

5. MATRIX CALCULUS

5.1. Basic operations with matrices.

Definition. The scheme

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $a_{ij} \in \mathbf{R}$, $i = 1, \dots, m$, $j = 1, \dots, n$, is called a *matrix of type $m \times n$* (shortly, an *m -by- n matrix*). We write $(a_{ij})_{\substack{i=1..m \\ j=1..n}}$. An n -by- n matrix is called *square matrix of order n* . The set of all m -by- n matrices is denoted $M(m \times n)$.

Definition. Let

$$\mathbb{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The n -tuple $(a_{i1}, a_{i2}, \dots, a_{in})$, where $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$, is called *i -th row* of the matrix \mathbb{A} .

The m -tuple $\begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mj} \end{pmatrix}$, where $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, is called *j -th column* of the matrix \mathbb{A} .

Definition. We say that two matrices are equal, if they are of the same type and the corresponding elements are equal, i.e., if $\mathbb{A} = (a_{ij})_{\substack{i=1..m \\ j=1..n}}$ and $\mathbb{B} = (b_{uv})_{\substack{u=1..r \\ v=1..s}}$, then $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{B}$ if and only if $m = r$, $n = s$ and $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Definition. Let $\mathbb{A}, \mathbb{B} \in M(m \times n)$, $\mathbb{A} = (a_{ij})_{\substack{i=1..m \\ j=1..n}}$, $\mathbb{B} = (b_{ij})_{\substack{i=1..m \\ j=1..n}}$, $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$. The *sum of \mathbb{A} and \mathbb{B}* is defined by

$$\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} + b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & a_{m2} + b_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Product of a real number λ and the matrix \mathbb{A} is defined by

$$\lambda \mathbb{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda a_{11} & \lambda a_{12} & \dots & \lambda a_{1n} \\ \lambda a_{21} & \lambda a_{22} & \dots & \lambda a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda a_{m1} & \lambda a_{m2} & \dots & \lambda a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proposition 5.1 (basic properties).

- $\forall \mathbb{A}, \mathbb{B}, \mathbb{C} \in M(m \times n) : \mathbb{A} + (\mathbb{B} + \mathbb{C}) = (\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}) + \mathbb{C}$, (associativity)
- $\forall \mathbb{A}, \mathbb{B} \in M(m \times n) : \mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B} = \mathbb{B} + \mathbb{A}$, (commutativity)
- $\exists ! \mathbb{O} \in M(m \times n) \forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n) : \mathbb{A} + \mathbb{O} = \mathbb{A}$ (\mathbb{O} is the zero matrix, all its entries are zero),
- $\forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n) \exists \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{A}} \in M(m \times n) : \mathbb{A} + \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{A}} = \mathbb{O}$ (the matrix $\mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{A}}$ is usually denoted $-\mathbb{A}$ and equals $(-1) \cdot \mathbb{A}$),
- $\forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n) \forall \lambda, \mu \in \mathbf{R} : (\lambda\mu)\mathbb{A} = \lambda(\mu\mathbb{A})$,
- $\forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n) : 1 \cdot \mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}$,
- $\forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n) \forall \lambda, \mu \in \mathbf{R} : (\lambda + \mu)\mathbb{A} = \lambda\mathbb{A} + \mu\mathbb{A}$,
- $\forall \mathbb{A}, \mathbb{B} \in M(m \times n) \forall \lambda \in \mathbf{R} : \lambda(\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}) = \lambda\mathbb{A} + \lambda\mathbb{B}$.

Definition. Let $\mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n)$, $\mathbb{A} = (a_{is})_{\substack{i=1..m \\ s=1..n}}$, $\mathbb{B} \in M(n \times k)$, $\mathbb{B} = (b_{sj})_{\substack{s=1..n \\ j=1..k}}$. Then the product of matrices \mathbb{A} and \mathbb{B} is defined as $\mathbb{AB} \in M(m \times k)$, $\mathbb{AB} = (c_{ij})_{\substack{i=1..m \\ j=1..k}}$, where

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{s=1}^n a_{is} b_{sj}.$$

Remark.

- If \mathbb{A} is a 1-by- n matrix and \mathbb{B} is an n -by-1 matrix, then \mathbb{AB} is a 1-by-1 matrix. Such a matrix is usually viewed as a number.
- Let $\mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n)$, $\mathbb{B} \in M(n \times k)$, $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ and $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$. Then:
 - The entry of \mathbb{AB} with coordinates ij is equal to the product of the i th row of \mathbb{A} and the j th column of \mathbb{B} .
 - The i th row of \mathbb{AB} is the product of i th row of \mathbb{A} and \mathbb{B} .
 - The j th column of \mathbb{AB} is the product of \mathbb{A} and the j th column of \mathbb{B} .

Theorem 5.2 (properties of matrix multiplication). *Let $m, n, k, l \in \mathbf{N}$. Then we have:*

- (i) $\forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n) \forall \mathbb{B} \in M(n \times k) \forall \mathbb{C} \in M(k \times l) : \mathbb{A}(\mathbb{BC}) = (\mathbb{AB})\mathbb{C}$, (associativity)
- (ii) $\forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n) \forall \mathbb{B}, \mathbb{C} \in M(n \times k) : \mathbb{A}(\mathbb{B} + \mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{AB} + \mathbb{AC}$, (left distributivity)
- (iii) $\forall \mathbb{A}, \mathbb{B} \in M(m \times n) \forall \mathbb{C} \in M(n \times k) : (\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B})\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{AC} + \mathbb{BC}$, (right distributivity)
- (iv) $\exists ! \mathbb{I} \in M(n \times n) \forall \mathbb{A} \in M(n \times n) : \mathbb{IA} = \mathbb{AI} = \mathbb{A}$. (identity matrix \mathbb{I})

Remark. Warning! Matrix multiplication is not commutative. Firstly, it may happen that \mathbb{AB} is defined and \mathbb{BA} is not defined. Secondly, it may happen that both products \mathbb{AB} and \mathbb{BA} do exist but they are of different types. And, finally, even if \mathbb{A} and \mathbb{B} are square matrices of the same order, \mathbb{AB} may differ from \mathbb{BA} .

Remark. The identity matrix $\mathbb{I} \in M(n \times n)$ has the following entries: The entries on the main diagonal are equal to 1, all the other entries are 0.

Moreover, if $\mathbb{B} \in M(m \times n)$, then $\mathbb{BI} = \mathbb{B}$; if $\mathbb{C} \in M(n \times k)$, then $\mathbb{IC} = \mathbb{C}$.

Definition. Transpose of a matrix

$$\mathbb{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

is a matrix defined by

$$\mathbb{A}^T = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \dots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{m2} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{m3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix},$$

i.e., if $\mathbb{A} = (a_{ij})_{\substack{i=1..m \\ j=1..n}}$, then $\mathbb{A}^T = (b_{uv})_{\substack{u=1..n \\ v=1..m}}$, where $b_{uv} = a_{vu}$ for each $u \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $v \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$.

Theorem 5.3 (transpose of a matrix – properties). *We have*

- (i) $\forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n): (\mathbb{A}^T)^T = \mathbb{A}$,
- (ii) $\forall \mathbb{A}, \mathbb{B} \in M(m \times n): (\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B})^T = \mathbb{A}^T + \mathbb{B}^T$,
- (iii) $\forall \mathbb{A} \in M(m \times n) \forall \mathbb{B} \in M(n \times k): (\mathbb{A}\mathbb{B})^T = \mathbb{B}^T\mathbb{A}^T$.