



Linear Algebra Refresher

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What is a Matrix

- A matrix is a rectangular array of numbers arranged in rows and columns.

$$A_{3 \times 4} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 & 62 & 33 & 93 \\ 44 & 95 & 66 & 13 \\ 77 & 38 & 79 & 33 \end{bmatrix}$$



Matrix Size/Dimension

- By convention matrices are “sized” using the number of rows (m) by number of columns (n).

$$A_{3 \times 4} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 & 62 & 33 & 93 \\ 44 & 95 & 66 & 13 \\ 77 & 38 & 79 & 33 \end{bmatrix} \quad B_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 & 2 \\ 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 6 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{4 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 4 \\ 14 & 7 \\ 16 & 8 \\ 22 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad D_{1 \times 1} = [17]$$

Special Types

- Square matrix: a square matrix is an $m \times n$ matrix in which $m = n$.

$$B_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 & 2 \\ 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 6 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Vector: a vector is an $m \times n$ matrix where either m OR $n = 1$ (but not both).

$$X_{4 \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 9 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad Y_{1 \times 3} = [7 \quad -22 \quad 14]$$

Special Types

- Scalar: a scalar is an $m \times n$ matrix where BOTH m and $n = 1$.

$$D_{1 \times 1} = [17]$$

- Zero matrix: an $m \times n$ matrix of zeros.

$$0_{3 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Identity Matrix: a square ($m \times m$) matrix with 1s on the diagonal and zeros everywhere else.

$$I_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Transpose

- Matrix Transpose: is the $m \times n$ matrix obtained by interchanging the rows and columns of a matrix (converting it to an $n \times m$ matrix)

$$X_{4 \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 9 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad X'_{1 \times 4} = [12 \quad 9 \quad -4 \quad 0]$$

$$A_{3 \times 4} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 & 62 & 33 & 93 \\ 44 & 95 & 66 & 13 \\ 77 & 38 & 79 & 33 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A'_{4 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 & 44 & 77 \\ 62 & 95 & 38 \\ 33 & 66 & 79 \\ 93 & 13 & 33 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Addition

- Matrices can be added (or subtracted) as long as the 2 matrices are the same size
 - Simply add or subtract the corresponding components of each matrix.

$$A_{2 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad B_{2 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+5 & 2+6 & 3+7 \\ 7+3 & 8+4 & 9+5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 & 10 \\ 10 & 12 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A + B = B + A$

$$A - B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-5 & 2-6 & 3-7 \\ 7-3 & 8-4 & 9-5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 & -4 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Different size: addition undefined

Multiplication with a Scalar

- Multiplying a matrix by a scalar: each element in the matrix is multiplied by the scalar.

$$A_{2 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } x_{1 \times 1} = 5; \text{ then}$$

$$xA = \begin{bmatrix} 5 * 1 & 5 * 2 & 5 * 3 \\ 5 * 7 & 5 * 8 & 5 * 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 10 & 15 \\ 35 & 40 & 45 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Multiplication

- Multiplying a matrix by a matrix:
 - The product of matrices A and B (AB) is defined iff the number of columns in A equals the number of rows in B.
 - Assuming A has $i \times j$ dimensions and B has $j \times k$ dimensions, the resulting matrix, C, will have dimensions $i \times k$
 - In other words, in order to multiply them the inner dimensions must match and the result is the outer dimensions.
 - Each element in C can be computed by:

$$C_{ik} = \sum_j A_{ij} B_{jk}$$

Or: multiply rows of first with columns of second

Matrix Multiplication Example

Multiply row of first with column of second:

$$(1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4) \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 6 + 3 \cdot 7 + 4 \cdot 8 = 70$$

Matrix Inverse (Division)

- Matrix Inverse: Needed to perform the “division” of 2 square matrices
 - In scalar terms A/B is the same as $A * 1/B$
 - When we want to divide matrix A by matrix B we simply multiply A by the inverse of B
 - An inverse matrix is defined as

$$A_{n \times n}^{-1} \xrightarrow{\text{Defined}} A_{n \times n} A_{n \times n}^{-1} = I_{n \times n} \text{ AND } A_{n \times n}^{-1} A_{n \times n} = I_{n \times n}$$

Computing an inverse: requires computing determinants

Questions?