

Other operations on matrices

1) Addition.

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & \dots & b_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{m1} & \dots & b_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$ are $m \times n$ matrices then

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note. The sum $A + B$ is defined only if A and B have the same dimensions.

2) Scalar multiplication.

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$, and c is a scalar then

$$cA = \begin{bmatrix} ca_{11} & \dots & ca_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ ca_{m1} & \dots & ca_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Properties of matrix algebra

1) $(AB)C = A(BC)$

2) $(A + B)C = AC + BC$
 $A(B + C) = AB + AC$

3) I_n = the $n \times n$ identity matrix:

$$I_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix then

$$A \cdot I_n = A$$

$$I_m \cdot A = A$$

Non-commutativity of matrix multiplication

1) If AB is defined then BA need not be defined.

2) Even if both AB and BA are both defined then usually

$$AB \neq BA$$

One more operation on matrices: matrix transpose

Definition

The transpose of a matrix A is the matrix A^T such that

$$(\text{rows of } A^T) = (\text{columns of } A)$$

Properties of transpose

- 1) $(A^T)^T = A$
- 2) $(A + B)^T = (A^T + B^T)$
- 3) $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$