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### 5.2.4 Matrix-Matrix Multiplication with Special Matrices

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## 5.2.4 Matrix-Matrix Multiplication with Special Matrices

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Hi Maggie: Regarding Homework 5.2.4.12, could you please help to provide an example matrix which is a triangular but is not diagonal matrix? T...

### Homework 5.2.4.1

21/21 points (graded)

Compute

$$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$$

1

✓ Answer: 1

2

✓ Answer: 2

$$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$$

-2

✓ Answer: -2

0

✓ Answer: 0

$$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} =$$

-1

✓ Answer: -1

2

✓ Answer: 2

$$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} =$$

1

✓

-2

✓

-1

✓

Answer: 1

Answer: -2

Answer: -1

2

✓

0

✓

2

✓

Answer: 2

Answer: 0

Answer: 2

Calculator



•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} =$

-1

2

-1

✓ Answer: -1

✓ Answer: 2

✓ Answer: -1

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} =$

1	✓	-2	✓	-1	✓
Answer: 1					
2	✓	0	✓	2	✓
Answer: 2					
-1	✓	3	✓	-1	✓
Answer: -1					
Answer: -2					
Answer: -1					
Answer: 0					
Answer: 2					
Answer: 3					
Answer: -1					

Explanation

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

- Answer: There are at least three things to notice:
1. The first three results provide the columns for the fourth result.
  2. Multiplying the matrix from the left with the identity matrix does not change the matrix.
  3. This homework and the last homework yield the same result.

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Homework 5.2.4.3

1/1 point (graded)  
Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and let  $I$  denote the identity matrix of appropriate size.

$AI = IA = A$

Always ✓ Answer: Always

Explanation  
Transcribed in final section of this week

Answer: Always  
Partition  $A$  and  $I$  by columns:

Calculator

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_{n-1} \end{array} \right) \text{ and } I = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} e_0 & e_1 & \cdots & e_{n-1} \end{array} \right)$$

and recall that  $e_j$  equals the  $j$ th unit basis vector.

$AI = A:$

$$\begin{aligned} AI &= \text{< Partition } I \text{ by columns >} \\ A \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} e_0 & e_1 & \cdots & e_{n-1} \end{array} \right) &= \text{< Partitioned matrix-matrix multiplication >} \\ \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} Ae_0 & Ae_1 & \cdots & Ae_{n-1} \end{array} \right) &= \text{< } a_j = Ae_j \text{ >} \\ \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_{n-1} \end{array} \right) &= \text{< Partition } A \text{ by columns >} \\ A \end{aligned}$$

$IA = A:$

$$\begin{aligned} IA &= \text{< Partition } A \text{ by columns >} \\ I \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_{n-1} \end{array} \right) &= \text{< Partitioned matrix-matrix multiplication >} \\ \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} Ia_0 & Ia_1 & \cdots & Ia_{n-1} \end{array} \right) &= \text{< } Ix = x \text{ >} \\ \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_{n-1} \end{array} \right) &= \text{< Partition } A \text{ by columns >} \\ A \end{aligned}$$

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Homework 5.2.4.4


12/12 points (graded)

Compute

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{2} \\ \boxed{4} \end{matrix}$  ✓ Answer: 2  
✓ Answer: 4

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{2} \\ \boxed{0} \end{matrix}$  ✓ Answer: 2  
✓ Answer: 0

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{3} \\ \boxed{6} \end{matrix}$  ✓ Answer: 3  
✓ Answer: 6

 Calculator

\ -3 /

-0

✓ Answer: -0

2

✓

2

✓

3

✓

2

✓

4

✓

2

✓

0

✓

-6

✓

Answer: 2

Answer: 2

Answer: 3

Answer: 4

Answer: 0

Answer: -6

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} =$

Explanation

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$

Answer: Notice the relation between the above problems.

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Homework 5.2.4.5

18/18 points (graded)

2

✓ Answer: 2

-2

✓ Answer: -2

3

✓ Answer: 3

-4

✓ Answer: -4

0

✓ Answer: 0

-9

✓ Answer: -9

-2

✓ Answer: -2

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} =$

Calculator

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} =$

2

✓ Answer: 2

-2

✓ Answer: -2

3

✓ Answer: 3

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} =$

2

✓

Answer: 2

-2

✓

Answer: -2

3

✓

Answer: 3

-4

✓

Answer: -4

0

✓

Answer: 0

-9

✓

Answer: -9

-2

✓

Answer: -2

-2

✓

Answer: -2

3

✓

Answer: 3

Explanation

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}$

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 & -2 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \\ 3 & -9 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Answer: Notice the relation between the above problems.

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Homework 5.2.4.6

1/1 point (graded)  
Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and let  $D$  denote the diagonal matrix with diagonal elements  $\delta_0, \delta_1, \dots, \delta_{n-1}$ . Partition  $A$  by columns :

$A = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_0 & a_1 & \dots & a_{n-1} \end{array} \right).$

$AD = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \delta_0 a_0 & \delta_1 a_1 & \dots & \delta_{n-1} a_{n-1} \end{array} \right).$

Always

✓ Answer: Always

Explanation  
[Transcribed in final section of this week](#)

Answer: Always

AD

Calculator

= < Partition  $A$  by columns,  $D$  by elements >

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_{n-1} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \delta_0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \delta_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \hline \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \vdots & \delta_{n-1} \end{array} \right)$$


= < Partitioned matrix-matrix multiplication >

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_0\delta_0 & a_1\delta_1 & \cdots & a_{n-1}\delta_{n-1} \end{array} \right)$$

= <  $x\beta = \beta x$  >

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \delta_0a_0 & \delta_1a_1 & \cdots & \delta_{n-1}a_{n-1} \end{array} \right).$$

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Homework 5.2.4.7

1/1 point (graded)  
Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and let  $D$  denote the diagonal matrix with diagonal elements  $\delta_0, \delta_1, \dots, \delta_{m-1}$ . Partition  $A$  by rows :

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{c} \frac{\tilde{a}_0^T}{\tilde{a}_1^T} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\tilde{a}_{m-1}^T}{\tilde{a}_{m-1}^T} \end{array} \right).$$

$$DA = \left( \begin{array}{c} \frac{\delta_0 \tilde{a}_0^T}{\delta_1 \tilde{a}_1^T} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\delta_{m-1} \tilde{a}_{m-1}^T}{\delta_{m-1} \tilde{a}_{m-1}^T} \end{array} \right).$$

Always   Answer: Always


Explanation  
[Transcribed in final section of this week](#)

Answer: Always

$$DA = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \delta_0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \delta_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \hline \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \vdots & \delta_{m-1} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{c} \frac{\tilde{a}_0^T}{\tilde{a}_1^T} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\tilde{a}_{m-1}^T}{\tilde{a}_{m-1}^T} \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} \frac{\delta_0 \tilde{a}_0^T}{\delta_1 \tilde{a}_1^T} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\delta_{m-1} \tilde{a}_{m-1}^T}{\delta_{m-1} \tilde{a}_{m-1}^T} \end{array} \right)$$

by simple application of partitioned matrix-matrix multiplication.

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Homework 5.2.4.8

9/9 points (graded)

Compute

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} =$$

-2



Answer: -2

0



Answer: 0

-5



Answer: -5

0



Answer: 0

2



Answer: 2

7



Answer: 7

0



Answer: 0

0



Answer: 0

1



Answer: 1

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Homework 5.2.4.9

9/9 points (graded)

Compute the following, using what you know about partitioned matrix-matrix multiplication:

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) =$$

-2

✓ Answer: -2

0

✓ Answer: 0

-5

✓ Answer: -5

0

✓ Answer: 0

2

✓ Answer: 2

7

✓ Answer: 7

0

✓ Answer: 0

0

✓ Answer: 0

1

✓ Answer: 1

Answer:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
$$= \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} (1) \\ \hline \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + (1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + (1)(1) \end{array} \right)$$
  
$$= \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Calculator

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) + \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 0+0 & 0+0 & 0+1 \\ 0+0 & 0+0 & 0+0 \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

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## Homework 5.2.4.10

1/1 point (graded)

Let  $U, R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be uppertriangular matrices.

The product  $UR$  is an upper triangular matrix.

Always

 Answer: Always

Explanation

**Answer:** Always We will prove this by induction on  $n$ , the size of the square matrices.

**Base case:**  $n = 1$ . If  $U, R \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 1}$  then they are scalars. (Scalars are inherently upper triangular since they have no elements below the diagonal!). But then  $UR$  is also a scalar, which is an upper triangular matrix. Thus the result is true for  $n = 1$ .

**Inductive Step:** Induction Hypothesis (I.H.): Assume the result is true for  $n = N$ , where  $N \geq 1$ .

We will show the result is true for  $n = N + 1$ .

Let  $U$  and  $R$  be  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrices with  $n = N + 1$ . We can partition

$$U = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} U_{00} & u_{01} \\ \hline 0 & v_{11} \end{array} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad R = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} R_{00} & r_{01} \\ \hline 0 & \rho_{11} \end{array} \right),$$

where  $U_{00}$  and  $R_{00}$  are  $N \times N$  matrices and are upper triangular themselves. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} UR &= \left( \begin{array}{c|c} U_{00} & u_{01} \\ \hline 0 & v_{11} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{c|c} R_{00} & r_{01} \\ \hline 0 & \rho_{11} \end{array} \right) \\ &= \left( \begin{array}{c|c} U_{00}R_{00} + u_{01}0 & U_{00}r_{01} + u_{01}\rho_{11} \\ \hline 0R_{00} + v_{11}0 & 0r_{01} + v_{11}\rho_{11} \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} U_{00}R_{00} & U_{00}r_{01} + u_{01}\rho_{11} \\ \hline 0 & v_{11}\rho_{11} \end{array} \right). \end{aligned}$$

By the I.H.,  $U_{00}R_{00}$  is upper triangular. Hence,

$$UR = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} U_{00}R_{00} & U_{00}r_{01} + u_{01}\rho_{11} \\ \hline 0 & v_{11}\rho_{11} \end{array} \right)$$

is upper triangular.

**By the Principle of Mathematical Induction (PMI)**, the result holds for all  $n$ .

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 Calculator

Homework 5.2.4.11

1/1 point (graded)

The product of an  $n \times n$  lower triangular matrix times an  $n \times n$  lower triangular matrix is a lower triangular matrix.

Always

✔ Answer: Always

Explanation

**Always!**  
We prove this by induction on  $n$ , the size of the square matrices.  
Let  $A$  and  $B$  be lower triangular matrices.

**Base case:**  $n = 1$ . If  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 1}$  then they are scalars. (Scalars are inherently lower triangular since they have no elements below the diagonal!). But then  $AB$  is also a scalar, which is an lower triangular matrix. Thus the result is true for  $n = 1$ .

**Inductive Step:** Induction Hypothesis (I.H.): Assume the result is true for  $n = N$ , where  $N \geq 1$ .

We will show the result is true for  $n = N + 1$ .

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  lower triangular matrices with  $n = N + 1$ . We can partition

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} A_{00} & 0 \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} \end{array} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad B = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} B_{00} & 0 \\ \hline b_{10}^T & \beta_{11} \end{array} \right),$$

where  $A_{00}$  and  $B_{00}$  are  $N \times N$  matrices and are lower triangular themselves. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \left( \begin{array}{c|c} A_{00} & 0 \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{c|c} B_{00} & 0 \\ \hline b_{10}^T & \beta_{11} \end{array} \right) \\ &= \left( \begin{array}{c|c} A_{00}B_{00} + 0b_{10}^T & A_{00}0 + 0\beta_{11} \\ \hline a_{10}^TB_{00} + \alpha_{11}b_{10}^T & a_{10}^T0 + \alpha_{11}\beta_{11} \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} A_{00}B_{00} & 0 \\ \hline a_{10}^TB_{00} + \alpha_{11}b_{10}^T & \alpha_{11}\beta_{11} \end{array} \right). \end{aligned}$$

By the I.H.,  $A_{00}B_{00}$  is lower triangular. Hence,

$$AB = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} A_{00}B_{00} & 0 \\ \hline a_{10}^TB_{00} + \alpha_{11}b_{10}^T & \alpha_{11}\beta_{11} \end{array} \right).$$

is lower triangular.

**By the Principle of Mathematical Induction (PMI)**, the result holds for all  $n$ .

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Homework 5.2.4.12

1/1 point (graded)

The product of an  $n \times n$  lower triangular matrix times an  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrix is a diagonal matrix.

Sometimes

✔ Answer: Sometimes

Explanation

Diagonal matrices are both upper and lower triangular. Multiply them together, and you get a diagonal matrix.  
But take any lower triangular matrix that is not diagonal and multiply it by an upper triangular matrix (diagonal or not), and you don't get a diagonal matrix.

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Calculator



$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} =$

<div>Answer: 1</div> <div><input type="text" value="-2"/></div> <div>✓</div>	<div>Answer: -2</div> <div><input type="text" value="4"/></div> <div>✓</div>	<div>Answer: 2</div> <div><input type="text" value="-4"/></div> <div>✓</div>
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$\bullet \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{ccc} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{array} \right) =$

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<div>Answer: -2</div>	<div>Answer: -2</div>	<div>Answer: 9</div>

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$

$\bullet \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{ccc} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{array} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 & -4 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ -4 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$

$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$


$\bullet \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{ccc} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{array} \right) =$

Answer:

$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 & -4 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ -4 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -2 \\ -3 & 5 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 9 \end{pmatrix}.$

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Homework 5.2.4.15

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Let  $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

$\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T$  is symmetric.

Always

✔ Answer: Always


Explanation

**Answer:** Always  
**Proof 1:** Since  $\boldsymbol{A}^T\boldsymbol{A}$  is symmetric for any matrix  $\boldsymbol{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and vector  $\boldsymbol{A} = \boldsymbol{x}^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is just the special case where the matrix is a vector.  
**Proof 2:**

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T &= \begin{pmatrix} \chi_0 \\ \chi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \chi_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \chi_0 & \chi_1 & \cdots & \chi_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \chi_0\chi_0 & \chi_0\chi_1 & \cdots & \chi_0\chi_{n-1} \\ \chi_1\chi_0 & \chi_1\chi_1 & \cdots & \chi_1\chi_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \chi_{n-1}\chi_0 & \chi_{n-1}\chi_1 & \cdots & \chi_{n-1}\chi_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\chi_i\chi_j = \chi_j\chi_i$ , the  $(i, j)$  element of  $\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T$  equals the  $(j, i)$  element of  $\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T$ . This means  $\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T$  is symmetric.  
**Proof 3:**  $(\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T)^T = (\boldsymbol{x}^T)^T\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T$ .

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Homework 5.2.4.16

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Let  $\boldsymbol{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be symmetric and  $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

$\boldsymbol{A} + \boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T$  is symmetric.

Always

✔ Answer: Always

Explanation

If matrices  $\boldsymbol{A}, \boldsymbol{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are symmetric, then  $\boldsymbol{A} + \boldsymbol{B}$  is symmetric since  $(\boldsymbol{A} + \boldsymbol{B})^T = \boldsymbol{A}^T + \boldsymbol{B}^T = \boldsymbol{A} + \boldsymbol{B}$ . In this case,  $\boldsymbol{B} = \boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}^T$ .

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Homework 5.2.4.17

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Let  $\boldsymbol{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

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$AA^T$  is symmetric.

Always 

 Answer: Always

#### Explanation

**Answer:** Always

**Proof 1:**  $(AA^T)^T = (A^T)^T A^T = AA^T$ .

**Proof 2:** We know that  $A^T A$  is symmetric. Take  $B = A^T$ . Then  $AA^T = B^T B$  and hence  $AA^T$  is symmetric.

**Proof 3:**

$$\begin{aligned} AA^T &= \left( a_0 \mid a_1 \mid \cdots \mid a_{n-1} \right) \left( a_0 \mid a_1 \mid \cdots \mid a_{n-1} \right)^T \\ &= \left( a_0 \mid a_1 \mid \cdots \mid a_{n-1} \right) \begin{pmatrix} a_0^T \\ a_1^T \\ \vdots \\ a_{n-1}^T \end{pmatrix} \\ &= a_0 a_0^T + a_1 a_1^T + \cdots + a_{n-1} a_{n-1}^T. \end{aligned}$$

But each  $a_j a_j^T$  is symmetric (by a previous exercise) and adding symmetric matrices yields a symmetric matrix. Hence,  $AA^T$  is symmetric.

**Proof 4:**

Proof by induction on  $n$ .

Base case:  $A = \left( a_0 \right)$ , where  $a_0$  is a vector. Then  $AA^T = a_0 a_0^T$ . But we saw in an earlier homework that if  $x$  is a vector, then  $xx^T$  is symmetric.

Induction Step: Assume that  $AA^T$  is symmetric for matrices with  $n = N$  columns, where  $N \geq 1$ . We will show that  $AA^T$  is symmetric for matrices with  $n = N + 1$  columns.

Let  $A$  have  $N + 1$  columns.

$$\begin{aligned} AA^T &= \text{< Partition } A \text{ >} \\ &\left( A_0 \mid a_1 \right) \left( A_0 \mid a_1 \right)^T \\ &= \text{< Transpose partitioned matrix >} \\ &\left( A_0 \mid a_1 \right) \begin{pmatrix} A_0^T \\ a_1^T \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \text{< Partitioned matrix-matrix multiplication >} \\ &A_0 A_0^T + a_1 a_1^T \end{aligned}$$

Now, by the I.H.  $A_0 A_0^T$  is symmetric. From a previous exercise we know that  $xx^T$  is symmetric and hence  $a_1 a_1^T$  is. From another exercise we know that adding symmetric matrices yields a symmetric matrix.

**By the Principle of Mathematical Induction** (PMI), the result holds for all  $n$ .

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## Homework 5.2.4.18

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Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be symmetric matrices.

$AB$  is symmetric.

Sometimes 



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