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## Matrix Algebra

### 2.1

#### MATRIX OPERATIONS



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# MATRIX OPERATIONS

- If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix—that is, a matrix with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns—then the scalar entry in the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column of  $A$  is denoted by  $a_{ij}$  and is called the  $(i, j)$ -entry of  $A$ . See the figure below.
- Each column of  $A$  is a list of  $m$  real numbers, which identifies a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Column } j \\
 \begin{bmatrix}
 a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1j} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\
 \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 \text{Row } i & a_{i1} & \cdots & a_{ij} & \cdots & a_{in} \\
 \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mj} & \cdots & a_{mn}
 \end{bmatrix} = A \\
 \begin{array}{ccccc}
 \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 \mathbf{a}_1 & & \mathbf{a}_j & & \mathbf{a}_n
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

Matrix notation.

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- The columns are denoted by  $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ , and the matrix  $A$  is written as
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_n \end{bmatrix}.$$
- The number  $a_{ij}$  is the  $i$ th entry (from the top) of the  $j$ th column vector  $\mathbf{a}_j$ .
- The **diagonal entries** in an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} \end{bmatrix}$  are  $a_{11}, a_{22}, a_{33}, \dots$ , and they form the **main diagonal** of  $A$ .
- A **diagonal matrix** is a sequence  $n \times m$  matrix whose nondiagonal entries are zero.
- An example is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix,  $I_n$ .

# SUMS AND SCALAR MULTIPLES

- An  $m \times n$  matrix whose entries are all zero is a **zero matrix** and is written as  $0$ .
- The two matrices are **equal** if they have the same size (*i.e.*, the same number of rows and the same number of columns) and if their corresponding columns are equal, which amounts to saying that their corresponding entries are equal.
- If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $m \times n$  matrices, then the **sum**  $A + B$  is the  $m \times n$  matrix whose columns are the sums of the corresponding columns in  $A$  and  $B$ .

# SUMS AND SCALAR MULTIPLES

- Since vector addition of the columns is done entrywise, each entry in  $A + B$  is the sum of the corresponding entries in  $A$  and  $B$ .
- The sum  $A + B$  is defined only when  $A$  and  $B$  are the same size.
- **Example 1:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 5 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  
and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $A + B$  and  $A + C$ .

# SUMS AND SCALAR MULTIPLES

- **Solution:**  $A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  but  $A + C$  is not defined because  $A$  and  $C$  have different sizes.
- If  $r$  is a scalar and  $A$  is a matrix, then the **scalar multiple**  $rA$  is the matrix whose columns are  $r$  times the corresponding columns in  $A$ .
- **Theorem 1:** Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be matrices of the same size, and let  $r$  and  $s$  be scalars.
  - a.  $A + B = B + A$

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

c.  $A + 0 = A$

d.  $r(A + B) = rA + rB$

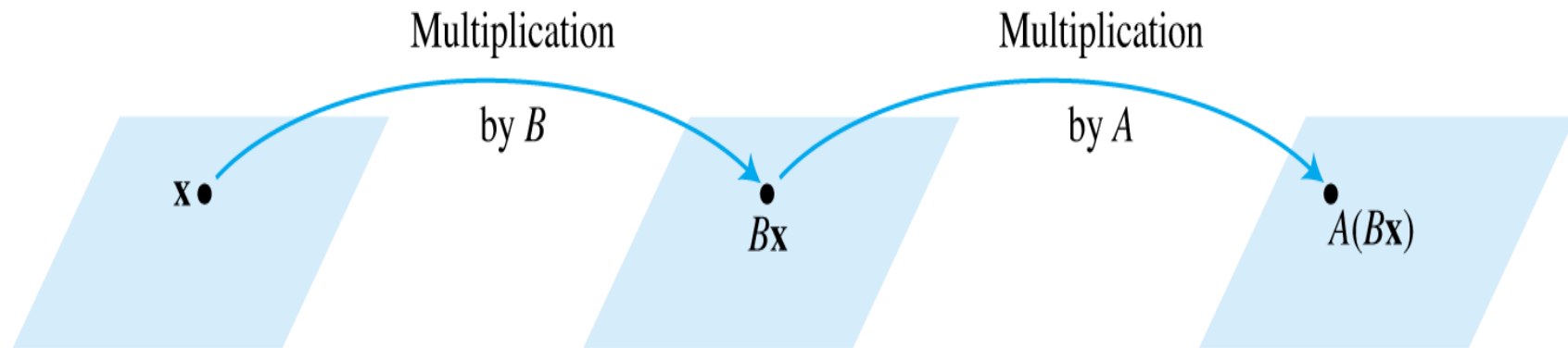
e.  $(r + s)A = rA + sA$

f.  $r(sA) = (rs)A$

- Each quantity in Theorem 1 is verified by showing that the matrix on the left side has the same size as the matrix on the right and that corresponding columns are equal.

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- When a matrix  $B$  multiplies a vector  $\mathbf{x}$ , it transforms  $\mathbf{x}$  into the vector  $B\mathbf{x}$ .
- If this vector is then multiplied in turn by a matrix  $A$ , the resulting vector is  $A(B\mathbf{x})$ . See the Fig. below.



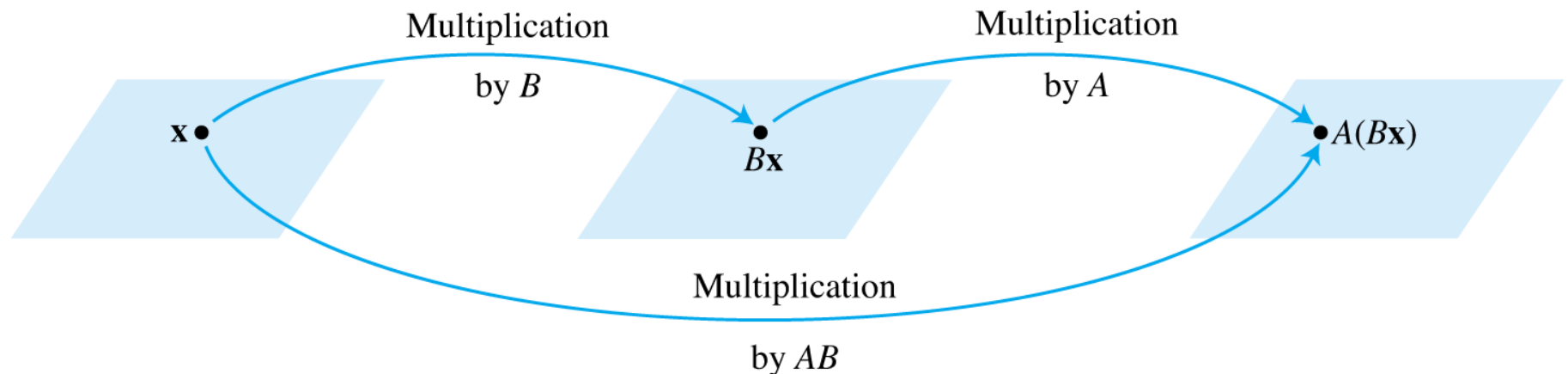
Multiplication by  $B$  and then  $A$ .

- Thus  $A(B\mathbf{x})$  is produced from  $\mathbf{x}$  by a composition of mappings—the linear transformations.



# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- Our goal is to represent this composite mapping as multiplication by a single matrix, denoted by  $AB$ , so that  $A(B\mathbf{x}) = (AB)\mathbf{x}$ . See the figure below.



Multiplication by  $AB$ .

- If  $A$  is  $m \times n$ ,  $B$  is  $n \times p$ , and  $\mathbf{x}$  is in  $\mathbb{R}^p$ , denote the columns of  $B$  by  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_p$  and the entries in  $\mathbf{x}$  by  $x_1, \dots, x_p$ .

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- Then

$$B\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + x_p\mathbf{b}_p$$

- By the linearity of multiplication by  $A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A(B\mathbf{x}) &= A(x_1\mathbf{b}_1) + \dots + A(x_p\mathbf{b}_p) \\ &= x_1A\mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + x_pA\mathbf{b}_p \end{aligned}$$

- The vector  $A(B\mathbf{x})$  is a linear combination of the vectors  $A\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, A\mathbf{b}_p$ , using the entries in  $\mathbf{x}$  as weights.
- In matrix notation, this linear combination is written as

$$A(B\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} A\mathbf{b}_1 & A\mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & A\mathbf{b}_p \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}.$$

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- Thus multiplication by  $\begin{bmatrix} Ab_1 & Ab_2 & \cdots & Ab_p \end{bmatrix}$  transforms  $\mathbf{x}$  into  $A(B\mathbf{x})$ .
- **Definition:** If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, and if  $B$  is an  $n \times p$  matrix with columns  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_p$ , then the product  $AB$  is the  $m \times p$  matrix whose columns are  $Ab_1, \dots, Ab_p$ .

- That is,

$$AB = A \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{b}_p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Ab_1 & Ab_2 & \cdots & Ab_p \end{bmatrix}$$

- *Multiplication of matrices corresponds to composition of linear transformations.*

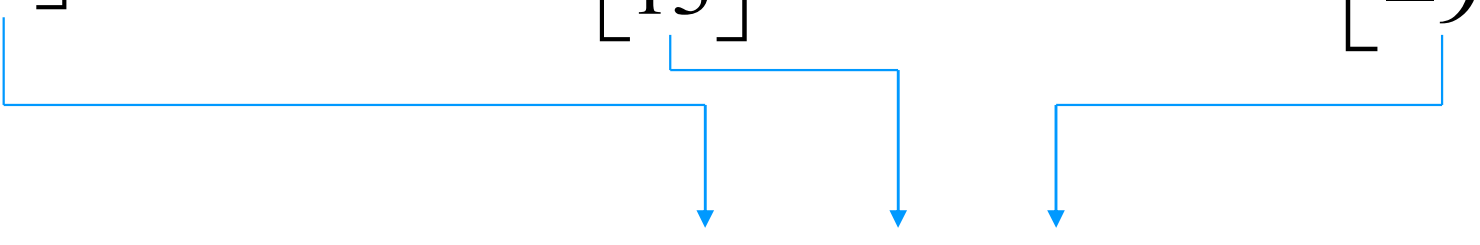
# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

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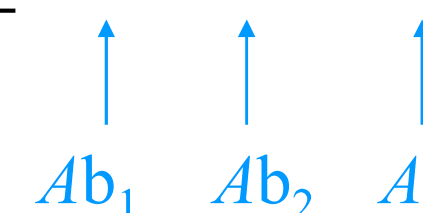
- **Example 2:** Compute  $AB$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 9 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- **Solution:** Write  $B = [\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{b}_3]$ , and compute:

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

$$Ab_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, Ab_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, Ab_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix} \quad = \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$$


■ Then

$$AB = A[b_1 \quad b_2 \quad b_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 0 & 21 \\ -1 & 13 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$$


$Ab_1$     $Ab_2$     $Ab_3$

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- Each column of  $AB$  is a linear combination of the columns of  $A$  using weights from the corresponding column of  $B$ .
- Row—column rule for computing  $AB$
- If a product  $AB$  is defined, then the entry in row  $i$  and column  $j$  of  $AB$  is the sum of the products of corresponding entries from row  $i$  of  $A$  and column  $j$  of  $B$ .
- If  $(AB)_{ij}$  denotes the  $(i, j)$ -entry in  $AB$ , and if  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then

$$(AB)_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + \dots + a_{in}b_{nj}.$$

# PROPERTIES OF MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- **Theorem 2:** Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix, and let  $B$  and  $C$  have sizes for which the indicated sums and products are defined.
  - a.  $A(BC) = (AB)C$  (associative law of multiplication)
  - b.  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$  (left distributive law)
  - c.  $(B + C)A = BA + CA$  (right distributive law)
  - d.  $r(AB) = (rA)B = A(rB)$  for any scalar  $r$
  - e.  $I_m A = A = A I_n$  (identity for matrix multiplication)

# PROPERTIES OF MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- **Proof:** Property (a) follows from the fact that matrix multiplication corresponds to composition of linear transformations (which are functions), and it is known that the composition of functions is associative.

- Let  $C = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{c}_p \end{bmatrix}$

- By the definition of matrix multiplication,

$$BC = \begin{bmatrix} B\mathbf{c}_1 & \cdots & B\mathbf{c}_p \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A(BC) = \begin{bmatrix} A(B\mathbf{c}_1) & \cdots & A(B\mathbf{c}_p) \end{bmatrix}$$



# PROPERTIES OF MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- The definition of  $AB$  makes  $A(B\mathbf{x}) = (AB)\mathbf{x}$  for all  $\mathbf{x}$ , so

$$A(BC) = \begin{bmatrix} (AB)\mathbf{c}_1 & \cdots & (AB)\mathbf{c}_p \end{bmatrix} = (AB)C$$

- The left-to-right order in products is critical because  $AB$  and  $BA$  are usually not the same.
- Because the columns of  $AB$  are linear combinations of the columns of  $A$ , whereas the columns of  $BA$  are constructed from the columns of  $B$ .
- The position of the factors in the product  $AB$  is emphasized by saying that  $A$  is *right-multiplied* by  $B$  or that  $B$  is *left-multiplied* by  $A$ .

# PROPERTIES OF MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

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- If  $AB = BA$ , we say that  $A$  and  $B$  **commute** with one another.
  
- **Warnings:**
  1. In general,  $AB \neq BA$ .
  2. The cancellation laws do *not* hold for matrix multiplication. That is, if  $AB = AC$ , then it is *not* true in general that  $B = C$ .
  3. If a product  $AB$  is the zero matrix, you *cannot* conclude in general that either  $A = 0$  or  $B = 0$ .

# POWERS OF A MATRIX

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- If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and if  $k$  is a positive integer, then  $A^k$  denotes the product of  $k$  copies of  $A$ :

$$A^k = \underbrace{A \cdots A}_k$$

- If  $A$  is nonzero and if  $\mathbf{x}$  is in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $A^k \mathbf{x}$  is the result of left-multiplying  $\mathbf{x}$  by  $A$  repeatedly  $k$  times.
- If  $k = 0$ , then  $A^0 \mathbf{x}$  should be  $\mathbf{x}$  itself.
- Thus  $A^0$  is interpreted as the identity matrix.

# THE TRANSPOSE OF A MATRIX

- Given an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ , the **transpose** of  $A$  is the  $n \times m$  matrix, denoted by  $A^T$ , whose columns are formed from the corresponding rows of  $A$ .

**Theorem 3:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  denote matrices whose sizes are appropriate for the following sums and products.

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

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

c. For any scalar  $r$ ,  $(rA)^T = rA^T$

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

# THE TRANSPOSE OF A MATRIX

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- The transpose of a product of matrices equals the product of their transposes in the *reverse* order.

# 2

## Matrix Algebra

### 2.1

### THE INVERSE OF A MATRIX

# MATRIX OPERATIONS

- An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is said to be invertible if there is an  $n \times n$  matrix  $C$  such that

$$CA = I \quad \text{and} \quad AC = I$$

where  $I = I_n$ , the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

- In this case,  $C$  is an inverse of  $A$ .
- In fact,  $C$  is uniquely determined by  $A$ , because if  $B$  were another inverse of  $A$ , then

$$B = BI = B(AC) = (BA)C = IC = C.$$

- This unique inverse is denoted by  $A^{-1}$ , so that

$$A^{-1}A = I \quad \text{and} \quad AA^{-1} = I.$$

# MATRIX OPERATIONS

- **Theorem 4:** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ . If  $ad - bc \neq 0$ , then

$A$  is invertible and

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

If  $ad - bc = 0$ , then  $A$  is not invertible.

- The quantity  $ad - bc$  is called the determinant of  $A$ , and we write  $\det A = ad - bc$
- This theorem says that a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  is invertible if and only if  $\det A \neq 0$ .



# MATRIX OPERATIONS

- **Theorem 5:** If  $A$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix, then for each  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has the unique solution  $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$ .
- **Proof:** Take any  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- A solution exists because if  $A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$  is substituted for  $\mathbf{x}$ , then  $A\mathbf{x} = A(A^{-1}\mathbf{b}) = (AA^{-1})\mathbf{b} = I\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}$ .
- So  $A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$  is a solution.
- To prove that the solution is unique, show that if  $\mathbf{u}$  is any solution, then  $\mathbf{u}$  must be  $A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$ .
- If  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$ , we can multiply both sides by  $A^{-1}$  and obtain  $A^{-1}A\mathbf{u} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$ ,  $I\mathbf{u} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$ , and  $\mathbf{u} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$ .

# MATRIX OPERATIONS

## ■ Theorem 6:

- a. If  $A$  is an invertible matrix, then  $A^{-1}$  is invertible and

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

- b. If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  invertible matrices, then so is  $AB$ , and the inverse of  $AB$  is the product of the inverses of  $A$  and  $B$  in the reverse order.

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

- c. If  $A$  is an invertible matrix, then so is  $A^T$ , and the inverse of  $A^T$  is the transpose of  $A^{-1}$ . That is,

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

# MATRIX OPERATIONS

- **Proof:** To verify statement (a), find a matrix  $C$  such that

$$A^{-1}C = I \text{ and } CA^{-1} = I$$

- These equations are satisfied with  $A$  in place of  $C$ . Hence  $A^{-1}$  is invertible, and  $A$  is its inverse.
- Next, to prove statement (b), compute:
$$(AB)(B^{-1}A^{-1}) = A(BB^{-1})A^{-1} = AIA^{-1} = AA^{-1} = I$$
- A similar calculation shows that  $(B^{-1}A^{-1})(AB) = I$ .
- For statement (c), use Theorem 3(d), read from right to left,  $(A^{-1})^T A^T = (AA^{-1})^T = I^T = I$ .
- Similarly,  $A^T (A^{-1})^T = I^T = I$ .

# ELEMENTARY MATRICES

- Hence  $A^T$  is invertible, and its inverse is  $(A^{-1})^T$ .
- The generalization of Theorem 6(b) is as follows:  
The product of  $n \times n$  invertible matrices is invertible, and the inverse is the product of their inverses in the reverse order.
- An invertible matrix  $A$  is row equivalent to an identity matrix, and we can find  $A^{-1}$  by watching the row reduction of  $A$  to  $I$ .
- An **elementary matrix** is one that is obtained by performing a single elementary row operation on an identity matrix.

# ELEMENTARY MATRICES

■ **Example 1:** Let  $E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute  $E_1A$ ,  $E_2A$ , and  $E_3A$ , and describe how these products can be obtained by elementary row operations on  $A$ .

# ELEMENTARY MATRICES

- **Solution:** Verify that

$$E_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g - 4a & h - 4b & i - 4c \end{bmatrix}, E_2 A = \begin{bmatrix} d & e & f \\ a & b & c \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix},$$

$$E_3 A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 5g & 5h & 5i \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Addition of  $-4$  times row 1 of  $A$  to row 3 produces  $E_1 A$ .

# ELEMENTARY MATRICES

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- An interchange of rows 1 and 2 of  $A$  produces  $E_2A$ , and multiplication of row 3 of  $A$  by 5 produces  $E_3A$ .
- Left-multiplication by  $E_1$  in Example 1 has the same effect on any  $3 \times n$  matrix.
- Since  $E_1 \cdot I = E_1$ , we see that  $E_1$  itself is produced by this same row operation on the identity.

# ELEMENTARY MATRICES

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- Example 1 illustrates the following general fact about elementary matrices.
- If an elementary row operation is performed on an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ , the resulting matrix can be written as  $EA$ , where the  $m \times m$  matrix  $E$  is created by performing the same row operation on  $I_m$ .
- Each elementary matrix  $E$  is invertible. The inverse of  $E$  is the elementary matrix of the same type that transforms  $E$  back into  $I$ .



# ELEMENTARY MATRICES

- **Theorem 7:** An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is invertible if and only if  $A$  is row equivalent to  $I_n$ , and in this case, any sequence of elementary row operations that reduces  $A$  to  $I_n$  also transforms  $I_n$  into  $A^{-1}$ .
- **Proof:** Suppose that  $A$  is invertible.
- Then, since the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution for each  $\mathbf{b}$  (Theorem 5),  $A$  has a pivot position in every row.
- Because  $A$  is square, the  $n$  pivot positions must be on the diagonal, which implies that the reduced echelon form of  $A$  is  $I_n$ . That is,  $A \sim I_n$ .

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- Now suppose, conversely, that  $A \square I_n$ .
- Then, since each step of the row reduction of  $A$  corresponds to left-multiplication by an elementary matrix, there exist elementary matrices  $E_1, \dots, E_p$  such that

$$A \square E_1 A \square E_2 (E_1 A) \square \dots \square E_p (E_{p-1} \dots E_1 A) = I_n.$$

- That is,  $E_p \dots E_1 A = I_n$  ----(1)
- Since the product  $E_p \dots E_1$  of invertible matrices is invertible, (1) leads to

$$(E_p \dots E_1)^{-1} (E_p \dots E_1) A = (E_p \dots E_1)^{-1} I_n$$

$$A = (E_p \dots E_1)^{-1}.$$

# ALGORITHM FOR FINDING $A^{-1}$

- Thus  $A$  is invertible, as it is the inverse of an invertible matrix (Theorem 6). Also,

$$A^{-1} = \left[ (E_p \dots E_1)^{-1} \right]^{-1} = E_p \dots E_1.$$

- Then  $A^{-1} = E_p \dots E_1 \cdot I_n$ , which says that  $A^{-1}$  results from applying  $E_1, \dots, E_p$  successively to  $I_n$ .
- This is the same sequence in (1) that reduced  $A$  to  $I_n$ .
- Row reduce the augmented matrix  $[A \quad I]$ . If  $A$  is row equivalent to  $I$ , then  $[A \quad I]$  is row equivalent to  $\begin{bmatrix} I & A^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$ . Otherwise,  $A$  does not have an inverse.

# ALGORITHM FOR FINDING $A^{-1}$

- **Example 2:** Find the inverse of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & -3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ if it exists.}$$

- **Solution:**

$$[A \quad I] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -3 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \square \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -3 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# ALGORITHM FOR FINDING $A^{-1}$

$$\square \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -4 & 0 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \square \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\square \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -9/2 & 7 & -3/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3/2 & -2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# ALGORITHM FOR FINDING $A^{-1}$

- Theorem 7 shows, since  $A \neq I$ , that  $A$  is invertible, and

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -9/2 & 7 & -3/2 \\ -2 & 4 & -1 \\ 3/2 & -2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Now, check the final answer.

$$AA^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & -3 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -9/2 & 7 & -3/2 \\ -2 & 4 & -1 \\ 3/2 & -2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# ANOTHER VIEW OF MATRIX INVERSION

- It is not necessary to check that  $A^{-1}A = I$  since  $A$  is invertible.
- Denote the columns of  $I_n$  by  $\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n$ .
- Then row reduction of  $[A \ I]$  to  $[I \ A^{-1}]$  can be viewed as the simultaneous solution of the  $n$  systems
$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{e}_1, A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{e}_n \quad \text{----(2)}$$
where the “augmented columns” of these systems have all been placed next to  $A$  to form

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & \mathbf{e}_1 & \mathbf{e}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{e}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & I \end{bmatrix}.$$

# ANOTHER VIEW OF MATRIX INVERSION

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- The equation  $AA^{-1} = I$  and the definition of matrix multiplication show that the columns of  $A^{-1}$  are precisely the solutions of the systems in (2).