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**Introduction to Matrices**

**Definition:** A rectangular array of numbers is called a matrix.

The horizontal arrays of a matrix are called its rows and the vertical arrays are called its columns.

A matrix having  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns is said to have the order  $m \times n$ . A matrix  $A$  of order  $m \times n$  can be represented in the following form:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix},$$

In a compact form the above matrix is represented by  $A = [a_{ij}]$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , or simply  $[a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$

A matrix having only one column is called a column vector; and a matrix with only one row is called a row vector.

$A = [\underline{a}_{*1} \quad \underline{a}_{*2} \quad \cdots \quad \underline{a}_{*(n-1)} \quad \underline{a}_{*n}]$  : (Row) Vector of column vectors

Or

$A = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{a}'_{1*} \\ \underline{a}'_{2*} \\ \vdots \\ \underline{a}'_{m*} \end{pmatrix}$  : (Column) Vector of the row vectors

A  $1 \times n$  matrix is called a row vector and an  $m \times 1$  matrix is called a column vector.

**Equality of two Matrices:** Two matrices  $A = [a_{ij}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]$  having the same order  $m \times n$  are equal if  $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

## Different Types of Matrices

**Square Matrix:** An  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is said to be a square matrix if  $m = n$  i.e. number of rows = number of columns.

### Null Matrix or Zero Matrix

A matrix in which each entry is zero is called a zero-matrix, denoted by  $O$ . For example

$$O_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad O_{2 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

### Diagonal Matrix

A square matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ , is said to be a diagonal matrix if  $a_{ij} = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ .

In other words, the non-zero entries appear only on the principal diagonal.

For example, the zero matrix  $O_n$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are a few diagonal matrices.

A diagonal matrix  $D$  of order  $n$  with the diagonal entries  $(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$  is denoted by  $D = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$ . If  $d_i = d$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  then the diagonal matrix  $D$  is called a *scalar matrix*.

### Identity Matrix

A square matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ , with  $a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } i = j \\ 0 & \text{for } i \neq j \end{cases}$  is called the identity matrix, denoted by  $I_n$ . For example,  $I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

### Triangular Matrix

A square matrix in which all the elements below the principal diagonal are zero is called Upper Triangular matrix.

A square matrix in which all the elements above the principal diagonal are zero is called Lower Triangular matrix.

Given a square matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ ,  
for upper triangular matrix,  $a_{ij} = 0$ ,  $i > j$   
and for lower triangular matrix,  $a_{ij} = 0$ ,  $i < j$ .

## Operations on Matrices

let  $A = [a_{ij}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]$  be are two  $m \times n$  matrices, then

- i. Then for any element  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $kA = [ka_{ij}]$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix. [**Multiplying a Scalar to a Matrix**]

Example: For example, if  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $k = 5$ ,

$$\text{then } 5A = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 5 & 10 \\ 0 & -10 & 25 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- ii. Then the sum  $A + B$  is defined to be the matrix  $D = [d_{ij}]$  with  $d_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$  [**Addition of Matrices**]

Note that, we define the sum of two matrices only when the order of the two matrices are same.

- iii. Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ , be an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $C = [c_{ij}]_{n \times r}$ , be an  $n \times r$  matrix.

The product  $AC$  is a matrix  $Z = [z_{ij}]_{m \times r}$  of order  $m \times r$ ,

$$\text{with } z_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}c_{kj} = a_{i1}c_{1j} + a_{i2}c_{2j} + \cdots + a_{in}c_{nj}$$

Observe that the product  $AC$  is defined if and only if the number of columns of  $A$  = the number of rows of  $C$ .

In a square matrix,  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ , of order  $n$ , the entries  $a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}$  are called the diagonal entries and form the principal diagonal of  $A$ .

### Trace of a Matrix

The sum of the elements of a square matrix  $A$  lying along the principal diagonal is called the trace of  $A$  i.e.  $\text{tr}(A)$ . Thus if  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$

$$\text{then } \text{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} = a_{11} + a_{22} + \dots + a_{nn}.$$

For two square matrices,  $A$  and  $B$  of the same order, (a)  $\text{tr}(A + B) = \text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B)$ .

(b)  $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$ , in case both  $AB$  and  $BA$  are defined.

- Let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be matrices of order  $m \times n$ , and let  $k, \ell \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Then

- $A + B = B + A$  (commutative).
  - $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$  (associative).
  - $0 + A = A + 0$  [existence of additive identity]
  - $A + (-A) = (-A) + A = 0$  [existence of additive inverse]
  - $k(A + B) = kA + kB$
  - $(k + \ell)A = kA + \ell A$
  - $k(\ell A) = (k\ell)A$ .
- Suppose that the matrices  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are so chosen that the matrix multiplications are defined.
    - Then  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ . That is, the matrix multiplication is associative.
    - For any  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(kA)B = k(AB) = A(kB)$ .
    - Then  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ . That is, multiplication distributes over addition.
    - If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix then  $AI_n = I_n A = A$ . [Multiplicative identity]
    - For any square matrix  $A$  of order  $n$  and  $D = D = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$ , we have the first row of  $DA$  is  $d_1$  times the first row of  $A$ ;  
for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , the  $i$ th row of  $DA$  is  $d_i$  times the  $i$ th row of  $A$ .  
A similar statement holds for the columns of  $A$  when  $A$  is multiplied on the right by  $D$ .
  - Two square matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are said to commute if  $AB = BA$ .

In general, the matrix product is not commutative.

For example, consider the following two matrices  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Check whether  $AB = BA$ .

### Transpose of a Matrix

The matrix obtained from any given matrix  $A$ , by interchanging its rows and columns, is called the transpose of  $A$  and is denoted by  $A'$ .

If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ , and  $A' = [b_{ij}]_{n \times m}$ , then  $b_{ij} = a_{ij}$ ,  $\forall i, j$ .

### Properties of Transpose

- (i)  $(A')' = A$
- (ii)  $(A + B)' = A' + B'$ , A and B being conformable for addition
- (iii)  $(\alpha A)' = \alpha A'$ ,  $\alpha$  being scalar
- (iv)  $(AB)' = B'A'$ , A and B being conformable for multiplication

## Some More Different types of Matrices

### Symmetric Matrix and Skew-Symmetric Matrices

A matrix A over R is called symmetric if  $A^t = A$  and skew-symmetric if  $A^t = -A$ .

A matrix A is said to be orthogonal if  $AA^t = A^tA = I$  [in case all the columns of A are mutually orthogonal]

Example:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $C = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{-2}{\sqrt{6}} \end{pmatrix}$

A is symmetric, B is skew-symmetric and C an orthogonal matrix.

### Nilpotent Matrix

The matrices A for which a positive integer k exists such that  $A^k = 0$  are called nilpotent matrices.

The least positive integer k for which  $A^k = 0$  is called the order of nilpotency.

Example: 1. Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with  $a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j + 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

Then  $A^n = 0$  and  $A^\ell \neq 0$  for  $1 \leq \ell \leq n - 1$ .

2.  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find the order of nilpotency.

### Idempotent Matrix

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $A^2 = A$ .

The matrices that satisfy the condition that  $A^2 = A$  are called idempotent matrices

### Submatrix of a Matrix

A matrix obtained by deleting some of the rows and/or columns of a matrix is said to be a submatrix of the given matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Some of the submatrices of A are:  $[4]$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

The matrices  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  are not submatrices of A.

### Partitioning of Matrices:

Let A be an  $n \times m$  matrix and B be an  $m \times p$  matrix. Suppose  $r < m$ .

Then, we can decompose the matrices A and B as  $A = [P^{n \times r} \ Q^{n \times (m-r)}]$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} H^{r \times p} \\ K^{(m-r) \times p} \end{bmatrix}$ ; where P has order  $n \times r$  and H has order  $r \times p$ .

That is, the matrices P and Q are submatrices of A and P consists of the first r columns of A and Q consists of the last  $m - r$  columns of A.

Similarly, H and K are submatrices of B and H consists of the first r rows of B and K consists of the last  $m - r$  rows of B.

Result: Let  $A = [a_{ij}] = [P^{n \times r} \ Q^{n \times (m-r)}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} H^{r \times p} \\ K^{(m-r) \times p} \end{bmatrix}$  be defined as above. Then  $AB = PH + QK$ .

It may be possible to block the matrix in such a way that a few blocks are either identity matrices or zero matrices. In this case, it may be easy to handle the matrix product using the block form.

Example: 1.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \\ e & f \end{pmatrix}$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} (e \ f)$$

### Assignment:

1. Let  $A = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$ . Find AB and BA
2. Find examples for the following statements.
  - a). Suppose that the matrix product AB is defined. Then the product BA need not be defined.
  - b). Suppose that the matrices A and B are square matrices of order n. Then AB and BA may or may not be equal.
3. Show that for any square matrix A,  $S = \frac{1}{2}(A + A^t)$  is symmetric,  $T = \frac{1}{2}(A - A^t)$  is skew-symmetric, and  $A = S + T$ .
4. Show that the product of two lower triangular matrices is a lower triangular matrix. A similar statement holds for upper triangular matrices.
5. Show that the diagonal entries of a skew-symmetric matrix are zero.

