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MATRIX CALCULUS APPLIED TO CRYSTALLOGRAPHY

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MATRIX CALCULUS IN CRYSTALLOGRAPHY (BRIEF REVISION)

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What is a matrix?

Definition:

- A rectangular array of numbers
- in m rows
- and n columns
- is called an $(m \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

Use boldface italics upper case letters to indicate matrix, e.g. $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{W}$.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \dots & A_{mn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

An item in a matrix is called an **entry** or **element**

Square Matrix:

An $(n \times n)$ matrix

rows = # columns

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & A_{n2} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Column Matrix:

An $(m \times 1)$ matrix

Row index changes

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \\ \vdots \\ A_{m1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Row Matrix:

A $(1 \times n)$ matrix

Column index changes

$$(A_{11} \quad A_{12} \quad \dots \quad A_{1n})$$

Index 1 is often omitted for column and row matrices.

Transposed Matrix \mathbf{A}^T

Let \mathbf{A} be a $(m \times n)$ matrix

The $(n \times m)$ matrix obtained from

$\mathbf{A} = (A_{ik})$ by **exchanging rows and columns** is called the transposed matrix \mathbf{A}^T .

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \bar{1} \\ 2 & 4 & \bar{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \\ \bar{1} & \bar{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Reminder: \bar{z} means $-z$

Example 1: Transposed Matrix

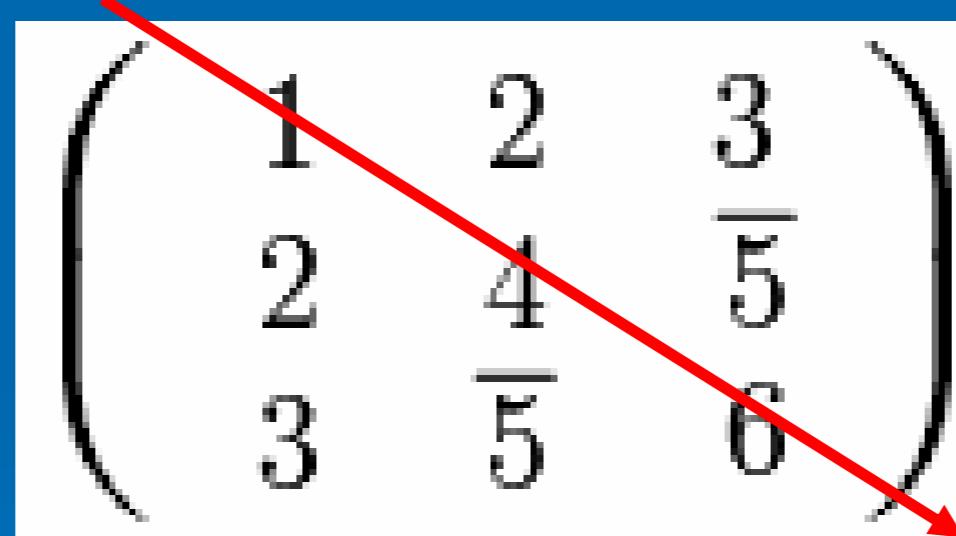
Given that

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

determine A^T .

Symmetric Matrix

A square matrix is symmetric if $\mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A}$
i.e. if $A_{ik} = A_{ki}$ for any pair i,k .

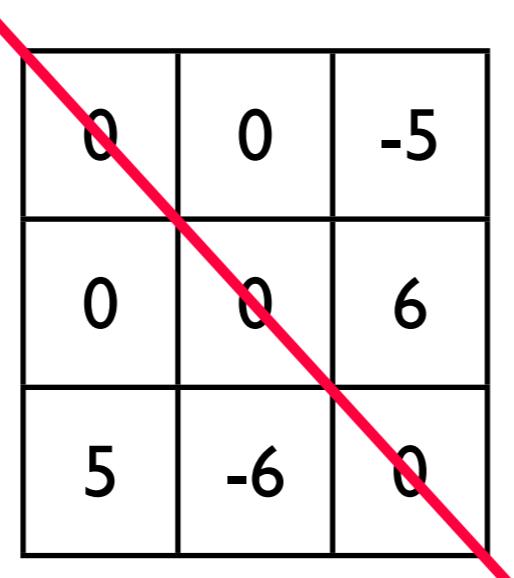


1	2	3
2	4	5
3	5	6

Symmetric with respect to **main diagonal**
- Top left to bottom right

SKEW-SYMMETRIC MATRIX

$$\mathbf{A}^T = -\mathbf{A}$$



0	0	-5
0	0	6
5	-6	0

If \mathbf{A} is a skew-symmetric matrix, then

$$A_{ii}=0, i=1,2,3$$

as $A_{ik}=-A_{ki}$

EXERCISES

Problems

I. Construct the transposed matrix of the (3x1) row matrix:

1	3	4
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2. Determine which of the following matrices are symmetric and which are skew-symmetric:

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

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$F = (3)$$

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

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

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix Calculations

Multiplication with a number (scalar product):

An $(m \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A} is multiplied with a number λ by multiplying each element with λ :

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \dots & A_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \lambda \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda A_{11} & \lambda A_{12} & \dots & \lambda A_{1n} \\ \lambda A_{21} & \lambda A_{22} & \dots & \lambda A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda A_{m1} & \lambda A_{m2} & \dots & \lambda A_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Example 2: Scalar product

Given that

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

determine $3A$.

Matrix addition and subtraction:

Let A_{ik} and B_{ik} be general elements of matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} . \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} must be of the same size (i.e. same number of rows and columns). Then the sum and the difference $\mathbf{A} \pm \mathbf{B}$ is:

$$\begin{aligned} C = A \pm B &= \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \dots & A_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \pm \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} & \dots & B_{1n} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} & \dots & B_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m1} & B_{m2} & \dots & B_{mn} \end{pmatrix} = \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} \pm B_{11} & A_{12} \pm B_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \pm B_{1n} \\ A_{21} \pm B_{21} & A_{22} \pm B_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \pm B_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} \pm B_{m1} & A_{m2} \pm B_{m2} & \dots & A_{mn} \pm B_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Element C_{ik} of \mathbf{C} is equal to the sum or difference of the elements A_{ik} and B_{ik} of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} for any pair i,k :

$$C_{ik} = A_{ik} \pm B_{ik}$$

EXERCISES

Problems

I. Find $3A - 2B$, where

$$A = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad B = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline 0 & -4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

2. Show that the sum of any matrix and its transpose is a symmetric matrix, i.e.

$$(A + A^T)^T = A + A^T$$

3. Show that the difference of any matrix and its transpose is a skew-symmetric matrix, i.e.

$$(A - A^T)^T = -(A - A^T)$$

Matrix multiplication

The multiplication of two matrices is only defined when:

- the number $n_{(lema)}$ of columns of the *left matrix* is the same as
- the number of $m_{(rima)}$ of rows on the *right matrix*
- no restriction on $m_{(lema)}$ or rows of the *left matrix*
- no restriction on $n_{(rima)}$ or rows of the *right matrix*

columns of left matrix = # rows of right matrix

Multiplication

Product of two matrices A and B :

The matrix product $C = AB$ or

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
 C_{11} & C_{12} & \dots & C_{1k} & \dots & C_{1n} \\
 C_{21} & C_{22} & \dots & C_{2k} & \dots & C_{2n} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 C_{i1} & C_{i2} & \dots & C_{ik} & \dots & C_{in} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
 C_{m1} & C_{m2} & \dots & C_{mk} & \dots & C_{mn}
 \end{array} \right) = \\
 & = \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
 A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1j} & \dots & A_{1r} \\
 \hline
 A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2j} & \dots & A_{2r} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 A_{i1} & A_{i2} & \dots & A_{ij} & \dots & A_{ir} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
 A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \dots & A_{mj} & \dots & A_{mr}
 \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
 B_{11} & B_{12} & \dots & B_{1k} & \dots & B_{1n} \\
 B_{21} & B_{22} & \dots & B_{2k} & \dots & B_{2n} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 B_{j1} & B_{j2} & \dots & B_{jk} & \dots & B_{jn} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
 B_{r1} & B_{r2} & \dots & B_{rk} & \dots & B_{rn}
 \end{array} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

(Diagram illustrating matrix multiplication: The columns of matrix A are highlighted with red arrows, and the rows of matrix B are highlighted with green arrows. Specific elements C_{11} , C_{22} , and C_{m2} are circled in red, blue, and green respectively, showing their corresponding row and column intersections in the multiplication process.)

is defined by $C_{ik} = A_{i1}B_{1k} + A_{i2}B_{2k} + \dots + A_{ij}B_{jk} + \dots + A_{ir}B_{rk}$.

Examples: Matrix Multiplication

If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$,

$$\text{then } C = A B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$C \neq D$, i. e. matrix multiplication is *not always commutative*.
However, it is *associative*, e. g., $(A B) D = A (B D)$
and *distributive*, i. e. $(A + B) C = A C + B C$.

Example 5: Multiplication

Given that

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

and $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB}$.

Determine \mathbf{C} .

Determine $\mathbf{D}=\mathbf{BA}$, check if $\mathbf{C}=\mathbf{D}$ or not.

EXERCISES

Problems

I. Find the products \mathbf{AB} and \mathbf{BA} , if they exist, where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & -4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 3 & -2 & 2 \\ \hline 1 & 0 & -1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

2. Find the matrix products \mathbf{AB} and \mathbf{BA} of the row vector $\mathbf{A} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$, and the column vector $\mathbf{B} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline -2 \\ \hline 4 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$

3. Prove that $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BC}) = (\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{C}$ where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline -1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 0 & -1 \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & -1 \\ \hline 3 & 2 \\ \hline 2 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Trace of a Matrix

The trace of a $(n \times n)$ square matrix A is the **sum** of the elements on the main diagonal.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & A_{n2} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{tr}(A) = A_{11} + A_{22} + \dots + A_{nn}$$

Determinants

The determinant $\det(A)$ or $|A|$ of A can be calculated for any $(n \times n)$ square matrix.

(2×2) matrix

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = \boxed{A_{11} A_{22}} - \boxed{A_{12} A_{21}}$$

Determinants

(3×3) matrix

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} & B_{13} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} & B_{23} \\ B_{31} & B_{32} & B_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(B) = \begin{vmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} & B_{13} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} & B_{23} \\ B_{31} & B_{32} & B_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(B) = & [B_{11} B_{22} B_{33}] + [B_{12} B_{23} B_{31}] + [B_{13} B_{21} B_{32}] - \\ & - [B_{11} B_{23} B_{32}] - [B_{12} B_{21} B_{33}] - [B_{13} B_{22} B_{31}] \end{aligned}$$

Example 6: Determinant

Given that

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

Determine $\det(A)$.

EXERCISES

Problems

I. Find the values of the traces and the determinants of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{array}{|c|c|}\hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline -1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|}\hline 0 & 4 & 2 \\ \hline 4 & -2 & -1 \\ \hline 5 & 1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

2. Show that $\det(\mathbf{AB})=\det(\mathbf{A})\det(\mathbf{B})$ where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{array}{|c|c|}\hline 3 & 2 \\ \hline 5 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{array}{|c|c|}\hline 1 & 6 \\ \hline 2 & 9 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

3. Show that $\det(\mathbf{A})=\det(\mathbf{A}^T)$ where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|}\hline 1 & 1 & 3 \\ \hline 2 & 2 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Inverse of a Matrix

A matrix \mathbf{C} which fulfills the condition $\mathbf{CA} = \mathbf{I}$ for a square matrix \mathbf{A} , is the inverse matrix \mathbf{A}^{-1} of \mathbf{A} , i.e. $\mathbf{AA}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$.

\mathbf{A}^{-1} exists if and only if $\det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$.

Not all matrices have an inverse matrix.

Assume that \mathbf{A}^{-1} exists. If $\mathbf{CA} = \mathbf{I}$ then $\mathbf{AC} = \mathbf{I}$ also holds.

A matrix is called orthogonal if $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^T$, i.e. $\mathbf{AA}^T = \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$

EXAMPLE

Inverse of a matrix \mathbf{A} :

$$(\mathbf{A}^{-1})_{ik} = (\det \mathbf{A})^{-1} (-1)^{i+k} \mathbf{B}_{ki}$$

Find the inverse, if it exists of \mathbf{A} , where $\mathbf{A} =$

1	2	3
1	3	5
1	5	12

(i) $\det \mathbf{A} = 3, \det \mathbf{A} \neq 0$

(ii) $(\mathbf{A}^{-1})_{11}: (1/3)(-1)^{1+1} \mathbf{B}_{11} = 11/3$

$$\mathbf{B}_{11} = \det \begin{array}{|ccc|} \hline & 2 & 3 \\ \hline 1 & 3 & 5 \\ \hline 1 & 5 & 12 \\ \hline \end{array} = \det \begin{array}{|cc|} \hline 3 & 5 \\ \hline 5 & 12 \\ \hline \end{array} = 11$$

(iii) $(\mathbf{A}^{-1})_{12}: (1/3)(-1)^{1+2} \mathbf{B}_{21} = -9/3$

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$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = 1/3$$

11	-9	1
-7	9	-2
2	-3	1

Is it correct?

EXERCISES

Problems

I. Determine the inverses of the following matrices:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

2. Given that $\mathbf{A} =$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

, determine \mathbf{A}^{-1} .

EXERCISES

Problems

Given that $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, determine A^{-1} .

SOLUTION

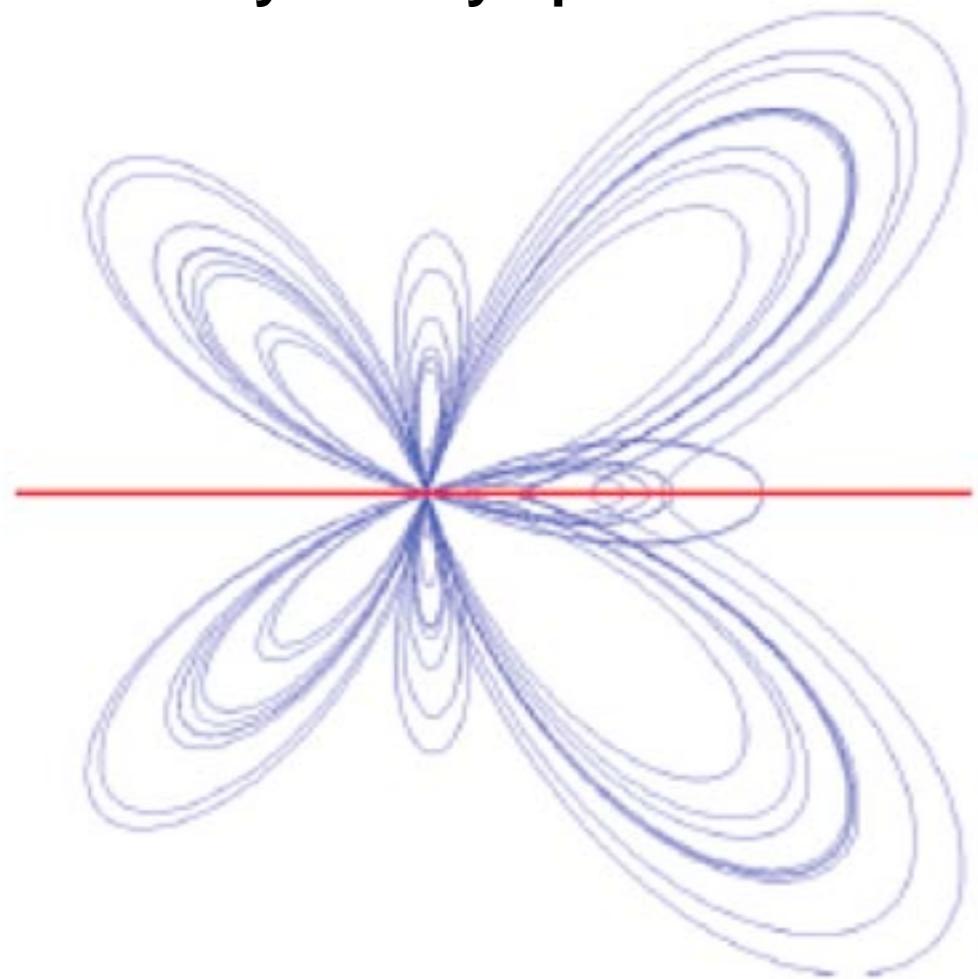
$$A^{-1} =$$

1/5	0	2/5
2/5	0	-1/5
1/15	1/3	2/15

SYMMETRY OPERATIONS AND THEIR MATRIX-COLUMN PRESENTATION

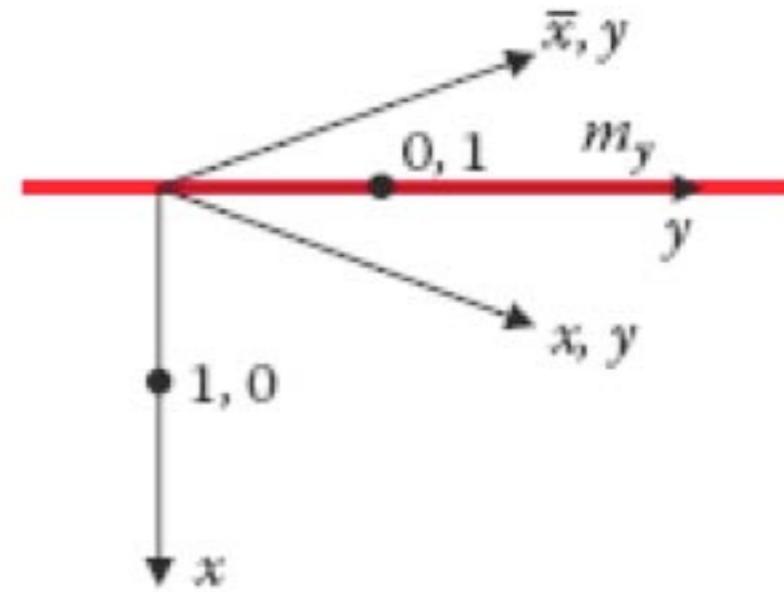
Example: Matrix presentation of symmetry operation

Mirror symmetry operation



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Mirror line m_y at 0,y



Matrix representation

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

Fixed points

$$m_y \begin{pmatrix} x_f \\ y_f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_f \\ y_f \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = ? \quad \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = ?$$

Description of isometries

coordinate system:

$$\{O, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}\}$$

isometry:



$$\tilde{x} = F_1(x, y, z)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{x} &= W_{11} x + W_{12} y + W_{13} z + w_1 \\ \tilde{y} &= W_{21} x + W_{22} y + W_{23} z + w_2 \\ \tilde{z} &= W_{31} x + W_{32} y + W_{33} z + w_3\end{aligned}$$

Matrix notation for system of linear equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{matrix} W_{11} x + W_{12} y + W_{13} z \\ W_{21} x + W_{22} y + W_{23} z \\ W_{31} x + W_{32} y + W_{33} z \end{matrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} W_{11} & W_{12} & W_{13} \\ W_{21} & W_{22} & W_{23} \\ W_{31} & W_{32} & W_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix-column presentation of isometries

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} W_{11} & W_{12} & W_{13} \\ W_{21} & W_{22} & W_{23} \\ W_{31} & W_{32} & W_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

linear/matrix
part

translation
column part

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{w}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w}) \mathbf{x} \quad \text{or} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \{ \mathbf{W} \mid \mathbf{w} \} \mathbf{x}$$

matrix-column
pair

Seitz symbol

EXERCISES

Problem

Referred to an ‘orthorhombic’ coordinate system ($a \neq b \neq c$; $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$) two symmetry operations are represented by the following matrix-column pairs:

$$(W_1, w_1) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & 0 \\ & & -1 & 0 \\ \hline & & & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$(W_2, w_2) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & & & 1/2 \\ & 1 & & 0 \\ & & -1 & 1/2 \\ \hline & & & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Determine the images X_i of a point X under the symmetry operations (W_i, w_i) where

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0,70 \\ 0,31 \\ 0,95 \end{pmatrix}$$

Can you guess what is the geometric ‘nature’ of (W_1, w_1) ? And of (W_2, w_2) ?

Hint:

A drawing could be rather helpful

EXERCISES

Problem

Characterization of the symmetry operations:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = ?$$

$$\text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = ?$$

What are the fixed points of (W_1, w_1) and (W_2, w_2) ?

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_f \\ y_f \\ z_f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_f \\ y_f \\ z_f \end{pmatrix}$$

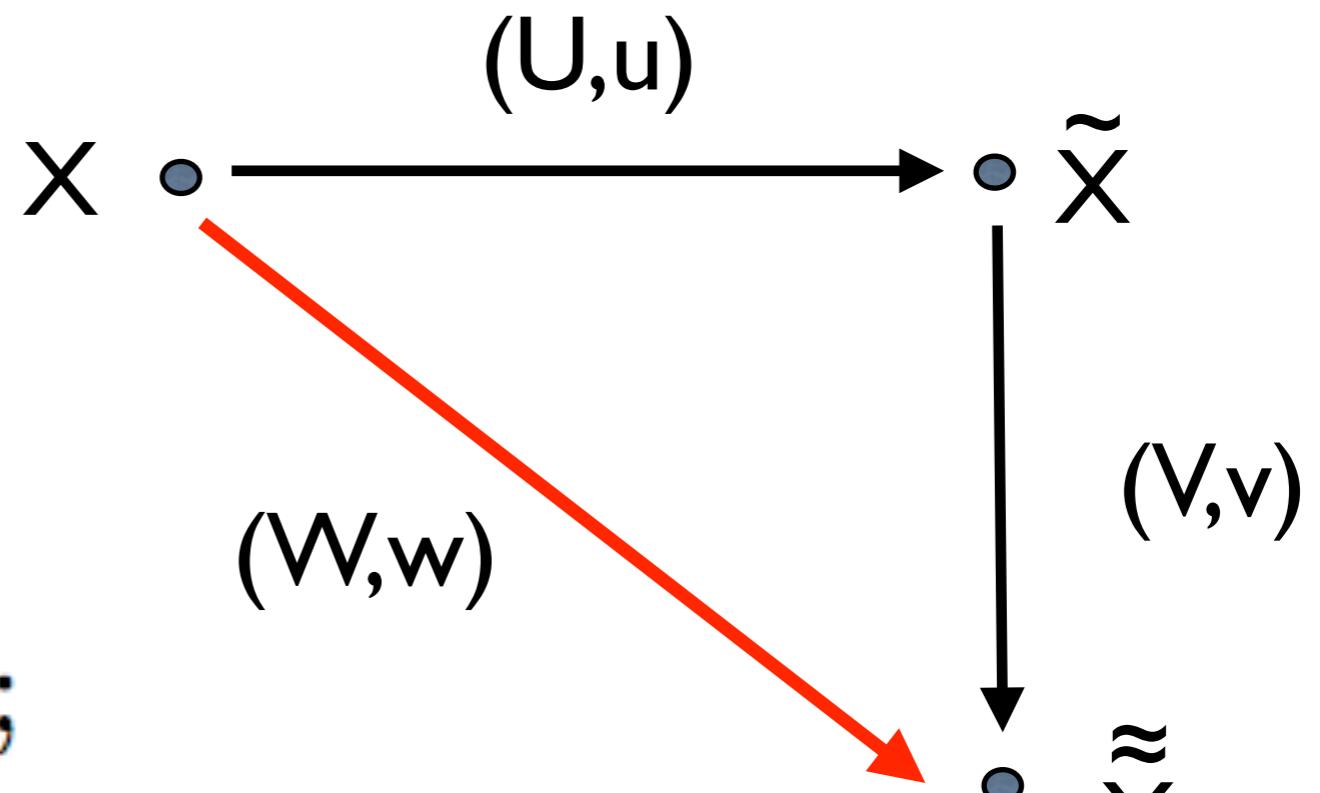
Combination of isometries

$$\tilde{x} = Ux + u;$$

$$\tilde{\tilde{x}} = V\tilde{x} + v;$$

$$\tilde{\tilde{\tilde{x}}} = V(Ux + u) + v;$$

$$\tilde{\tilde{\tilde{x}}} = VUx + Vu + v = Wx + w.$$



$$\tilde{\tilde{x}} = (V, v) \tilde{x} = (V, v)(U, u)x = (W, w)x.$$

$$(W, w) = (V, v)(U, u) = (VU, Vu + v).$$

EXERCISES

Problem

Consider the matrix-column pairs of the two symmetry operations:

$$(W_1, w_1) = \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & -1 & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & \\ \hline & & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \quad \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 0 \\ \hline 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \right)$$

$$(W_2, w_2) = \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline -1 & & \\ \hline & 1 & \\ \hline & & -1 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \quad \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1/2 \\ \hline 0 \\ \hline 1/2 \\ \hline \end{array} \right)$$

Determine and compare the matrix-column pairs of the combined symmetry operations:

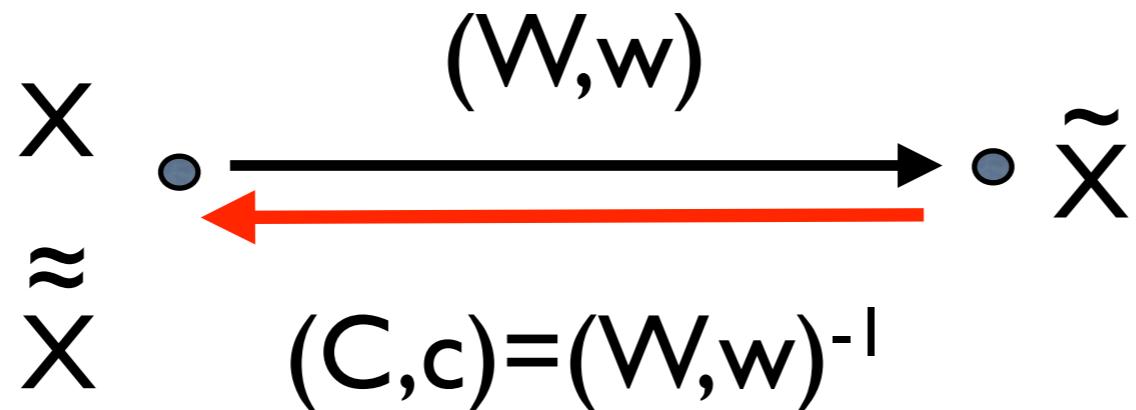
$$(W, w) = (W_1, w_1)(W_2, w_2)$$

$$(W, w)' = (W_2, w_2)(W_1, w_1)$$

combination of isometries:

$$(W_2, w_2)(W_1, w_1) = (W_2 W_1, W_2 w_1 + w_2)$$

Inverse isometries



$$(C, c)(W, w) = (I, \bullet)$$

I = 3x3 identity matrix
 \bullet = zero translation column

$$(C, c)(W, w) = (CW, Cw+c)$$

$$CW=I$$

$$Cw+c=\bullet$$

$$C=W^{-1}$$

$$c=-Cw=-W^{-1}w$$

EXERCISES

Problem

Determine the inverse symmetry operations $(W_1, w_1)^{-1}$ and $(W_2, w_2)^{-1}$ where

$$(W_1, w_1) = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & -1 & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & \\ \hline & & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} & \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 0 \\ \hline 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(W_2, w_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline -1 & & \\ \hline & 1 & \\ \hline & & -1 \\ \hline \end{array} & \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1/2 \\ \hline 0 \\ \hline 1/2 \\ \hline \end{array} \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine the inverse symmetry operation $(W, w)^{-1}$

$$(W, w) = (W_1, w_1)(W_2, w_2)$$

inverse of isometries:

$$(W, w)^{-1} = (W^{-1}, -W^{-1}w)$$

EXERCISES

Problem

Consider the matrix-column pairs

$$(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{a}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } (\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{b}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (i) What is the matrix–column pair resulting from $(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{b})(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{a}) = (\mathbf{C}, \mathbf{c})$, and $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{a})(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{b}) = (\mathbf{D}, \mathbf{d})$?
- (ii) What is $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{a})^{-1}$, $(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{b})^{-1}$, $(\mathbf{C}, \mathbf{c})^{-1}$ and $(\mathbf{D}, \mathbf{d})^{-1}$?
- (iii) What is $(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{b})^{-1}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{a})^{-1}$?