Properties of Matrix Operations

A, B, C are matrices of appropriate sizes.

r and s are (arbitrary) scalars.

 I_m and I_n are $m \times m$ and $n \times n$ identity matrices.

Sums and Scalar Multiples

a.
$$A + B = B + A$$

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

c.
$$A + 0 = A$$

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

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

$$\mathbf{f.} \ \ r(sA) = (rs)A$$

Matrix Multiplication

I. If B has columns
$$\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_p$$
, $\underline{\mathbf{then}}$ $AB = A[\mathbf{b}_1 \ \mathbf{b}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{b}_p] = [A\mathbf{b}_1 \ A\mathbf{b}_2 \ \cdots \ A\mathbf{b}_p].$

II. If
$$A = (a_{ij})$$
 and $B = (b_{ij})$, then $(AB)_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \cdots + a_{in}b_{nj} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{ik}b_{kj}$.

$$\mathbf{a.} \ A(BC) = (AB)C$$

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

c.
$$(A + B)C = AC + BC$$

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

e.
$$I_m A = A = A I_n$$

Transpose and other Operations

$$\mathbf{a.} \ (A^T)^T = A$$

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

$$\mathbf{c.} (rA)^T = rA^T$$

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

Can be true but in general NOT

a.
$$AB \neq BA$$

b.
$$AB = AC \not\Rightarrow B = C$$

c.
$$AB = 0 \implies A = 0 \text{ or } B = 0$$