

Introduction to Matrix Algebra

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Scalars

- Let's start with something familiar, with a new word
- One number (12, for example) is referred to as a *scalar*
- This can be thought of as a 1×1 matrix
 - More on that in a bit...

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12 \end{bmatrix} = c$$

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- Since this is a column of numbers, we cleverly refer to it as a *column vector*

Row Vectors

If we take b and arrange it so that it is a row of numbers instead of a column, we refer to it as a *row vector*:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 14 & 15 \end{bmatrix} = d$$

Matrix

We can put multiple vectors together to get a *matrix*:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 14 & 15 \\ 115 & 22 & 127 \\ 193 & 29 & 219 \end{bmatrix} = A$$

Matrices, cntd

- We refer to the *dimensions* of matrices by *row* \times *column*
- So A is a 3×3 matrix.
- Note that matrices are usually designated by capital letters
 - And sometimes bolded as well

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ROW x COLUMN

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- More generally, matrix B is an $m \times n$ matrix where the elements look like this:

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} & \dots & b_{1m} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} & \dots & b_{2m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ b_{n1} & b_{n2} & b_{n3} & \dots & b_{nm} \end{bmatrix}$$

Addition and subtraction are EASY!

- Requirement: Must have *exactly* the same dimensions
- To do the operation, just add or subtract each element with the corresponding element from the other matrix:

$$A \pm B$$

Addition and Subtraction

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \pm \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \pm b_{11} & a_{12} \pm b_{12} & a_{13} \pm b_{13} \\ a_{21} \pm b_{21} & a_{22} \pm b_{22} & a_{23} \pm b_{23} \\ a_{31} \pm b_{31} & a_{32} \pm b_{32} & a_{33} \pm b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Scalar multiplication

Easy - just multiply each element of the matrix by the scalar

$$cA = \begin{bmatrix} ca_{11} & ca_{12} & ca_{13} \\ ca_{21} & ca_{22} & ca_{23} \\ ca_{31} & ca_{32} & ca_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix multiplication

- Requirement: the two matrices must be *conformable*
- This means that the number of columns in the first matrix equals the number of rows in the second
- The resulting matrix will have the number of rows in the first, and the number of columns in the second!

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L <- matrix(c(6,5,-1, 1,4,3),  
            nrow=2, byrow=TRUE)  
M <- matrix(c(1,0,2, 1,2,4, 2,3,2),  
            nrow=3, byrow=TRUE)  
L%*%M
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3]  
## [1,]    9    7   30  
## [2,]   11   17   24
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Qu'est-ce que c'est?

- Switch the rows and columns
- So a $n \times m$ matrix becomes $m \times n$
- Typically denoted L' or L^T

L

```
##          [,1] [,2] [,3]
## [1,]         6     5    -1
## [2,]         1     4     3
```

t(L)

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##          [,1] [,2]
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- $(cA)' = cA'$ where c is a scalar

Special types of matrices

Some matrices get more love than others

Square matrix

Any $n \times n$ matrix (same number rows and columns)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Symmetric matrix

A square matrix that is the same as its transpose

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 7 \\ 5 & 9 & 6 \\ 7 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonal matrix

A symmetric matrix with zeros everywhere but the main diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scalar matrix

A diagonal matrix with the same number all along the diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- This is a super important type of matrix.
- It gets its own notation: I_n where n is the number of rows and columns
- Note that $I_n A = A$ and also $A I_n = A$