

COMP.5202 Fundamentals of Programming and Problem Solving

Mathematics: Matrices

Definitions

Matrix

A matrix is an ordered set of numbers listed in a rectangular form.

Example:

We shall call the matrix shown below as A:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
 elements

This matrix A has two rows and two columns. We say it is a 2 x 2 matrix.

We can also denote (or reference) the elements in the matrix as following:

- A[1,2] = 5
- $a_{1,2} = 5$

[1,2] is a reference to the element in row 1 and column 2 that has the element 5 in it.

Referencing Rows and Columns

To be able to refer to specific elements in a matrix, we use a "double" subscript notation like this:

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Square Matrix

The number of columns and rows in a matrix do not have to be the same but a matrix that has the same number of rows and columns such as in example 1 above, is called a square matrix.

Example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 is **NOT** a square matrix

Identity Matrix (I)

A square matrix that has a 1 for each element on the main diagonal and 0 for all other elements.



Row Matrix

A matrix with one row is called a row matrix.

Column Matrix

A matrix with one column is called a column matrix.

Each number of the column matrix is called an <u>element</u>. The numbers are *real numbers*. The number of elements in a vector is called its <u>dimension</u>.

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Zero Matrix

If all the elements in the matrix are zero, it is called a "Zero matrix".

Equality of Matrices

Two matrices are said to be equal if and only if they are IDENTICAL.

This means, they must have the same number of columns, the same number of rows and the elements must respectively be equal.

Therefore if

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the following must be true:

$$a_{11} = 1$$

$$a_{12} = -5$$

$$a_{21} = 4$$

$$a_{22} = 6$$

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Matrix Addition and Matrix Subtraction

How to Add Matrices

Two matrices may be added **only** if they have the same <u>dimension</u>; that is, they must have the same number of rows and columns.

Addition is accomplished by adding corresponding elements.

Example: Consider matrix **A** and matrix **B**.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ & & \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ & & \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Both matrices have the same number of rows and columns (2 rows and 3 columns), so they can be added. Thus:

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 1+5 & 2+6 & 3+7 \\ 7+3 & 8+4 & 9+5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 & 10 \\ 10 & 12 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

And finally, note that the order in which matrices are added is not important.

Thus A + B = B + A.

How to Subtract Matrices

Subtraction is accomplished by subtracting corresponding elements.

Example: Consider matrix **A** and matrix **B**.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ & & & \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ & & & \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Both matrices have the same number of rows and columns (2 rows and 3 columns), so they can be subtracted. Thus:

$$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 5 & 2 - 6 & 3 - 7 \\ 7 - 3 & 8 - 4 & 9 - 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 & -4 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Exercise:

Consider the matrices shown below: A, B, C, and D

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3. B + D$$

5.
$$B + C$$

6. Add the following matrices

a.

b.

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7. Determine the values of the letters in the following matrices:

a.
$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ x & y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

b.
$$\begin{bmatrix} x & 2y & z \\ b/4 & -a & -5k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 10 & -9 \\ 12 & -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

C.
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x-3 \\ x+4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Matrix Multiplication

In matrix algebra, there are two kinds of matrix multiplication:

- Multiplication of a matrix by a number
- Multiplication of a matrix by another matrix.

How to Multiply a Matrix by a Number

When you multiply a matrix by a number, you multiply every element in the matrix by the same number. This operation produces a new matrix, which is called a **scalar multiple**.

Example:

Then 5A would look like this

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 100 & 200 \\ 300 & 400 \end{bmatrix} \quad 5A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 * 100 & 5 * 200 \\ 5 * 300 & 5 * 400 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 500 & 1000 \\ 1500 & 2000 \end{bmatrix}$$

In the example above, every element of **A** is multiplied by 5 to produce the scalar multiple, which we can call **B**.

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How to Multiply a Matrix by a Matrix

• The matrix product **AB** is defined only when the number of columns in **A** is equal to the number of rows in **B**.

• Similarly, the matrix product **BA** is defined only when the number of columns in **B** is equal to the number of rows in **A**.

Thus the matrix product **AB** results in a matrix **C**.

Example 2: Suppose we want to compute **AB**, given the matrices below.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 \\ 10 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

To give us C (AB = C)

Because **A** has 2 rows, we know that **C** will have two rows; and because **B** has 2 columns, we know that **C** will have 2 columns.

To compute the value of every element in the 2 x 2 matrix **C**, we use the sum shown below.

All you have to do is multiply row elements in Matrix **A** by corresponding column elements in Matrix **B**.

- C = 0*6 + 1*8 + 2*10 = 0 + 8 + 20 = 28 (row 1 of A * Col 1 of B)
- C = 0*7 + 1*9 + 2*11 = 0 + 9 + 22 = 31 (row 1 of A * Col 2 of B)
- C = 3*6 + 4*8 + 5*10 = = 18 + 32 + 50 = 100 (row 2 of A * Col 1 of B)
- C = 3*7 + 4*9 + 5*11 = 21 + 36 + 55 = 112 (row 2 of A * Col 2 of B)

Based on the above calculations, we can say

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How to Multiply 2 × 2 Matrices

The process is the same for any size matrix. We multiply **across** rows of the first matrix and **down** columns of the second matrix, element by element.

We then add the products:

Example 1:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{pmatrix}$$

In this case, we multiply a 2×2 matrix by a 2×2 matrix and we get a 2×2 matrix as the result.

Example 2:

Multiply:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 8 & 9 \\ 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Answer:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 8 & 9 \\ 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \times -2 + 9 \times 4 & 8 \times 3 + 9 \times 0 \\ 5 \times -2 + -1 \times 4 & 5 \times 3 + -1 \times 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -16 + 36 & 24 + 0 \\ -10 + -4 & 15 + 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 20 & 24 \\ -14 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Multiplying by the Identity Matrix (1)

For the matrix A, find AI (ie. A x I)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$AI = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} -3+0+0 & 0+1+0 & 0+0+6 \\ 3+0+0 & 0+-1+0 & 0+0+0 \\ 4+0+0 & 0+2+0 & 0+0+5 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= A$$

The Identity Matrix I, has all 1's in the major diagonal.

We see that multiplying by the identity matrix does not change the value of the original matrix.

Therefore, AI = A

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Evaluating Matrix Multiplications

Does AB = BA?

Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 11 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore:

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 0 \\ 35 & 20 \end{pmatrix}$$

And BA is $(3 \times 2)(2 \times 3)$ which will give a 3×3 matrix:

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 11 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 - 4 & -3 - 11 & 6 - 2 \\ 0 + 8 & -1 + 22 & 2 + 4 \\ 0 + 4 & -6 + 11 & 12 + 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -14 & 4 \\ 8 & 21 & 6 \\ 4 & 5 & 14 \end{pmatrix}$$

So in this case, AB does NOT equal BA.

In fact, for most matrices, you cannot reverse the order of multiplication and get the same result.

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Exercises:

Consider the matrices shown below: A, B, and C

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 & 1 \\ & & \\ 4 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad C = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \qquad D = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solve the following:

- a) 3A
- b) 2C
- c) A * C
- d) B * C
- e) C * D
- f) A * D
- g) A 2D
- h) 3A C
- i) -4A
- j) 2A + C
- k) 2C + A

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Online Matrix Calculators:

There is a wide range of matrix calculators:

https://matrixcalc.org/en/

https://www.mathportal.org/calculators/matrices-calculators/matrix-operations-calculator.php

https://www.desmos.com/matrix

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