

## Line Voiding Operations

In the unpublished Mutation Geometry it is shown how to put a line of zeroes thru any prechosen path thru a matrix of order  $n$ . To this end we note that if we have a vector defined by :

$$(1) \quad a = (a_1, a_2)$$

then

$$(2) \quad \hat{a} = (a_2, -a_1)$$

is a vector normal to  $a$ . One may set up a transformation and prove that  $\hat{a}$  is normal to  $a$  but this would be too slow. (2) does not say that it is the only answer nor do we care. That (2) is one answer may be easily tested:

$$(3) \quad a \cdot \hat{a} = (a_1, a_2) \cdot (a_2, -a_1) = a_1 a_2 - a_2 a_1 = 0$$

The components of  $a$  in (1) may be looked upon as a matrix. Then the components of  $\hat{a}$  in (2) are the cofactors in order from left to right of the elements in (1). This is a generalization the power of which you will soon see.

If we have two vectors

$$(4) \quad a_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13})$$

$$(5) \quad a_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23})$$

Then

$$(6) \quad b = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$$

is a vector normal to  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  where  $b_1, b_2, b_3$  are the column cofactors in order from left to right in the system

$a_1$

$a_2$

$$b_1 = \begin{vmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{22} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} \quad b_2 = - \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} \quad b_3 = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix}$$

This fact may be attested to by actual algebraic multiplication.

If one has three vectors

$$a_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{14})$$

$$a_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24})$$

$$a_3 = (a_{31}, a_{32}, a_{33}, a_{34})$$

Then

$$(7) \quad b = (b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4)$$

is a vector normal to  $a_1, a_2, a_3$ , where the components of  $b$  are the column cofactors in order from left to right in the system

$a_1$  $a_2$  $a_3$ 

This may be shown by direct algebraic multiplication. In general if we have  $n - 1$  vectors

$$a_1 = ( a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, \dots, a_{1n} )$$

$$a_2 = ( a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, \dots, a_{2n} )$$

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$$a_{n-1} = ( a_{n-1,1}, a_{n-1,2}, a_{n-1,3}, \dots, a_{n-1,n} )$$

Then

$$( 8 ) \quad b = ( b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_n )$$

is a vector normal to the system  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1}$ . It is too long to test the truth of this by direct algebraic multiplication. For a short proof identify  $b$  with  $a$  in equation ( 11 ) and the  $n - 1$   $a$  in the right side of ( 11 ) with our  $a$  above. Then the scalar product of  $b$  with any one of the  $a$  in the right of ( 11 ) is identically zero, being the volume of a hyper-parallelogram with two sides equal.

#### Epp-Vectors And Shadow Matrices (SPACE VOIDING)

To any given hyper vector

$$( 1 ) \quad a = ( a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, \dots, a_{1n} )$$

one may construct an indefinite number of normal hyper vectors, one among which is:

$$( 2 ) \quad \hat{a} = ( -a_{1n}, a_{11}, 0, \dots, 0 )$$

To any two hypervectors

$$(3) \quad a_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, \dots, a_{1n})$$

$$(4) \quad a_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, \dots, a_{2n})$$

one may construct a normal vector:

$$(5) \quad b = (b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, 0)$$

where the first three components of  $b$  are the column cofactors (of first three columns) in order from left to right in the system (3), (4) with all the other components of  $b$  being zero. This construction may be accomplished in many ways. It is at the discretion of the operator. For instance if there were a patch of large numbers in the first two vectors I would let the components in  $b$  corresponding to them be zero and take cofactors of the remaining terms, a saving of time and labor.

To any three hyper-vectors

$$(6) \quad a_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{14}, a_{15}, \dots, a_{1n})$$

$$(7) \quad a_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}, a_{25}, \dots, a_{2n})$$

$$(8) \quad a_3 = (a_{31}, a_{32}, a_{33}, a_{34}, a_{35}, \dots, a_{3n})$$

one may construct a normal vector

$$(9) \quad b = (b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, 0, \dots, 0)$$

where the first four components of  $b$  are the column cofactors (of the first 4 columns) in order from left to right, all the other components in  $b$  being zero. In general one may construct a vector normal to  $n-1$  hyper-vectors with  $n$  components, there being only one way for the  $b$ . This construction possibility, as we shall see, is a powerful tool in analysis and system solutions.

Any vector formed from a system of vectors, as the  $b$  above, we call an epp-vector. Any  $n$  by  $n-1$  matrix formed from epp-vectors we call a shadow matrix.

Consider the system of equations:

$$(10) \quad \begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \dots a_{1n} & x_1 & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \dots a_{2n} & x_2 & b_2 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & a_{n4} \dots a_{nn} & x_n & b_n \end{array} =$$

of first three columns)

of the first 4 columns)

We now form the shadow matrix:

$$(11) \quad \begin{array}{cccccc} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} & c_{14} \dots & c_{1n} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} & c_{24} \dots & c_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ c_{n-1,1} & c_{n-1,2} & c_{n-1,3} & c_{n-1,4} \dots & c_{n-1,n} \end{array}$$

where the first row is the epp-vector formed orthogonally to the  $n-1$  column vectors to the right of the first column in (10). The second row is the epp-vector formed orthogonally to the  $n-2$  columns to the right of the first 2 columns in (10). The  $j$ th row is the epp-vector formed orthogonally to the  $n-j$  column vectors to the right of the first  $j$  columns in (10).  $j$  going from 1 to  $n-1$ ; the last row being the epp-vector formed orthogonally to the last column vector in (10). It is the  $n-1$ th row.

We now multiply both sides of (10) by (11) and get:

$$(12) \quad \begin{array}{cccccc|c|c} d_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & x_1 & e_1 \\ d_{21} & d_{22} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & x_2 & e_2 \\ d_{31} & d_{32} & d_{33} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & x_3 & e_3 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ d_{n-1,1} & d_{n-1,2} & d_{n-1,3} & d_{n-1,4} & d_{n-1,5} \dots & 0 & 0 & x_{n-1} & e_{n-1} \\ & & & & & & & x_n & \end{array}$$

Thus triangleising the system. From (12) we have for  $x$  the expression:

$$(13) \quad x = e_i / d_{ii}$$

and the values for the other  $x$  follow immediately. We do an illustrative example. Consider the system;

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & x_1 & 7 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & x_2 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 & x_3 & 1 \end{array}$$

One shadow matrix is

$$(15) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} -8 & 7 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$

Multiplying both sides of (14) by (15) we get:

$$(16) \quad \begin{array}{ccc|c} -9 & 0 & 0 & x_1 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 & x_2 \\ & & & x_3 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} -18 \\ 9 \end{array}$$

$$(17) \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -18/-9 = 2 \\ x_2 = (9 - 6)/3 = 1 \\ x_3 = 3 \end{array}$$

In this case three matrices of shadow form may be formed. They all lead to the same answers. We do a second illustrative example. Consider the system.

$$(1) \quad \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -2 & 2 & 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 & x_2 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 & -3 & x_3 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 & -1 & x_4 \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{array}$$

A shadow matrix for (1) is:

$$(2) \quad \begin{array}{cccc} 6 & 5 & 9 & -11 \\ 7 & 4 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

Multiply both sides of (1) by (2) and we get;

$$(3) \begin{vmatrix} -25 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 13 & -11 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & 5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} -25 \\ -9 \\ -4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = -25/-25 = 1$$

$$(4) \quad x_2 = (-9 -13)/-11 = 2$$

$$x_3 = (-4 -3 + 12)/5 = 1$$

$$x_4 = -1$$

This is almost on a par with the first scheme of solution. This same process may be used to diagonalize a matrix. It is about twice the work of triangulation and so we would not recommend it. However, for completeness we do an illustrative example or two: Solve the system

$$(5) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 8 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

by diagonalization. Construct a shadow matrix of three rows, normal respectively to the second and third, first and third, and first and second columns of (5) respectively. The shadow matrix is:

$$(6) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -7 & 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Multiplying both sides of (5) by (6) one obtains

$$(7) \begin{array}{c} \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 5 & 0 & 0 & x_1 \\ 0 & -20 & 0 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & x_3 \end{array} \right| = \left| \begin{array}{c} 10 \\ -20 \\ 12 \end{array} \right| \end{array}$$

$$x_1 = 10/5 = 2$$

$$x_2 = -20/-20 = 1$$

$$x_3 = 12/4 = 3$$

Solve the system

$$(8) \begin{array}{c} \left| \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -2 & 2 & 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 & x_2 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 & -3 & x_3 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 & -1 & x_4 \end{array} \right| = \left| \begin{array}{c} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right| \end{array}$$

by diagonalization. Construct a shadow matrix of four rows normal respectively to the  $(2,3,4)$ ,  $(3,4,1)$ ,  $(4,1,2)$  and  $(1,2,3)$  columns of (8). The shadow matrix is

$$(9) \begin{array}{c} \left| \begin{array}{cccc} 6 & 5 & 9 & -11 \\ 23 & 15 & 22 & -13 \\ -14 & -20 & -21 & 9 \\ -19 & -20 & -16 & 14 \end{array} \right| \end{array}$$

Multiply both sides of (8) by (9) and one obtains

$$\left| \begin{array}{cccc|c} -25 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_1 \\ 0 & -25 & 0 & 0 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 25 & 0 & x_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -25 & x_4 \end{array} \right| = \left| \begin{array}{c} -25 \\ -50 \\ 25 \\ 25 \end{array} \right|$$

$$x_1 = -25/-25 = 1, \quad x_2 = -50/-25 = 2$$

$$x_3 = 25/25 = 1, \quad x_4 = 25/-25 = -1$$