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1 Operations of Matrices

Definition 1.1: Matrix

It is basically a table of numbers arranged in rows and columns.

Example (Matrix).

$$A_{2 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If we have a matrix in which the number of rows is equal to the number of columns, then it is called a square matrix.

Note:-

For symbol notation, we usually use the capital letters for matrices and the small ones for the entries:

$$A_{m \times n} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}.$$

1.1 Addition of Matrices

We can only add two matrices if they have the same dimensions.

Example.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 8 & 10 & 12 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1.2 Scalar Multiplication of a Matrix

$$k \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ka_{11} & ka_{12} \\ ka_{21} & ka_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example.

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1.3 Multiplication of Matrices

To be able to multiply two matrices, the number of columns of the first matrix must be equal to the number of rows of the second matrix.

$$A_{m \times n} \times B_{n \times p} = C_{m \times p}.$$

Example (Compute AB).

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 4 + 3 \times 1 & 2 \times 3 + 3 \times (-2) & 2 \times 6 + 3 \times 3 \\ 1 \times 4 + (-5) \times 1 & 1 \times 3 + (-5) \times (-2) & 1 \times 6 + (-5) \times 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -4 & 18 \\ 1 & 11 & 3 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

1.3.1 Row-vector rule

$$(AB)_{ij} = \text{row}_i(A) \cdot \vec{b}_j.$$

Example. If we want to find the 3rd element in the 1st row of AB , we dot product A 's 1st row with B 's 3rd column.

For $A_{m \times n}$ and $B_{n \times p}$,

- AB exist if $n = p$.
- AB exist if $m \times q$ matrix.
- $(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}b_{kj}$.

Example (Find AB and BA).

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \\ BA &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Note:-

$$AB \neq BA.$$

Example ($AB = 0$ while $A \neq 0$ and $B \neq 0$).

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

Example (Find $(A + B)^2$, $A^2 + 2AB + B^2$).

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} (A + B)^2 &= (A + B)(A + B) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 8 \\ 8 & 5 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \\ B^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ AB &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 4 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \\ 2AB &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ 8 & -8 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

$$A^2 + B^2 + 2AB = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 6 \\ 8 & -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note:-

$$\begin{aligned} (A + B)^2 &\neq A^2 + 2AB + B^2. \\ (A + B)^2 &= A^2 + AB + BA + B^2. \end{aligned}$$

Example ($AC = BC$ does not imply $A = B$).

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} AC &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ BC &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$