

# Matrices

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## Definition

An  $m \times n$  **matrix** is a rectangular array of numbers arranged in  $m$  horizontal rows and  $n$  vertical columns. These numbers are called the **entries** or **elements** of the matrix.

## Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

is an  $m \times n$  matrix. It can be written more succinctly as  $A = [a_{ij}]$ .

Two matrices are equal if they have the same size (identical numbers of rows and columns) and the same entries.

## Definition

A  $1 \times n$  matrix is called a **row  $n$ -vector**, or simply a **row vector**. An  $n \times 1$  matrix is called a **column  $n$ -vector**, or a **column vector**. The elements of a such a vector are its **components**.

## Examples

1. The matrix  $\mathbf{a} = \left[ \frac{2}{3} \quad -\frac{1}{5} \quad \frac{4}{7} \right]$  is a row 3-vector.

2.  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  is a column 4-vector.

Any matrix can be written as a list of row or column vectors.

## Example

The matrix

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

has three row 4-vectors:

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = [-2 \quad 1 \quad 3 \quad 4],$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 = [1 \quad 2 \quad 1 \quad 1], \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_3 = [3 \quad -1 \quad 2 \quad 5]$$

and we can write

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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### Example

The matrix

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

has four column 3-vectors:

$$\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{b}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

and we can write

$$A = [\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{b}_3 \quad \mathbf{b}_4].$$

## Definition

If  $A$  is the matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$ , the **transpose** of  $A$  is the matrix  $A^T = [a_{ji}]$ .

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix then  $A^T$  is an  $n \times m$  matrix.

## Example

Suppose  $A$  is the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Square** An  $n \times n$  matrix is called a **square matrix** since it has the same number of rows and columns. The elements  $a_{ii}$  make up the **main diagonal**.

**Triangular** A square matrix is called **upper triangular** if

$$a_{ij} = 0 \text{ whenever } i > j,$$

that is, it has only zeros below the main diagonal.

A **lower triangular** matrix is a square matrix with only zeros *above* the main diagonal, that is,

$$a_{ij} = 0 \text{ whenever } i < j.$$

**Diagonal** A **diagonal matrix** is a square matrix whose only nonzero entries lie along the main diagonal, that is,

$$a_{ij} = 0 \text{ whenever } i \neq j.$$



**Symmetric** A matrix satisfying  $A^T = A$  is called a **symmetric matrix**.

**Skew-symmetric** A matrix that satisfies  $A^T = -A$  is called **skew-symmetric**.

Notice that

- ▶ both symmetric and skew-symmetric matrices must be square (because if  $A$  is  $m \times n$  then  $A^T$  is  $n \times m$ ),
- ▶ a skew-symmetric matrix must have zeros along its main diagonal (because  $a_{ii} = -a_{ii}$ ).

## Definition

A **matrix function** is like a matrix, but replaces numbers with functions of a single real variable. **Column vector functions** and **row vector functions** are analogously defined.

## Example

$A(t)$  is a  $2 \times 3$  matrix function:

$$A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} t^3 & t - \cos t & \frac{5}{t} \\ e^{t^2} & \ln(t+1) & te^t \end{bmatrix}.$$

The matrix function is only defined for values of  $t$  such that *all* elements are defined. In this example,  $A(t)$  is defined for values of  $t$  such that  $t \neq 0$  and  $t + 1 > 0$ .

## Definition

If  $A = [a_{ij}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]$  are matrices with the *same dimensions*, their sum is

$$A + B = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}].$$

Similarly, their difference is

$$A - B = [a_{ij} - b_{ij}].$$

## Example

We have

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

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 4 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 5 \\ -5 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 9 & -7 & -7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

A **scalar** is a real or complex number, as opposed to a vector or matrix.

### Definition

If  $A$  is a matrix and  $s$  a scalar, then the product of  $s$  with  $A$  is the matrix obtained by multiplying every element of  $A$  by  $s$ .

Symbolically, if  $A = [a_{ij}]$  then  $sA = [sa_{ij}]$ .

### Examples

$$\text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } 5A = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -5 \\ 20 & 30 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If  $A$  and  $B$  are matrices with the *same dimensions* then

$$A - B = A + (-1)B.$$

Matrix addition, subtraction, and scalar multiplication have familiar properties:

- ▶  $A + B = B + A$
- ▶  $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$
- ▶  $1A = A$
- ▶  $s(A + B) = sA + sB$
- ▶  $(s + t)A = sA + tA$
- ▶  $s(tA) = (st)A = (ts)A = t(sA)$

$$\mathbf{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

▶  $A + \mathbf{0} = A$

▶  $A - A = \mathbf{0}$

▶  $0A = \mathbf{0}$

... but matrix multiplication does not!

## Example

$$P = \begin{array}{l} \text{widget A} \\ \text{widget B} \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc} \text{sprockets} & \text{belts} & \text{propellers} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 5 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$C = \begin{array}{l} \text{sprockets} \\ \text{belts} \\ \text{propellers} \end{array} \begin{array}{cc} \text{supplier 1} & \text{supplier 2} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 0.10 & 0.15 \\ 0.50 & 0.30 \\ 1.00 & 1.10 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$PC = \begin{array}{l} \text{widget A} \\ \text{widget B} \end{array} \begin{array}{cc} \text{supplier 1} & \text{supplier 2} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 4.50 & 4.65 \\ 3.10 & 2.40 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

## Definition

Let  $A = [a_{ij}]$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $B = [b_{jk}]$  be an  $n \times p$  matrix. Their product is the  $m \times p$  matrix

$$AB = [c_{ik}] \text{ where } c_{ik} = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}b_{jk}.$$

If we write  $A$  as a matrix of rows and  $B$  as a matrix of columns,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_m \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = [\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{b}_p],$$

then we can express their product using the vector dot product

$$AB = [\mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{b}_k].$$

## Familiar properties of matrix multiplication

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In most ways matrix multiplication behaves like multiplication of scalars:

- ▶  $A(BC) = (AB)C$
- ▶  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$
- ▶  $(A + B)C = AC + BC$
- ▶  $(sA)B = s(AB) = A(sB)$

## Definition

The **identity matrix**,  $I_n$  (or just  $I$ ), is the  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix with ones on the main diagonal.

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{etc.}$$

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix then

$$AI_n = A \quad \text{and} \quad I_m A = A.$$



## Matrix multiplication is not commutative

If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices, it is not always true that  $AB = BA$ .

## Example

If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  then

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

but

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 9 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

All of the operations we discussed can be applied to matrix functions.

In the case of scalar multiplication, a matrix function can be multiplied by any *scalar function*.

### Example

If  $s(t) = e^t$  and  $A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 + t & e^{2t} \\ 4 & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$ , their product is

$$s(t)A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^t(-2 + t) & e^{3t} \\ 4e^t & e^t \cos t \end{bmatrix}.$$

Additionally, we can do calculus with matrix functions!

### Definition

Suppose  $A(t) = [a_{ij}(t)]$  is a matrix function. Its **derivative** is

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \left[ \frac{da_{ij}(t)}{dt} \right]$$

and its **integral** over the interval  $[a, b]$  is

$$\int_a^b A(t) dt = \left[ \int_a^b a_{ij}(t) dt \right].$$

### Theorem (Matrix product rule)

If  $A$  and  $B$  are differentiable matrix functions and the product  $AB$  is defined then

$$\frac{d}{dt}(AB) = A \frac{dB}{dt} + \frac{dA}{dt} B.$$

### Example

Let  $A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2t & 1 \\ 6t^2 & 4e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$ . We have

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 12t & 8e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\int_0^1 A(t) dt = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2e^2 - 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$