# Introduction to Matrices

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Matrix algebra has at least two advantages:

- •Reduces complicated systems of equations to simple expressions
- •Adaptable to systematic method of mathematical treatment and well suited to computers

#### **Definition:**

A matrix is a set or group of numbers arranged in a square or rectangular array enclosed by two brackets

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Properties:**

- •A specified number of rows and a specified number of columns
- •Two numbers (rows x columns) describe the dimensions or size of the matrix.

#### Examples:

A matrix is denoted by a bold capital letter and the elements within the matrix are denoted by lower case letters

e.g. matrix [A] with elements  $a_{ij}$ 

$$\mathbf{A}_{\text{mxn}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \dots & a_{ij} & a_{in} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \dots & a_{ij} & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{ij} & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

i goes from 1 to m

j goes from 1 to n

#### TYPES OF MATRICES

#### 1. Column matrix or vector:

The number of rows may be any integer but the number of columns is always 1

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 2. Row matrix or vector

Any number of columns but only one row

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[a_{11} \quad a_{12} \quad a_{13} \cdots \quad a_{1n}]$$

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 3. Rectangular matrix

Contains more than one element and number of rows is not equal to the number of columns

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 7 & -7 \\ 7 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m \neq n$$

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 4. Square matrix

The number of rows is equal to the number of columns

(a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{m \times m}$  has an order of m)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 9 & 9 & 0 \\ 6 & 6 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The principal or main diagonal of a square matrix is composed of all elements  $a_{ij}$  for which i=j

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 5. Diagonal matrix

A square matrix where all the elements are zero except those on the main diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e.  $a_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$  $\mathbf{a}_{ii} \neq 0$  for some or all i = j

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 6. Unit or Identity matrix - I

A diagonal matrix with ones on the main diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{ij} \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e.  $a_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$ 

 $a_{ii} = 1$  for some or all i = j

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 7. Null (zero) matrix - 0

All elements in the matrix are zero

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{ii} = 0$$
 For all  $i, j$ 

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 8. Triangular matrix

A square matrix whose elements above or below the main diagonal are all zero

$\lceil 1 \rceil$	0	0	$\lceil 1$	0	0	$\lceil 1 \rceil$	8	9]
2		1		1		0	1	6
5	2	3	5	2	3_	$\lfloor 0$	0	3

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 8a. Upper triangular matrix

A square matrix whose elements below the main diagonal are all zero

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} & a_{ij} & a_{ij} \\ 0 & a_{ij} & a_{ij} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e.  $a_{ij} = 0$  for all i > j

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 8b. Lower triangular matrix

A square matrix whose elements above the main diagonal are all zero

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{ij} & a_{ij} & 0 \\ a_{ij} & a_{ij} & a_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e. 
$$a_{ij} = 0$$
 for all  $i < j$ 

#### **TYPES OF MATRICES**

#### 9. Scalar matrix

 $a_{ii} = a$  for all i = j

A diagonal matrix whose main diagonal elements are equal to the same scalar

A scalar is defined as a single number or constant

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{ij} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
i.e.  $a_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i \ge j$ 

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### Matrices

Matrix Operations

#### **EQUALITY OF MATRICES**

Two matrices are said to be equal only when all corresponding elements are equal

Therefore their size or dimensions are equal as well

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$$

Some properties of equality:

- •IIf A = B, then B = A for all A and B
- •IIf A = B, and B = C, then A = C for all A, B and C

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

If 
$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$$
 then  $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ 

#### ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION OF MATRICES

The sum or difference of two matrices, **A** and **B** of the same size yields a matrix **C** of the same size

$$c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$$

Matrices of different sizes cannot be added or subtracted

#### Commutative Law:

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}$$

**Associative Law:** 

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C = A + B + C$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 6 \\ -4 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 8 & 5 \\ -2 & -7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

**A** 2x3

**B** 2x3

**C** 2x3

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}$$

 $\mathbf{A} + (-\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{0}$  (where  $-\mathbf{A}$  is the matrix composed of  $-\mathbf{a}_{ij}$  as elements)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### SCALAR MULTIPLICATION OF MATRICES

Matrices can be multiplied by a scalar (constant or single element)

Let k be a scalar quantity; then

$$kA = Ak$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4 \times \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times 4 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & -4 \\ 8 & 4 \\ 8 & -12 \\ 16 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Properties:

• 
$$k (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = k\mathbf{A} + k\mathbf{B}$$

$$\bullet (k+g)\mathbf{A} = k\mathbf{A} + g\mathbf{A}$$

• 
$$k(\mathbf{AB}) = (k\mathbf{A})\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}(k)\mathbf{B}$$

• 
$$k(gA) = (kg)A$$

#### **MULTIPLICATION OF MATRICES**

The product of two matrices is another matrix

Two matrices **A** and **B** must be **conformable** for multiplication to be possible

i.e. the number of columns of  $\bf A$  must equal the number of rows of  $\bf B$ 

Example.

$$\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{x} \quad \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}$$

$$(1\mathbf{x}3) \quad (3\mathbf{x}1) \quad (1\mathbf{x}1)$$

$$\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A} = \text{Not possible!}$$

$$(2x1) (4x2)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \text{Not possible!}$$

$$(6x2) \quad (6x3)$$

#### Example

$$\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{x} \quad \mathbf{B} \quad = \mathbf{C}$$

$$(2\mathbf{x}3) \quad (3\mathbf{x}2) \quad (2\mathbf{x}2)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(a_{11} \times b_{11}) + (a_{12} \times b_{21}) + (a_{13} \times b_{31}) = c_{11}$$

$$(a_{11} \times b_{12}) + (a_{12} \times b_{22}) + (a_{13} \times b_{32}) = c_{12}$$

$$(a_{21} \times b_{11}) + (a_{22} \times b_{21}) + (a_{23} \times b_{31}) = c_{21}$$

$$(a_{21} \times b_{12}) + (a_{22} \times b_{22}) + (a_{23} \times b_{32}) = c_{22}$$

Successive multiplication of row i of A with column j of B – row by column multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 6 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 \times 4) + (2 \times 6) + (3 \times 5) & (1 \times 8) + (2 \times 2) + (3 \times 3) \\ (4 \times 4) + (2 \times 6) + (7 \times 5) & (4 \times 8) + (2 \times 2) + (7 \times 3) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 21 \\ 63 & 57 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remember also:

$$IA = A$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 21 \\ 63 & 57 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 21 \\ 63 & 57 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assuming that matrices **A**, **B** and **C** are conformable for the operations indicated, the following are true:

- $1. \quad AI = IA = A$
- 2. A(BC) = (AB)C = ABC (associative law)
- 3. A(B+C) = AB + AC (first distributive law)
- 4. (A+B)C = AC + BC (second distributive law)

#### Caution!

- 1. AB not generally equal to BA, BA may not be conformable
- 2. If AB = 0, neither A nor B necessarily = 0
- 3. If AB = AC, B not necessarily = C

AB not generally equal to BA, BA may not be conformable

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 15 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 23 & 6 \\ 10 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If AB = 0, neither A nor B necessarily = 0

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

#### TRANSPOSE OF A MATRIX

If:

$$A = {}_{2}A^{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then transpose of A, denoted  $A^{T}$  is:

$$A^{T} = {}_{2}A^{3^{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 \\ 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{ij} = a_{ji}^T$$
 For all  $i$  and  $j$ 

To transpose:

Interchange rows and columns

The dimensions of  $A^{T}$  are the reverse of the dimensions of A

$$A = {}_{2}A^{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
  $2 \times 3$ 

$$A^{T} = {}_{3}A^{T^{2}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 \\ 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3 \times 2$$

#### Properties of transposed matrices:

1. 
$$(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$$

2. 
$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

3. 
$$(kA)^T = kA^T$$

4. 
$$(A^T)^T = A$$

1. 
$$(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 3 & -5 \\ -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ 5 & -2 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -2 \\ 8 & -7 \\ 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{B}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### SYMMETRIC MATRICES

A Square matrix is symmetric if it is equal to its transpose:

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

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

When the original matrix is square, transposition does not affect the elements of the main diagonal

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

The identity matrix, I, a diagonal matrix D, and a scalar matrix, K, are equal to their transpose since the diagonal is unaffected.

### **INVERSE OF A MATRIX**

Consider a scalar k. The inverse is the reciprocal or division of 1 by the scalar.

### Example:

k=7 the inverse of k or  $k^{-1} = 1/k = 1/7$ 

Division of matrices is not defined since there may be  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{AC}$  while  $\mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{C}$ 

Instead matrix inversion is used.

The inverse of a square matrix, A, if it exists, is the unique matrix  $A^{-1}$  where:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$$

Example:

$$A = {}_{2}A^{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Because:

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

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

Properties of the inverse:

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$$

$$(A^{T})^{-1} = (A^{-1})^{T}$$

$$(kA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{k}A^{-1}$$

A square matrix that has an inverse is called a nonsingular matrix A matrix that does not have an inverse is called a singular matrix Square matrices have inverses except when the determinant is zero When the determinant of a matrix is zero the matrix is singular<sup>40</sup>

### **DETERMINANT OF A MATRIX**

To compute the inverse of a matrix, the determinant is required

Each square matrix A has a unit scalar value called the determinant of A, denoted by det A or |A|

If 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
then 
$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

If A = [A] is a single element (1x1), then the determinant is defined as the value of the element

Then  $|\mathbf{A}| = \det \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{a}_{11}$ 

If A is  $(n \times n)$ , its determinant may be defined in terms of order (n-1) or less.

### **MINORS**

If A is an n x n matrix and one row and one column are deleted, the resulting matrix is an (n-1) x (n-1) submatrix of A.

The determinant of such a submatrix is called a minor of A and is designated by  $m_{ij}$ , where i and j correspond to the deleted row and column, respectively.

 $m_{ij}$  is the minor of the element  $a_{ij}$  in **A**.

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

Each element in A has a minor

Delete first row and column from A.

The determinant of the remaining 2 x 2 submatrix is the minor of  $a_{11}$ 

$$m_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

Therefore the minor of  $a_{12}$  is:

$$m_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

And the minor for  $a_{13}$  is:

$$m_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$$

### **COFACTORS**

The cofactor  $C_{ij}$  of an element  $a_{ij}$  is defined as:

$$C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} m_{ij}$$

When the sum of a row number i and column j is even,  $c_{ij} = m_{ij}$  and when i+j is odd,  $c_{ij} = -m_{ij}$ 

$$c_{11}(i = 1, j = 1) = (-1)^{1+1} m_{11} = +m_{11}$$
  
 $c_{12}(i = 1, j = 2) = (-1)^{1+2} m_{12} = -m_{12}$   
 $c_{13}(i = 1, j = 3) = (-1)^{1+3} m_{13} = +m_{13}$ 

### **DETERMINANTS CONTINUED**

The determinant of an n x n matrix A can now be defined as

$$|A| = \det A = a_{11}c_{11} + a_{12}c_{12} + \dots + a_{1n}c_{1n}$$

The determinant of A is therefore the sum of the products of the elements of the first row of A and their corresponding cofactors.

(It is possible to define  $|\mathbf{A}|$  in terms of any other row or column but for simplicity, the first row only is used)

Therefore the 2 x 2 matrix :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Has cofactors:

$$c_{11} = m_{11} = |a_{22}| = a_{22}$$

And:

$$c_{12} = -m_{12} = -|a_{21}| = -a_{21}$$

And the determinant of **A** is:

$$|A| = a_{11}c_{11} + a_{12}c_{12} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

## Example 1:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$|A| = (3)(2) - (1)(1) = 5$$

For a 3 x 3 matrix:

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

The cofactors of the first row are:

$$\begin{vmatrix} c_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}$$

$$c_{12} = -\begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = -(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31})$$

$$c_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} = a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31}$$

The determinant of a matrix A is:

$$|A| = a_{11}c_{11} + a_{12}c_{12} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

Which by substituting for the cofactors in this case is:

$$|A| = a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) - a_{12}(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) + a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31})$$

Example 2:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) - a_{12}(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) + a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31})$$

$$|A| = (1)(2-0) - (0)(0+3) + (1)(0+2) = 4$$

### **ADJOINT MATRICES**

A cofactor matrix C of a matrix A is the square matrix of the same order as A in which each element  $a_{ij}$  is replaced by its cofactor  $c_{ij}$ .

Example:

If 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

The cofactor C of A is 
$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The adjoint matrix of **A**, denoted by adj **A**, is the transpose of its cofactor matrix

$$adjA = C^T$$

It can be shown that:

$$\mathbf{A}(\text{adj }\mathbf{A}) = (\text{adj}\mathbf{A}) \mathbf{A} = |\mathbf{A}| \mathbf{I}$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = (1)(4) - (2)(-3) = 10$$

$$adjA = C^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A(adjA) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = 10I$$

$$(adjA)A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = 10I$$

### USING THE ADJOINT MATRIX IN MATRIX INVERSION

Since

$$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

and

$$\mathbf{A}(\text{adj }\mathbf{A}) = (\text{adj}\mathbf{A}) \mathbf{A} = |\mathbf{A}| \mathbf{I}$$

then

$$A^{-1} = \frac{adjA}{|A|}$$

Example

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To check

$$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

$$AA^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$A^{-1}A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

### Example 2

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The determinant of A is

$$|\mathbf{A}| = (3)(-1-0)-(-1)(-2-0)+(1)(4-1) = -2$$

The elements of the cofactor matrix are

$$c_{11} = +(-1),$$
  $c_{12} = -(-2),$   $c_{13} = +(3),$   $c_{21} = -(-1),$   $c_{22} = +(-4),$   $c_{23} = -(7),$   $c_{31} = +(-1),$   $c_{32} = -(-2),$   $c_{33} = +(5),$ 

The cofactor matrix is therefore

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -4 & -7 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

so 
$$adjA = C^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \\ 3 & -7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

and
$$A^{-1} = \frac{adjA}{|A|} = \frac{1}{-2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \\ 3 & -7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 \\ -1.0 & 2.0 & -1.0 \\ -1.5 & 3.5 & -2.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

The result can be checked using

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$$

The determinant of a matrix must not be zero for the inverse to exist as there will not be a solution

Nonsingular matrices have non-zero determinants

Singular matrices have zero determinants