

The Matrix Transpose

Section 3.1 (Hartman)

Transpose

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. The transpose of A , denoted A^T , is the $n \times m$ matrix whose columns are the respective rows of A .

Example #1: Given $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$. Find A^T . $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$

The Diagonal, a Diagonal Matrix, Triangular Matrices

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. The diagonal of A consists of the entries a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots of A .

A diagonal matrix is an $n \times n$ matrix in which the only nonzero entries lie on the diagonal.

An upper (lower) triangular matrix is a matrix in which any nonzero entries lie on or above (below) the diagonal.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagonal

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Lower Triangular

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Upper Triangular

Example #2: For each of the following matrices A , what can we say about A^T ?

(a) A is a diagonal matrix:

A^T is also diagonal

$A^T = A$

(b) A is an upper triangular matrix:

A^T is a lower triangular

(c) A is a lower triangular matrix:

A^T is an upper triangular