## **Chapter 1 - Matrices and Determinants**

## 1 Objectives:

- 1. Define a matrix, its order and elements.
- 2. Define some special types of matrices.
- 3. Explain transpose of a matrix.
- 4. *Define and explain the equality rule of matrices.*
- 5. Perform matrix operations such as addition, subtraction, scalar multiplication and matrix multiplication.
- 6. Define and evaluate  $2^{nd}$  order determinants.
- 7. *Define and evaluate higher order determinants.*
- 8. *Use Cramer's rule to solve simultaneous linear equations with two or three unknowns.*
- 9. Define the inverse of a square matrix.
- 10. Use the inverse matrix method to solve system of linear equations with two unknowns.

### 1.1 Introduction

In our daily life, information can often be conveniently presented as an array of rows and columns. Bus timetable and football league results often use this form of presentation. Such an arrangement of information is called a matrix. Below are some examples of matrices.

Eg1 The weekly expenditures in dollars of a department for January and February are given below.

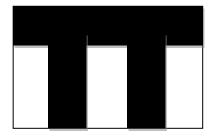
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Matrix addition can be used to find the total expenditures for the three categories Payroll, Marketing and Miscellaneous during the corresponding weeks of January and February.

Eg2 A building contractor accepts summer orders for 135 houses, 3 condominiums and 1 high rise building. The construction materials (in appropriate units) that go into each of these buildings are listed in the table below. Using matrices, we can find how much of each raw material will be needed for all the summer contracts.

Material	House	Condominium	High rise
Lumber	10	400	500
Glass	5	150	1000
Steel	0	50	2000
Concrete	0	100	1000
Labour	20	1000	5000

Eg3 Matrices can be used in digital image processing. A digital image is an image by an array of numbers. Consider a very simple example, the mathematical representation of the symbol  $\pi$ . We can picture the symbol in the figure below:



We could represent the image of  $\pi$  by a 3×5 matrix as follows:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that the image is divided into a number of areas, or fields, in the above 15 of them. A number 0 is assigned as the field to be unshaded and the number 1, shaded.

Eg4 A scientist, trying to grow lobsters in a controlled environment, mixes two grains *A* and *B* in varying amounts to make the ideal lobster food. The scientist makes three mixes *I*, *II* and *III* according to the following mixtures:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & II & III \\ 45 & 30 & 15 \\ 15 & 30 & 45 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{c} Grain \ A \\ Grain \ B \end{array}$$

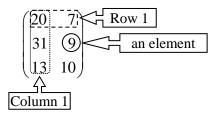
The nutritional value of each of the two grains is given by the values in the  $3\times2$  matrix.

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 10 \\ 50 & 30 \\ 10 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 protein carbohydrates fat

Using matrices, we can find the amount of carbohydrates, protein or fat in the above mixes.

### 1.2 Definition of a Matrix

A **matrix** is a rectangular array of numbers enclosed by a pair of large brackets. A matrix which has 3 rows and 2 columns is shown below:



The above matrix is known as a  $3\times 2$  matrix, or a matrix of **order**  $3\times 2$ . In general, a matrix with m rows and n columns is called an  $m\times n$  matrix or a matrix of **order**  $m\times n$ . The entries in a matrix are called the **elements** of the matrix.

### Note:

- (i) Matrices are denoted by capital letters.
- (ii) The elements are enclosed in large square brackets or large round brackets.
- (iii)  $a_{ii}$  represents an element in the  $i^{th}$  row and  $j^{th}$  column of a matrix.
- (iv) The order of a matrix is also called the **size** or **dimension** of the matrix.

Example 1: The matrix A is given as 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

- (a) State the order of A.
- (b) Find the elements  $a_{12}$  and  $a_{21}$ .

## 1.3 Special Types of Matrices

### 1.3.1 Row Matrix

A matrix with only one row is called a **row matrix**.

For example,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  is a 1×4 row matrix.

### 1.3.2 Column Matrix

A matrix with only one column is called a **column matrix**.

For example, the matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a  $4 \times 1$  column matrix.

## 1.3.3 Square Matrix

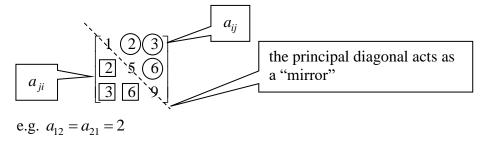
A **square matrix** is a matrix where the number of rows is equal to the number of columns.

For example, the matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a  $3 \times 3$  square matrix.

### 1.3.4 Symmetric Matrix

A square matrix, such that  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$  for all values of i and j, is called a **symmetric** matrix.

For example, the following matrix is a symmetric matrix:



Example 2: Find the values of a, b and c such that the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ c & b & 2b \\ a & a+c & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a symmetric matrix.

## 1.3.5 Diagonal Matrix

A **diagonal matrix** is a square matrix in which all the elements not on the principal diagonal are zeros.

For example, the matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a  $3 \times 3$  diagonal matrix.

## 1.3.6 Identity Matrix

An **identity matrix** is a diagonal matrix where every diagonal element is 1.

For example, the matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix.

**Note**: An  $n \times n$  identity matrix is denoted by  $\mathbf{I}_n$  or simply by  $\mathbf{I}$  if the order is obvious from the context.

### 1.3.7 Zero Matrix

The **zero matrix** is a matrix where every element is 0.

For example, the matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a  $2 \times 3$  zero matrix.

**Note:** An  $m \times n$  zero matrix is denoted by  $0_{mn}$  or simply by 0 if the order is obvious from the context. The zero matrix is also called the **null matrix**.

### 1.4 Matrix Operations

### 1.4.1 Transpose of a Matrix

The **transpose**  $A^{T}$  of an  $m \times n$  matrix A is the  $n \times m$  matrix whose rows are the corresponding columns of A.

Theorem 1.1

1. 
$$(A^{T})^{T} = A$$

2. If  $A$  is a symmetric matrix, then  $A^{T} = A$ .

Example 3: Find the transpose of the following matrices.

(a) 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (b)  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

## 1.4.2 Equality of Matrices

Two matrices A and B are equal, i.e. A = B, if

- (i) order of  $\mathbf{A}$  = order of  $\mathbf{B}$
- (ii)  $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$  for all i and j
- Example 4: Find the values of w, x, y and z, if  $\begin{bmatrix} w+1 & x \\ \frac{y}{3} & 2z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

### 1.4.3 Matrix Addition and Subtraction

Given two matrices  $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = (b_{ij})_{m \times n}$ 

- (i)  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = (a_{ij} + b_{ij})_{m \times n}$
- (ii)  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{B} = (a_{ij} b_{ij})_{m \times n}$

**Important**: The order of matrices A and B must be the same.

### Theorem 1.2

If O is the zero matrix with the same order as the matrix A, then

1. 
$$O + A = A + O = A$$

$$2. \qquad \boldsymbol{A} - \boldsymbol{A} = \boldsymbol{O}$$

Example 5: Given 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$
, and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , find

- (a) A + B
- (b)  $\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{B}$

Example 6: The weekly expenditures in dollars of a department for January and February are given below.

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Use matrix addition to find the total expenditures for the three categories Payroll, Marketing and Miscellaneous during the corresponding weeks of January and February.

## 1.4.4 Scalar Multiplication

When a matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \left(a_{ij}\right)_{m \times n}$  is multiplied by a scalar or a number k, each element  $a_{ij}$  in the matrix is multiplied by the scalar k, i.e.  $k\mathbf{A} = k\left(a_{ij}\right)_{m \times n} = \left(ka_{ij}\right)_{m \times n}$ .

Example 7: Evaluate 
$$5\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$
.

Example 8: Find the values of x and y such that 
$$3\begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 2 & 2y \end{bmatrix} - 4\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & y \end{bmatrix} = 2\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
.

## 1.4.5 Matrix Multiplication

## 1.4.5.1 Matrix Conformability

Not any two matrices can be used for matrix multiplication. Two matrices can be multiplied only when they are conformable for matrix multiplication.

Two matrices A and B are said to be **conformable for multiplication**, if the number of columns in A is equal to the number of rows in B, i.e.

$$A \stackrel{\checkmark}{\bigvee}_{m \times n} \times B_{n \times p} = C \stackrel{\checkmark}{\bigvee}_{m \times p}$$
 equal

Example 9: Are the two matrices  $A_{3\times 5}$  and  $B_{5\times 4}$  conformable for matrix multiplication AB? If yes, what is the order of AB?

Example 10: Are the two matrices  $A_{3\times5}$  and  $B_{3\times2}$  conformable for matrix multiplication AB? If yes, what is the order of AB?

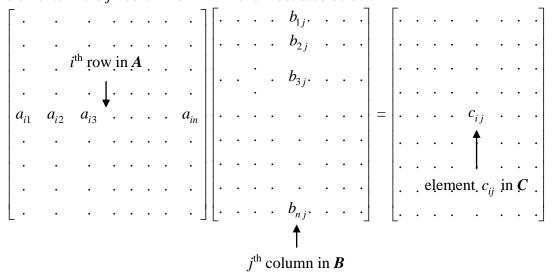
### 1.4.5.2 Matrix Multiplication

If A is a  $1 \times n$  row matrix, and B is an  $n \times 1$  column matrix, then AB is a  $1 \times 1$  matrix. To find the product, multiply each element in A (from left to right) by the corresponding element in B (from top to bottom) and then add the results.

In general, let A be a  $m \times n$  matrix and B be a  $n \times p$  matrix. Then C = AB is an  $m \times p$ matrix, such that the element  $c_{ii}$  in the  $i^{th}$  row and  $j^{th}$  column is the sum of the products of the corresponding elements of the  $i^{th}$  row (from left to right) of A and the  $j^{th}$  column (from top to bottom) of B, i.e.

$$c_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \dots + a_{in}b_{nj}$$

where  $a_{i1}, a_{i2}, ..., a_{in}$  are the elements in the  $i^{th}$  row of A and  $b_{j1}, b_{j2}, ..., b_{nj}$  are the elements in the  $j^{th}$  column of **B**. This is illustrated below.



where  $c_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + ... + a_{in}b_{nj}$ . **Theorem 1.3** 

Let A, B, C, O (zero matrix) and I (identity matrix) be conformable matrices and k be any scalar.

- 1. (AB)C = A(BC)2. A(B+C) = AB + AC3. k(AB) = (kA)B = A(kB)4. AO = O
- AI = A
- $(\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{B})^{\mathrm{T}} = \boldsymbol{B}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$
- In general, matrix multiplication is not commutative:  $AB \neq BA$ . (i)
- In general, the cancellation law is not valid: AB = AC does not imply B = C. (ii)

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Example 11: Evaluate

(a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ 

(c) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Example 12: A fast food chain has three outlets A, B and C. The average daily sales and profits of hamburgers, potato chips and drinks in each outlet are given in the following tables.

Linits sold

		Units sold	
	Outlet A	Outlet B	Outlet C
Hamburgers	800	500	600
Potato chips	900	700	800
Drinks	600	800	900
		Unit profit (\$)	
	Outlet A	Outlet B	Outlet C
Hamburgers	0.20	0.40	0.30
Potato chips	0.40	0.50	0.60
Drinks	0.50	0.30	0.40

- (a) Write the above information on units sold and unit profit of each product into 2 separate  $3 \times 3$  matrices.
- (b) Use your matrices in part (a) to find the total profit of
  - (i) each product
  - (ii) each outlet

You may need to transpose the matrices.

## 1.5 Determinant of a **Square** Matrix

### 1.5.1 Introduction

The **determinant** of a square matrix A is denoted by det(A) or |A|. It is an algebraic operation that transforms a square matrix into a scalar. This operation is very useful in the analysis and solution of systems of linear equations.

The symbol  $\Delta$  (read as 'delta'), which is the Greek capital "D", is usually used to denote a determinant.

### 1.5.2 Second Order Determinant

A 2<sup>nd</sup> order determinant is written as  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$ , where a, b, c and d are numbers or variables.

Some useful terms for a determinant:

## 1.5.3 Evaluating Second Order Determinant

To evaluate a 2<sup>nd</sup> order determinant, we use the following:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$$

Example 13: Evaluate

(a) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 6 & -4 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

(b) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 7 & 10 \\ -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

## 1.5.4 Evaluating Third and Higher Order Determinants

### 1.5.4.1 Minors and Cofactors

Consider the third order determinant  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$ 

## **Minor of an Element**

The minor of an element  $a_{ij}$  is a smaller determinant formed by deleting the row i and column j from the original determinant.

To find the minor of element  $a_{12}$ , first remove row 1 and column 2 as follows:

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

Then form a determinant with the remaining elements, i.e.

Minor of 
$$a_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}$$

## **Cofactor of an Element**

The cofactor of an element  $a_{ij}$ , denoted as  $A_{ij}$ , is defined as follows:

$$A_{ij} = \text{cofactor of } a_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} (\text{minor of } a_{ij})$$

Cofactor of 
$$a_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$
  
=  $-1(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31})$ 

Example 14: Find the minors and cofactors of the circled elements in the following determinants.

(a) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$
 (b)  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -7 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 \\ \hline -1 & 6 & 8 \end{vmatrix}$ 

### 1.5.4.2 Evaluate Third and Fourth Order Determinants

Given a 3<sup>rd</sup> order determinant 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$
, expand along row 1:  

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11} \left( + \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} \right) + a_{12} \left( - \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} \right) + a_{13} \left( + \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} \right)$$

$$= a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$$

Note:

- 1. In the formula above, the elements in row 1 were chosen for expansion. In fact, any one row or column can be used to do the expansion.
- 2. Regardless of whichever row or column is chosen, the result should be the same.
- 3. As a rule of thumb, choose the row or column with the most 0's or 1's.

Note: You may use Sarrus' Rule to evaluate a third order determinant.

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = aei + bfg + cdh - gec - hfa - idb$$

Example 15: Evaluate 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 6 & -8 \\ 2 & 5 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Example 16: Find x if 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & x & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 9.$$

#### **Inverse Matrices** 1.6

#### **Definition of an inverse matrix** 1.6.1

Let A be a square matrix of order  $n \times n$ . If there exists a matrix B such that AB = BA = I, where I is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix, then B is called the inverse matrix of A, and is written as  $A^{-1}$ .

To conclude, for an invertible matrix A,

$$\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{A}^{-1} = \boldsymbol{A}^{-1}\boldsymbol{A} = \boldsymbol{I}$$

### Theorem 1.4

Let A and B be invertible matrices. Let c be a nonzero scalar and m be a positive integer.

$$1. \qquad \left(\boldsymbol{A}^{-1}\right)^{-1} = \boldsymbol{A}$$

2. 
$$(c\mathbf{A})^{-1} = \frac{1}{c}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$
  
3.  $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$   
4.  $(\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}})^{-1} = (\mathbf{A}^{-1})^{\mathrm{T}}$   
5.  $(\mathbf{A}^{-1})^{m} = (\mathbf{A}^{m})^{-1}$ 

3. 
$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

4. 
$$\left(\boldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\right)^{-1} = \left(\boldsymbol{A}^{-1}\right)^{\mathrm{T}}$$

$$\mathbf{5.} \qquad \left(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\right)^m = \left(\mathbf{A}^m\right)^{-1}$$

### 1.6.2 Inverse of a $2\times 2$ matrix

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  be a 2×2 invertible matrix.

The inverse of matrix A,  $A^{-1}$  can be found using the formula below:

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{A}|} \operatorname{adj}(\mathbf{A})$$

Note: (i) |A| is the determinant of matrix A, |A| = ad - bc

(ii) adj(A) is the adjoint of matrix A.

$$adj(A) = \begin{bmatrix} Cofactor \text{ of } a & Cofactor \text{ of } b \\ Cofactor \text{ of } c & Cofactor \text{ of } d \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} d & -c \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

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If the determinant of a square matrix is **zero**, then the inverse of the matrix does not exist and is called a non-invertible or singular matrix.

Hence, for a  $2 \times 2$  invertible matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

 $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$ Example 17: Find the inverse matrix of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Example 18: Given that  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , find matrix  $\mathbf{C}$  such that

Example 19: Determine whether the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is singular.

Example 20: Find the value of k such that the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} k & 1 & 0 \\ 4k & 3 & 2 \\ 8 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is singular.

## 1.7 Solution of system of equations

### 1.7.1 Inverse Matrix Method

Inverse matrices may be used to solve systems of simultaneous linear equations.

The system of linear equations with 2 unknowns x and y

$$a_1x + b_1y = k_1$$
$$a_2x + b_2y = k_2$$

can be written in the matrix form as

AX = B

where 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Matrix *A* is called the **coefficient** matrix.

If the inverse  $A^{-1}$  exists, then

$$(A^{-1}A)X = A^{-1}B$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $X = A^{-1}B$ 

This is the solution in matrix form.

If  $A^{-1}$  does not exist, then the above method cannot be applied and the system either has no solution or the solution is not unique.

In a similar manner, the above method can be extended to solve linear system of equations with three unknowns.

Example 21: Solve the following system of linear equations using the inverse matrix method.

$$2x + y = 9$$

$$x-3y=8$$

### 1.7.2 Cramer's Rule

Consider the following  $3\times3$  system of equations i.e. a system of three linear equations with three unknowns x, y and z:

$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = k_1$$
  
 $a_2x + b_2y + c_2z = k_2$   
 $a_3x + b_3y + c_3z = k_3$ 

First, define a "system" determinant,  $\Delta$ , using the coefficients of x, y and z as follows,

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Note that the original arrangement of the coefficients is retained.

Next, define 3 other determinants  $-\Delta_x$ ,  $\Delta_y$  and  $\Delta_z$  – as follows,

$$\Delta_{x} = \begin{vmatrix} k_{1} & b_{1} & c_{1} \\ k_{2} & b_{2} & c_{2} \\ k_{3} & b_{3} & c_{3} \end{vmatrix}, \qquad \Delta_{y} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{1} & k_{1} & c_{1} \\ a_{2} & k_{2} & c_{2} \\ a_{3} & k_{3} & c_{3} \end{vmatrix}, \qquad \Delta_{z} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{1} & b_{1} & k_{1} \\ a_{2} & b_{2} & k_{2} \\ a_{3} & b_{3} & k_{3} \end{vmatrix}$$

where  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  and  $k_3$  are the right-hand-side constants.

Finally find the unknowns x, y and z using these four determinants as follows,

$$x = \frac{\Delta_x}{\Delta}$$
,  $y = \frac{\Delta_y}{\Delta}$ ,  $z = \frac{\Delta_z}{\Delta}$ 

provided  $\Delta \neq 0$ .

The above method for solving simultaneous linear equations is called Cramer's Rule, after the Swiss mathematician Gabriel Cramer, who gave the general rule for solving an  $n \times n$  system in his paper *Introduction to the Analysis of Algebraic Curves* (1750).

Do note that Cramer's Rule can be used to solve system of n equations involving n unknowns. That means it can also be used to solve 2 equations involving 2 unknowns.

Example 22: Use Cramer's Rule to solve the following system of three linear equations with three unknowns

$$x + 2y - z = 4$$

$$2x-4y-3z=6$$

$$3x - 6y - z = 2$$

- Example 23: The curve of the equation  $y = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$  passes throught the point (1, -8), intercepts the y-axis at y = -6 and has roots at x = -1 and 2.
  - (i) Form a system of equations.
  - (ii) Use Cramer's Rule to solve for the constants a, b, c and d.

## **Tutorial:** True/False questions

State whether the following statements are true or false.

- 1. The terms "determinant" and "matrix" have the same meaning.
- 2. When you multiply matrix A by the identity matrix I, you will obtain  $A^{-1}$ .
- 3. One can always find the determinant of a matrix.
- 4. The product of the two matrices AB is always equal to the product of the two matrices BA.
- 5. The matrix product  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$  [3 1 6] will yield a square matrix.
- 6. The matrix product  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$  is undefined.
- 7. Matrix multiplication is only possible if the number of columns in the first matrix equals the number of rows in the second matrix.
- 8. The inverse of a matrix is a unique matrix of the same dimensions which, when multiplied by the original matrix produces the transpose of that matrix.

## **Tutorial**: Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. Which one of the following statements is false?
  - (a) A matrix with m rows and n columns is called an  $m \times n$  matrix.
  - (b) The element in the  $i^{th}$  row and  $j^{th}$  column of a matrix is denoted by  $a_{ij}$ .
  - (c) The dimension of a matrix refers to the number of elements in the matrix.
  - (d) The order of a matrix is sometimes called the size of the matrix.
- 2. Which of the following statements are true about matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ ?
  - (i)  $(\boldsymbol{A} + \boldsymbol{B})^{\mathrm{T}} = \boldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}} + \boldsymbol{B}^{\mathrm{T}}$
  - (ii)  $(\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{B})^{\mathrm{T}} = \boldsymbol{B}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$
  - (iii)  $(\boldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{T}})^{\mathrm{T}} = \boldsymbol{A}$
  - (iv)  $A^{T} = A$  if A is a symmetric matrix
  - (a) (i) and (ii)

(b) (ii) and (iii)

(c) (i), (iii) and (iv)

- (d) All of the above
- 3. When you multiply a matrix by the identity matrix, you will get
  - (a) an inverse matrix
- (b) a transpose matrix

(c) an adjoint matrix

- (d) an original matrix
- 4. If we interchange the rows and columns of a matrix, we have its
  - (a) transpose

(b) adjoint

(c) cofactor

- (d) inverse
- 5. If  $A^{T}A$  is a 2×2 matrix, then the order of matrix A could be
  - (a)  $2\times3$

(b)  $3\times2$ 

(c)  $1\times3$ 

- (d)  $3\times1$
- 6. In order for two matrices to be added, the matrices
  - (a) Must be of the same size
- (b) Must be a square
- (c) Must both be invertible
- (d) Must be identical
- 7. Which of the following conditions are necessary for a matrix to have an inverse?
  - (i) Square matrix
  - (ii) Non singular matrix
  - (iii) Singular matrix
  - (iv) Conformable matrix
  - (a) (i) and (ii)

(b) (i) and (iii)

(c) (i) and (iv)

- (d) (ii) and (iv)
- 8. The inverse of a matrix is found by which of the following:
  - (a) Multiplying the matrix by the identity matrix
  - (b) Dividing the adjoint of the matrix by the determinant
  - (c) Dividing the cofactor matrix by its determinant
  - (d) Dividing the matrix by its transpose

9.	In order for a square matrix to have an inverse, it must have a/an				
	(a)	cofactor	(b)	adjoin	ıt
	(c)	transpose matrix	(d)	non ze	ero determinant
10.	For a non-square matrix, which one of the following can be found?				can be found?
	(a)	adjoint	(b)	cofact	or
	(c)	dimension	(d)	invers	e
11.	Give	n that $A$ is a matrix. If $A = 3A^{-1}$ , the	nen		
		$A^{-1} = I$		$A^2 = I$	
	(c)	$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3}I$	(d)	$A^2=3$	BI
12.	A, B	and $C$ are three matrices such that	AB =	<i>C</i> . The	en <b>B</b> =
	(a)	$C^{-1}A$	(b)	CA	
	(c)	$A^{-1}C$	(d)	AC	
13.	3. For any two non singular square matrices $\boldsymbol{A}$ and $\boldsymbol{B}$ , $(\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{B})^{-1} =$			$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{-1} =$	
	(a)	AB	(b)	$B^{-1}A$	-1
	(c)	$\boldsymbol{A}^{-1}\boldsymbol{B}^{-1}$	(d)	$\boldsymbol{A}^{-1}\boldsymbol{B}$	
14.	14. If $A$ is a matrix of order $m \times n$ and $k$ is a real number, then the order of $kA$ is of the following?			er, then the order of $kA$ is of which of	
	(a)	km×n	(b)	m×kr	1
	` ′	$km \times kn$	(d)	$m \times n$	•
15. Which of the following statement(s) is/are TR			re TR	UE for	determinants?
	(I)	The number of rows must be equa	l to th	e numb	per of columns.
	(II)	The number of rows may be differ	ent fr	om the	number of columns.
	(III)	Every element in a determinant ha			
	(IV) Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of two determinants will resul new determinant.			on of two determinants will result in a	
	(a)	(I) and (II)		(b)	(I), $(II)$ , $(III)$ , $(IV)$
	(c)	(III) and (IV)		(d)	(I) and (III)

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## **Tutorial 1a** (Properties of Matrices)

- 1. State the order of the following matrices.
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- Find the elements  $a_{23}$ ,  $a_{22}$  and  $a_{32}$  of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 & -2 \\ 4 & 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . 2.

## **Tutorial 1b** (Special matrices and Matrix Operations)

- 1. Find the transpose of each of the following matrices
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$
- Find the value of k such that the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & k+1 \\ 0 & k & 2 \\ 2k & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a symmetric matrix. 2.
- Find the values of a and b such that  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ b & 2 & a+b \\ a & b \end{bmatrix}$  is a symmetric matrix. 3.
- Given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -2 & 0 \\ 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- Find matrix A such that  $A + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & 3 \\ -2 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- Find the values of a and b such that  $3 \begin{vmatrix} a & 2 \\ -1 & 2b \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} a+b & 2 \\ 3 & a-b \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 7 & 10 \\ 3 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$ . 6.

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- 7. If  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $2 \times 3$  matrix and the matrix product  $\mathbf{AB}$  is a  $2 \times 4$  matrix, find the order of matrix  $\mathbf{B}$ .
- 8. Evaluate the following matrix products wherever possible.

(a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & 8 \\ 6 & 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

(e) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

(f) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 8 & -4 \\ 6 & 9 & -5 \\ 4 & 7 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \\ 9 & 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(g) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 \\ 6 & 0 \\ 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

(h) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 0 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 & 7 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 \\ 6 & 0 \\ 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} [6 & 8]$$

- 9. Given  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , show that  $\mathbf{AB} \neq \mathbf{BA}$ . Hence explain why  $\mathbf{A^2} - \mathbf{B^2} \neq (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})$ .
- 10. Find the values of  $\mathbf{p}$ ,  $\mathbf{q}$  and  $\mathbf{r}$  such that  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q} & -7 \\ \mathbf{p} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 6 & -3\mathbf{r} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- 11. Given  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} k & k \\ -2 & k \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the value(s) of k such that  $\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{A}$  is a diagonal matrix.
- \*12. A chemical company manufactures three types of chemicals C1, C2 and C3 in three factories F1, F2 and F3. The factory outputs in tons per hour are shown in the table below.

Use matrix multiplication to find the total quantities of C1, C2 and C3 that will be manufactured if F1 operates for 30 hours, F2 for 40 hours and F3 for 50 hours.

\*13. A computer company sells two models A and B of a certain type of personal microcomputer. On average, the company sells 1000 units of model A microcomputers and 900 units of model B microcomputers per month. A model A microcomputer uses 8 Type I chips, 4 Type II chips and 3 Type III chips. A model B microcomputer uses 12 Type I chips, 4 Type II chips and 5 Type III chips. A Type I chip costs \$40, a Type II chip costs \$50 and a Type III chip costs \$60 respectively.

Use matrix multiplication to find

- (a) the total number of each type of chip used in the microcomputers sold per month, and
- (b) the total cost of the chips used in the microcomputers sold per month.

## **Tutorial 1c** (Determinants)

1. Identify the matrices and determinants.

(a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{cases} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{cases}$  (d)  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$ 

(b) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) 
$$\begin{cases} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{cases}$$

(d) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

2. Evaluate the following determinants.

(a) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 5 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

(a) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 5 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$
 (b)  $\begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 & 1 \\ 8 & -3 & -2 \\ -5 & 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ -4 & 8 & -9 \\ 2 & -7 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$ 

(c) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ -4 & 8 & -9 \\ 2 & -7 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

3. Expand the following determinants and find the value(s) for x.

(a) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & x \\ x-3 & x-2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

(b) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x & x \\ 1 & x-1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

(c) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & x+1 & 2 \\ x & 5 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 6$$

(c) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & x+1 & 2 \\ x & 5 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 6$$
 (d)  $\begin{vmatrix} x-1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & x+2 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & x-3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$   
(e)  $\begin{vmatrix} 2x & 2 \\ -x & -1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$  (f)  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2x & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$ 

(e) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 2x & 2 \\ -x & -1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2x & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

Evaluate: (i)  $A^2$ 

- (ii) |A| (iii)  $|A^2|$  (iv)  $|A|^2$  (v)  $|A^4|$

\*5. Evaluate 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$
.

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## **Tutorial 1d** (Inverse Matrices)

- 1. State which of the following matrices are singular.
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$
- Find the value(s) of  $\mathbf{k}$  such that the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \mathbf{k} & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  is a non-singular. 2.
- 3. Find the inverse of each of the following matrices.

  - (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- 4. Given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find matrix C such that AC = BA.
- \*5. Let  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the matrix product  $\mathbf{AB}$ . Hence find the

inverse  $A^{-1}$  of the matrix A.

Given that  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -5 & -3 \\ -8 & 4 & 2 \\ -7 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the matrix product  $\mathbf{AB}$ .

Hence determine the matrix inverse of A

- \*7. If A and B are invertible square matrices such that AB = 2I where I is the identity matrix, find the matrix inverse of A in terms of the matrix B.
- If A, B and C are invertible square matrices such that  $A = BCB^{-1}$ , show that  $C = B^{-1}AB$ . \*8.

## **Tutorial 1e** (Solution of System of Equations)

1. Solve the following systems for their unknowns using inverse matrix method:

$$(a) 2y = 5x - 4$$
$$y = 2x - 1$$

(b) 
$$3a + 2b = -2$$
  
 $5a - 3b = 3$ 

(c) 
$$\frac{p}{2} + \frac{q}{3} - 3 = 0$$

(d) 
$$2x^2 - 3y^2 = 5$$
$$4x^2 + y^2 = 17$$

$$\frac{p}{5} + \frac{q}{2} - \frac{23}{10} = 0$$

2. Solve the following systems for their unknowns using Cramer's Rule:

(a) 
$$6u + 4v + 2w = 5$$

(b) 
$$x-3y-3z=19$$

$$-6v - w = -2$$

$$3x - 5y - 2z = 14$$

(a) 
$$6u + 4v + 2w = 5$$
  
 $4u + 6v - w = -2$   
 $3u - 5v + 4w = 8$   
(b)  $x - 3y - 3z = 19$   
 $3x - 5y - 2z = 14$   
 $5x - 8y - z = 7.5$   
(c)  $\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} + \frac{2}{z} = 6$   
 $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{y} - \frac{1}{z} = -3$   
 $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{y} - \frac{1}{z} = -3$ 

$$3u - 5v + 4w = 8$$

$$5x - 8y - z = 7.5$$

$$\frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 4$$

3. (**Electrical**) A two-mesh electrical circuit is analysed, producing the following equations:

$$11I_1 - 10I_2 = 30$$

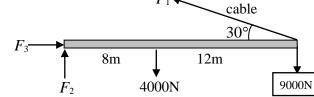
$$-20I_1 + 21I_2 = -40$$

Use inverse matrix method to find the values of  $I_1$  and  $I_2$ .

4. (Mechanical) A 20-m crane arm with a supporting cable and a 9000-N box suspended from its end has forces acting on it as shown in the figure below. Find the forces (in N) for the following equations:

$$F_1 + 2.0F_2 = 26\ 000$$
$$0.87F_1 - F_3 = 0$$

$$0.87F_1 - F_3 = 0$$
$$3.0F_1 - 4.0F_2 = 54\ 000$$



\*5. (**Business**) The demand and supply functions for two related products (P<sub>1</sub>:pens, P<sub>2</sub>:paper) are given by the equations:

$$Q_{d1} = 30 - P_1 + 4P_2$$
,

$$Q_{s1} = 3P_1 - 6 \\$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{d1} &= 30 - P_1 + 4P_2 \;, & Q_{s1} &= 3P_1 - 6 \\ Q_{d2} &= 36 + 3P_1 - 2P_2 \;, & Q_{s2} &= 12P_2 - 3 \end{aligned}$$

Find the equilibrium quantities  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  (demand,  $Q_d$  =supply,  $Q_s$ ).

6. (**Business**) The equilibrium condition for each product is that  $Q_d = Q_s$ . If the equilibrium condition in : (i) the goods market is given by the equation Y = C + I,

where 
$$C = 237.8 + 0.2Y$$
 and  $I = 10 - 0.4r$ .

- (ii) the money market is given by the equation  $M_d = M_s$ , where  $M_d = 100 + 0.1Y - 0.3r$  and  $M_s = 129.225$ .
- (a) Write the equilibrium equations for each market in the form aY + br = c, where a, b and c are constants.
- (b) Solve for the equilibrium levels of income (Y) and interest rate (r), for which the

product and money markets are simultaneously in equilibrium.

7. **(Chemical)** To get 1 litre of a 20% saline solution, x ml of an 18% saline solution and y ml of a 25% saline solution are mixed together. This gives rise to the following system of equations:

$$x + y = 1000$$
  
0.18 $x + 0.25y = 0.2(1000)$ 

Solve for the volumes, x and y.

8. (Civil) To test the elastic deformation of a beam, weights  $w_1$ ,  $w_2$  and  $w_3$  are applied to it and the total deflection is measured. The following equations are obtained. Solve for  $w_1$ ,  $w_2$  and  $w_3$ .

$$0.01w_1 + 0.02w_2 + 0.04w_3 = 2.0$$

$$0.02w_1 + 0.01w_2 + 0.02w_3 = 2.5$$

$$0.04w_1 + 0.02w_2 + 0.01w_3 = 3.0$$

9. (**Life Sciences**) Equations connecting the lens system in a position transducer are:

$$\frac{4}{u_1} + \frac{6}{v_1} + \frac{9}{v_2} = 6$$

$$\frac{15}{u_1} + \frac{11}{v_1} + \frac{2}{v_2} = 8\frac{1}{12}$$

If  $v_1 = v_2$ , find the values of  $u_1$ ,  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .

- \*10. (**Chemical**) 100 kg of a new alloy is to be made by combining x kg of alloy X, y kg of alloy Y and z kg of alloy Z. The compositions of the three alloys are as follows: alloy X is 60% copper, 30% lead and 10% manganese; alloy Y is 50% copper and 50% lead; alloy Z is 50% copper, 30% lead and 20% manganese. The new alloy will be 54.4% copper, 37.2% lead and 8.4% manganese.
  - (a) We obtain the equation 0.6x + 0.5y + 0.5z = 54.4 for copper. Obtain two other equations in terms of x, y and z.
  - (b) Calculate how much of alloy Z is required.
- \*11. Given that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -14 & 2 \\ -10 & -5 & -10 \\ 10 & 2 & -11 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the matrix product  $AA^{T}$ .

Hence deduce the matrix inverse of *A* and use the result to solve the system of linear equations. (Hint : re-arrange equation first)

$$5x-14y+2z=1$$

$$10x + 5y + 10z = 1$$

$$10x + 2y - 11z = 0$$

### **Problem-solving Assignment**

The goal of this series of problem-solving assignments is to develop problem-solving skills, not just to test your ability to get the answer. It's ok to try hard and not succeed at first (only your effort is evaluated), but <u>you must try</u>.

### Question

At the beginning of 2017, a customer invested a total of \$100,000 in four investment plans: A, B, C and D. At the end of 2017, the amount of profit he made from plans A, B and C are 2%, 3% and 6% respectively, giving a total profit of \$4000. He made a loss of 6% in plan D, which is \$900. The amount of money invested in plan B is twice the amount of money invested in plan A. Find the amount invested in each plan at the beginning of the year.

1. Understand the problem	
Identify the unknown that you are	
asked to find.	
• State the given conditions and	
quantities.	
2. Devise a plan	
Break down the problem into smaller	
parts.	
• The following are some strategies that	
may be useful:	
Write an equation that describes	
the relationship between the unknown and given quantities	
for each given piece of	
information.	
Formulate a system of equations with	
three unknowns.	
Identify which are the relevant	
techniques (Cramer's Rule, substitution	
or elimination) that can be applied.	
3. Implement the plan	
• Carry out the plan, showing each step	
clearly.	
4. Look back	
Substitute your answer back into the	
problem and check if it satisfies the	
given conditions.	

# **ANSWERS**

$$Eg 1$$
: (a)  $2 \times 3$  order

(b) 
$$a_{12} = 2$$
 ,  $a_{21} = 4$ 

$$Eg\ 2 : a = 1 , b = \frac{1}{2} , c = 0$$

$$Eg \ 4 : w = 0 , x = 2 , y = -9 , z = 2$$

$$Eg 5 : (a) \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 8 \\ 11 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Eg \ 8 : x = 6 , y = 4$$

$$Eg 9$$
: Yes;  $3 \times 4$ 

(b) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 12 & 18 \\ 12 & 24 & 36 \\ 18 & 36 & 54 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 29 & 7 \\ 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$Eg 14$$
: (a) Minor = 4  
Cofactor = 4

(b) Minor of 
$$-1 = -23$$
  
Cofactor  $-1 = -23$ 

(c) Minor of 
$$5 = -1$$
  
Cofactor of  $5 = 1$ 

$$Eg\ 16: \ x = -1$$

$$Eg\ 17:\ A^{-1} = \frac{1}{13} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
  $Eg\ 18:\ C = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$Eg \ 18 : \ C = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Eg\ 20: k = 8/5$$

$$Eg\ 21: x=5, y=-1$$

$$Eg\ 22: x=1,\ y=\frac{1}{2},\ z=-2$$

$$Eg\ 23:\ a=1,\ b=2,\ c=-5,\ d=-6$$

## **True/False Questions**

- 1. False
- 2. False
- 3. False
- 4. False

- 5. True
- 6. False
- 7. True
- 8. False

## **Multiple Choice Questions**

### **Tutorial 1a**

1.(a) 
$$1 \times 3$$
 order 1.(b)  $2 \times 3$  order 1.(c)  $3 \times 2$  order 1.(d)  $4 \times 1$  order 2.  $a_{23} = -2$ ,  $a_{22} = 5$ ,  $a_{32} = 7$ 

### **Tutorial 1b**

1(a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 1(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  1(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  2.  $k = 2$  3.  $a = 2, b = 2$ 

$$4(a) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad 4(b) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad 4(c) \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 7 & 12 \\ 7 & 8 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad 5. \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 7 & 9 \\ -5 & -5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. 
$$a = 1, b = 1$$
 7.  $3 \times 4$  order 8(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 27 & 26 \end{bmatrix}$  8(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & 8 \\ 27 & 26 & 42 \end{bmatrix}$  8(c) Not conformable

8(d) [96] 
$$8(e) \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 18 & 12 & 24 \\ 10 & 30 & 20 & 40 \\ 2 & 6 & 4 & 8 \\ 14 & 42 & 28 & 56 \end{bmatrix} \qquad 8(f) \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -22 & 29 \\ 9 & -27 & 32 \\ 13 & -17 & 26 \end{bmatrix}$$

8(g) [54] 8(h) Not conformable  
9. 
$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -10 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $BA = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -2 \\ 11 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  10.  $p = 1, q = -3, r = -5$ 

11. k = 1 12. C1=260, C2=230, C3=270 tonnes 13(a) 18800 Type I chips, 7600 Type II chips, 7500 Type III chips, 13(b) \$1582000

## **Tutorial 1c**

1. (a), (b) are matrices ; (d) is determinant

2(a) 11 2(b) 19 2(c) 
$$-77$$
  
3(a)  $x = 1$  or 4 3(b)  $x = -3$  or 5 3(c)  $x = -7$  or 3  
3(d)  $x = 1$  or  $-2$  or 3 3(e)  $x = -1$  3(f)  $x = 9/4$ 

$$4(i)$$
  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 6 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$   $4(ii)$   $3$   $4(iii)$   $9$   $4(iv)$   $9$   $4(v)$   $81$ 

5. 2

### Chapter 1 – Matrices and Determinants

### **Tutorial 1d**

1. 
$$(a), (c)$$

2. 
$$k \neq 0$$

3(a) 
$$\frac{1}{23}\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 3 \\ -5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 3(b) no inverse 3(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  3(d)  $-\frac{1}{3}\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$3(c)\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3(d) - \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4. \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. 
$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. 
$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -5 & -3 \\ -8 & 4 & 2 \\ -7 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 7.  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}B$ 

7. 
$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} B$$

## **Tutorial 1e**

1.(a) 
$$x = 2$$
,  $y = 3$ 

1.(b) 
$$a = 0$$
,  $b = -1$ 

1.(a) 
$$x = 2$$
,  $y = 3$  1.(b)  $a = 0$ ,  $b = -1$  1.(c)  $p = 4$ ,  $q = 3$  1.(d)  $x = \pm 2$ ,  $y = \pm 1$ 

2.(a) 
$$u = -\frac{1}{2}$$
,  $v = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $w = 3$ 

2.(b) 
$$x = 2.5$$
,  $y = 1.5$ ,  $z = -7$ 

2.(c) 
$$x = 1$$
,  $y = -1$ ,  $z = \frac{1}{2}$ 

3. 
$$I_1 = 7.419$$
,  $I_2 = 5.161$ 

4. 
$$F_1 = 21\ 200$$
,  $F_2 = 2\ 400$ ,  $F_3 = 18\ 444$ 

5. 
$$P_1 = 15$$
,  $P_2 = 6$ ;  $Q_{d1} = 39$ ,  $Q_{d2} = 69$ 

6.(a) 
$$0.8Y + 0.4r = 247.8$$
,  $0.1Y - 0.3r = 29.225$ 

7. 
$$x = 714.29, y = 285.71$$

6.(b) 
$$Y = 307.25, r = 5$$

8. 
$$w_1 = 100$$
,  $w_2 = -83\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $w_3 = 66\frac{2}{3}$ 

9. 
$$u_1 = 4$$
,  $v_1 = v_2 = 3$ 

10.(a) 
$$0.3x + 0.5y + 0.3z = 37.2$$
,  $0.1x + 0.2z = 8.4$ 

10.(b) 
$$z = 20 \text{ kg}$$

11. 225*I*, 
$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{225} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -10 & 10 \\ -14 & -5 & 2 \\ 2 & -10 & -11 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $x = \frac{1}{15}$ ,  $y = -\frac{1}{25}$ ,  $z = \frac{4}{75}$ 

**Problem-solving Assignment:** 
$$A = \$11000$$
,  $B = \$22000$ ,  $C = \$52000$ ,  $D = \$15000$