



# Matrix Matrix Multiplication

## Matrix-Matrix Multiplication

We multiply two matrices by breaking it into several vector multiplications and concatenating the result.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & bc & de & f \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} w & xy & z \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a * w + b * y & a * x + b * z & c * w + d * y & c * x + d * z & e * w + f * y & e * x + f * z \end{bmatrix}$$

An **m x n matrix** multiplied by an **n x o matrix** results in an **m x o matrix**. In the above example, a 3 x 2 matrix multiplied by a 2 x 2 matrix resulted in a 3 x 2 matrix.

To multiply two matrices, the number of **columns** of the first matrix must equal the number of **rows** of the second matrix.

For example:

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1  % Initialize a 3 by 2 matrix
2  A = [1, 2; 3, 4; 5, 6]
3
4  % Initialize a 2 by 1 matrix
5  B = [1; 2]
6
7  % We expect a resulting matrix of (3 by 2)*(2 by 1) = (3 by 1)
8  mult_AB = A*B
9
10 % Make sure you understand why we got that result

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