

**Lecture 04:**  
**Systems of Linear Equations #3:**

**Outline:**

- 1) Matrix-Matrix Operations (the rules of the game)
  - Matrix Multiplication:  $AB$
  - Block Matrices
  - Proof of Associative law  $A(BC)=(AB)C$
  - Computational Costs
  - Matrix Powers:  $A^p$
- 2) The Matrix Inverse:  $A^{-1}$  (square matrices)
  - Fun Facts about  $A^{-1}$
  - The inverse of simple matrices (I,D,E,P)
  - The inverse of General matrices: Gauss-Jordan Elimination

**General rules of Matrix-Matrix Operations**

Matrix Matrix Multiplication:  $C=AB$

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Examples:

**General rules of Matrix-Matrix Operations**

Properties of Matrix-Matrix Multiplication:

**Block Matrices:**

Examples:

**Proof of Associative property for Matrix Multiplication**

Theorem: Matrix Mult is associative.

If A,B,C are matrices of appropriate shapes, then  $A(BC)=(AB)C$

Proof (sketch): Show  $A(BC)=(AB)C$

**Another important Digression: Operation costs**  
Matrix-vector and Matrix-Matrix multiplication (*order matters!*)

Matlab Demo:

**General rules of Matrix-Matrix Operations**

Matrix Powers:  $A^p$

**The Matrix Inverse:  $A^{-1}$** 

**Definition:** A square matrix A is **invertible** if there exists a matrix  $A^{-1}$  such that

$$A^{-1}A = I \text{ and } AA^{-1} = I$$

**Note:** Not all square matrices are invertible!

**The Matrix Inverse:  $A^{-1}$** 

6 Fun Facts about  $A^{-1}$ :

- 1) Given A nxn:  $A^{-1}$  exists if and only if elimination produces  $n$  pivots. If there are  $< n$  pivots, A is **singular**. (to be proved)
- 2) If  $A^{-1}$  exists, it is **unique**
- 3) If  $A^{-1}$  exists, solutions to  $Ax=b$  are unique.

**The Matrix Inverse:  $A^{-1}$** 

6 Fun Facts about  $A^{-1}$  cont'd.:

- 4) if there exists a vector  $\underline{x} \neq \underline{0}$  such that  $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ , then A is **singular**. ( $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$  for non-zero  $\underline{x}$  implies that there is a linear combination of the columns of A that add up to zero...)
- 5) The inverse of a 2x2 matrix (if it exists) is
- 6) **Product Rule for Inverses!** if A and B are both invertible, then so is their product AB with inverse

**Inverses of simple Matrices:***The identity matrix:**Diagonal Matrices:**Elementary Elimination Matrices  $E_{ij}$ :**Even Permutation Matrices:***Inverses of General Square Matrices:***Gauss-Jordan Elimination**The Big Picture***Inverses of General Square Matrices:  
Gauss-Jordan Elimination***Step 1: Form the block matrix  $[A \ I]$* *Step 2: Eliminate Down (Gauss)**Step 3: Eliminate Up (Jordan)**Step 4: Divide by the Pivots***Inverses of General Square Matrices:  
Gauss-Jordan Elimination***A 3x3 Example (ugh):***Big Point!:***To solve  $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$  use Gaussian Elimination, **not**  $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$* *Being Invertible is important...**finding  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  is less important*

**Gauss Elimination is a sufficient test for invertibility!**

**Theorem:**  $A^{-1}$  exists if and only if  $A$  has a full set of  $n$  pivots.

**Proof:**

1) Given  $n$  pivots show you can find  $A^{-1}$

2) if  $AC=I$  then  $A$  must have  $n$  pivots

