

In this section we define some important definitions and operations for matrices.

If we have an $m \times n$ matrix, like A , it means it has m rows & n columns. Elements (entries) of matrix A are shown by a_{ij} , which means the entry in i^{th} row and j^{th} column.

e.g. a_{23} is called (2,3) entry and is the element (entry) in the second row & third column.

often, columns of a Matrix are shown by $\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \dots$, and $\vec{a}_n$

for $m \times n \rightarrow A = [\vec{a}_1 \ \vec{a}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n]$

rows $\rightarrow$ columns

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 5 & 0 & 6 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A = [\vec{a}_1 \ \vec{a}_2 \ \vec{a}_3 \ \vec{a}_4]$$

$$a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad a_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad a_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonal entries of an $m \times n$ matrix:

$a_{11}, a_{22}, a_{33}, \dots$ entries of a matrix are called diagonal entries.

They form the main diagonal of a matrix.

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

Diagonal Matrix:

Is a square $n \times n$ matrix whose non-diagonal elements are zero.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equal matrices: Two matrices are equal if they have the same size and the corresponding elements are equal.

Sum of Matrices:

If A & B are matrices with same size ($m \times n$), Then The sum $A+B$ is also an $m \times n$ matrix whose entries are the sum of corresponding entries of A & B .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 5 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A+B = \begin{bmatrix} 4+1 & 0+1 & 5+1 \\ -1+3 & 3+5 & 2+7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

if A & B do not have the same size, then $A+B$ is not defined.

Scalar multiplication:

if r is a scalar & A is a matrix, then the scalar multiple rA is the matrix whose entries are r times the corresponding entries in A .

Ex. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 5 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$, find $A-2B$.

$$\begin{aligned} A-2B &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 5 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4-2 & 0-2 & 5-2 \\ -1-6 & 3-10 & 2-14 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 3 \\ -7 & -7 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Rules of sums & scalar multiplication of matrices:

let A, B , and C be matrices of the same size and let r and s be scalars:

$$A+B = B+A$$

$$r(A+B) = rA + rB$$

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

$$(r+s)A = rA + sA$$

$$A+O = A$$

$$r(sA) = (rs)A$$

Matrix Multiplication:

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, and if B is an $n \times p$ matrix with columns $\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_p$, then the product $A \times B$ is the $m \times p$ matrix whose columns are $A\vec{b}_1, \dots, A\vec{b}_p$. That is

$$AB = A [\vec{b}_1 \ \vec{b}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{b}_p] = [A\vec{b}_1 \ A\vec{b}_2 \ A\vec{b}_3 \ \dots \ A\vec{b}_p]$$

This way of thinking about matrix multiplication is useful for theoretical & practical applications.

* Very important: Multiplication of matrices corresponds to composition of linear transformations.

Ex. Compute AB where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

solution: we may write $B = [\vec{b}_1 \ \vec{b}_2 \ \vec{b}_3]$ and compute:

$$A\vec{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{b}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = \begin{bmatrix} -11 & 0 & 21 \\ -1 & 13 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

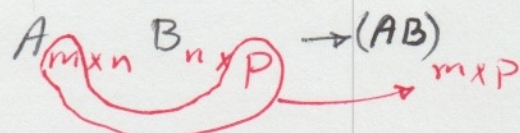
(we calculate the linear combination of each row of A by each column of B)

* For the matrix multiplication to work, the number of columns of A should be the same as the number of rows of B .

E.x. A is an $m \times n$ matrix

B is an $n \times p$ matrix

AB is defined and is an $m \times p$ matrix



AB has the same number of rows as A and the same number of columns as B .

E.x. if A is a 3×5 matrix and B is a 5×2 matrix, what are the sizes of AB & BA if they are defined?

A is 3×5

B is 5×2

$\rightarrow AB$ is defined and is 3×2

BA is NOT defined.

* The following rule provides a very useful method for multiplication of AB .

Row - Column Rule for computing AB :

If the product AB is defined, then the entry in row i and column j of AB is the sum of products of corresponding entries from row i of A and column j of B . If $(AB)_{ij}$ denotes the (i, j) -entry in AB , and if A is an $m \times n$ matrix, Then:

$$(AB)_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \dots + a_{in}b_{nj}$$

Ex. if $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, find AB .

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 4 + 3 \times 1 & 2 \times 3 + 3 \times (-2) & 2 \times 6 + 3 \times 3 \\ 1 \times 4 + (-5) \times 1 & 1 \times 3 + (-2) \times (-5) & 1 \times 6 + (-5) \times 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 0 & 21 \\ -1 & 13 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex. Find the entries of the second row of AB .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -4 \\ 6 & -8 & -7 \\ -3 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -6 \\ 7 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -6 \\ 7 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$1 \times 3 \quad 3 \times 2 \quad 1 \times 2$

Properties of Matrix Multiplication:

let A be an $m \times n$ matrix, and let B and C have sizes for which the indicated sums & products are defined.

- 1) $A(BC) = (AB)C$ $\longrightarrow$ Associative law of multiplication
- 2) $A(B+C) = AB+AC$ $\longrightarrow$ left distributive law
- 3) $(B+C)A = BA+CA$ $\longrightarrow$ right distributive law
- 4) $r(AB) = (rA)B = A(rB)$ (for any scalar r)
- 5) $I_m A = A = A I_n$ $\longrightarrow$ Identity for matrix multiplication

Ex. let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, show that these matrices do not commute. That is, verify that $AB \neq BA$.

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 3 \\ -2 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

As it can be seen, $AB \neq BA$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 2 \\ 29 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$, and $C = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, verify $AB=AC$ and get $C \neq B$.

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 \\ -2 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$AB=AC$ But $B \neq C$

$$AC = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 \\ -2 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

Be Careful (warnings):

1/ In general $AB \neq BA$

2/ The cancellation laws do not hold for matrix multiplication. that is, if $AB=AC$, then it is not true in general that $B=C$.

3/ If a product AB is the zero matrix, you can not conclude in general that either $A=0$ or $B=0$.

The Transpose of a Matrix:

Given an $m \times n$ matrix A , the transpose of A is the $n \times m$ matrix, denoted by A^T , whose columns are formed from the corresponding rows of A .

e.g. $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \iff A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow B^T = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 5 & -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow C^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Properties of Transpose of a Matrix:

let A & B denote matrices whose size are appropriate for the following sums & products.

1) $(A^T)^T = A$

3) for any scalar r , $(rA)^T = rA^T$

2) $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$

4) $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

↳ The Transpose of a product of matrices equals the product of their transpose in reverse order