

Linear Algebra

Gate Notes

LINEAR ALGEBRA

Matrix: A matrix is a rectangular array of numbers or functions arranged in m rows and n columns such that each row has same no. of elements (n) and each column has same no. of elements (m).

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

a_{ij} denotes element in i^{th} row and j^{th} column.

Row matrix: Matrix having single row. Ex: $[2 \ 4 \ 6 \ 8]$

Column matrix: Matrix having single column. Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$

Square matrix: Matrix having equal no. of rows and columns.

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

* The elements along diagonal of a ^{square} matrix (a_{ij} , $i=j$) are called leading or principle diagonal elements.

* The sum of diagonal elements of a square matrix A is called Trace of A .

Diagonal matrix: A square matrix, except the leading diagonal elements are equal to zero is called diagonal matrix.

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Scalar matrix: A diagonal matrix, whose leading diagonal elements are equal is called scalar matrix

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

unit matrix: A diagonal matrix, whose leading diagonal elements all equal to '1' is called unit matrix.

Ex: $I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$

Null matrix: All the elements of matrix are zero Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Symmetric matrix: A square matrix with $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ for all i and j .

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

Skew Symmetric matrix: A square matrix with $a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$ for all i & j

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

* For a Skew Symmetric matrix the leading diagonal elements all are equal to zero.

Matrix transpose: Interchanging of elements in rows with the corresponding elements in the columns. resulting matrix is denoted by ' A^T ' or ' A' '

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n} \Rightarrow A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{bmatrix}_{n \times m}$

* If $A = A^T$ then it is Symmetric

* $(A^T)^T = A$

* If $A = -A^T$ then it is Skew - Symmetric.

* $(AB)^T = B^T \cdot A^T$

* Every given square matrix can be expressed as sum of Symmetric & Skew-Symmetric matrices.

$$A = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(A+A^T)}_{\text{Symmetric}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(A-A^T)}_{\text{Skew Symmetric}}$$

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\frac{1}{2}(A+A^T) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5/2 \\ 5/2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Symmetric}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(A-A^T) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1/2 \\ +1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Skew-Symmetric}}$$

Triangular matrix:

* A square matrix, whose elements below the leading diagonal are zero is called upper triangular matrix.

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$ upper triangular.

* A square matrix whose elements above the leading diagonal are equal to zero is called lower triangular matrix.

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$ lower triangular

Multiplication by scalar: $k \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ka_1 & kb_1 & kc_1 \\ ka_2 & kb_2 & kc_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Multiplication of two matrices:

$$[A]_{m \times n} \cdot [B]_{n \times p} = [AB]_{m \times p}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} l_1 & l_2 \\ m_1 & m_2 \\ n_1 & n_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 l_1 + b_1 m_1 + c_1 n_1 & a_1 l_2 + b_1 m_2 + c_1 n_2 \\ a_2 l_1 + b_2 m_1 + c_2 n_1 & a_2 l_2 + b_2 m_2 + c_2 n_2 \\ a_3 l_1 + b_3 m_1 + c_3 n_1 & a_3 l_2 + b_3 m_2 + c_3 n_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

* Multiplication is possible only if no. of columns in first matrix is equal to no. of rows in second matrix.

* $AB \neq BA$.

* $(AB)^T = B^T \cdot A^T$

Determinant of matrix:

* For 1×1 matrix, the number itself is determinant.

* For 2×2 matrix of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ the determinant is

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$$

Minor: Minor of an element is the determinant obtained by deleting the row and column in which the element is present.

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$ a_{11} minor is $\begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{22}a_{33} - a_{32}a_{23}$

a_{23} minor is $\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{32} - a_{31}a_{12}$

cofactor: CO. factor of any element ' a_{ij} ' in a matrix is equal to $(-1)^{i+j} \cdot m_{ij}$, where ' m_{ij} ' is minor of ' a_{ij} '.

Ex: $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$ then co.factor of b_3 i.e $B_3 = (-1)^{3+2} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}$

Determinant: Determinant of a matrix is defined as sum of product of elements of any row or column with corresponding co. factor.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= a_1 A_1 + b_1 B_1 + c_1 C_1 \\ &= a_1 (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} b_2 & c_2 \\ b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + b_1 (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + c_1 (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & b_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= a_1 (b_2 c_3 - b_3 c_2) - b_1 (a_2 c_3 - a_3 c_2) + c_1 (a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2) \end{aligned}$$

Tips for GATE:

* while calculating determinant, always select a row or column with more number of elements equal to '0'

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 4 [6 - 15] = -36$ [select 2nd row]

* Try to remember co-factor signs $(-1)^{i+j}$ for each element as

+	-	+
-	+	-
+	-	+

 3×3

+	-	+	-
-	+	-	+
+	-	+	-
-	+	-	+

 4×4

Properties of determinants:

1. Determinant remains unaltered by changing its rows into columns and columns into rows. $|A| = |A^T|$
2. If two parallel lines of determinant are interchanged, then the sign of determinant changes (same numerical value)
3. If two parallel lines are identical then $\det = 0$
If all the elements in a row or column are zeros then $\det = 0$
- * 4. If each element of a row or column is multiplied by same factor, then determinant also multiplied by same factor.

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & kb_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & kb_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & kb_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = k \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|kA| = k^n |A|$$

5. The determinant of upper or lower triangular matrix is equal to product of leading diagonal elements.

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 1 [18 - 0] = 18$
 $= \underbrace{1 \times 3 \times 6}_{\text{diagonal elements}}$

6. If the elements of determinant Δ are function of 'x' and if 'K' parallel lines becomes equal when $x=a$ then $(x-a)^{K-1}$ is a factor of Δ .

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} a^2 & a & 1 \\ b^2 & b & 1 \\ c^2 & c & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a-b)(a-c)(b-c)$ by putting $a=b, a=c, b=c$.

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7. Product of determinants:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} l_1 & m_1 & n_1 \\ l_2 & m_2 & n_2 \\ l_3 & m_3 & n_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 l_1 + b_1 m_1 + c_1 n_1 & a_1 l_2 + b_1 m_2 + c_1 n_2 & a_1 l_3 + b_1 m_3 + c_1 n_3 \\ a_2 l_1 + b_2 m_2 + c_2 n_1 & a_2 l_2 + b_2 m_2 + c_2 n_2 & a_2 l_3 + b_2 m_3 + c_2 n_3 \\ a_3 l_1 + b_3 m_1 + c_3 n_1 & a_3 l_2 + b_3 m_2 + c_3 n_2 & a_3 l_3 + b_3 m_3 + c_3 n_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

8. |co. factor matrix of A| = $|A|^{n-1}$ $n = \text{order}$

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$ co. factor matrix = $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$|A| = 4 - 6 = -2$$

$$|\text{co. factor matrix}| = 4 - 6 = -2$$

9. If $|A| = 0$, then A is called Singular matrix.

10. If $|A| \neq 0$, then A is called non-singular matrix.

Adjoint matrix: Transpose of the co. factor matrix.

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$

co. factor matrix = $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{Adj}[A] = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21} & A_{31} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} & A_{32} \\ A_{13} & A_{23} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$* A (\text{Adj } A) = (\det A) I$$

$$* \det(\text{Adj } A) = (\det A)^{n-1} \quad n = \text{order}$$

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

$$= |A|^n |A^{-1}|$$

$$= |A|^n |A|^{-1} = |A|^{n-1}$$

Inverse of square matrix: A matrix "B" is said to be

inverse of a non-singular matrix "A" if $AB = BA = I$.

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{Adj}[A]}{|A|}$$

$$A \cdot A^{-1} = I$$

$$(\text{Adj}[A])^{-1} = \frac{A}{|A|}$$

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$

$$* \text{adj}(\text{adj}[A]) = |A|^{n-2} A$$

We know

$$A \cdot \text{adj}(A) = |A| \cdot I$$

replace A by $\text{adj}(A)$

$$\text{adj } A \cdot [\text{adj}(\text{adj } A)] = |\text{adj } A| \cdot I$$

$$A^{-1} |A| [\text{adj}(\text{adj } A)] = |\text{adj } A| \cdot I$$

$$\text{adj}(\text{adj } A) = \frac{|A|^{n-1}}{|A|} A = |A|^{n-2} A$$

Properties:

$$* (AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} \cdot A^{-1}$$

$$* \text{If } D = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow D^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/d_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/d_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

* If a non-singular matrix A is symmetric then A^{-1} is also symmetric.

* Every odd order symmetric matrix is singular i.e. $|A| = 0 \Rightarrow A^{-1}$ does not exist for that.

Problems

1. consider matrix $X_{4 \times 3}$, $Y_{4 \times 3}$, $P_{2 \times 3}$ then order of $[(P \cdot (X^T Y)^{-1}) P^T]^T$

$$[(P_{2 \times 3} \cdot (X_{4 \times 3}^T \cdot Y_{4 \times 3})^{-1}) \cdot P_{2 \times 3}^T]^T = [(P_{2 \times 3} \cdot (X_{3 \times 4} \cdot Y_{4 \times 3})^{-1}) P_{3 \times 2}]^T$$

$$= [(P_{2 \times 3} \cdot (3 \times 3)^{-1}) \cdot P_{3 \times 2}]^T$$

$$= [P_{2 \times 3} \cdot P_{3 \times 2}]^T = (2 \times 2)^T = (2 \times 2)$$

Tip for GATE:

Determinant calculation [for matrix with less no. of zero elements]

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$

(Applicable for 3x3)

$$|A| = a_{11} a_{22} a_{33} + a_{13} a_{21} a_{32} + a_{12} a_{23} a_{31}$$

$$- a_{31} a_{22} a_{13} - a_{32} a_{23} a_{11} - a_{33} a_{21} a_{12}$$

2. The following represents equation of straight line $\begin{vmatrix} x & 2 & 4 \\ y & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$
The line passes through ?

a) (0, 0) b) (3, 4) c) (4, 3) d) (4, 4)

$$x(8) - 2(y) + 4(y-8) = 0$$

$$4x + 4 = 16$$

option b ✓

3. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ then top row of A^{-1} is ?

$$|A| = 1 \quad A^{-1} = \frac{\text{Adj } A}{|A|} = \frac{(\text{co. factor})^T}{|A|}$$

$$\text{co. factors of 1st column} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{1st row of } A^{-1} = [5 \ -3 \ 1]$$

4. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -0.1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & a \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$ then $a+b$?

$$A \cdot A^{-1} = I \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2a - 0.1b \\ 0 & 3b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3b = 1 \Rightarrow b = \frac{1}{3} \quad \& \quad 2a = 0.1/3 \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{60} \Rightarrow (a+b) = \frac{7}{20}$$

5. If $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$ such that $a_{ij} = i+j$, $\forall i, j$; then sum of the elements of A is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1+1 & 1+2 & 1+3 & \dots & 1+n \\ 2+1 & 2+2 & 2+3 & \dots & 2+n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ m+1 & m+2 & m+3 & \dots & m+n \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \dots \quad \downarrow$
 $1 \times m \quad 2 \times m \quad 3 \times m \quad \dots \quad n \times m \quad \rightarrow n \text{ terms}$
 $\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \dots \quad \downarrow$
 $\frac{n(m+1)}{2} \quad \frac{n(m+1)}{2} \quad \frac{n(m+1)}{2} \quad \dots \quad \frac{n(m+1)}{2} \quad \rightarrow n \text{ terms}$

$$\text{Sum of elements} = n \times \frac{n(m+1)}{2} + [m + 2m + 3m + \dots + nm]$$

$$= \frac{mn(m+1)}{2} + m[1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n]$$

$$= \frac{mn(m+1)}{2} + \frac{mn(n+1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{mn}{2} (m+n+2)$$

6. If $A = (a_{ij})_{3 \times 3}$, $B = (b_{ij})_{3 \times 3}$ such that $b_{ij} = 2^{i+j} \cdot a_{ij} \forall i, j$; $|A| = 2$ then $|B| = ?$ (a) 2^{10} (b) 2^{11} (c) 2^{12} (d) 2^{13}

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = 2$$

$$|B| = \begin{vmatrix} 2^2 a_{11} & 2^3 a_{12} & 2^4 a_{13} \\ 2^3 a_{21} & 2^4 a_{22} & 2^5 a_{23} \\ 2^4 a_{31} & 2^5 a_{32} & 2^6 a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = 2^2 \cdot 2^3 \cdot 2^4 \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 2a_{12} & 2^2 a_{13} \\ a_{21} & 2a_{22} & 2^2 a_{23} \\ a_{31} & 2a_{32} & 2^2 a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = 2^9 \cdot 2 \cdot 2^2 \cdot |A| = 2^{13}$$

7. If $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ such that $a_{ij} = i^2 - j^2 \forall i, j$. Then find sum of all the elements of A ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & -8 & \dots & (1^2 - n^2) \\ 3 & 0 & -5 & \dots & (2^2 - n^2) \\ 8 & 5 & 0 & \dots & (3^2 - n^2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ (n^2 - 1) & (n^2 - 2) & (n^2 - 3) & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n} \quad [a_{ij} = i^2 - j^2]$$

Above matrix is a skew symmetric matrix. It has all the diagonal elements equal to zero. When added up, non diagonal elements cancel out each other, resulting in final sum = 0. [always]

8. The value of $\begin{vmatrix} 1+b & b & 1 \\ b & 1+b & 1 \\ 1 & 2b & 1 \end{vmatrix} = ?$

$$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1+2b & b & 1 \\ 1+2b & 1+b & 1 \\ 1+2b & 2b & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

(or) Apply $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$
 $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$
then find Δ with 3rd column

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b & 1 \\ 1 & 1+b & 1 \\ 1 & 2b & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 2b & b & 1 \\ 2b & 1+b & 1 \\ 2b & 2b & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

← same lines

$$= 0 + 2b \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b & 1 \\ 1 & 1+b & 1 \\ 1 & 2b & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

← same lines

$$= 0$$

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