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Matrix multiplication:

Let $A = m \times n$ matrix over F \sim field
 $B = n \times p$ matrix over F

Then AB is defined to be the $m \times p$ matrix C w/ entries

$$C_{ij} = \sum_{r=1}^n A_{ir} B_{rj}$$

Example: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $m=2$ $n=2$

$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $m=2$ $p=1$ C is 2 by 1

$$C_{11} = \sum_{r=1}^2 A_{1r} B_{r1} = A_{11} B_{11} + A_{12} B_{21}$$

$$= 1 \cdot 0 + (-1) \cdot 1 = -1$$

$$C_{21} = \sum_{r=1}^2 A_{2r} B_{r1} = A_{21} B_{11} + A_{22} B_{21}$$

$$= 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

Therefore, $C = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ✓

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Long view: why multiply matrices?

Let $A = m \times n$ matrix, $X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$

Then AX "transforms" X . It can be viewed as a function from $F^n \rightarrow F^m$

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k-tuples of elements of F

If B is a k by m matrix over F ,

then $B(AX)$ can be viewed as a k -tuple in F^k . In this way

$B \cdot A$ can be viewed as a function from F^n to F^k .

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we will explore this point of view in detail later.

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Some notation:

If B is an $n \times p$ matrix, the columns
 rows columns

are $n \times 1$ matrices B_1, B_2, \dots, B_p , defined

$$\text{by } B_j = \begin{bmatrix} B_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ B_{nj} \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{matrix} n \text{ rows} & 1 \text{ column} \end{matrix} \quad 1 \leq j \leq p.$$

Then $B = [B_1, B_2, \dots, B_p]$.

Applying the definition of multiplication,
 if A is an $m \times n$ matrix,

$$AB = [AB_1, AB_2, \dots, AB_p].$$

Example: Multiplication of matrices is not commutative!

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

not necessarily

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Theorem 8: If A, B, C are matrices over $F \Rightarrow$
 BC and $A(BC)$ are well-defined, then
 so are the products AB , $(AB)C$ and
 $A(BC) = (AB)C$

associativity

Proof: Suppose that B is an $n \times p$ matrix. Since
 BC is defined, C is a matrix w/ p rows, and
 BC has n rows. Because $A(BC)$ is defined,
 so we may assume that A is an $m \times n$ matrix.

Thus AB exists and is an $m \times p$ matrix, so

$(AB)C$ exists. Now we prove that $A(BC) = (AB)C$

$$[A(BC)]_{ij} = \sum_r A_{ir} (BC)_{rj} = \sum_r A_{ir} \sum_s B_{rs} C_{sj}$$

$$= \sum_r \sum_s A_{ir} B_{rs} C_{sj} = \sum_s \sum_r A_{ir} B_{rs} C_{sj}$$

$$= \sum_s \left(\sum_r A_{ir} B_{rs} \right) C_{sj} = \sum_s (AB)_{is} C_{sj} = [(AB)C]_{ij}$$

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An $m \times m$ matrix is said to be an elementary matrix if it can be obtained from the $m \times m$ identity matrix by means of a single elementary row operation.

2×2 examples:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ c & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad c \neq 0 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \quad c \neq 0$$

Theorem 9: Let e be an elementary row operation and let E be the $m \times m$ matrix $e(I)$. Then for every $m \times n$ matrix A ,

$$e(A) = EA.$$

proof: $R1$ & $R3$ arguments are straight forward.

If e is $R2$, then

$$E_{ik} = \begin{cases} \delta_{ik}, & i \neq r \\ \delta_{rk} + c \delta_{sk} \end{cases}$$

why?

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It follows that

$$(EA)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^m E_{ik} A_{kj} = \begin{cases} \sum_{k=1}^m \delta_{ik} A_{kj} = A_{ij}, & i \neq p \\ A_{pj} + c A_{sj}, & i = p \end{cases}$$

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$$\sum_{k=1}^m (\delta_{pk} + c \delta_{sk}) A_{kj}$$

$$= A_{pj} + c A_{sj} \quad \checkmark$$

It follows that $EA = e(A)$.

Corollary: A, B $m \times n$ matrices over F . Then B is row-equivalent to A iff $B = PA$, where $P =$ product of $m \times m$ elementary matrices.

Proof: Suppose that $B = PA$, $P = E_s E_{s-1} \dots E_1$

elementary
matrices

Then B is row-equivalent to A by a finite inductive chain argument using Theorem 9.

Conversely, if B is row-equivalent to A , let E_1, E_2, \dots, E_s correspond to row operations e_1, e_2, \dots, e_s \checkmark