

2. Linear Systems & Matrices.

2.1. m equations with n unknowns; Gauss and Gauss-Jordan elimination.

$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{m,n}x_n = b_1$$

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

$$\vdots$$

$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{m,n}x_n = b_m$$

(*)

where: a_{ij}, b_j are given.

Idea: Use row operations to simplify the system.

Each row carries information. Clearly, something like:

"Multiply one row by 0" is not allowed because it destroys the information of that row.

Allowed row operations are such that the original information can be restored.

Allowed operations:

- * Exchange two rows. $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$
- * Multiply one row by a number $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. $R \rightarrow \lambda R$, $R \rightarrow \lambda R$, $R \rightarrow \lambda R$
- * Sum a multiple of one row to another. $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + \lambda R_2$, $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + \lambda R_2$, $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + \lambda R_2$ ($\lambda \neq 0$)

(*) The system is called consistent if it has at least one solution for (b_1, \dots, b_m) .
It is called inconsistent if it has no solution.

Example: 3 equations with 3 unknowns.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 3 \\ 4x_2 + x_3 = 5 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_2 + 3x_3 = 1 \\ 4x_2 + x_3 = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 4R_2} \begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_2 + 3x_3 = 1 \\ -11x_3 = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_3 = -1/11 \\ x_2 = 1 - 3x_3 = 14/11 \\ x_1 = 1 + x_3 - x_2 = -4/11 \end{cases}$$

In reality, we need only the coefficients. The system above can be written as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & | & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & | & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & | & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 4R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -11 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Definition. A matrix. $m \times n$ -matrix is set of numbers ordered

like this:

$$A = (a_{ij})_{\substack{i=1, \dots, m \\ j=1, \dots, n}} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

It is called coefficient matrix of the system

$$a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{m,n}x_n = b_m$$

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

$$\vdots$$

$$a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{m,n}x_n = b_m$$

The augmented matrix is

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{m,n} & b_m \end{array} \right)$$

Special forms of matrices:

Row-echelon form: (Forma escalonada por renglones)

All rows with only zeros on the last rows.

The first non-zero element in every row is 1.

In two following rows which are not zero, the 1 of the higher row is left of the 1 of the lower row.

Reduced

Row-echelon form (Forma escalonada reducida por renglones)

In addition to the above:

All 1's above the first 1 in a row are zero.
pivot = first non-zero element in a row of a reduced-echelon-form-matrix.

Example: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Formas $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ reduced row echelon form

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ echelon, but no reduced echelon form

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ NOT in row echelon form.

Clarify. If a matrix is in (reduced) row echelon form, then the corresponding solution is easy to find.

Example

Reduced row-echelon form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & b_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & b_3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_1 = b_1 \\ x_2 = b_2 \\ x_3 = b_3 \end{matrix}$$

has solution if and only if $b_3 = 0$.
On this case: $x_3 = b_2, x_1 = b_1, x_2$ arbitrary.

has solution ($\Rightarrow b_3 = 0$)

On this case:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & | & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & b_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} x_3 = b_2 \\ x_1 + x_2 = 1 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-t \\ t \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (t \in \mathbb{R})$$

Row-echelon form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & | & b_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & | & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & b_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_3 = b_3 \\ x_2 = b_2 - 5x_3 \\ x_1 = b_1 - x_2 \end{matrix}$$

has solution only if $b_3 = x_2 = b_2/5$. ($\Rightarrow b_2 = 5b_3$)
In this case: $x_2 = b_3, x_1 = b_1 - x_2$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & | & b_1 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & | & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & b_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

Gauss elimination (Gauss elimination)

Use allowed row operations to transform a given matrix in row-echelon form.

Scheme which always works:

- Find first non-zero column. Bring a row which has a non-zero entry in that column in the first row.
- Divide first row by its first non-zero entry.
- Use this row to eliminate all the entries below its first non-zero entry.



Repeat the process with the matrix A'

Gauss-Jordan elimination (Gauss-Jordan elimination)

Use allowed row operations to transform a given matrix in reduced row-echelon form.

Observation The row-echelon form of a given matrix is not unique.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ are equivalent.}$$

Important From the row-echelon form (or the reduced row-echelon form) it is immediately clear that exactly one of the following are true:

- * the system has NO solution
- * the system has exactly one solution
- * the system has NO solution

Exemplos

1) $2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 12$
 $-x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 15$
 $3x_1 - x_3 = 1$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & | & 12 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 & | & 15 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 2R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & 7 & | & 42 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 & | & 15 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & 7 & | & 42 \\ 0 & 9 & 10 & | & 57 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & 7 & | & 42 \\ 0 & 9 & 10 & | & 57 \\ 0 & -3 & -10 & | & -28 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -3 & -10 & | & -28 \\ 0 & 7 & 7 & | & 42 \\ 0 & 9 & 10 & | & 57 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & -\frac{10}{3} & | & -\frac{28}{3} \\ 0 & 7 & 7 & | & 42 \\ 0 & 9 & 10 & | & 57 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 7R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & -\frac{10}{3} & | & -\frac{28}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{10}{3} & | & -\frac{28}{3} \\ 0 & 9 & 10 & | & 57 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 9R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & -\frac{10}{3} & | & -\frac{28}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{10}{3} & | & -\frac{28}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Forma escalonada por rengones
 $\rightarrow x_1 = 2, x_2 = 1, x_3 = 5$

2) $3x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 3x_4 = 3$
 $2x_1 + 6x_2 + 2x_3 - 9x_4 = 2$
 $x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - 3x_4 = 1$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & 3 & +3 & | & 3 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 & -9 & | & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & -3 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -3 & | & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 & -9 & | & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 3 & +3 & | & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 3 & +3 & | & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & 0 & 12 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & -8 & 0 & 12 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -3 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & -8 & 0 & 12 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -3 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Forma escalonada por rengones
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$\rightarrow x_1 + x_3 = 1, 2x_2 - 3x_4 = 0$

In vector form: (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) is a solution: $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

3) $2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 7$
 $3x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = 7$
 $-x_1 + 3x_2 - 3x_3 = 2$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 & | & 7 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 & | & 7 \\ -1 & 3 & -3 & | & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & | & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 & | & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & | & 7 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 2R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & -5 & | & 11 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 & | & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & | & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & -5 & | & 11 \\ 0 & 23 & -13 & | & 38 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & | & 7 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & -5 & | & 11 \\ 0 & 23 & -13 & | & 38 \\ 2 & -6 & 4 & | & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 & -5 & | & 11 \\ 0 & 23 & -13 & | & 38 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 & | & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 & | & -2 \\ 0 & 7 & -5 & | & 11 \\ 0 & 23 & -13 & | & 38 \end{pmatrix}$$

Inconsistente!

\rightarrow The system has no solution.

2.2. Homogeneous systems of equations.

A homogeneous linear system is a system of the form

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= 0 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, it always has the so-called trivial solution $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$.

Observations.

- For a homogeneous system, exactly one of the following is true:
 - It has only one solution (which then must be the trivial solution)
 - It has infinitely many solutions.
- A homogeneous system with more unknowns than equations always has infinitely many solutions.

Justification: Consider the augmented matrix of the system and bring it in reduced echelon-form. It will look like this:

$$m \left\{ \begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & 1 & \times & \times & 0 & & \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & * & \dots \\ & \vdots & & & \vdots & & \\ & 0 & & & 0 & & \end{array} \right\} \quad n$$

$n > m.$

Note: There can be at most m pivots. a pivot and one element which is not above a pivot.

\Rightarrow There must be at least one row with ~~more than two leading ones~~ ~~no leading ones~~

Take that sub-row. It gives infinitely many solutions which are consistent with the rest of equations.

Easier proof: Suppose the system has only the trivial solution.

\Rightarrow The reduced row-echelon form must look like this: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow m = n$ \square

2.3. Vectors and matrices.

Definition. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. $\mathbb{R}^n := \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid \forall j=1, \dots, n: x_j \in \mathbb{R}\}$

A vector in \mathbb{R}^n is $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$

Algebraic operations:

- Sum of two vectors: $\vec{x} + \vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n + y_n \end{pmatrix}$
- product with $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$: $\lambda \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda x_n \end{pmatrix}$

Definition. Let $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$. A $(m \times n)$ -matrix is an ordered rectangular array of $m \cdot n$ numbers

Notation: $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} = (a_{ij})_{\substack{i=1, \dots, m \\ j=1, \dots, n}}$

The set of all $m \times n$ -matrices is denoted by $M(m \times n, \mathbb{R})$ or $M(m \times n)$.

Algebraic operations: $A, B \in M(m \times n)$

\rightarrow Sum of two matrices: $A+B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$

\times Multiplication by $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$: $\lambda A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda a_{11} & \dots & \lambda a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \lambda a_{m1} & \dots & \lambda a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$

Observation: A vector $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ can be viewed as a $1 \times n$ matrix.

Proposition. With the above definition of sum and product, \mathbb{R}^n and $M(m \times n)$ are vector spaces. (\rightarrow Commutativity, Associativity, Distributivity hold)

In particular:

Theorem: (i) $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and $A\vec{y} = \vec{b} \Rightarrow A(\vec{x} - \vec{y}) = \vec{0}$
(ii) $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and $A\vec{y} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow A(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = \vec{b}$

In other words: If \vec{x} and \vec{y} are a solution of (*) then $\vec{x} - \vec{y}$ is a solution of the corresponding homogeneous system.

If \vec{x} is a solution of (*) and \vec{y} is a solution of the corresponding homogeneous system, then $\vec{x} + \vec{y}$ solves the system (*)

So far: A matrix A together with $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ represents a linear system of equations and we try to find a solution \vec{x} of $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

But now we can also view A as a map from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m :

$$A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \vec{x} \mapsto A\vec{x}$$

Uniqueness of solutions has to do with injectivity of A

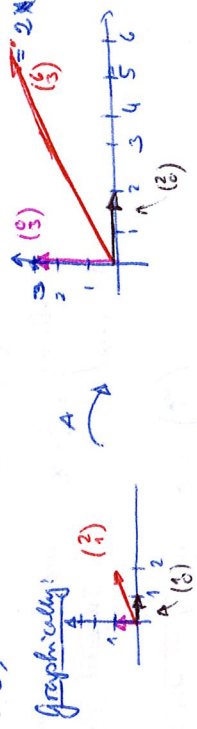
All \vec{b} such that $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a solution, is exactly the range of A .

Examples: Let $m=n=2$.

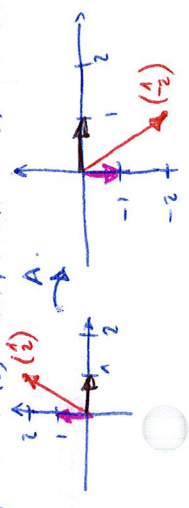
$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2: A\vec{x} = \vec{x}$

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \forall \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2: A\vec{x} = 3\vec{x} \Rightarrow$ scalar vector.

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \forall \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2: A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 3x_2 \end{pmatrix}$ Note: $A(x_1\vec{e}_1 + x_2\vec{e}_2) = 2x_1\vec{e}_1 + 3x_2\vec{e}_2$



$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A\vec{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, A\vec{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, A\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ -x_2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$ Reflection on x -axis



2.4. Products of matrices & vectors.

Definition: $A = (a_{ij}) \in M(m \times n), \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$A\vec{x} := \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$ is weighted sum of the columns of A .

Observation: $A\vec{x} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{pmatrix} + \dots + x_n \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$

(will be useful later).

Properties: $A, B \in M(m \times n), \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

* $(A+B)\vec{x} = A\vec{x} + B\vec{x}$

* $A(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = A\vec{x} + A\vec{y}$

* $(\lambda A)\vec{x} = \lambda(A\vec{x}), A(\lambda\vec{x}) = \lambda(A\vec{x})$.

Application to systems of linear equations:

Consider the linear system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n &= b_m \end{aligned} \right\} (*)$$

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

This can be written as where: $A = (a_{ij}), \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}, \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix}$

It follows from the properties above:

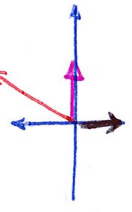
If $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and $A\vec{y} = \vec{c} \Rightarrow A(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = \vec{b} + \vec{c}$.

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, A(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, A(2) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$



$\rightarrow A$ is rotation by 90° !

$A(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$



Composition (=Multiplication) of matrices

Theorem - let $A \in M(m \times n), B \in M(n, k)$

$\rightarrow B \in M(n, k)$ and

$BA = (c_{ij})_{i=1, \dots, m, j=1, \dots, k}$ with $c_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^n b_{il} a_{lj}$

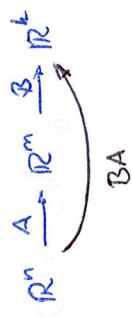
Proof. $\forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$:

$B(A\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & \dots & b_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{k1} & \dots & b_{kn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j} x_j \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^n a_{nj} x_j \end{pmatrix}$

$= \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j} x_j + b_{12} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{2j} x_j + \dots + b_{1n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{nj} x_j \\ \vdots \\ b_{k1} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j} x_j + b_{k2} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{2j} x_j + \dots + b_{kn} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{nj} x_j \end{pmatrix}$

$= \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} a_{11} x_1 + b_{12} a_{21} x_2 + \dots + b_{1n} a_{n1} x_n + (b_{11} a_{12} x_1 + b_{12} a_{22} x_2 + \dots + b_{1n} a_{n2} x_n) + \dots + (b_{11} a_{1n} x_1 + b_{12} a_{2n} x_2 + \dots + b_{1n} a_{nn} x_n) \\ \vdots \\ (b_{k1} a_{11} x_1 + b_{k2} a_{21} x_2 + \dots + b_{kn} a_{n1} x_n) + \dots + (b_{k1} a_{1n} x_1 + b_{k2} a_{2n} x_2 + \dots + b_{kn} a_{nn} x_n) \end{pmatrix}$

$= \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & \dots & c_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_{k1} & \dots & c_{kn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$



Example: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+4 & 0+10 \\ 3+8 & 0+20 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 10 \\ 11 & 20 \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+8+9 & 2+10+8 & 3+12+9 \\ 4+12+18 & 5+15+18 & 6+18+27 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 16+18 & 20+18 & 27+27 \\ 27+27 & 33+27 & 33+54 \end{pmatrix}$

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

Properties. A, B, C, D matrices of suitable sizes.

- $A(B+C) = AB+AC$ (Distributivity)
- $(B+C)D = BD+CD$ (Distributivity)
- $A(BD) = (AB)D$ (Associativity)

Proof. Easy (but long and cumbersome).

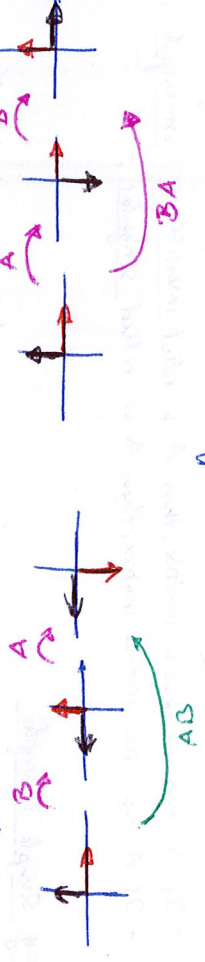
Recall. $B+C = C+B$, but in general $BC \neq CB$!

(If B and C are not square matrices, then one of the products is not even defined!)

Example $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ = Reflection on x-axis
 $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ = Rotation by 90° .

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

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



Important matrix: $J_n = \mathbb{1}_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ = identity matrix

If n is clear, one writes simply J or $\mathbb{1}$.

Observe: $\forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n: J_n \vec{x} = \vec{x}$.

2.5. Inverse of a quadratic matrix.

Motivating Example. A shop sells two types of packages of sweets:

- type A contains 1 piece of chocolate and 3 bubble gums.
- type B " 2 pieces " and 1 bubble gum.

(a) How many pieces of chocolate and how many bubble gums are contained in:

(i) 7 boxes of type A, 8 boxes of type B

(ii) 10 " " , 9 " " - " -

(iii) 1 " " , 13 " " - " -

Solution Easy:
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \# \text{ boxes of type A} \\ \# \text{ boxes of type B} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \# \text{ chocolate} \\ \# \text{ bubble gum} \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) How many boxes do we have to buy of each type if we want:

(i) 5 CH, 15 BG

(ii) 10 CH, 10 BG

(iii) 15 CH, 30 BG

(iv) 9 CH, 13 BG.

Solution. Not so easy because for every item (i)...(iv) we have to solve a system lin. equations:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} \# \text{ chocolate} \\ \# \text{ bubble gum} \end{pmatrix} \text{ given!}$$

We have to solve for \vec{x} s.t. $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

It would be very useful to have a matrix C s.t. $CA = \mathbb{1}$; because in that case:

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \Rightarrow CA\vec{x} = C\vec{b} \Rightarrow \vec{x} = C\vec{b}.$$

If such a matrix exists, it is called the inverse of A.

Observe: Necessary condition for the existence of C:

The linear system associated to A has exactly one solution for any given right hand side \vec{b} .

Definition. Let $A \in M(n \times n)$. Suppose that there exists a matrix

$$B \in M(n \times n) \text{ s.t. } AB = BA = \mathbb{1}.$$

Then B is called the inverse matrix of A and it is denoted by A^{-1} .

- If A has an inverse matrix, then A is called invertible or non-singular.
- If A has no inverse matrix, then A is called singular.

Very simple examples:

• $A = \mathbb{1}$. Clearly A is invertible with inverse $\mathbb{1}$ because $\mathbb{1} \cdot \mathbb{1} = \mathbb{1}$.

• $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A$ is invertible and $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$

• $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A$ is not invertible because: $\forall B \in M(2 \times 2)$:

$$BA = AB = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \mathbb{1}.$$

• $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ e & d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A$ is not invertible because $\forall B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} \in M(2 \times 2)$:

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ * & * \end{pmatrix} \neq \mathbb{1}.$$

Properties of invertible matrices:

Theorem. Let $A \in M(n \times n)$ be an invertible matrix. Then:

(i) A^{-1} is invertible and $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$.

(ii) The inverse of A is unique.

Proof. (i) By definition of A^{-1} : $A A^{-1} = A^{-1} A = \mathbb{1}$

$\Rightarrow A^{-1}$ is invertible and $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$.

(ii) Let $B, C \in M(n \times n)$ s.t. $AB = BA = \mathbb{1}$ and $AC = CA = \mathbb{1}$.

$$\Rightarrow C = C(AB) = (CA)B = B.$$

Theorem. Let $A, B \in M(n \times n)$ be invertible matrices. Then AB is invertible and $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$.

Proof. • $(B^{-1}A^{-1})(AB) = B^{-1}(A^{-1}A)B = B^{-1}B = \mathbb{1}$

• $(AB)(B^{-1}A^{-1}) = A(BB^{-1})A^{-1} = AA^{-1} = \mathbb{1}$.

$\Rightarrow AB$ is invertible and $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$.

Relation between invertibility of a matrix and existence & uniqueness of the associated linear system of equations.

Recall. Let $A \in M(n \times n)$, $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Solutions of $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$? (*)

(1) (*) has no solution \iff the reduced row-echelon form of $(A|\vec{b})$ has a row of the form $(0 \dots 0 | b)$ with $b \neq 0$.

(2) (*) has at least one sol. \iff the reduced row-echelon form of $(A|\vec{b})$ has no row of the form $(0 \dots 0 | b)$ with $b \neq 0$.

In this case:

(2.1) # pivots = # columns \implies (*) has exactly one solution

(2.2) # pivots < # columns \implies (*) has infinitely many solutions.

Observe. For a homogeneous system, (1) cannot occur!

Theorem. Let $A \in M(n \times n)$. Then the following is equivalent:

(i) A is invertible

(ii) $\forall \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has exactly one solution.

(iii) The homogeneous system $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has exactly one solution.

(iv) A is "row-equivalent to $\mathbb{1}$ " ($\hat{=}$ A can be transformed to $\mathbb{1}$ by row operations)

(v) Every row-echelon form of A has n pivots.

Proof. (i) \implies (ii) \implies (v) \implies (iv) \implies (i) is clear from the "recall" above.

(ii) \implies (i) Let $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Consider the equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

Existence of solution: Sol $\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b} \implies A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

Uniqueness: Suppose $\exists \vec{x}, \vec{y}$ s.t. $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and $A\vec{y} = \vec{b} \implies A(\vec{x} - \vec{y}) = \vec{0}$

$\implies \vec{x} - \vec{y} = A^{-1}\vec{0} = \vec{0} \implies \vec{x} = \vec{y}$.

(iv) \implies (i) For $k=1, \dots, n$ let $\vec{e}_k = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ and $\vec{c}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $A\vec{c}_k = \vec{e}_k$.

Let $C = (\vec{c}_1 | \dots | \vec{c}_n)$ be the matrix whose columns are formed by the vectors \vec{c}_k .

Then clearly $AC = \mathbb{1}$.

It remains to show: $CA = \mathbb{1}$. We know: $AC = \mathbb{1} \implies CA = \mathbb{1}$.

$\implies ACA = A \implies A(CA - \mathbb{1}) = 0 \implies \forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n: A(CA - \mathbb{1})\vec{x} = 0$

$\implies (CA - \mathbb{1})\vec{x} = 0$ for all $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ (because s.t. of $A\vec{y} = \vec{0}$ is uniquely $\vec{y} = \vec{0}$)

$\implies CA\vec{x} = \vec{x} \quad (\forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n) \implies CA = \mathbb{1}$.

Theorem. Let $A \in M(n \times n)$. Then:

(i) If $\exists B \in M(n \times n)$ s.t. $BA = \mathbb{1} \implies A$ is invertible and $B = A^{-1}$.

(ii) If $\exists C \in M(n \times n)$ s.t. $AC = \mathbb{1} \implies A$ is invertible and $C = A^{-1}$.

Proof. (i) Let $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies BA\vec{x} = B\vec{0} \implies \mathbb{1}\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies \vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

\implies the homogeneous system $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only one solution.

$\implies A$ is invertible and $B = B(AA^{-1}) = (BA)A^{-1} = A^{-1}$.

(ii) By (i): C is invertible and $A = C^{-1}$. Then: A is invertible

(by Thm. on page 32) and $A^{-1} = (C^{-1})^{-1} = C$. \square

Has do we calculate the inverse matrix of a given invertible matrix?

The proof of Thm. on page 35 says here!

Let $A \in M(n \times n)$ be an invertible matrix, and let $\vec{e}_k = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow k\text{-th line}$

If we have solutions \vec{c}_k of $A\vec{c}_k = \vec{e}_k$ then $C = (\vec{c}_1 | \vec{c}_2 | \dots | \vec{c}_n)$ is the inverse matrix of A .

How do we obtain the \vec{c}_k ?

\implies look at $(A | \vec{e}_k)$ and bring it in reduced row-echelon form

\implies we obtain $\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \end{array} \right)$ (the row-echelon form of A must be $\mathbb{1}$, because A is assumed to be invertible)

$\implies \vec{c}_k = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1k} \\ \vdots \\ x_{nk} \end{pmatrix}$

Instead of repeating the matrix reduction n times, we can do it only one time, if we write on right hand side the collection of all vectors $\vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n$.

rew equations $\implies \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{array} \right)$

this is A^{-1} !

Example: Given A, find A^{-1} .

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Sol: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & : & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & : & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & : & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & : & -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & : & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & : & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 - 2R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & : & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & : & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$

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

Check: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2+3 & 1-1 \\ -6+6 & 3-2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ✓

$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2+3 & -4+4 \\ \frac{3}{2}-\frac{3}{2} & \frac{3}{2}-\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ✓

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

Solution: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & : & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 1 & : & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & : & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 1 & : & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 5R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & : & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & : & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow -R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & : & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$R_2 \rightarrow 4R_2 + 3R_3 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & : & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & : & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & : & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 - 3R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & : & 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & : & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$R_1 \rightarrow 2R_1 - R_2 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & : & 5 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & : & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{5}R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & : & 1 & \frac{6}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & : & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow -R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & : & 1 & \frac{6}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & : & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & : & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Check: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{6}{5} \\ -1 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 10 & 30 \\ 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{6}{5} \\ 2 & 6 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$= \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 13-15+10 & 0 & -1+3-2 \\ -30+30 & 8 & 6-6 \\ 5+3-5 & -5+15+10 & 0 & -5+15-2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = I$ ✓

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & : & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -4 & : & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow 2R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & : & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & : & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

A is not row equivalent to $I_2 \Rightarrow A$ is not invertible!

Special case: $A \in M(2 \times 2)$.

Given $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M(2 \times 2)$.

Case 1: $A \neq 0$
 $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & : & 1 & 0 \\ c & d & : & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow aR_2 - cR_1} \begin{pmatrix} a & b & : & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & ad-bc & : & -c & a \end{pmatrix} \quad (*)$

$\Rightarrow A$ is invertible $\Leftrightarrow ad-bc \neq 0$ and:
 $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - \frac{b}{ad-bc}R_2 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & : & 1 + \frac{bc}{ad-bc} & -\frac{ab}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & ad-bc & : & -c & a \end{pmatrix}$

$R_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{ad-bc}R_1 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & : & \frac{d}{ad-bc} & -\frac{b}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & 1 & : & -\frac{c}{ad-bc} & \frac{a}{ad-bc} \end{pmatrix}$

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

Case 2: $c \neq 0$
 $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & : & 1 & 0 \\ c & d & : & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} c & d & : & 0 & 1 \\ a & b & : & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (**)$

$R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{d}R_2 - \frac{c}{d}R_1 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c & d & : & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & ad-bc & : & -c & a \end{pmatrix} \quad (***)$

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

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - \frac{d}{ad-bc}R_2 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c & 0 & : & \frac{cd}{ad-bc} & 1 - \frac{ad}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & ad-bc & : & -c & a \end{pmatrix}$

$R_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{c}R_1 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & : & \frac{d}{ad-bc} & \frac{1-b}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & 1 & : & -\frac{c}{ad-bc} & \frac{a}{ad-bc} \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$ (as in case 1!)

Case 3: $a = c = 0 \Rightarrow A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix}$. Clearly in this case A is not invertible, and $ad-bc = 0$.

Conclusion: Let $A \in M(2 \times 2)$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ and $\det A = ad-bc =:$ discriminant of A.

Then: i) A is invertible $\Leftrightarrow \det A \neq 0$.

ii) If A is invertible then $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$.

Check: $\frac{1}{\det A} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\det A} \begin{pmatrix} ad-bc & 0 \\ 0 & -bc+ad \end{pmatrix} = I$
 $\frac{1}{\det A} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\det A} \begin{pmatrix} ad-bc & 0 \\ 0 & -cb+ad \end{pmatrix} = I$