

Chapter 7 Linear Algebra

Matrices, Vectors, Determinants,
Linear Systems.

§ 7.1 Matrices, Vectors: Addition and Scalar Multiplication

Matrix - a rectangular (2D) array
of numbers, called the entries
of the matrix.

Examples

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-x} & 2x^2 \\ 6^x & i \end{bmatrix}, \quad V = [v_1, v_2, v_3], \quad W = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

A has two rows (horiz. lines of entries)
and two columns (vert. lines of entries)

In general, if a matrix M has m rows
and n columns, we say M is $m \times n$.

So here A is 2×3 .

B, C are examples of square matrices
which have the same number of rows
as columns (B is 3×3 , C is 2×2).

B is an example of a general matrix,
the exact values of whose entries are unspecified.

Here b_{ij} refers to the (unique) entry
in row i and column j (like an address).

e.g. b_{23} - entry in row 2 & column 3.

We often write general matrices as

$$M = (m_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}} \quad (\text{here } M \text{ is } m \times n).$$

or, more explicitly

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & \dots & m_{1n} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ m_{m1} & \dots & \dots & m_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

If M is $n \times n$ square, the entries $m_{11}, m_{22}, \dots, m_{nn}$ are called the diagonal entries of M .

v, w are examples of vectors which are matrices with just a single row or a single column.

Here v is a row vector (1×3)

w is a column vector (2×1)

General Row Vector

$$v = [v_1, \dots, v_n]$$

$1 \times n$

General Column Vector

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_m \end{bmatrix} \quad m \times 1$$

Equality of Matrices

Two matrices $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$ of the same size ($m \times n$) are equal if all the corresponding entries are equal

$$\text{i.e. } a_{ij} = b_{ij} \quad \text{for each } 1 \leq i \leq m, \\ 1 \leq j \leq n$$

Write $A = B$.

$$\text{Ex. } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then $A = B$ means precisely that

$$a_{11} = 1, \quad a_{12} = 2, \quad a_{21} = 0, \quad a_{22} = 1.$$

Addition of Matrices

If $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$ are two matrices of the same size ($m \times n$), then the sum $A + B$ is the $m \times n$ matrix which has entries $a_{ij} + b_{ij}$ (just add the entries in corresponding positions).

Ex. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scalar Multiplication

If $A = (a_{ij})$ is $m \times n$ and c is a number, then the scalar product of A by c is the matrix $cA := (ca_{ij})$ (just multiply every entry in A by c).

Ex.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad c = i$$

$$cA = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3i \\ 6i \end{bmatrix}.$$

Rules for Matrix Addition and Scalar Multiplication

Let A, B, C be $m \times n$ matrices. Then

- $A + B = B + A$
- $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$ (written $A + B + C$).
- $A + O = A$
- $A + (-A) = O$.

Here $O = (0)_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$ is the $m \times n$

zero matrix with zeroes in all its entries

while if $A = (a_{ij})$, then $-A = (-a_{ij})$ is obtained from A by multiplying by the scalar -1 .

If in addition, c, k are scalars, then

$$e) \quad c(A+B) = cA + cB$$

$$f) \quad (c+k)A = cA + kA$$

$$g) \quad c(kA) = (ck)A \quad (\text{written } ckA)$$

$$h) \quad 1A = A.$$