# Introduction to Robotics

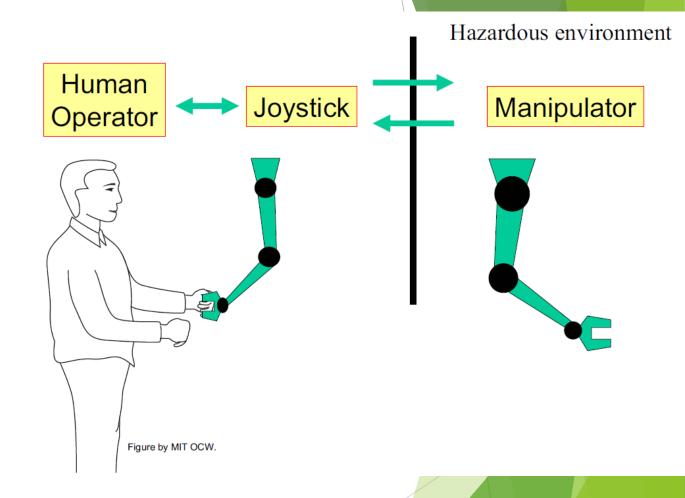
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#### What is a Robot?

- A machine that looks and acts like a human being.
- An efficient but insensitive person.
- An automatic apparatus.
- Something guided by automatic controls.
- ► A computer whose primary function is to produce motion.



## Characteristics of a Robot

Repeatability

► Manual control

► Automatic control

Speed of operation

## **End Effectors**

- Grippers
- ► Hands
- Vacuum heads
- Welding attachments
- Spray Paint attachments
- ► So on...

## Motion types

- A robot mechanism is a multi-body system consisting of rigid bodies called links, connected to form a linkage.
- There are two main types of joints between links:
  - 1. Prismatic joint, where one link slides along a straight line on the other, is called a sliding joint.
  - 2. Revolute joints, where one link rotates around a fixed axis, this type of joint is often referred to as a hinge, articulated, or rotational joint.
- These joints are essential for the movement and function of robotic mechanisms.

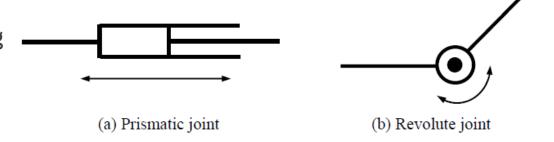
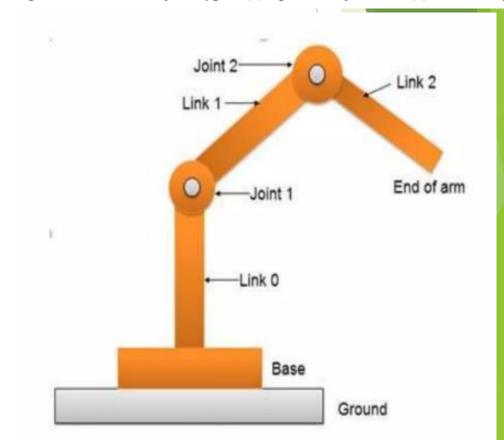


Figure 3.1.1 Primitive joint types: (a) a prismatic joint and (b) a revolute joint

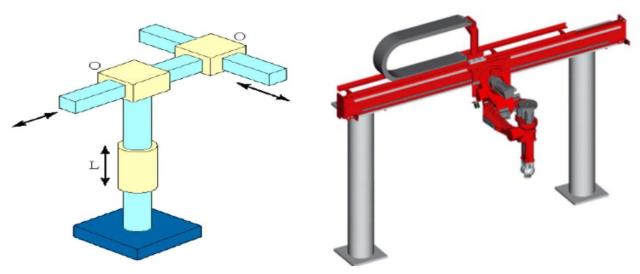


# Robot mechanisms analogous to coordinate systems

- One of the fundamental functional requirements for a robotic system is to locate its end-effecter, e.g. a hand, a leg, or any other part of the body performing a task, in three-dimensional space.
- three types of robot arm structures corresponding to the **Cartesian coordinate system**, the **cylindrical coordinate** system, **and the spherical coordinate** system, respectively.

## Cartesian-coordinate robot

► The Cartesian coordinate robot has three prismatic joints, corresponding to three axes denoted *x*, *y*, and *z*.



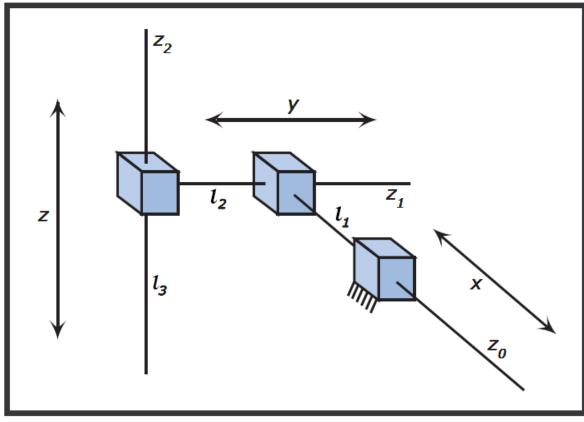
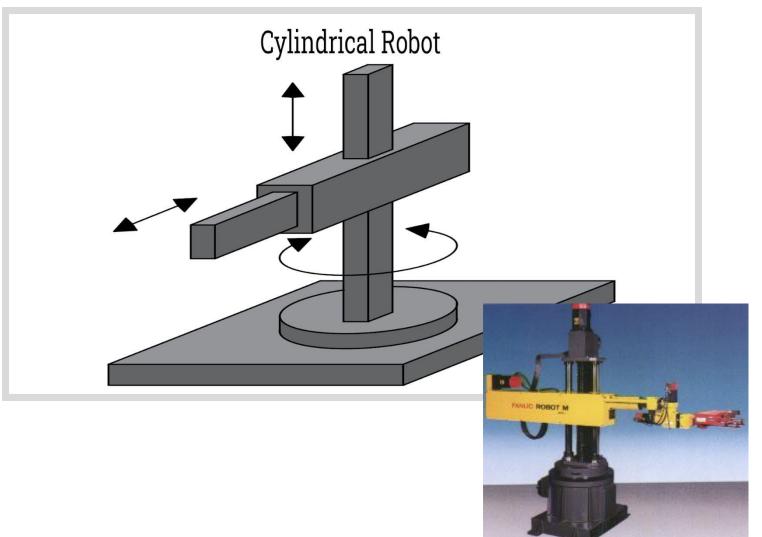


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# Cylindrical-coordinate robot

The cylindrical robot consists of one revolute joint and two prismatic joints, with *r*, and *z* representing the coordinates of the end-effecter.



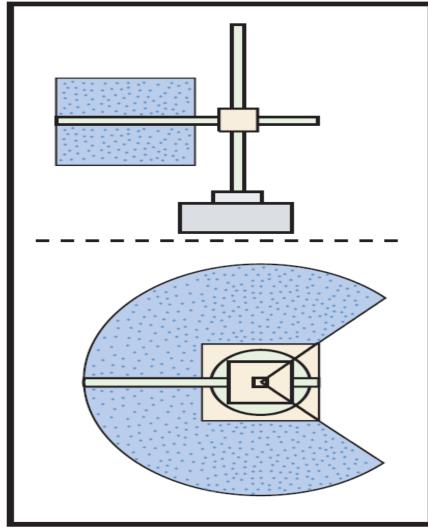
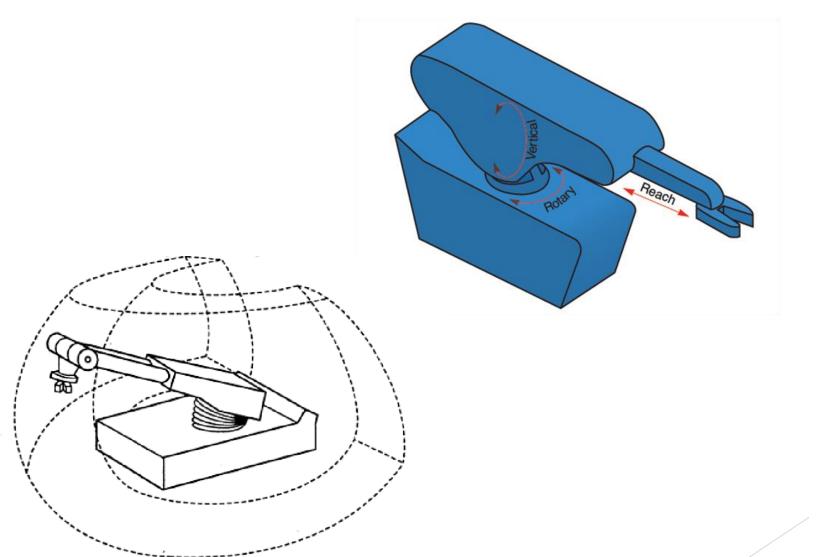


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# Spherical- coordinate robot

 $\triangleright$  The spherical robot has two revolute joints denoted and one prismatic joint denoted r.



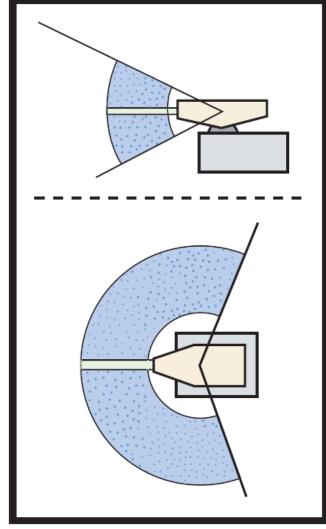
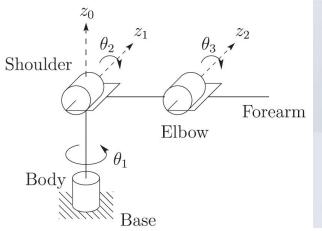


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## An articulated robot or Elbow robot

- ▶ It consists of all three revolute joints, like a human arm.
- ► This type of robot has great flexibility and versatility, being the most standard structure of robot manipulators.
- The third kinematic structure, consisting of three revolute joints, has a unique mass-balancing structure. The counter balance at the elbow eliminates gravity load for all three joints, thus reducing toque requirements for the actuators. This structure has been used for the direct-drive robots having no gear reducer.







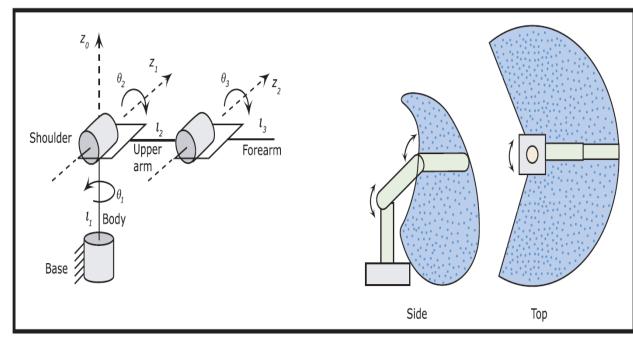
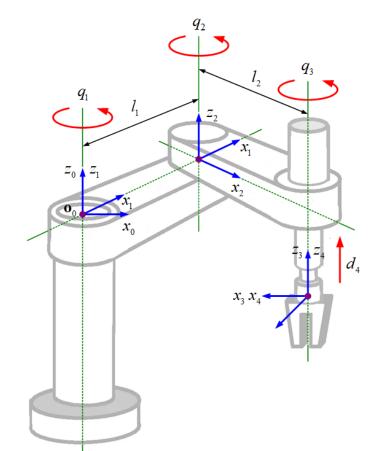


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### **SCARA** robot

- ▶ SCARA robot consisting of two revolute joints and one prismatic joint.
- This robot structure is particularly desirable for assembly automation in manufacturing systems, having a wide workspace in the horizontal direction and an independent vertical axis appropriate for the insertion of parts.



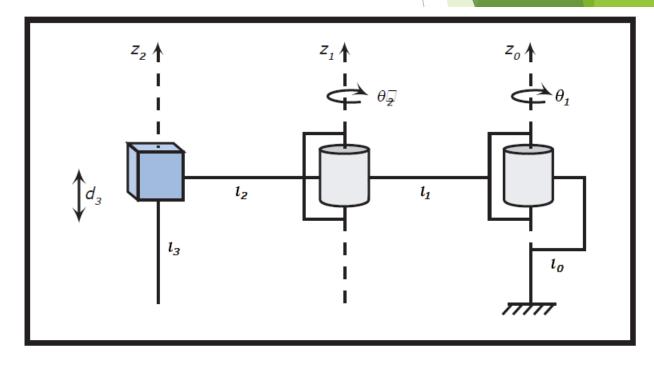


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# Summery

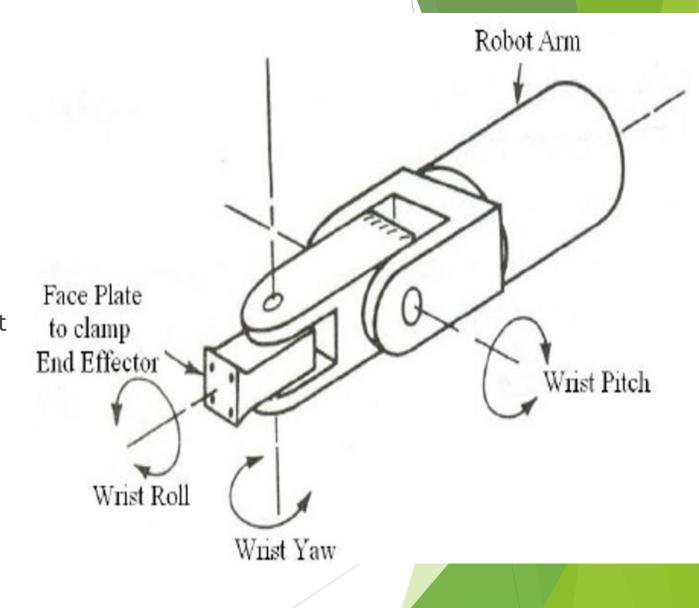
Robot	Axis 1	Axis 2	Axis 3	Total Revolute	Total Prismatic
Cartesian robot	Prismatic (P)	Prismatic (P)	Prismatic (P)	0	3
Cylindrical robot	Revolute (R)	Prismatic (P)	Prismatic (P)	1	2
Spherical robot	Revolute (R)	Revolute (R)	Prismatic (P)	2	1
Articulated robot	Revolute (R)	Revolute (R)	Revolute (R)	3	0
SCARA robot	Revolute (R)	Revolute (R)	Prismatic (P)	2	1

## **Robots Components**

- 1. Manipulator or Rover: Main body of robot (links, joints, other structural element).
- 2. End Effecter: The part connected to the manipulator's last joint (hand).
- 3. Actuators: Muscles of the manipulators (servomotor, stepper motor, pneumatic, and hydraulic cylinder).
- 4. Sensors: To collect information about the robot's internal state or to communicate with the outside environment.
- 5. Controller: It controls and coordinates the motion of the actuators.
- 6. Processor: The brain of the robot. It calculates the motions and the velocity of the robot's joints, etc.
- 7. Software: Operating, robotic software, and the collection of routines.

#### Wrist motion

- Wrist assembly is attached to the end of the robot arm.
- The end effector is attached to the wrist assembly.
- The function of the wrist assembly is to orient the end effector.
- Three degrees of freedom wrist:
- 1. Pitch: up and down
- 2. Yaw: right and left
- 3. Roll or swivel: rotation of the hand



# Matrix

Matrix algebra has at least two advantages:

- Reduces complicated systems of equations to simple expressions
- Adaptable to systematic method of mathematical treatment and well suited to computers

#### Definition:

A matrix is a set or group of numbers arranged in a square or rectangular array enclosed by two brackets

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Properties:**

- A specified number of rows and a specified number of columns
- Two numbers (rows x columns) describe the dimensions or size of the matrix.

#### Examples:

3x3 matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 4 & -1 & 5 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A matrix is denoted by a bold capital letter and the elements within the matrix are denoted by lower case letters

e.g. matrix [A] with elements aij

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \dots & a_{ij} & a_{in} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \dots & a_{ij} & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{ij} & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

i goes from 1 to m

j goes from 1 to n

#### **EQUALITY OF MATRICES**

Two matrices are said to be equal only when all corresponding elements are equal

Therefore their size or dimensions are equal as well

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Some properties of equality:

- •If A = B, then B = A for all A and B
- •If A = B, and B = C, then A = C for all A, B and C

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

If 
$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$$
 then  $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ 

### Addition and subtraction of Matrices

The sum or difference of two matrices, **A** and **B** of the same size yields a matrix **C** of the same size

$$c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$$

Matrices of different sizes cannot be added or subtracted

### Addition and subtraction of Matrices

Commutative Law:

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}$$

Associative Law:

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C = A + B + C$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 6 \\ -4 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 8 & 5 \\ -2 & -7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

A 2x3 2x3

**C** 2x3

### Addition and subtraction of Matrices

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}$$

 $\mathbf{A} + (-\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{0}$  (where  $-\mathbf{A}$  is the matrix composed of  $-\mathbf{a}_{ij}$  as elements)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Scalar Multiplication of Matrices

Matrices can be multiplied by a scalar (constant or single element)

Let k be a scalar quantity; then

Ex. If k=4 and
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Scalar Multiplication of Matrices

$$4 \times \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times 4 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & -4 \\ 8 & 4 \\ 8 & -12 \\ 16 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Properties:

$$\bullet k (A + B) = kA + kB$$

$$\bullet (k+g)A = kA + gA$$

• 
$$k(AB) = (kA)B = A(k)B$$

• 
$$k(gA) = (kg)A$$

The product of two matrices is another matrix

Two matrices **A** and **B** must be **conformable** for multiplication to be possible

i.e. the number of columns of **A** must equal the number of rows of **B** 

Example.

$$\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{x} \quad \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}$$

$$(1\mathbf{x}3) \quad (3\mathbf{x}1) \quad (1\mathbf{x}1)$$

$$\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A} = \text{Not possible!}$$

$$(2x1) (4x2)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \text{Not possible!}$$

$$(6x2) \quad (6x3)$$

#### Example

$$\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{x} \quad \mathbf{B} \quad = \mathbf{C}$$

$$(2\mathbf{x}3) \quad (3\mathbf{x}2) \quad (2\mathbf{x}2)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(a_{11} \times b_{11}) + (a_{12} \times b_{21}) + (a_{13} \times b_{31}) = c_{11}$$

$$(a_{11} \times b_{12}) + (a_{12} \times b_{22}) + (a_{13} \times b_{32}) = c_{12}$$

$$(a_{21} \times b_{11}) + (a_{22} \times b_{21}) + (a_{23} \times b_{31}) = c_{21}$$

$$(a_{21} \times b_{12}) + (a_{22} \times b_{22}) + (a_{23} \times b_{32}) = c_{22}$$

Successive multiplication of row i of A with column j of B – row by column multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 6 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 \times 4) + (2 \times 6) + (3 \times 5) & (1 \times 8) + (2 \times 2) + (3 \times 3) \\ (4 \times 4) + (2 \times 6) + (7 \times 5) & (4 \times 8) + (2 \times 2) + (7 \times 3) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 21 \\ 63 & 57 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remember also:

$$IA = A$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 21 \\ 63 & 57 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 21 \\ 63 & 57 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assuming that matrices A, B and C are conformable for the operations indicated, the following are true:

- $1. \quad AI = IA = A$
- 2. A(BC) = (AB)C = ABC (associative law)
- 3. A(B+C) = AB + AC (first distributive law)
- 4. (A+B)C = AC + BC (second distributive law)

#### Caution!

- 1. AB not generally equal to BA, BA may not be conformable
- 2. If AB = 0, neither A nor B necessarily = 0
- 3. If AB = AC, B not necessarily = C

AB not generally equal to BA, BA may not be conformable

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$TS = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 15 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$ST = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 23 & 6 \\ 10 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If AB = 0, neither A nor B necessarily = 0

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

## Transpose of a Matrix

If:

$${}_{2x3}^{A=}{}_{2}A^{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then transpose of A, denoted A<sup>T</sup>is:

$$A^{T} = {}_{2}A^{3^{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{ij} = a_{ji}^T$$
 For all  $i$  and  $j$ 

# Transpose of a Matrix

#### To transpose:

Interchange rows and columns

The dimensions of  $A^{T}$  are the reverse of the dimensions of A

$$A = {}_{2}A^{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad {}_{2 \times 3}$$

$$A^{T} = {}_{3}A^{T^{2}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3 \times 2$$

# Transpose of a Matrix

## Properties of transposed matrices:

1. 
$$(\mathbf{A}+\mathbf{B})^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}} + \mathbf{B}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

2. 
$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{B}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

3. 
$$(kA)^T = kA^T$$

$$4. \quad (\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}})^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{A}$$

### Determinant of a Matrix

To compute the inverse of a matrix, the determinant is required

Each square matrix A has a unit scalar value called the determinant of A, denoted by det A or |A|

If 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
then 
$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

# Determinant of a Matrix

For a 3 x 3 matrix:

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

The cofactors of the first row are:

$$c_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}$$

$$c_{12} = -\begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = -(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31})$$

$$c_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} = a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31}$$

# Determinant of a Matrix

The determinant of a matrix Ais:

$$|A| = a_{11}c_{11} + a_{12}c_{12} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

Which by substituting for the cofactors in this case is:

$$|A| = a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) - a_{12}(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) + a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31})$$

## Determinant of a Matrix

### Example 2:

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

$$|A| = a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) - a_{12}(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) + a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31})$$

$$|A| = (1)(2-0) - (0)(0+3) + (1)(0+2) = 4$$

Consider a scalar k. The inverse is the reciprocal or division of 1 by the scalar.

### Example:

k=7 the inverse of k or k-1=1/k=1/7

Division of matrices is not defined since there may be  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{AC}$  while  $\mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{C}$ 

Instead matrix inversion is used.

The inverse of a square matrix, A, if it exists, is the unique matrix  $A^{-1}$  where:

$$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

### Example:

$$A = {}_{2}A^{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Because:

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

# Why will it help us solve equations?

Because if we can express a system of equations in the form

$$Ax = b$$

Then we can multiply both sides by the inverse matrix

$$A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}b$$

And we can then know the values of X because

$$A^{-1}A = I$$

$$|x = A^{-1}b|$$

➤ **Step 1:** First, verify if the matrix can be inverted. To do this, calculate the matrix's determinant. If the determinant is not zero, proceed to the next step.

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

- Step 2: Calculate the determinant of smaller 2 × 2 matrices within the larger matrix.
- ▶ **Step 4:** Obtain the matrix's Adjugate or Adjoint by making the cofactor matrix transpose.
- > **Step 5:** Finally, divide each element in the adjugate matrix by the determinant of the original 3 by 3 matrix.

If 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $det(A) \neq 0$ , then

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

# **Example 1: Find the Inverse of**

$$D = egin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 \ 2 & 1 & 0 \ 1 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Solution:

$$Det D = 3(2) + 0(-4) + 2(7) \qquad Det D = 20$$

$$Minor Matrix of D = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Minor Matrix of 
$$D = \begin{bmatrix} (2-0) & (4-0) & (8-1) \\ (0-8) & (6-2) & (12-0) \\ (0-2) & (0-4) & (3-0) \end{bmatrix}$$

Cofactor of Matrix i.e., 
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} +2 & -(4) & +7 \\ -(-8) & +4 & -(12) \\ +2 & -(-4) & +3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Transpose of Matrix 
$$X = Adj D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -4 & 4 & 4 \\ 7 & -12 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Det D = 20

# Inverse of Matrix D or $D^{-1} = Adj D / Det D$

$$D^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{20} & \frac{8}{20} & \frac{2}{20} \\ -\frac{4}{20} & \frac{4}{20} & \frac{4}{20} \\ \frac{7}{20} & -\frac{12}{20} & \frac{3}{20} \end{bmatrix}$$

Properties of the inverse:

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$$

$$(A^{T})^{-1} = (A^{-1})^{T}$$

$$(kA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{k}A^{-1}$$

A square matrix that has an inverse is called a nonsingular matrix

A matrix that does not have an inverse is called a singular matrix

Square matrices have inverses except when the determinant is zero

When the determinant of a matrix is zero the matrix is singular

### 1. Find the Inverse of the Following Matrix

$$egin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 & 3 \ 3 & 1 & 1 \ 10 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Solution:

$$A^{-1} = 1/1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & -3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$