

## § 7.2 Matrix Multiplication

Defn. Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be  $m \times n$  and  
 $B = (b_{jk})$  be  $n \times p$ .

The matrix product  $C = AB$  is an  
 $m \times p$  matrix  $C = (c_{ik})$  whose  
 $1 \leq i \leq m$   
 $1 \leq k \leq p$

entries are given by

$$c_{ik} = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} b_{jk} = a_{i1} b_{1k} + a_{i2} b_{2k} + \dots + a_{in} b_{nk},$$

$1 \leq i \leq m$   
 $1 \leq k \leq p$ .

Note The matrix product  $AB$  only makes sense provided  $B$  has the same number of rows as  $A$  has columns.

Easy to remember

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \cdot B & = & C \\ (m \times n) & (n \times p) & (m \times p) \end{array}$$

Ex.

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 1 + 1 \times 3 + 7 \times -1 \\ 4 \times 1 + 3 \times 3 + 1 \times -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{array}{c} 2 \times 3 \\ 3 \times 1 \end{array} \qquad \qquad \qquad \begin{array}{c} 2 \times 1 \end{array} \end{array}$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 100 & 100 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 100 & 100 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 99 & 99 \\ -99 & -99 \end{bmatrix}$$

Last example shows that the order of matrix multiplication matters (ie. it is not commutative). In general,  $AB \neq BA$ . Also  $AB=0$  does not imply that  $A=0$  or  $B=0$ .

## Rules for Matrix Multiplication

a)  $(kA)B = k(AB) = A(kB)$       written  $kAB$   
or  $AkB$

b)  $A(BC) = (AB)C$       written  $ABC$

c)  $(A+B)C = AC + BC$

d)  $C(A+B) = CA + CB$

Here  $k$  is a scalar and  $A, B, C$  are sized so that all the matrix products make sense.

If  $v = [v_1, \dots, v_n]$ ,  $w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix}$

are  $1 \times n$  and  $n \times 1$  row and column vectors (resp.), then  $vw$  is  $1 \times 1$  (ie. just a number).

$$vw = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + \dots + v_n w_n$$

Now if  $A$  is  $m \times n$ ,  $B$  is  $n \times p$

and if  $a_i = [a_{i1}, \dots, a_{in}]$ ,  $b_k = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1k} \\ \vdots \\ b_{nk} \end{bmatrix}$

denote the rows and columns of  $A, B$  resp,  
then we can write

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & \dots & b_p \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 b_1 & a_1 b_2 & \dots & a_1 b_p \\ a_2 b_1 & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_m b_1 & & & a_m b_p \end{bmatrix}$$

where the products in the entries for  $AB$   
are the same as the product of a row  
& a column vector we had earlier.

Ex.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 4, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = -3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 11, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = -8$$

$$\text{So } AB = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 11 & -8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

# Linear Transformations and Matrix Multiplication

A linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is a function of the type

$$y_1 = a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2$$

$$y_2 = a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2$$

Can write this in matrix notation as

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = Ax = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose we also have another linear transformation

$$x_1 = b_{11}w_1 + b_{12}w_2$$

$$x_2 = b_{21}w_1 + b_{22}w_2$$

which gives  $x$  in terms of  $w$ .

lets

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = Bw = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}w_1 + b_{12}w_2 \\ b_{21}w_1 + b_{22}w_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

How to get  $y$  in terms of  $w$ ?

$$y = Ax = A(Bw) = (AB)w$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let to get  $y$  in terms of  $w$ , we use the matrix product  $AB$ .

## MORAL

linear transformations  $\longleftrightarrow$  matrices

composition of linear transformations  $\longleftrightarrow$  matrix multiplication

This works for spaces of any dimension (not just  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ).





## Rules for Transposition

$$a) (A^T)^T = A$$

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

$$c) (cA)^T = cA^T$$

$$d) (AB)^T = B^T A^T \quad (\text{Note reversed order!})$$

## Special Matrices

Symmetric  $A^T = A$  e.g.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Antisymmetric  $A^T = -A$  e.g.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Both symmetric and antisymmetric matrices must be square. The diagonal entries of an antisymmetric matrix are always zero (why?).

## Triangular Matrices

Upper Triangular - 0s below the diagonal

e.g. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Lower Triangular - 0s above the diagonal

e.g. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonal - Square matrices with 0s off the diagonal

e.g. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$





$$2x_1 + 5x_2 = 2$$

$$0x_1 + 13x_2 = -26$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 13 & -26 \end{array} \right].$$

Row 2  $\div$  13 (Row 1),

We now have the same upper triangular system as before which we solve by back substitution like last time to get a unique sol<sup>n</sup>  $x_1 = 6, x_2 = -2.$