

# Matrix-matrix multiplication

If

- ▶  $A$  is a  $R \times S$  matrix, and
- ▶  $B$  is a  $S \times T$  matrix

then it is legal to multiply  $A$  times  $B$ .

- ▶ In Mathese, written  $AB$
- ▶ In our Mat class, written  $A*B$

$AB$  is different from  $BA$ .

In fact, one product might be legal while the other is illegal.

# Matrix-matrix multiplication

We'll see two equivalent definitions:

- ▶ one in terms of vector-matrix multiplication,
- ▶ one in terms of matrix-vector multiplication.

## Matrix-matrix multiplication: vector-matrix definition

**Vector-matrix definition** of matrix-matrix multiplication:

For each row-label  $r$  of  $A$ ,

$$\text{row } r \text{ of } AB = \underbrace{(\text{row } r \text{ of } A)}_{\text{vector}} * B$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phantom{0} \\ B \\ \phantom{0} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [1, 0, 0] * B \\ [2, 1, 0] * B \\ [0, 0, 1] * B \end{bmatrix}$$

How to interpret  $[1, 0, 0] * B$ ?

- ▶ *Linear combinations* definition of vector-matrix multiplication?
- ▶ *Dot-product* definition of vector-matrix multiplication?

Each is correct.

## Matrix-matrix multiplication: vector-matrix interpretation

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How to interpret  $[1, 0, 0] * B$ ? *Linear combinations* definition:

$$\begin{aligned} [1, 0, 0] * \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_2 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_3 \end{bmatrix} &= \mathbf{b}_1 & [0, 0, 1] * \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_2 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_3 \end{bmatrix} &= \mathbf{b}_3 \\ [2, 1, 0] * \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_2 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_3 \end{bmatrix} &= 2\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2 \end{aligned}$$

**Conclusion:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_2 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \hline 2\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Matrix-matrix multiplication: vector-matrix interpretation

**Conclusion:**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_2 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \hline 2\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2 \\ \hline \mathbf{b}_3 \end{array} \right]$$

We call  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$  an *elementary row-addition matrix*.

## Matrix-matrix multiplication: matrix-vector definition

**Matrix-vector definition** of matrix-matrix multiplication:

For each column-label  $s$  of  $B$ ,

$$\text{column } s \text{ of } AB = A * (\text{column } s \text{ of } B)$$

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \text{matrix with columns } [4, 3], [2, 1], \text{ and } [0, -1]$$

$$B = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

$AB$  is the matrix with column  $i = A * (\text{column } i \text{ of } B)$

$$A * [4, 3] = [10, -1]$$

$$A * [2, 1] = [4, -1]$$

$$A * [0, -1] = [-2, -1]$$

$$AB = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} 10 & 4 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

## Matrix-matrix multiplication: Dot-product definition

Combine

- ▶ *matrix-vector* definition of matrix-matrix multiplication, and
- ▶ *dot-product* definition of matrix-vector multiplication

to get...

**Dot-product definition** of matrix-matrix multiplication:

Entry  $rc$  of  $AB$  is the dot-product of row  $r$  of  $A$  with column  $c$  of  $B$ .

**Example:**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} [1, 0, 2] \cdot [2, 5, 1] & [1, 0, 2] \cdot [1, 0, 3] \\ [3, 1, 0] \cdot [2, 5, 1] & [3, 1, 0] \cdot [1, 0, 3] \\ [2, 0, 1] \cdot [2, 5, 1] & [2, 0, 1] \cdot [1, 0, 3] \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 4 & 7 \\ 11 & 3 \\ 5 & 5 \end{array} \right]$$

## Matrix-matrix multiplication: transpose

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

**Example:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 4 \\ 19 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 19 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

You might think “ $(AB)^T = A^T B^T$ ” but this is **false**.

In fact, doesn't even make sense!

- ▶ For  $AB$  to be legal,  $A$ 's column labels =  $B$ 's row labels.
- ▶ For  $A^T B^T$  to be legal,  $A$ 's row labels =  $B$ 's column labels.

**Example:**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  is legal but  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  is not.



## Matrix-matrix multiplication: Column vectors

Multiplying a matrix  $A$  by a one-column matrix  $B$

$$\begin{bmatrix} & A & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

By matrix-vector definition of matrix-matrix multiplication, result is matrix with one column:  $A * \mathbf{b}$

This shows that matrix-vector multiplication is subsumed by matrix-matrix multiplication.

**Convention:** Interpret a vector  $\mathbf{b}$  as a one-column matrix (“column vector”)

► Write vector  $[1, 2, 3]$  as  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

► Write  $A * [1, 2, 3]$  as  $\begin{bmatrix} & A & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  or  $A\mathbf{b}$

## Matrix-matrix multiplication: Row vectors

If we interpret vectors as one-column matrices.... what about vector-matrix multiplication?

Use transpose to turn a column vector into a row vector: Suppose  $\mathbf{b} = [1, 2, 3]$ .

$$[1, 2, 3] * A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b}^T A$$

## Inner product

Let  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  be two  $D$ -vectors interpreted as matrices (column vectors).  
Matrix-matrix product  $\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}$ .

**Example:** 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ First “matrix” has one row.
- ▶ Second “matrix” has one column.
- ▶ Therefore product “matrix” has one entry.

By dot-product definition of matrix-matrix multiplication,  
that one entry is the dot-product of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

Sometimes called *inner product* of matrices.

However, that term has taken on another meaning, which we study later.

# Outer product

Another way to multiply vectors as matrices.

For any  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ , consider  $\mathbf{uv}^T$ .

**Example:** 
$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 v_1 & u_1 v_2 & u_1 v_3 & u_1 v_4 \\ u_2 v_1 & u_2 v_2 & u_2 v_3 & u_2 v_4 \\ u_3 v_1 & u_3 v_2 & u_3 v_3 & u_3 v_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

For each element  $s$  of the domain of  $\mathbf{u}$  and each element  $t$  of the domain of  $\mathbf{v}$ , the  $s, t$  element of  $\mathbf{uv}^T$  is  $\mathbf{u}[s] \mathbf{v}[t]$ .

Called *outer product* of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .