_3 \\ b_1 + b_2 - b_3 \\ 5b_1 - b_2 - b_3 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Elementary Matrices

Definition 13 *An Elementary matrix is a matrix obtained by performing a single row operation on the identity matrix.*

Example 14

$$1. \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (R_1 \rightarrow 2R_1)$$

$$2. \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 3R_1)$$

$$3. \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2)$$

Theorem 15 *If E is an elementary matrix obtained from I_m by performing the row operation R and A is any $m \times n$ matrix, then EA is the matrix obtained by performing the same row operation R on A .*

Example 16

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

$$1. \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim 2R_2 \text{ on } A$$

$$2. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 5 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{matrix} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 3R_1 \\ \text{on } A \end{matrix}$$

3.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{matrix} R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3 \\ \text{on } A \end{matrix}$$

Inverses of Elementary Matrices

If E is an elementary matrix then E is invertible and E^{-1} is an elementary matrix corresponding to the row operation that undoes the one that generated E . Specifically:

- If E was generated by an operation of the form $R_i \rightarrow cR_i$ then E^{-1} is generated by $R_i \rightarrow \frac{1}{c}R_i$.
- If E was generated by an operation of the form $R_i \rightarrow R_i + cR_j$ then E^{-1} is generated by $R_i \rightarrow R_i - cR_j$.
- If E was generated by an operation of the form $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$ then E^{-1} is generated by $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$.

Example 17

$$1. \quad E = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2. \quad E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3. \quad E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E^{-1} = E$$

Elementary Matrices and Solving Equations

Consider the steps of Gauss Jordan elimination to find the solution to a system of equations $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. This consists of a series of row operations, each of which is equivalent to multiplying on the left by an elementary matrix E_i .

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{Ele. row ops.}} B,$$

Where B is the RREF of A .

So $E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_2 E_1 A = B$ for some appropriately defined elementary matrices $E_1 \dots E_k$.

$$\text{Thus } A = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \dots E_{k-1}^{-1} E_k^{-1} B$$

Now if $B = I$ (so the RREF of A is I), then

$$A = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \dots E_{k-1}^{-1} E_k^{-1}$$

$$\text{and } A^{-1} = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_2 E_1$$

Theorem 18 *A is invertable if and only if it is the product of elementary matrices.*

Summing Up Theorem

Theorem 19 (Summing up Theorem Version 1)

For any square $n \times n$ matrix A , the following are equivalent statements:

- 1. A is invertible.*
- 2. The RREF of A is the identity, I_n .*
- 3. The equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has unique solution (namely $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$).*
- 4. The homogeneous system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution ($\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$)*
- 5. The REF of A has exactly n pivots.*
- 6. A is the product of elementary matrices.*