

## SPECIAL SQUARE MATRICES

### 1. Periodic Matrix

A square matrix  $A$  is said to be *periodic* if  $A^{k+1} = A$ .

If  $k$  is the least positive integer for which  $A^{k+1} = A$ , then  $k$  is called the “period” of  $A$ .

If  $A^2 = A$  it is periodic of period 1    If  $A^5 = A$  it is periodic of period 4

**EXAMPLE:** Show that the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -6 \\ -3 & 2 & 9 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a periodic matrix having period 2.

**Solution:** Consider

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -6 \\ -3 & 2 & 9 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -6 \\ -3 & 2 & 9 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+6-12 & -2-4-0 & -6-18+18 \\ -3-6+18 & 6+4+0 & 18+18-27 \\ 2-0-6 & -4+0-0 & -12+0+9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -6 & -6 \\ 9 & 10 & 9 \\ -4 & -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \neq A.$$

Now consider,

$$A^3 = A^2 A = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -6 & -6 \\ 9 & 10 & 9 \\ -4 & -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -6 \\ -3 & 2 & 9 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -5+18-12 & 10-12-0 & 30-54+18 \\ 9-30+18 & -18+20+0 & -54+90-27 \\ -4+12-6 & 8-8-0 & 24-36+9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -6 \\ -3 & 2 & 9 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = A.$$

We observe that  $A^3 = A$ , hence  $A$  is a periodic matrix having period  $k=2$ .

### 2. Idempotent Matrix

A square matrix  $A$  is said to be *Idempotent* if  $A^2 = A$ .

**EXAMPLE: Show that**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is an Idempotent matrix.}$$

**Solution:** Consider

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4+2-4 & -4-6+8 & -8-8+12 \\ -2-3+4 & 2+9-8 & 4+12-12 \\ 2+2-3 & -2-6+6 & -4-8+9 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = A \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A^2 = A$ , the given matrix  $A$  is an Idempotent Matrix.

**NOTE:** Identity matrix is always a periodic of period one. It is also an Idempotent matrix for  $I^2 = I$ .

It may also be noted that an idempotent matrix is periodic matrix with period 1.

### 3. Nilpotent Matrix

A square matrix  $A$  is said to be *nilpotent* if  $A^k = O, k \in N$ .

If  $k$  is the least member of  $N$  such that  $A^k = O$ , then  $k$  is called the “index” of  $A$ .

**EXAMPLE: Show that**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} ab & b^2 \\ -a^2 & -ab \end{bmatrix}$  **is a nilpotent matrix of index 2.**

**Solution:** Consider

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} ab & b^2 \\ -a^2 & -ab \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ab & b^2 \\ -a^2 & -ab \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a^2b^2 - a^2b^2 & ab^3 - ab^3 \\ -a^3b + a^3b & -a^2b^2 + a^2b^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = O. \end{aligned}$$

Since,  $A^2 = O$ , the matrix  $A$  is a nilpotent matrix of index 2. You may observe that  $|A| = 0$ .

**EXAMPLE: Show that**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$  **is nilpotent.**

**Solution:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1+3-4 & -3-9+12 & -4-12+16 \\ -1-3+4 & 3+9-12 & 4+12-16 \\ 1+3-4 & -3-9+12 & -4-12+16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = O$$

Thus, the given matrix is nilpotent of index 2. You may observe that  $|A| = 0$ .

#### 4. Involutory Matrix

A square matrix  $A$  is said to be *Involutory* matrix if  $A^2 = I$ .

**EXAMPLE:** Show that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 4 & -3 & 4 \\ 3 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  is Involutory.

**Solution:** Consider

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 4 & -3 & 4 \\ 3 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 4 & -3 & 4 \\ 3 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0+4-3 & 0-3+3 & 0+4-4 \\ 0-12+12 & 4+9-12 & -4-12+16 \\ 0-12+12 & 3+9-12 & -3-12+16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I.$$

Since,  $A^2 = I$ , hence  $A$  is an Involutory matrix.

**NOTE:** Since  $A^2 = I \Rightarrow A A = I$ . Pre-multiplying both sides by  $A^{-1}$

$$A^{-1}(A.A) = A^{-1}.I \quad \Rightarrow (A^{-1}A).A = A^{-1}.I \quad \Rightarrow I.A = A^{-1}.I \quad \Rightarrow A = A^{-1}.$$

This shows that if a matrix  $A$  is involutory matrix then it is equal to its inverse.

### SPECIAL MATRICES IN GENERAL

#### 1. Transpose of a Matrix

Let  $A$  be any matrix of order  $m \times n$ . The matrix obtained by interchanging rows and columns of  $A$  is called the *transpose* of a matrix. The transpose of matrix is denoted by  $A^t$ . For example, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}, \text{ then } A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}.$$

Thus by definition, if matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$ , then  $A^t = [a_{ji}]$

#### Properties of Transpose of Matrices

If the matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are conformable for the sum  $A+B$  and the product  $AB$ , then

$$(i) \quad (A+B)^t = A^t + B^t \quad (ii) \quad (A^t)^t = A \quad (iii) \quad (kA)^t = kA^t, \text{ where } k \in R \quad (iv) \quad (AB)^t = B^t A^t.$$

#### 2. Conjugate of a Matrix

if  $a + bi$  is a complex number than  $a - bi$  is called conjugate complex number

A complex matrix obtained by replacing its elements by their corresponding complex conjugates is called the *conjugate* of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\bar{A}$ . For example, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2+3i & 4 & 5i \\ 0 & 4i & 8 \\ 4-3i & 0 & 7+3i \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2-3i & 4 & -5i \\ 0 & -4i & 8 \\ 4+3i & 0 & 7-3i \end{bmatrix} \text{ is the conjugate matrix of } A.$$

### 3. Tranjugate or Transpose of a Conjugate Matrix

The transpose of the conjugate of a matrix  $A$  is called the *tranjugate* or *transposed conjugate* of  $A$ . It is denoted by  $(\bar{A})^t$ . For example, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3+4i & 5-6i & 2+3i \\ 4-5i & 7 & 8i \\ 6 & 5+6i & 2-3i \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3-4i & 5+6i & 2-3i \\ 4+5i & 7 & -8i \\ 6 & 5-6i & 2+3i \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $(\bar{A})^t = \begin{bmatrix} 3-4i & 4+5i & 6 \\ 5+6i & 7 & 5-6i \\ 2-3i & -8i & 2+3i \end{bmatrix}.$

**Properties of Tranjugate Matrix: If  $A$  and  $B$  are two complex matrices confirmable for addition and multiplication, then**

- (i)  $\overline{A \pm B} = \bar{A} \pm \bar{B}$  (ii)  $(\bar{A})^t = \overline{A^t}$  (iii)  $\overline{A \cdot B} = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B}$  (iv)  $\overline{kA} = k\bar{A}$ , where  $k$  is a scalar, real or complex. (v)  $\overline{(\bar{A})} = A$  (vi)  $A + \bar{A} = \text{Real matrix}$  (vii)  $A - \bar{A} = \text{Purely imaginary matrix}$

### 4. Symmetric Matrix

Any square matrix  $A$  is said to be *symmetric* if  $A^t = A$ . For example, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = A.$$

### 5. Skew-Symmetric Matrix

Any square matrix  $A$  is said to be *skew-symmetric* if  $A^t = -A$  or  $-A^t = A$ . For example, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -A.$$

## 6. Hermitian Matrix

A square matrix  $A$  for which  $(\overline{A})^t = A$  is called a *Hermitian matrix*. For example, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b-ic \\ b+ic & d \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \overline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b+ic \\ b-ic & d \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $(\overline{A})^t = \begin{bmatrix} a & b-ic \\ b+ic & d \end{bmatrix} = A$ . So,  $A$  is a Hermitian matrix.

## 7. Skew-Hermitian Matrix

A square matrix  $A$  for which  $(\overline{A})^t = -A$  or  $-\mathbf{A}^t = \mathbf{A}$  is called a *skew-Hermitian matrix*. For example, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1-i & 2 \\ -1-i & 3i & i \\ -2 & i & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \overline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1+i & 2 \\ -1+i & -3i & -i \\ -2 & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\overline{A})^t = \begin{bmatrix} -i & -1+i & -2 \\ 1+i & -3i & -i \\ 2 & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} i & 1-i & 2 \\ -1-i & 3i & i \\ -2 & i & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -A.$$

**EXAMPLE 01:** If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i & 2+3i \\ 1-i & 2 & -i \\ 2-3i & i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1+i & 2-3i \\ -1+i & 2i & 1 \\ -2-3i & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then show that

(i)  $iB$  is Hermitian (ii)  $\overline{A}$  is Hermitian (iii)  $\overline{B}$  is Skew – Hermitian.

**Solution:(i)**

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1+i & 2-3i \\ -1+i & 2i & 1 \\ -2-3i & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow iB = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & i-1 & 2i+3 \\ -i-1 & -2 & i \\ -2i+3 & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If  $iB$  is Hermitian, then it should satisfy the condition:  $(\overline{iB})^t = iB$ . Now,

$$\overline{iB} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -i-1 & -2i+3 \\ i-1 & -2 & -i \\ 2i+3 & i & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & i-1 & 2i+3 \\ -i-1 & -2 & i \\ -2i+3 & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore (\overline{iB})^t = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & i-1 & 2i+3 \\ -i-1 & -2 & i \\ -2i+3 & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & i-1 & 2i+3 \\ -i-1 & -2 & i \\ -2i+3 & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix} = iB.$$

Hence  $iB$  is Hermitian.

(ii) We have

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i & 2+3i \\ 1-i & 2 & -i \\ 2-3i & i & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1-i & 2-3i \\ 1+i & 2 & i \\ 2+3i & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Again, if  $\bar{A}$  is Hermitian then it should verify the following condition:  $\overline{(\bar{A})^t} = \bar{A}$ . Now,

$$\overline{(\bar{A})^t} = \overline{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i & 2+3i \\ 1-i & 2 & -i \\ 2-3i & i & 0 \end{bmatrix}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1-i & 2-3i \\ 1+i & 2 & i \\ 2+3i & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1-i & 2-3i \\ 1+i & 2 & i \\ 2+3i & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \bar{A}.$$

Hence  $\bar{A}$  is Hermitian.

(iii) We have

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1+i & 2-3i \\ -1+i & 2i & 1 \\ -2-3i & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1-i & 2+3i \\ -1-i & -2i & 1 \\ -2+3i & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If  $\bar{B}$  is Skew – Hermitian then it should verify the following condition:  $-\overline{(\bar{B})^t} = \bar{B}$ . Now,

$$-\overline{(\bar{B})^t} = -\overline{\begin{bmatrix} -i & -1-i & -2+3i \\ 1-i & -2i & -1 \\ 2+3i & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}} = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1-i & 2+3i \\ -1-i & -2i & 1 \\ -2+3i & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \bar{B}$$

Hence,  $\bar{B}$  is skew-Hermitian.

## 8. Orthogonal Matrix

A square matrix  $A$  is said to be orthogonal if  $A^t A = I = A A^t$

**EXAMPLE 02:** Show that the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 & \sin\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin\theta & 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

is orthogonal.

**Solution:** By definition consider,

$$\begin{aligned} AA^t &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 & -\sin\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin\theta & 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 & \sin\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta & 0 & \cos\theta \sin\theta - \cos\theta \sin\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \cos\theta \sin\theta - \cos\theta \sin\theta & 0 & \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can show that  $A^t A = I$ . Hence given matrix is orthogonal.

**NOTE:** Since  $A^t A = I \Rightarrow A^t = A^{-1}$

**EXAMPLE 03: Prove that**  $A = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  **is orthogonal.**

**Solution:**

$$A = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A^t = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$A^t A = \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{9}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I.$$

Since,  $A^t A = I$ , therefore matrix  $A$  is orthogonal.

**Theorem:** If  $A$  and  $B$  are orthogonal matrices, then  $AB$  and  $BA$  are also orthogonal matrices.

## 9. Unitary Matrix

A square matrix  $A$  is said to be unitary if  $\overline{(A^t)} A = I$ .

**EXAMPLE 04: Show that**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+i}{2} & \frac{-1+i}{2} \\ \frac{2}{1+i} & \frac{2}{1-i} \end{bmatrix}$  **is a unitary matrix.**

**Solution:**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+i}{2} & \frac{-1+i}{2} \\ \frac{2}{1+i} & \frac{2}{1-i} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A^t = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+i}{2} & \frac{2}{1+i} \\ \frac{-1+i}{2} & \frac{2}{1-i} \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Also } \overline{(A^t)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1-i}{2} & \frac{2}{-1-i} \\ \frac{1-i}{2} & \frac{2}{1+i} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{(A^t)} A &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1-i}{2} & \frac{1-i}{2} \\ \frac{-1-i}{2} & \frac{1+i}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+i}{2} & \frac{-1+i}{2} \\ \frac{2}{1+i} & \frac{2}{1-i} \end{bmatrix} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & 1-i \\ -1-i & 1+i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & -1+i \\ 1+i & 1-i \end{bmatrix} \\ \overline{(A^t)} A &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} (1-i)^2 + (1-i)^2 & -(1-i)^2 + (1-i)^2 \\ -(1-i)^2 + (1-i)^2 & (1-i)^2 + (1-i)^2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{4}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $A$  is a unitary matrix.

## SOME IMPORTANT RESULTS FOR SQUARE MATRICES

1. If  $A$  is a square matrix, prove that  $A + A^t$  is a symmetric matrix and  $A - A^t$  is a skew-symmetric matrix.

**EXAMPLE 01:** Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 8 & 3 & 9 \\ 5 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \therefore A + A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 9 & 12 \\ 9 & 6 & 13 \\ 12 & 13 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A - A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 & -2 \\ -7 & 0 & -5 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. If  $A$  be a Hermitian matrix, its diagonal elements are real. If  $A$  be a skew-Hermitian matrix, then its diagonal elements are either zero or purely imaginary.

**EXAMPLE 02:** Express  $A = \begin{bmatrix} i & 2-3i & 4+5i \\ 6+i & 0 & 4-5i \\ -i & 2-i & 2+i \end{bmatrix}$

as the sum of Hermitian and skew – Hermitian matrices.

**Solution:** We have

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & 2 & 5-5i \\ 2i & 2+i & 4+2i \\ -1+i & -4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}, \Rightarrow \bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & 2 & 5+5i \\ -2i & 2-i & 4-2i \\ -1-i & -4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\bar{A})^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & -2i & -1-i \\ 2 & 2-i & -4 \\ 5+5i & 4-2i & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$A + (\bar{A})^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & 2 & 5-5i \\ 2i & 2+i & 4+2i \\ -1+i & -4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & -2i & -1-i \\ 2 & 2-i & -4 \\ 5+5i & 4-2i & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2-2i & 4-6i \\ 2+2i & 4 & 2i \\ 4+6i & -2i & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \{A + (\bar{A})^t\} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1-i & 2-3i \\ 1+i & 2 & i \\ 2+3i & -i & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (i)$$

Similarly,

$$A - (\bar{A})^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & 2 & 5-5i \\ 2i & 2+i & 4+2i \\ -1+i & -4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & -2i & -1-i \\ 2 & 2-i & -4 \\ 5+5i & 4-2i & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2i & 2+2i & 6-4i \\ -2+2i & 2i & 8+2i \\ -6-4i & -8+2i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left\{ A - (\bar{A})^t \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1+i & 3-2i \\ -1+i & i & 4+i \\ -3-2i & -4+i & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{ii})$$

Adding (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \left\{ A + (\bar{A})^t \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ A - (\bar{A})^t \right\} = A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1-i & 2-3i \\ 1+i & 2 & i \\ 2+3i & -i & 7 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} i & 1+i & 3-2i \\ -1+i & i & 4+i \\ -3-2i & -4+i & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hermitian Matrix                      Skew – Hermitian Matrix