

Matrix

Defⁿ: An arrangement of "mn" elements in m-rows and n-columns is called Matrix of order $m \times n$.

Square matrix: A matrix with equal nos. of rows & columns is called Squarematrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$$

Transpose of Matrix

Transpose of matrix A is denoted by A' (A^t or A^T) and is defined as

$$A' = (a_{ji})_{n \times m} \text{ where } A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$$

Symmetric Matrix

A square matrix is said to be Symmetric if $A = A'$

$$\text{eg } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \therefore A = A'$$

Skew-Symmetric Matrix

A square matrix A is

said to be skew-symmetric if

$$A = -A'$$

e.g. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $A' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -3 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\therefore A = -A'$$

$\therefore A$ is skew-symmetric matrix.

we have $\boxed{a_{ii} = 0 \forall i}$

Theorem

"Every square matrix can be uniquely expressed as a sum of a symmetric matrix and a skewsymmetric matrix"

Proof: Let A be a square matrix with transpose A' .

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(A + A') + \frac{1}{2}(A - A')$$

$$\therefore A = P + Q \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where $P = \frac{1}{2}(A + A')$ & $Q = \frac{1}{2}(A - A')$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} P' &= \left[\frac{1}{2}(A + A') \right]' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[(A') + (A')' \right] \quad \because (A')' = A \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (A + A') = P \\ \therefore P' &= P \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore P$ is symmetric matrix.

Now consider

$$\begin{aligned} Q' &= \left[\frac{1}{2}(A - A') \right]' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[(A') - (A')' \right] \quad \because (A')' = A \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [A' - A] = -\frac{1}{2}(A - A') = -Q \end{aligned}$$

$$Q' = -Q$$

$\therefore Q$ is skew-symmetric matrix.

Let R & S be the square matrices

such that $A = R + S$ with $R' = R$, $S' = -S$

$$\therefore A' = R' + S' = R - S$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have } P &= \frac{1}{2}(A + A') = \frac{1}{2} \left[(R + S) + (R - S) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}[R + S + R - S] = \frac{1}{2}(2R) = R \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \boxed{\therefore P = R} \quad \text{Consider } Q &= \frac{1}{2}(A - A') = \frac{1}{2} \left[(R + S) - (R - S) \right] = \frac{1}{2}(R + S - R + S) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(2S) = S \quad \boxed{\therefore Q = S} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore P = \frac{1}{2}(A + A')$ & $Q = \frac{1}{2}(A - A')$ are unique.

Homework

- Revise all basic def's related to matrices
 - Minor
 - cofactor
 - Adjoint
 - Singular/non-singular matrix
 - Reciprocal / Inverse matrix
 - Scalar matrix / Diagonal matrix
Identity (Unit) matrix
 - Upper triangular matrix / Lower triangular matrix.