

Matrices Summary

To **transpose** a matrix write the rows as columns.

For example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 & 9 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 9 \\ 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 9 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

To **add or subtract** matrices they must be the same dimensions. Just add or subtract the corresponding numbers.

For example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -1 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 3 \\ 7 & 4 & 2 \\ 10 & 5 & -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 & 2 \\ 11 & 5 & 4 \\ 7 & 8 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To **multiply** matrices the number of columns in the 1st must equal the number of rows in the 2nd because you multiply **across the row and down the column**.

For example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 6 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 7 \\ 5 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (6+10) & (-9+14) & (21+16) \\ (8+30) & (-12+42) & (28+48) \\ (2-25) & (-3-35) & (7-40) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 5 & 37 \\ 38 & 30 & 76 \\ -23 & -38 & -33 \end{bmatrix}$$

Transformations

When setting up the multiplication for a transformation the **transformation matrix** always goes **first**.

Rotations:

Clockwise: $\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$

Anticlockwise: $\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$

Reflections:

$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$: swaps x and y .

Scaling / magnification:

$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$: makes x 3x bigger and y 2x bigger

Composite:

If a matrix A is reflected by T_1 then magnified by T_2 to give matrix B then the single transformation that would transform A into B is T_2T_1 (in that order).

The Inverse (A^{-1}):

$$\boxed{AA^{-1} = I} \text{ (the identity matrix) e.g. } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finding the Inverse:

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

(Where: $|A|$ = determinant
adj = adjoint)

$$\text{If: } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = (ad) - (bc)$$

$$\text{adj} = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

n.b. If $\det=0$ matrix is singular and there is no inverse. If $\det \neq 0$, matrix is non-singular.

Solving Simultaneous Equations:

If :
then:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} Ax &= B \\ x &= A^{-1}B \end{aligned}}$$

where : $\left(\begin{array}{l} A \text{ is the matrix} \\ x \text{ is the } x, y, z \text{ (etc) values} \\ B \text{ is the answers} \end{array} \right)$

All you need to remember to find the values of x, y, z etc is to do: **inverse x answers**

Example: Solve $5x - 6y = -8$
and $-3x + 4y = 6$ simultaneously

We have: $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} A & x = B \end{array} \right]$$

So:

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}}$$

(Use the method shown above to find the inverse then multiply by the answers.)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

3 X 3 Matrices

Most operations are done exactly the same for a 3x3 matrix as for a 2x2. The formula for finding the inverse is the same but finding the determinant and the adjoint are a bit trickier.

The Minor:

The **minor** of each element is the determinant of everything that is **not** in the same row or column as the element. It is used when finding the **determinant** and the **adjoint**.

e.g. Find the minor of each element in the top row of the matrix: $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline a & b & c \\ \hline d & e & f \\ g & h & i \\ \hline \end{array}$$

the minor of a is: $\begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} = ei - fh$

To find the minor of element 'b' cover up everything in the same row or column and the minor is the determinant of what is left:

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline a & b & c \\ \hline d & e & f \\ g & h & i \\ \hline \end{array}$$

the minor of b is: $\begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} = di - fg$

To find the minor of element 'c' cover up everything in the same row or column and the minor is the determinant of what is left:

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline a & b & c \\ \hline d & e & f \\ g & h & i \\ \hline \end{array}$$

the minor of c is: $\begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix} = dh - eg$

The signs:

When finding the **determinant** or the **adjoint** we use alternate signs as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} + & - & + \\ - & + & - \\ + & - & + \end{bmatrix}$$

Finding the Inverse

Remember:

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

(Where: $|A|$ = determinant
adj = adjoint)

Determinant:

For the top row only, multiply each number by its minor and apply the alternate signs:

The minor of each
element in the top row

If: $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$

$$|A| = +a \begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix}$$

Adjoint:

The adjoint is the transpose of the cofactors (c^T)

To find the cofactors you find the '**minor**' of each element (and use the alternate signs as shown above).

The minors of
each element

If: $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$

Matrix of cofactors =

$$\begin{bmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix} \\ - \begin{vmatrix} b & c \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ g & h \end{vmatrix} \\ + \begin{vmatrix} b & c \\ e & f \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ d & f \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ d & e \end{vmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Nb. To find the adjoint we then need to transpose this matrix.

e.g. Find the inverse of the following matrix: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Determinant: $|A| = +2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 5 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= 2(1) - 1(-5) + 5(-9) = -38$$

Cofactors =
$$\begin{bmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & -9 \\ 4 & -18 & 2 \\ -13 & 11 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Adjoint (C^T):
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -13 \\ 5 & -18 & 11 \\ -9 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We have transposed the matrix of cofactors to get the adjoint.

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

$$= -\frac{1}{38} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -13 \\ 5 & -18 & 11 \\ -9 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving Simultaneous Equations Using Cramer's Rule:

Cramer's method is a way to solve simultaneous equations using matrices.

e.g. Solve $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$ to find x and y

To find x :

Replace 1st column with answer column

$$x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} e & b \\ f & d \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}}$$

Determinant of matrix with 1st column replaced with the answer column.
 Determinant of original matrix

To find y :

$$y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a & e \\ c & f \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}}$$

Determinant of matrix with 2nd column replaced with the answer column.
 Determinant of original matrix

Notice that the bottom of the fraction is always the determinant of the original matrix.

e.g. Solve the simultaneous equations:

$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 4y &= 10 \\ x + 7y &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

Think of these as the answers.

Set up a matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determinant of matrix:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 25$$

For help with finding the determinant, see Determinant Summary sheet.

To find x :

answers
↓

$$\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 10 & -4 \\ -5 & 7 \end{vmatrix}}{25} = \frac{50}{25} = \underline{\underline{2}}$$

To find y :

answers
↓

$$\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 10 \\ 1 & -5 \end{vmatrix}}{25} = \frac{-25}{25} = \underline{\underline{-1}}$$

e.g. Solve the simultaneous equations:

$$2x + y - 3z = 7$$

$$x + 3y + z = 6$$

$$x - 4y - 5z = -2$$

Think of these as the answers.

Set up the matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determinant of matrix:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = \underline{\underline{5}}$$

To find x

answers



$$\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 7 & 1 & -3 \\ 6 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -4 & -5 \end{vmatrix}}{5} = \frac{5}{5} = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

To find y

answers



$$\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 7 & -3 \\ 1 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -5 \end{vmatrix}}{5} = \frac{10}{5} = \underline{\underline{2}}$$

To find z

answers



$$\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -4 & -2 \end{vmatrix}}{5} = \frac{-5}{5} = \underline{\underline{-1}}$$