

## CH 3 - Matrices and Linear Mapping

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### Info – Matrix Definition

A  $m \times n$  **matrix**  $A$  is a rectangular array with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns. We denote the entry in the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column by  $a_{ij}$  or  $(A)_{ij}$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1j} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2j} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{i1} & a_{i2} & \dots & a_{ij} & \dots & a_{jn} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mj} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Two  $m \times n$  matrices  $A, B$  are equal if  $a_{ij} = b_{ij}, \forall 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$ .

The set of all  $m \times n$  matrices with real entries is denoted by  $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$

Let  $A, B \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}), c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$(A + B)_{ij} = (A)_{ij} + (B)_{ij}$$

$$(cA)_{ij} = c(A)_{ij}$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \\ 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + 7 \begin{bmatrix} \pi & -1 \\ 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2+7\pi & -6 \\ 42 & 26 \\ 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Info – Matrix Properties

If  $A, B, C \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}), c, d \in \mathbb{R}$  then

1.  $A + B \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$
2.  $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$
3.  $A + B = B + A$
4. There exists a matrix  $O_{m,n} \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ , s.t.  $A + O_{m,n} = A \forall A$
5. For every  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}), \exists (-A) \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  s.t.  $A + (-A) = O_{m,n}$
6.  $cA \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$
7.  $c(dA) = (cd)A$
8.  $(c + d)A = cA + dA$
9.  $c(A + B) = cA + cB$
10.  $1A = A$

### Info – Transpose

The **transpose** of a  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is the  $n \times m$  matrix  $A^T$  whose  $ij$ -th entry is the  $ji$ -th entry of  $A$ .  $(A^T)_{ij} = (A)_{ji}$

If  $A, B \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}), c \in \mathbb{R}$

1.  $(A^T)^T = A$
2.  $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
3.  $(cA)^T = cA^T$

### Proof

$$((cA)^T)_{ij} = (cA)_{ji} = c(A)_{ji} = c(A^T)_{ij} = (cA^T)_{ij}$$

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**Note:** we can regard vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as matrices in  $M_{n \times 1}(\mathbb{R})$

Examples:

$$1. \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \\ 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2. \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}^T = [2 \ 1 \ 3]$$

### Matrix-Vector Multiplication

Note that

$$\bullet \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a_1}^T \\ \vec{a_2}^T \\ \dots \\ \vec{a_m}^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bullet \quad \vec{a_i} \cdot \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{i1} \\ a_{i2} \\ \dots \\ a_{in} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \dots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = a_{i1}x_1 + a_{i2}x_2 + \dots + a_{in}x_n$$

Thus we can the linear system with augmented matrix  $[A \mid \vec{b}]$  as  $\begin{bmatrix} \vec{a_1} \cdot \vec{x} \\ \vec{a_2} \cdot \vec{x} \\ \dots \\ \vec{a_m} \cdot \vec{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \dots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$