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# Chapter1 Basic Concepts on Matrices and Vectors

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## 1 Matrix

### 1.1 Definitions

A **matrix** is a rectangular array of scalars.

If the matrix has  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns, we say the **size** of matrix is  **$m$  by  $n$** , written  $m \times n$ .

The matrix is called square if  $m = n$ .

The scalar in  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column is called  $(i, j)$ -**entry** of the matrix.

### 1.2 Notation

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = [a_{ij}] \in M_{m \times n} \quad (1)$$

$M_{m \times n}$  denotes the set that contains all matrices whose size is  $m \times n$ .

### 1.3 Equality of matrices

#### 1.3.1 Definitions

We say two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are equal if

1. they have the same size.
2. they have equal corresponding entries.

Let  $A, B \in M_{m \times n}$

Then  $A = B \iff a_{ij} = b_{ij}, \forall i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$

## 1.4 Submatrices

### 1.4.1 Definitions

A submatrix is obtained by deleting from a matrix entire rows and/or columns.

### 1.4.2 Sample

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a submatrix of } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

## 1.5 Matrix addition

### 1.5.1 Definitions

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be in matrix  $m \times n$ . We define the sum of  $A$  and  $B$ , denoted  $A + B$ , to be a  $m \times n$  matrix obtained by adding the corresponding entries of  $A$  and  $B$ ; that is the  $m \times n$  matrix whose  $(i, j)$  - entry is  $a_{ij} + b_{ij}$ .

### 1.5.2 Notation

Let  $A, B \in M_{m \times n}$

Then  $A + B = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}], \forall i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$

### 1.5.3 Theorem

Commutative  $A + B = B + A$

Associative  $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$

## 1.6 Scalar Multiplication

### 1.6.1 Definitions

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $c$  be a scalar. The scalar multiple  $cA$  of matrix  $A$  is defined to be the  $m \times n$  matrix whose  $(i, j)$  - entries is  $c \times a_{ij}$ .

### 1.6.2 Notation

Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}$  and  $c \in R$

Then  $cA = [c \times a_{ij}], \forall i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$

### 1.6.3 Theorem

Associative  $(st)A = s(tA)$ ,  $(s, t \in R)$

Distributive  $s(A + B) = sA + sB$  or  $(s + t)A = sA + tA$ ,  $(s \in R)$

## 1.7 Zero Matrices

### 1.7.1 Definitions

A **zero matrix** with all zero entries, denoted by  $O$ (any size) or  $O_{m \times n}$ .

### 1.7.2 Properties

1.  $A = O + A, \forall A \in M_{m \times n}$
2.  $0 \cdot A = O, \forall A \in M_{m \times n}$

## 1.8 Matrix Substraction

### 1.8.1 Definitions

We define the matrix  $-A$  to be  $-1(A)$ . The matrix subtraction of the two matrix  $A$  and  $B$  is define to be as

$$A - B = A + (-B)$$

### 1.8.2 Theorem

1.  $A - A = O, \forall A \in M_{m \times n}$

## 1.9 Matrix Transpose

### 1.9.1 Definitions

The transpose of a  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is the  $n \times m$  matrix  $A^T$  whose  $(i, j)$  - *enrty* is the  $(j, i)$  - *enrty* of  $A$ .

### 1.9.2 Properties

$$A \in M_{m \times n} \Rightarrow A^T \in M_{n \times m}$$

### 1.9.3 Theorem

associative  $(sA)^T = s(A^T)$ ,  $\forall s \in R$

Distributive  $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$

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

## 2 Vector

### 2.1 Definitions

Vector can refer to either a **row vector** or a **column vector**.

Row vector is a matrix with **one** row.

$$\underline{v} = [a_1, \dots, a_n]$$

Column vector is a matrix with **one** column.

$$\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \underline{v}^T = [a_1, \dots, a_m] \quad (3)$$

So row vector can transpose to column vector, vice versa.

### 2.2 Notation

$$\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = [a_i] \in R^n, \forall i = 1, \dots, n \quad (4)$$

We denote the set of all column vectors with  $n$  components by  $R^n$ . That is  $R^n = M_{n \times 1}$ .

### 2.3 Vector Addition/Substraction, Scalar Multiplication and Zero Vector

Follow those for matrices.

Zero Vector is denoted **0**

A matrix is often regarded as a stack of row vectors or a cross list of column vectors.

Let  $C \in M_{m \times n}$

$$C = [\underline{c}_1, \dots, \underline{c}_j, \dots, \underline{c}_n]$$
$$\underline{c}_j = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ c_{mj} \end{bmatrix} = [c_i] \in R^m, \forall i = 1, \dots, m \quad (5)$$

## 3 Linear Combinations

### 3.1 Definitions

A linear combination of vectors  $\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_n$  is a vector of the form

$$\underline{u} = c_1 \underline{u}_1 + \dots + c_n \underline{u}_n$$

Where  $c_1, \dots, c_n$  are scalars which called **coefficients** of the linear combination.

### 3.2 Samples

#### 3.2.1 Given coefficients, computes linear combination

Let  $\underline{u}_1^T = [-1, -3, 4]$ ,  $\underline{u}_2^T = [-4, 1, 2]$ ,  $c_1 = 3$  and  $c_2 = 2$

$$\text{Then } c_1 \underline{u}_1^T + c_2 \underline{u}_2^T = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -9 & 12 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -15 & -6 & 18 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$\therefore c_1 \underline{u}_1^T + c_2 \underline{u}_2^T = (c_1 \underline{u}_1 + c_2 \underline{u}_2)^T \quad (7)$$

$$\therefore c_1 \underline{u}_1 + c_2 \underline{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -15 \\ -6 \\ 18 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

#### 3.2.2 Given linear combination, computes coefficients

Which could be transform to solve a system of linear equations. But there are three solution.

Unique solution when  $s\underline{c}_1$  and  $\underline{c}_2$  are not **collinear vectors**.

Infinitely many solutions when  $s\underline{c}_1, \underline{c}_2$  are **collinear vectors** and  $\underline{c} = s\underline{c}_1$ ,  $\underline{c}$  is linear combination

No solutions when  $s\underline{c}_1, \underline{c}_2$  are **collinear vectors** and  $\underline{c} \neq s\underline{c}_1$ ,  $\underline{c}$  is linear combination

### 3.3 Parallel/Collinear Vectors

Let  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  not be in zero vector. We define  $\underline{a}$  is parallel with  $\underline{b}$  when  $s\underline{a} = \underline{b}$ ,  $s \in R$ .

### 3.3.1 Notations

Let  $\forall \underline{a}, \underline{b} \in R^n$

Then  $\underline{a} \parallel \underline{b} \Rightarrow s\underline{a} = \underline{b}, s \in R$

$\underline{a} \parallel \underline{b}$  denotes the vectors  $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$  are the parallel or collinear vector

## 4 Standard Vectors

### 4.1 Definitions

The standard vectors of  $R^n$  are defined as

$$\underline{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \cdots \quad \underline{e}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

### 4.2 Properties

Every vector in  $R^n$  may be uniquely linearly combined by standard vectors.

## 5 Matrix-Vector Product

### 5.1 Definitions

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $\underline{v}$  be an  $n \times 1$  vector. We define the **matrix-vector product** of  $A$  and  $\underline{v}$ , denoted by  $A\underline{v}$ , to be the linear combination of the columns of  $A$  whose coefficients are the corresponding components of  $\underline{v}$ . That is

$$A\underline{v} = v_1\underline{a}_1 + v_2\underline{a}_2 + \cdots + v_n\underline{a}_n$$

### 5.2 Cautions

1. the size of  $\underline{v}$  must be equal to the count of columns of  $A$ .
2. the solution of matrix-vector product is a new vector whose size is same with the count of rows of  $A$ .



### 5.3 Theorems

Distributive  $A(\underline{u} + \underline{v}) = A\underline{u} + A\underline{v}$  and  $(A + B)\underline{u} = A\underline{u} + B\underline{u}$

Associative  $A(c\underline{u}) = c(A\underline{u}) = (cA)\underline{u}$ ,  $\forall c \in R$

$$A\underline{0} = \underline{0} \text{ and } O\underline{v} = \underline{0}, \forall A \in M_{m \times n} \text{ and } \underline{v} \in R^n$$

$$A\underline{e}_j = \underline{a}_j, A = [\underline{a}_1 \cdots \underline{a}_m]$$

$$B\underline{w} = A\underline{w} \Rightarrow A = B, \forall B, A \in M_{m \times n} \text{ and } \forall \underline{w} \in R^n.$$

## 6 Identity Matrix

### 6.1 Definitions

For each positive integer  $n$ , the  $n \times n$  **identity matrix**  $I_n$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix whose respective columns are the standard vectors  $\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \cdots, \underline{e}_n$  in  $R^n$ . Sometime  $I_n$  is simply written as  $\underline{I}$ .

### 6.2 Sample

$$I_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

### 6.3 Properties

$$I_n \underline{v} = \underline{v}, \forall \underline{v} \in R^n$$

## 7 Stochastic Matrix

### 7.1 Definitions

An matrix  $A \in M_{m \times n}$  is called a stochastic matrix if all entries of  $A$  is nonnegative and the sum of all entries in each columns is unity.