

# MAT 305: Mathematical Computing

## Linear algebra

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- ➌ How matrices can be useful
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sage: v = vector([1, 3, -1, 2])
sage: u + v
(1, 5, 1, 2)
sage: u*v
4
sage: u.norm()
2*sqrt(2)
```

*Dot product!*

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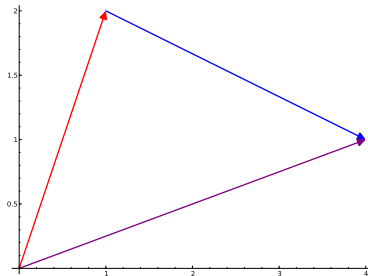
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# The `matrix()` command

`matrix( ring, #rows, #cols, entries)` where

- *ring* (optional) an appropriate algebraic ring
- *#rows*, *#cols* (optional) number of rows and columns  
(default depends on *entries*; no *entries*  $\implies 0 \times 0$  matrix)
- *entries* (optional) is one of
  - a list of entries, from northwest corner to southeast  
(if *#rows*, *#cols* specified)
  - a list of row vectors
  - none specified? all entries 0

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```
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                    [x + I, 1, 0])
```

```
sage: MS
```

```
[x^2 + 1      0      0]
```

```
[ x + I      1      0]
```

# Help yourself read

Good idea to put rows in different lines

```
sage: MR = matrix(RR, [  
    [1,2,3],  
    [3,2,1],  
    [1,1,2]  
    ])  
sage: MR  
[1.000000000000000 2.000000000000000 3.000000000000000]  
[3.000000000000000 2.000000000000000 1.000000000000000]  
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```
sage: MS[1,0]
```

```
x+I
```

```
sage: MS[0,2] = x - I
```

*(counting starts from 0)*

```
sage: MS
```

```
[x^2 + 1      0      x - I]
```

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[ x + I      1      0]
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# Submatrices

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## Example

```
sage: MZ[1,1] = 1
```

```
sage: MZ.submatrix(1,1,2,2)
```

```
[ 1 0]
```

```
[ 0 0]
```

## Basic matrix operations

“dot” command	mathematics
<code>M.det()</code>	determinant
<code>M.inverse()</code>	
<code>M.transpose()</code>	
<code>M.eigenvalues()</code>	
<code>M.eigenvectors_right()</code>	right eigenvectors*
<code>M.eigenvectors_left()</code>	left eigenvectors*
<code>M.echelon_form()</code>	echelon form of unchanged $M$
<code>M.echelonize()</code>	change $M$ to echelon form
<code>M.ncols()</code>	number of columns
<code>M.nrows()</code>	number of rows

\*“right eigenvectors” are usual “eigenvectors”

## Row arithmetic

“dot” command	mathematics
<code>M.set_row_to_multiple_of_row(i,j,a)</code>	set row $i$ to $a$ times row $j^*$
<code>M.add_multiple_of_row(i,j,a)</code>	add $a$ times row $j$ to row $i^*$
<code>M.swap_rows(i,j)</code>	swap rows $i, j$
<code>M.swap_columns(i,j)</code>	swap columns $i, j$

\*row  $i$  changes; row  $j$  remains the same

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Algorithm from High School Algebra II!

**algorithm** Compute inverse

**inputs**

$M$ , an invertible matrix over a field

**outputs**

$M^{-1}$

**do**

Let  $n = \dim(M)$

Let  $A$  be augmented matrix  $(M \mid I_n)$

Triangularize  $A$

**return** rightmost  $n \times n$  submatrix of  $A$

Try it!

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*To create  $I_4$ , can set diagonal entries of zero matrix to 1...*

```
sage: I4 = matrix(4,4)
```

```
sage: for i in range(4):  
      I4[i,i] = 1
```

```
sage: I4  
[1 0 0 0]  
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[0 0 0 1]
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sage: A = MZ.augment(I4)
```

```
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```

```
[1 2 3 4 1 0 0 0]
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```
sage: A.add_multiple_of_row(2,0,-8)
```

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```
[ 1  2  3  4  1  0  0  0]
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[  1   0  -1  -2   1   0   0  -2]  
[  0   1   2   3   0   0   0   1]  
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 9 & -8 & 0 & 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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sage: A = A.change_ring(QQ)
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```
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```
[  1  0 -1 -2  1  0  0 -2]
[  0  1  2  3  0  0  0  1]
[  0  0  3  9 -8  0  1 13]
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*Looks the same, but it's not.*  
*Return to regularly-scheduled programming.*

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```
sage: Minv = A.submatrix(0,4,4,4)  
sage: Minv * M  
[1 0 0 0]  
[0 1 0 0]  
[0 0 1 0]  
[0 0 0 1]
```

## Other tools

Need another computation w/ $M$ ? Remember:

- $M.<\text{tab}>$  states all tools for  $M$
- $M.<\text{command}>?$  states help for command
- $M.<\text{command}>??$  lists source code for command

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

verification in Sage:

```
sage: M = matrix(2,2,[0,2,2,0])
```

```
sage: v = vector([1,-1])
```

```
sage: M*v
```

```
(-2, 2)
```

## Easy to find in Sage

```
sage: M = matrix(2,2,[0,2,2,0])
```

```
sage: M.eigenvectors_left()
```

```
[(2, [ (1, 1) ], 1), (-2, [ (1, -1) ], 1)]
```

What does this tell us?

- $\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 1)$  is eigenvector w/eigenvalue 2, mult 1
- $\mathbf{e}_2 = (1, -1)$  is eigenvector, w/eigenvalue  $-2$ , mult 1

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```

```
sage: M.eigenvectors_left()
```

```
[(2, [ (1, 1) ], 1), (-2, [ (1, -1) ], 1)]
```

What does this tell us?

- $\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 1)$  is eigenvector w/eigenvalue 2, mult 1
- $\mathbf{e}_2 = (1, -1)$  is eigenvector, w/eigenvalue  $-2$ , mult 1

In other words,

- $M\mathbf{e}_1 = 2\mathbf{e}_1$
- $M\mathbf{e}_2 = -2\mathbf{e}_2$

Try verifying this in Sage



# Neat fact of eigenvectors

## Theorem (Eigendecomposition)

*Let  $M$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with*

- independent eigenvectors  $\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n$*
- corresponding to eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ .*

*We can rewrite  $M$  as  $M = Q\Lambda Q^{-1}$  where*

$$Q = (\mathbf{e}_1 | \mathbf{e}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{e}_n) \quad \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

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```
sage: Q = matrix(2,2,[1,1,1,-1])
```

```
sage: L = matrix(2,2,[2,0,0,-2])
```

```
sage: Q*L*Q**(-1)
```

```
[0 2]
```

```
[2 0]
```

$$\dots \text{recall } M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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This is the well-known Fibonacci sequence:

$$f_1 = 1 \quad f_2 = 1 \quad f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$$

Can we get a “non-recursive” formula?

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Iterative multiplication generates the sequence

```
sage: F = matrix(2,2,[1,1,1,0])
```

```
sage: f12 = vector([1,1])
```

```
sage: F*f12
```

```
[2, 1]
```

```
sage: F^2*f12
```

```
[3, 2]
```

```
sage: F^3*f12
```

```
[5, 3]
```

In short,

$$F^{n-2} \begin{pmatrix} f_2 \\ f_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_n \\ f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F^{n-2} &= (Q\Lambda Q^{-1})^{n-2} \\ &= \underbrace{(Q\Lambda Q^{-1})(Q\Lambda Q^{-1})\cdots(Q\Lambda Q^{-1})}_{n-2} \\ &= Q\Lambda \underbrace{(Q^{-1}Q)\Lambda(Q^{-1}Q)\cdots(Q^{-1}Q)\Lambda}_{n-2} Q^{-1} \\ &= Q\Lambda^{n-2}Q^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\Lambda$  is diagonal, it is easy to compute  $\Lambda^n$



# What to do?

## General outline:

- Compute eigenvectors and eigenvalues  
`sage: F.eigenvectors_right()`
- Construct  $Q\Lambda^n Q^{-1}$   
`sage: Q = matrix(2,2,[...])`  
`sage: L = matrix(2,2,[...])`
- Analyze the equation

## One “drawback”

- eigenvectors, eigenvalues look inexact

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- In fact, we can determine their exact values

```
sage: edata = F.eigenvectors_right()  
sage: lam1, lam2 = edata[0][0], edata[1][0]  
sage: lam1 = lam1.radical_expression(); lam1  
-1/2*sqrt(5) + 1/2  
sage: lam2 = lam2.radical_expression(); lam2  
1/2*sqrt(5) + 1/2
```

# Put it together

$$\begin{bmatrix} (-1/2\sqrt{5} + 1/2, [(1, -1/2\sqrt{5}) - 1/2]), 1), \\ (1/2\sqrt{5} + 1/2, [(1, 1/2\sqrt{5}) - 1/2]), 1] \end{bmatrix}$$

```
sage: Q = matrix(
        [1, -1/2*sqrt(5) - 1/2],
        [1, 1/2*sqrt(5) - 1/2]
    )
sage: var('n')
sage: L = matrix(2,2,[
        (-1/2*sqrt(5) + 1/2)^(n-2), 0,
        0, (1/2*sqrt(5) + 1/2)^(n-2)
    ])
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We can use this fact to rewrite

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as...



# Binet's Formula

$$f_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left[ \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \left( \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n \right]$$

golden ratio

(kindly observe a moment of reverent awe)

# Outline

## ① Vectors and Vector Spaces

## ② Matrices

## ③ How matrices can be useful

## ④ Summary

# Summary

- Sage does matrices
  - over fields *and* rings
  - symbolic ring! explore!
  - can change base ring
- You can solve some sophisticated problems using matrices on Sage