

## 1.4. Matrix Algebra

Thm. Let  $A, B, C$  be matrices of appropriate dimension, and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ . The following are true.

1.  $A + B = B + A$
2.  $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$
3.  $(AB)C = A(BC)$
4.  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$
5.  $(A + B)C = AC + BC$
6.  $(\alpha\beta)A = \alpha(\beta A)$
7.  $\alpha(AB) = (\alpha A)B = A(\alpha B)$
8.  $(\alpha + \beta)A = \alpha A + \beta A$
9.  $\alpha(A + B) = \alpha A + \alpha B$

You will have to prove one of these on the first exam!

Ex.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Calculate:  $A(BC)$  and  $(AB)C$   $\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 16 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $A(B+C)$  and  $AB+AC$   $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 7 \\ 5 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$

Ex.  $A^k = \underbrace{AA \cdots A}_{k\text{-times}}$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$A^k = ?$$

## The Identity Matrix

Defn. The  $n \times n$  identity matrix is the matrix  $I = (\delta_{ij})$  where

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

The  $3 \times 3$   $I$  is thus  $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$I$  is called the identity matrix because

$$BI = B \text{ and } IC = C \text{ for all } B, C$$

of appropriate dimensions.

The column vectors of  $I$  are called the standard basis vectors for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$I = (e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n)$$

## Matrix Inversion

Defn. A  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is said to be nonsingular or invertible if there exists a matrix  $B$  such that  $BA = AB = I$ .

The matrix  $B =: A^{-1}$  is said to be the multiplicative inverse of  $A$ .

Thm. If  $A$  is non singular, then its inverse is unique.

Proof. Suppose  $B$  and  $C$  are both inverses of  $A$ .  
Then,

$$B = BI = B(AC) = (BA)C = IC = C$$

So,  $B = C$  and the inverse of  $A$  is unique.  $\square$

Ex.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$        $B = \begin{pmatrix} -1/10 & 2/5 \\ 3/10 & -1/5 \end{pmatrix}$

Show that  $AB = BA = I$ .

Ex.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  cannot have an inverse

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad BA = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & 0 \\ b_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{can never} = I.$$

Ex. Find the inverse of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

\* Take the augmented matrix  $(A|I)$  to  $(I|A^{-1})$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & | & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{2R_1 - R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & | & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 - 3R_2 \rightarrow R_1}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & -2 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{so, } A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3/2 \\ 1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

check it.

Defn. A matrix ( $n \times n$ ) is said to be singular if it does not have a multiplicative inverse.

Thm. If  $A$  and  $B$  are non singular  $n \times n$  matrices, then  $AB$  is also non singular, and  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ .

Proof.  $(B^{-1}A^{-1})AB = B^{-1}(A^{-1}A)B = B^{-1}IB = B^{-1}B = I$

Show:  $AB(B^{-1}A^{-1}) = I$ .  $\square$

### Algebraic rules for transposes

1.  $(A^T)^T = A$
2.  $(\alpha A)^T = \alpha A^T$
3.  $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$
4.  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

Proofs of 1-3. are straight forward.  
For the proof of 4. see p.53 of the book.

RE 24. A matrix is called idempotent if  $A^2 = A$ .

Show that  $\begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$  is idempotent.