**Theorem.** The dot product has the following properties.

- (1)  $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{x}$  for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (2)  $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \ge 0$  for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Moreover  $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x} = 0$  if and only if  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- (3)  $(c\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{y} = c(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x} \cdot (c\mathbf{y})$  for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (4)  $\mathbf{x} \cdot (\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{z} \text{ for all } \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n.$
- (5) If  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $|\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}| \le ||\mathbf{x}|| ||\mathbf{y}||$ .
- (6) We define the angle  $\theta$  between the vectors  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to be the real number  $\theta = \cos^{-1}(\frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\|})$ .
- (7) Let  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonzero vector. The *hyperplane* in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with normal vector  $\mathbf{a}$  through the point  $\mathbf{x}_0$  is the set

$$H(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{a}) = {\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x}_0}.$$

**Theorem.** If  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times p}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{M}_{p \times n}$ , then  $\operatorname{ent}_{ij}(AB) = \mathbf{r}_i(A) \cdot \mathbf{c}_j(B)$ .

**Theorem.** If  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times p}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{M}_{p \times n}$ , then  $\mathbf{c}_j(AB) = A\mathbf{c}_j(B)$ . In particular, we have that  $\mathbf{c}_j(AB) = b_{1j}\mathbf{c}_1(A) + b_{2j}\mathbf{c}_2(A) + ... + b_{pj}\mathbf{c}_p(A)$  so that  $\mathbf{c}_j(AB) \in \operatorname{Span}(\mathbf{c}_1(A), \mathbf{c}_2(A), ..., \mathbf{c}_p(A))$ .

**Theorem**. If  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times p}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{M}_{p \times n}$ , then  $\mathbf{r}_i(AB) = \mathbf{r}_i(A)B$ . In particular, we have that  $\mathbf{r}_i(AB) = a_{i1}\mathbf{r}_1(B) + a_{i2}\mathbf{r}_2(B) + \dots + a_{ip}\mathbf{r}_p(B)$ . so that  $\mathbf{r}_i(AB) \in \operatorname{Span}(\mathbf{r}_1(B), \mathbf{r}_2(B), \dots, \mathbf{r}_p(B))$ .

**Theorem.** Matrix multiplication is is an associative operation in the sense that  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times p}$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{M}_{p \times q}$ ,  $C \in \mathcal{M}_{q \times n}$  implies (AB)C = A(BC).

**Theorem.** Let  $A, A' \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times p}, B, B' \in \mathcal{M}_{p \times n}$ . Then

- $(1) I_m A = A = AI_n$
- (2) (A + A')B = AB + A'B
- (3) A(B+B') = AB + AB'
- (4) (cA)B = cAB = A(cB) for all  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Theorem.** Let  $A, B \in \mathcal{M}_n$  be invertible matrices. Then, (1)  $A^{-1}$  is invertible and  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ , (2) AB is invertible and  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ .

**Theorem.** Elementary matrices are invertible and their inverses are elementary.

**Theorem** Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$  and let  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  be a linear system. Assume that this system is in rref.

- (1) If  $rank(A) < rank[A \mid \mathbf{b}]$ , then  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has no solution.
- (2) If  $rank(A) = rank[A \mid \mathbf{b}] = n$ , then  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has exactly one solution.
- (3) If  $\operatorname{rank}(A) = \operatorname{rank}[A \mid \mathbf{b}] < n$ , then  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has infinitely many solutions. In particular, if  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has more unknowns than equations, then it has infinitely many solutions

**Theorem.** The following statements are equivalent for a *square* matrix  $A \in \mathcal{M}_n$ . (1) A is nonsingular. (2)  $rref(A) = I_n$  (3)  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution for every  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . (4)  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has only the trivial solution. (5) A is invertible. (6) A is a product of elementary matrices.

**Theorem.** Let  $A, A' \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times p}, B \in \mathcal{M}_{p \times n}, \text{ and } c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then (1)  $(A^{\mathrm{T}})^{\mathrm{T}} = A$  (2)  $cA^{\mathrm{T}} = (cA)^{\mathrm{T}}$  (3)  $(A + A')^{\mathrm{T}} = A^{\mathrm{T}} + A'^{\mathrm{T}}$  (4)  $(AB)^{\mathrm{T}} = B^{\mathrm{T}}A^{\mathrm{T}}$ .

**Theorem.** Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Then  $A\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} \cdot A^T \mathbf{y}$ .