

# Lecture 9: Algebra with Matrices

## Adding Matrices

- must be of same "dimensions" (both  $m \times n$ )
- add entry by entry

$$\text{Ex / } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} //$$

- commutative:  $A+B = B+A$
- associative:  $(A+B)+C = A+(B+C)$
- additive identity:  $A+O = A$ , where  $O = \text{zero matrix}$
- additive inverse:  $A+(-A) = O$
- subtraction:  $A-B := A+(-B)$  ↑ negate all entries
- cancellation:  $A+B = C+B \Rightarrow A=C$

## Scalar multiplication

- multiply each matrix entry by the scalar

$$\text{Ex / } 3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 9 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} //$$

- distributivity:  $c(A+B) = cA + cB$   
 $(c+d)A = cA + dA$
- $(cd)A = c(dA)$

## Multiplying matrices

- $A$   $m \times n$ ,  $B$   $k \times l$  :  $AB$  is defined when  $k=n$   
(and is then an  $m \times l$  matrix)

- if  $B = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_k \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $AB := \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ A\vec{v}_1 & \dots & A\vec{v}_k \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$ .

- So the  $q^{\text{th}}$  column of  $AB$  is

$$A\vec{w}_q = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{1q} \\ \vdots \\ b_{nq} \end{pmatrix} = b_{1q}\vec{v}_1 + \dots + b_{nq}\vec{v}_n \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{column-} \\ \text{vector} \\ \text{interpretation} \end{array} \right)$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{1q} \\ \vdots \\ b_{nq} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j} b_{jq} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^n a_{mj} b_{jq} \end{pmatrix},$$

from which we see that the  $(p,q)^{\text{th}}$  entry of  $AB$  is

$$[AB]_{\underline{pq}} = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{\underline{pj}} b_{\underline{jq}}$$

- powers of a matrix:  $A^m$  means  $\underbrace{A \cdot A \cdot \dots \cdot A}_m$  times

- identity matrix:

$$\mathbb{I}_n := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n} = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \vec{e}_1 & \dots & \vec{e}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A\mathbb{I}_n = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ A\vec{e}_1 & \dots & A\vec{e}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix} = A = \mathbb{I}_m A$$

- distributivity:  $A(\beta B + \gamma C) = \beta(AB) + \gamma(AC)$   
 $(\beta B + \gamma C)A = \beta(BA) + \gamma(CA)$

- NOT commutative:  $AB \neq BA$  in general

Ex/  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} //$

- Multiplicative inverse? In general, NO.

- If  $m > n$ , there can't be an  $n \times m$   $B$  with  $AB = \mathbb{I}_m$ .

[Otherwise, for any  $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  we'd have  $A(B\vec{b}) = \mathbb{I}_m \vec{b} = \vec{b}$ , which contradicts the fact that  $\text{rank}(A)$  has rows of 0's at the bottom.] On the other hand, there could be lots of matrices  $B$  with  $BA = \mathbb{I}_n$ .

- For square matrices, there can be both left and right inverses.

[See the next lecture.] But there also might not be: the projection matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  can't have a left-inverse, since  $BA$  has first column  $\vec{0}$  for any  $B$ .

- If there aren't inverses, you can't "cancel":

Ex/  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$B \cdot A = 0 = C \cdot A$$

but clearly  $B \neq C$ . //

• Associativity holds:  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ .

If  $A$   $m \times n$ ,  $B$   $n \times r$ ,  $C$   $r \times s$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} [(AB)C]_{i\lambda} &= \sum_k [AB]_{ik} C_{k\lambda} = \sum_k \left( \sum_j A_{ij} B_{jk} \right) C_{k\lambda} \\ &= \sum_{j,k} (A_{ij} B_{jk}) C_{k\lambda} = \sum_{j,k} A_{ij} (B_{jk} C_{k\lambda}) \\ &= \sum_j A_{ij} \left( \sum_k B_{jk} C_{k\lambda} \right) = \sum_j A_{ij} [BC]_{j\lambda} \\ &= [A(BC)]_{i\lambda}. \end{aligned}$$

↑  $j,k$  since multiplication of real numbers is associative

Theorem: Let  $\begin{cases} S: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \\ T: \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases}$  be linear transformations

with matrices  $\begin{cases} A & m \times n \\ B & n \times r \end{cases}$ . Then  $S \circ T: \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  has matrix  $AB$ .

Proof:  $(S \circ T)\vec{x} = S(T(\vec{x})) = S(B \cdot \vec{x}) = A \cdot (B \cdot \vec{x})$

by associativity  $\uparrow$   $= (A \cdot B) \cdot \vec{x}$ .

□

Ex / Suppose  $B = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \vec{w}_1 & \vec{w}_2 & \vec{w}_3 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\vec{w}_3 = \vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2$ .

What can you say about the 3<sup>rd</sup> column of  $AB$ ?

$AB = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ A\vec{w}_1 & A\vec{w}_2 & A\vec{w}_3 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A\vec{w}_3 = A(\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2) = A\vec{w}_1 + A\vec{w}_2$ . //

Ex/ Suppose the last column of  $AB$  is  $\vec{0}$ , but

$B$  has no  $\vec{0}$  column. What can you say about  $A$ 's columns?

If  $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}$  = last column of  $B$ , and  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$ , then

the last column of  $AB$  is  $A\vec{w} = w_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + w_n\vec{v}_n$ . Since

this is  $\vec{0}$  and  $\vec{w} \neq \vec{0}$ ,  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$  is linearly dependent. //

- Transpose of a matrix:  $A^{m \times n} \mapsto A^T^{n \times m}$ ,  
given by  $[A^T]_{ij} := [A]_{ji}$ . ( $A = A^T \iff A$  is symmetric.)

Ex/  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  //

- $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$  :  $[(AB)^T]_{ij} = [AB]_{ji} = \sum_k a_{jk} b_{ki}$   
 $= \sum_k b_{ki} a_{jk} = \sum_k [B^T]_{ik} [A^T]_{kj}$   
 $= [B^T A^T]_{ij}$ .