

# Summary | Matrices

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## Introduction

Revise Matrices unit from G.C.E. (A/L) Combined Mathematics and G.C.E. (O/L) Mathematics.

## Types of matrices

### Square matrix

Number of columns equal to number of rows.

#### Main diagonals of a square matrix

Formed by elements having equal subscripts.

### Diagonal matrix

A square matrix whose only non-zero elements are main-diagonal elements. Denoted by  $D$ . Subset of triangular matrices.

### Identity matrix or Unit matrix

A diagonal matrix whose diagonal elements are all equal to  $1$ . Denoted by  $I$ . Subset of diagonal matrices.

### Zero matrix / Null matrix

All elements are  $0$ .

### Column matrix (column vector)

Only  $1$  column.

### Row matrix (row vector)

Only  $1$  row.

### Triangular matrix

Upper triangular matrix or lower triangular matrix.

##### Upper triangular matrix

All elements below the main diagonal are **0**. Subset of square matrices.

##### Lower triangular matrix

All elements above the main diagonal are **0**. Subset of square matrices.

## Matrix operations

### Addition and subtraction

Order of the 2 matrices must be same. Matrix obtained by adding or subtracting corresponding elements.

### Scalar multiplication

Matrix obtained by multiplying all elements by the scalar.

#### Note

[Matrix multiplication](#) is also defined.

## Transpose

Matrix obtained from a given matrix by interchanging its rows and columns. Denoted by a superscript T, like  $A^T$ .

## Properties

1.  $(A^T)^T = A$
2. Distributive over addition:  $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
3.  $(kA)^T = kA^T$
4.  $(A \times B)^T = B^T \times A^T$

## More types of matrices

### Symmetric matrix

If  $A = A^T$ . Subset of square matrices.

## Skew-symmetric matrix

If  $A = -A^T$ . Subset of square matrices. All elements in main diagonal are 0.

### Note

Any square matrix can be expressed as a sum of a symmetric matrix and a skew-symmetric matrix.

## Matrix multiplication

Defined only if the number of columns of the first matrix is equal to the number of rows of the second matrix.

If  $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times p}$  and  $B = (b_{ij})_{p \times n}$ , then  $A \times B = C = (c_{ij})_{m \times n}$  where  $c_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \dots + a_{ip}b_{pj}$ .

### Note

- Generally  $A \times B \neq B \times A$ .
- $A \times B = 0 \not\Rightarrow A = 0 \vee B = 0$
- $A \neq 0 \wedge B \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow A \times B \neq 0$

## Properties of matrix multiplication

$A, B, C, I$  matrices must be chosen so that below-mentioned product matrices are defined.

1. Associative:  $A(BC) = (AB)C$
2. Right distributive over addition:  $(A + B)C = AC + BC$
3. Left distributive over addition:  $C(A + B) = CA + CB$
4.  $AI = IA = A$ ;  $I$  is an identity matrix.

## Determinant

Defined only for square matrices. Denoted by  $|A|$ .

## For 2x2

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

## For higher order

##### Minor of an element

Suppose  $A = (a_{ij})$ .

Minor of an element  $a_{ij}$ , is the matrix obtained by deleting  $i^{\text{th}}$  row and  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of  $A$ .  
Denoted by  $M_{ij}$ .

##### Co-factor of an element

Suppose  $A = (a_{ij})$ .

Co-factor of an element  $a_{ij}$ , is defined as (commonly denoted as  $A_{ij}$ ):

$$A_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} |M_{ij}|$$

##### Definition

If  $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$  then the **determinant** of  $A$  is denoted by  $|A|$  and is defined by:

$$|A| = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} A_{ij}$$

where  $1 \leq j \leq n$ .

## Properties of determinants

- Every element of a row or column of a matrix is  $0$  then the value of its determinant is  $0$ .
- If 2 columns or 2 rows of a matrix are identical then its determinant is  $0$ .
- If  $A$  and  $B$  are two square matrices then  $|AB| = |A||B|$ .
- The value of the determinant of a matrix remains unchanged if a scalar multiple of a row or column is added to any other row or column.
- If a matrix  $B$  is obtained from a square matrix  $A$  by an interchange of two columns or rows:  
 $|B| = -|A|$ .
- If every entry in any row or column is multiplied by  $k$ , then the whole determinant is multiplied by  $k$ .

## Adjoint

Suppose  $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ .

$$\text{adj}A = (A_{ij})_{n \times n}^T$$

Where  $A_{ij}$  is the [co-factor of](#)  $a_{ij}$ .

## Inverse

Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices of the same order. If  $AB = BA = I$  then  $B$  is called the inverse of  $A$  and is denoted by  $A^{-1}$ .

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}$$

### 📌 Singular vs Non-singular

A square matrix is singular if  $|A| = 0$ . Otherwise non-singular or invertible matrices.

## Properties of Inverse

- $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$
- $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$
- $A \operatorname{adj} A = \operatorname{adj} A A = |A|I$

## Elementary Transformations

- Interchange of any columns or rows
- Addition of multiple of any row or column to any other row or column
- Multiplication of each element of a column or a row by a non-zero constant

When a matrix  $B$  is obtained by applying elementary transformations to a matrix  $A$ , then  $A$  is **equivalent to**  $B$ . Denoted by  $A \approx B$ .

## Theorem

The elementary row operations that reduce a given matrix  $A$  to the identity matrix, also transform the identity matrix to the inverse of  $A$ .

## Augmented Matrix

Two matrices are written as a single matrix with a vertical line in-between. Denoted by  $(A|B)$ . Example:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

## Inverse using elementary row transformations

Let  $A$  be a square matrix with order  $n \times n$ .

- Start with  $(A_{n \times n} | I_n)$
- Repeatedly add **row** transformations (not column) to both of the matrices until the **LHS** becomes an identity matrix.
  - Convert all elements outside the main diagonal to **0**.
  - Convert elements on the main diagonal to **1** by multiplying by a constant.
- When **LHS** is an identity matrix, **RHS** is  $A^{-1}$ .

## ⚠️ TODO

What about singular matrices?

# System of Linear Equations

Any system of linear equations can be represented in matrix notation as shown below.

- $a_{11}x + a_{12}y + a_{13}z = b_1$
- $a_{21}x + a_{22}y + a_{23}z = b_2$
- $a_{31}x + a_{32}y + a_{33}z = b_3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \implies AX = B$$

2 types based on  $B$ :

- $= 0$ : Homogeneous
- $\neq 0$ : Non-homogeneous

## Solution of non-homogenous systems

### Method 1: Direct approach

Used when coefficient matrix  $A$  is invertible. It means the system has a unique set of solutions.

$$AX = B \implies X = A^{-1}B$$

### Method 2: Cramer's Rule

Let  $AX = B$ , where  $A$  is the coefficient matrix and  $X = (x_i)_{n \times 1}$ .

$$x_i = \frac{|A_i|}{|A|}$$

Where  $A_i$  is the matrix obtained by replacing  $i$ th column in matrix  $A$  by  $B$ .

## Method 1: Reducing to Echelon Form

Start with  $(A|B)$ . Convert the **LHS** to echelon form using elementary row transformations. The solution can be found now. If a contradiction is encountered while solving the equation, that means the system has no solutions.

##### Echelon Form

A matrix is in echelon form **iff**:

- All rows having only zero entries are at the bottom.
- For all row that does not contain entirely zeros, the first non-zero entry is 1.
- For 2 successive non-zero rows, the leading 1 in the higher row is further left than the leading 1 in the lower row.

The process of reducing the augmented matrix to row Echelon form is known as **Gaussian elimination**.

## Solution of homogenous systems

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