

A New Mode of Inversion of Matrices

For simplicity we start with a third order matrix:

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

We first find vectors

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

which, in turn, are perpendicular to columns (2 and 3), (1 and 3) and (1 and 2) . We multiply A and C and get the diagonal matrix

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

In general the M may not be equal nor have the same sign. WE want the M to be equal and have a positive sign. Let M be the least common multiple of the M_{ij} then we can write:

$M = d_1 M_{11} = d_2 M_{22} = d_3 M_{33}$. We can now write the inverse of A:

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 (c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13}) \\ d_2 (c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23}) \\ d_3 (c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33}) \end{pmatrix} / M$$

We now do a numerical of the 4 th order:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 + 1 - 1 + 3 \\ 1 + 2 + 1 - 2 \\ 3 - 2 + 2 + 1 \\ -2 - 1 + 3 - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 5 - 14 - 22 + 21 \\ 15 + 14 - 10 + 7 \\ -19 - 14 - 6 - 35 \\ -37 - 14 + 6 - 21 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C \cdot A = \begin{pmatrix} 112 + 0 + 0 + 0 \\ 0 + 56 + 0 + 0 \\ 0 + 0 - 112 + 0 \\ 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 - 112 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M = 1(112) = 2(56) = -1(-112) = -1(-112)$$

$$d_1 = 1, \quad d_2 = 2, \quad d_3 = -1, \quad d_4 = -1$$

Multiplying the c rows by the d_i and divide by M we get the inverse of A:

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -14 & -22 & +21 \\ 30 & +28 & -20 & +14 \\ 19 & +14 & +6 & +35 \\ 37 & -14 & -6 & +21 \end{pmatrix} / 112$$

It is an easy extension to the general case. I do one of the fifth order just to help you see the generalization which one must be prepared to do.

$$A = \begin{matrix} 2 & + & 1 & - & 1 & + & 3 & + & 1 \\ 1 & + & 2 & + & 1 & - & 2 & + & 2 \\ 3 & - & 2 & + & 2 & + & 1 & - & 1 \\ -2 & - & 1 & + & 3 & - & 1 & - & 3 \\ -1 & - & 1 & + & 2 & + & 1 & - & 2 \end{matrix}$$

$$C = \begin{matrix} 25 & - & 6 & + & 18 & + & 41 & - & 64 \\ -25 & - & 2 & + & 6 & - & 33 & + & 32 \\ 15 & - & 26 & - & 2 & + & 31 & - & 64 \\ 5 & + & 2 & - & 6 & - & 27 & + & 48 \\ -25 & + & 14 & - & 2 & - & 49 & + & 56 \end{matrix}$$

$$C \cdot A = 80 - 40 - 80 + 80 + 40$$

$$M = 1(80) = -2(-40) = -1(-80) = 1(80) = 2(40)$$

$$d_1 = 1, \quad d_2 = -2, \quad d_3 = -1, \quad d_4 = 1, \quad d_5 = 2$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{matrix} 25 & - & 16 & + & 18 & + & 41 & - & 64 \\ 50 & + & 4 & - & 12 & + & 66 & - & 64 \\ -15 & + & 26 & + & 32 & - & 31 & + & 64 \\ 5 & + & 2 & - & 6 & - & 27 & + & 48 \\ -50 & + & 28 & - & 4 & - & 98 & + & 112 \end{matrix} \quad \text{80}$$

This answer checks: $A \cdot A^{-1} = A^{-1} \cdot A = I$

I did one of the 10th order which is found fully illustrated on pages 217 ... in vol. 6. The whole scheme is a matter of efficiently calculating the various γ vectors forming the C matrix. Most of the work is in calculating the first γ . The other γ have so many parts alike the first γ that one has mostly to copy them down.