

MATH 307

CHAPTER 1

SECTION 1.4: SPECIAL MATRICES AND ADDITIONAL PROPERTIES

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DIAGONAL MATRICES

A diagonal matrix is a **square matrix** whose off diagonal entries are zero.

- Remark: We denote a diagonal matrix by $\text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$.

EXAMPLE 1. Give some examples of diagonal matrices.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \text{diag}(1, 2, -3)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \text{diag}(1, 0, -5, 3)$$

EXAMPLE 2. Suppose $A = \text{diag}(1, 2, -4, 3, 5)$ and $B = \text{diag}(-1, 2, 0, 4, 3)$.

- 1) Is A invertible? 2) Is $A + B$ invertible? 3) Is AB invertible?

$$1) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1/4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \\ 1/2 R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ -1/4 R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \\ 1/3 R_4 \rightarrow R_4 \\ 1/5 R_5 \rightarrow R_5 \end{array}$$

$$A^{-1} = \text{diag}(1, 1/2, -1/4, 1/3, 1/5)$$

$$2) A+B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A+B$ is **not invertible**.

$A+B$ is still a diag. matrix.

$$3) AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

AB is **not invertible**.

General Facts: Suppose A and B are diagonal matrices

$$A = \text{diag}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \quad \text{and} \quad B = \text{diag}(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n).$$

- $A + B = \text{diag}(a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, \dots, a_n + b_n).$

- • $AB = \text{diag}(a_1 b_1, a_2 b_2, \dots, a_n b_n).$

- A is invertible if and only if $a_i \neq 0$ for each i . In this case, we have

$$A^{-1} = \text{diag}(1/a_1, 1/a_2, \dots, 1/a_n).$$

A & B diag,
 $AB \stackrel{?}{=} BA$

TRIANGULAR MATRICES

- Upper Triangular: Square matrices whose entries below the diagonal are zero.
- Lower Triangular: Square matrices whose entries above the diagonal are zero.

EXAMPLE 3. Give an example of an upper triangular matrix and an example of a lower triangular matrix.

upper triangular

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

lower triangular.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

upper triangular.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

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

General Facts:

- If A and B are both upper triangular, then so is $A + B$; similarly if A and B are both lower triangular, then so is $A + B$.
- If A and B are both upper triangular, then so is AB ; similarly if A and B are both lower triangular, then so is AB .
- *no upper triangular matrix*
• A is invertible if and only if each of the diagonal entries of A is nonzero.

EXAMPLE 4. Let A and B be the two following 3×3 matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{0} \end{bmatrix}.$$

1. Is A invertible?
2. Is B invertible?
3. Is AB upper or lower triangular matrix?

- 1) Yes, the entries on the diag. are not zero.
- 2) No, there is an entry on the main diag.
- 3) AB is upper triangular since A & B are.

Check.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

SYMMETRIC MATRICES

- Transpose: The transpose of a matrix A of dimensions $m \times n$, denoted A^T , is the matrix obtained by interchanging the rows and columns of A .
- Symmetric: A matrix A is said to be symmetric if $A = A^T$.

EXAMPLE 5. Let A and B be the following matrices.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1. Find B^T .

2. Is A symmetric?

1) $B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ same. $\hookrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

2) $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = A \quad \checkmark$

Fact: symmetric matrices should be square matrix.

A is symmetric.

General facts about transpose:

$$A \text{ inv.} \Leftrightarrow A^T \text{ inv.}$$

- $(A^T)^T = A$.
- $(cA)^T = cA^T$.
- $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$.
- $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$.
- $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$.

General Facts about symmetric: Suppose A and B are matrices of the same size.

- If A and B are symmetric matrices, then so is $A+B$. $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T = A+B$
- If A is symmetric, then A is a square matrix and cA is symmetric for any scalar c . $\hookrightarrow (cA)^T = cA^T = cA$
- $A^T A$ and AA^T are symmetric matrices. $(A^T A)^T = A^T (A^T)^T = A^T A$
- If A is an invertible symmetric matrix, then A^{-1} is a symmetric matrix.

- Transpose: The transpose of a matrix A of dimensions $m \times n$, denoted A^\top , is the matrix obtained by interchanging the rows and columns of A .
- Symmetric: A matrix A is said to be symmetric if $A = A^\top$.

EXAMPLE 5. Let A and B be the following matrices.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1. Find B^\top .
2. Is A symmetric?

General facts about transpose:

- $(A^\top)^\top = A$.
- $(cA)^\top = cA^\top$.
- $(A^{-1})^\top = (A^\top)^{-1}$.
- $(A + B)^\top = A^\top + B^\top$.
- $(AB)^\top = B^\top A^\top$.

General Facts about symmetric: Suppose A and B are matrices of the same size.

- If A and B are symmetric matrices, then so is $A + B$.
- If A is symmetric, then A is a square matrix and cA is symmetric for any scalar c .
- $A^\top A$ and AA^\top are symmetric matrices.
- If A is an invertible symmetric matrix, then A^{-1} is a symmetric matrix.

EXAMPLE 6. Is the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ -4 & 0 & 6 \\ 2 & 0 & -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

invertible?

Remarks:

- Using row operations on the transposed matrix is equivalent to applying column operations to the original matrix.
- So, in general, what we learned to do with the rows of a matrix can also be done with the columns of a matrix.
- Taking column operations will be important when we will find the row space and column space of a matrix.