

Notes Section 6.5 – Properties and Applications of Matrices

Lesson Objectives

1. Addition or subtraction of matrices
2. Scalar multiplication of a matrix
3. Multiplying matrices

A. Addition or subtraction of matrices

In order to either add or subtract matrices, they must have the _____ dimension.

- **EXAMPLE:** Find $A + B$. [6.5.7]

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -9 \\ 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -9 \\ 9 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

To find $A + B$, simply add in _____ positions. $\begin{bmatrix} +(\quad) & +(\quad) \\ + & +(\quad) \end{bmatrix}$

$$A + B =$$

- **EXAMPLE:** Perform the matrix operation. [6.5-13]

$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 9 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ This is _____ – they are _____ the _____ dimensions.

B. Scalar multiplication of a matrix

A _____ is like a coefficient (or “multiplier”) to a matrix. It works sort of like using the distributive property – multiply _____ elements in the matrix by that scalar.

- **EXAMPLE:** If possible, use the given matrices A and B to find the following.

(a) $A + B$ (b) $3A$ (c) $4A - 3B$ [6.5.13]

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 7 \\ -6 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 5 & 2 \\ 6 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) $A + B$ is _____ because they are _____ the _____ dimensions.

$$(b) 3A = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 7 \\ -6 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot 2 & 3(-3) & 3 \cdot 2 \\ 3 \cdot 1 & 3 \cdot 4 & 3 \cdot 7 \\ 3(-6) & 3(-1) & 3 \cdot 4 \end{bmatrix} =$$

NOTE: Multiplying by a scalar does _____ affect the dimensions of a matrix.

$$(c) 4A - 3B = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 7 \\ -6 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 5 & 2 \\ 6 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$4A - 3B$ is _____ because they are _____ the _____ dimensions.

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- EXAMPLE:** Find the following matrices where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -5 \\ 7 & -8 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 7 & -9 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$.

(we will be using graphing calculator)

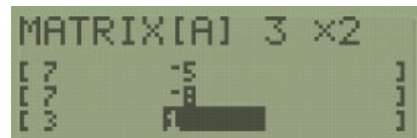
a. $A + B$ b. $-6A$ c. $-9A - 9B$ [6.5.15]

First, you need to enter your matrices into your calculator

- Press **2ND**, **x⁻¹** (MATRIX), go to EDIT, **ENTER** for matrix [A].

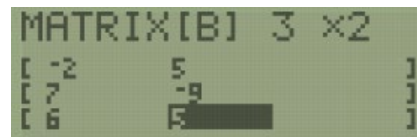


- Enter the dimensions of matrix [A]; in this problem, it's 3 rows \times 2 columns.



- Enter each of the elements of the matrix.

- Press **2ND**, **MODE** (QUIT).



- Repeat the process for matrix [B].

Next, to call up a matrix to do a calculation:

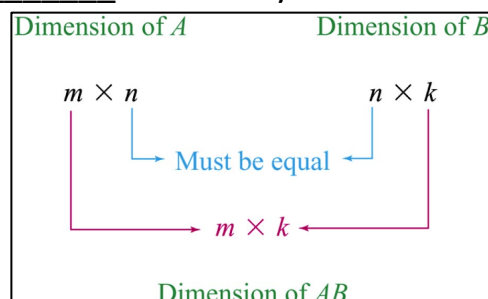
Press **2ND**, **x⁻¹** (MATRIX), stay on NAMES, select your matrix, and press **ENTER**.

a. $A + B$	b. $-6A$	c. $-9A - 9B$
$[A] + [B]$ $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 14 & -17 \\ 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$	$-6[A]$ $\begin{bmatrix} -42 & 30 \\ -42 & 48 \\ -18 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$	$-9[A] - 9[B]$ $\begin{bmatrix} -45 & 0 \\ -126 & 153 \\ -81 & -54 \end{bmatrix}$
$A + B =$	$-6A =$	$-9A - 9B =$

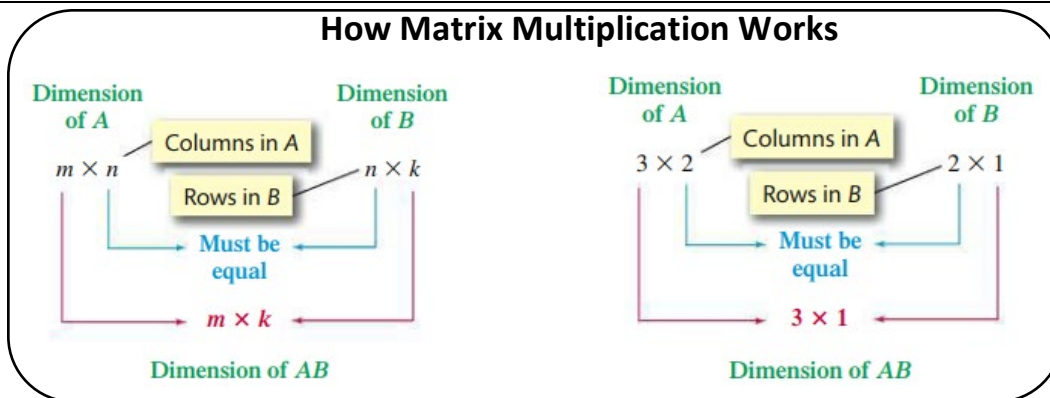
C. Multiplying matrices – do NOT do this by hand! Use your CALCULATOR!

Multiplying matrices is different than adding or subtracting matrices in two ways:

- You _____ multiply corresponding positions like how add or subtract works.
- The two matrices _____ necessarily need to have the _____ dimensions.



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NOTE: Do NOT do matrix multiplication _____...EVER! Use _____ !!

- EXAMPLE:** Find (if possible) **a.** AB and **b.** BA , if [6.5.31]

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -4 & 4 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

a. AB means $[A][B]$ on calculator.

First, check _____ to see if multiplication even works.

Dimension of $[A]$ Dimension of $[B]$

$\begin{bmatrix} \times \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \times \end{bmatrix}$

Do inside numbers match? _____

If yes, look at _____ numbers – that's dimension of product matrix.

Product matrix $[A][B]$ will be $\begin{bmatrix} \times \end{bmatrix}$

Use Calculator to find the matrix product

$$AB =$$

b. BA means $[B][A]$ on calculator.

First, check _____ to see if multiplication even works.

Dimension of $[B]$ Dimension of $[A]$

$\begin{bmatrix} \times \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \times \end{bmatrix}$

Do inside numbers match? _____

If yes, look at _____ numbers – that's dimension of product matrix.

Product matrix $[B][A]$ will be $\begin{bmatrix} \times \end{bmatrix}$

$$BA =$$

- EXAMPLE:** Find the product of the following matrices, if possible. [6.5.29]

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7 & -8 & 4 \\ -6 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 & -2 \\ -8 & 9 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Dimension of first matrix: $\begin{bmatrix} \times \end{bmatrix}$

Dimension of second matrix: $\begin{bmatrix} \times \end{bmatrix}$

Do the inside numbers match? _____ and _____

Conclusion: **The multiplication is** _____, even though they are same dimension.

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