

## Matrices:

Definition of:  $\Rightarrow$  a short hand notation  $\Leftarrow$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x + 3y = 5 \\ 4x - 6y = 3 \end{array} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & -6 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}}_x = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}}_b \Leftrightarrow \underline{A} \underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

In general,  $a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$

$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$

$\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots$

$a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underline{A} \underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

## Multiplication, Addition, etc.

Size:  $\underline{A}$  is an "m by n" matrix if it has m rows and n columns

Matrices can be added or subtracted if they are the same size. Just add components.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix multiplication is like a dot product:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{A} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{B} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} = \begin{bmatrix} 2+8 & 3+10 \\ 6+16 & 9+20 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 13 \\ 22 & 29 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = [1 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 4] = [14]$$

↑  
1 by 1 matrix  
is a number

To find the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row,  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of the product take dot product of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row with the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column.

WARNING  $\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}$  is not  $\underline{B} \cdot \underline{A}$  most of the time. ORDER MATTERS

So division cannot use fraction notation! We must keep the order intact.

Division:

Note:  $\underline{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a matrix with ones on the main diagonal and zeros off the diagonal. It is called the Identity matrix because  $\underline{A} \underline{I} = \underline{A}$  for all  $\underline{A}$

to solve  $\underline{A} \underline{x} = \underline{b}$  for  $\underline{x}$ , we just divide by  $\underline{A}$  on the left. We write that as multiplying by  $\underline{A}^{-1}$

$\underline{A}^{-1} \underline{A} \underline{x} = \underline{A}^{-1} \underline{b}$ . To have this work as division, it must be that  $\underline{A}^{-1} \underline{A} = \underline{I}$

Define:  $\underline{A}^{-1}$  to be the matrix such that  $\underline{A}^{-1} \underline{A} = \underline{I}$  for a given  $\underline{A}$ .

WARNING: Just as we cannot divide by zero, the inverse may not exist!!

The determinant of  $\underline{A}$  tells you if the inverse exists.  $\det(\underline{A}) \neq 0$  means  $\underline{A}$  has an inverse (is invertible)

Determinants: This is an operation that takes a matrix and gives a single number.

$2 \times 2$  ( $2$  by  $2$ ) matrices:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = ad - bc.$$

(multiply the diagonal elements  
and subtract the product of off-diagonal elements)

$3 \times 3$  matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} &= a \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{bmatrix} + b \det \begin{bmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{bmatrix} + c \det \begin{bmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{bmatrix} \\ &= aei - afh - bdi + bfg + cdh - cei \end{aligned}$$

Larger matrices are similarly defined in terms of smaller determinants:

$n \times n$  matrices:

$$\det(\underline{A}) = a_{11} \cdot \det(\underline{A} \text{ with row 1 and column 1 removed}) - a_{12} \cdot \det(\underline{A} \text{ with row 1 and column 2 removed}) + a_{13} \cdot \det(\underline{A} \text{ with row 1 and column 3 removed})$$

$$- \dots \pm a_{nn} \det(\underline{A} \text{ with row 1 and column } n \text{ removed})$$

↑  
minus if n odd,  
plus if n even.

Trace: The trace of  $\underline{A}$  is just the sum of the main diagonal.

$$\text{tr} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = 1+5+9 = 15$$

Eigenvalues, eigenvectors:

An eigenvalue problem for  $\underline{A}$  involves finding a solution pair  $(\lambda, \underline{u})$  such that

$$\underline{A}\underline{u} = \lambda \underline{u}$$

Note: If  $\underline{A}$  is  $n \times n$  then  $\underline{u}$  is  $n \times 1$  so we have  $n$  unknowns with  $n$  equations.

First find eigenvalues: solve  $\underline{A}\underline{u} - \lambda \underline{u} = \underline{0}$

$$(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I})\underline{u} = \underline{0}$$

but the solution  $\underline{u}$  will be zero unless the inverse of  $(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I})$  does not exist.

Choose  $\lambda$  so that  $\det(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) = 0$ .

Then  $\underline{u}$  can be non-zero.

Second: find eigenvectors: for each  $\lambda$ , plug in  $\lambda$  to  $(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I})\underline{u} = \underline{0}$  and then solve for  $\underline{u}$ .

Note: any multiple of  $\underline{u}$  is also an eigenvector, so you can set one element of  $\underline{u}$  to be a convenient non-zero value like 1,

Example:  $\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\det(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 3 & 4-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - 6 = \lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 2$   $\Rightarrow$  we find the roots  $\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25+8}}{2}$

$$\lambda = \frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2} \Rightarrow \text{find } \underline{u} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2} & 2 \\ 3 & \frac{3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ \frac{3+\sqrt{33}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \text{ works as an eigenvector for the eigenvalue } \frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}$$