

Types of matrices:-

Square matrix:- A matrix is called square matrix if it has same number of row & column.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonal matrix

A square matrix all whose element are zero except diagonal element is called diagonal matrix

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

Scalar matrix:- A diagonal matrix all of whose diagonal element are same is called scalar matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Identity matrix:- A scalar matrix all of whose diagonal element is unity (1) called identity/unit matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Null matrix or zero matrix
A matrix is called Null matrix if all of its element are zero

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$$

Row matrix

A matrix which have a single row is called row matrix

$$[1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4]_{1 \times 4}$$

Column matrix

A matrix which have a single column is called column matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1}$$

Symmetric matrix

A square matrix A is called symmetric matrix if -

$$A = A' \text{ or } a_{ij} = a_{ji}$$

$$a_{12} = a_{21}$$

ex.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 8 & 6 \\ 4 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 8 & 6 \\ 4 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Skew Symmetric matrix

A square matrix A is called skew symmetric if

$$A = -A' \text{ or } a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$$

ex.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 4 \\ -3 & 0 & -6 \\ -4 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{12} = 3$$

$$a_{21} = -3$$

$$a_{12} = -a_{21}$$