

**Def.:** Matrix is an rectangular array of numbers.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Entry of matrix:  $a_{ij}$ :  $i^{\text{th}}$  row,  $j^{\text{th}}$  column.

Matrix  $A$  has size  $m \times n$ ; that is,  $A$  has  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns.

### Special matrices:

- Square matrix: matrix with size  $n \times n$ .
- Zero matrix: matrix where all entries are zero.
- Identity matrix  $I_n$ : an  $n \times n$  matrix with  $a_{ij} = 0$  if  $i \neq j$  and  $a_{ij} = 1$  if  $i = j$ .
- Diagonal matrix: an  $n \times n$  matrix that has  $a_{ij} = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ .
- Upper/lower triangular matrix: square matrix with zero entries in lower/upper main diagonal.

### Operations on matrices:

- (1) Equality:  $A = B$  if they have the same size and corresponding entries are equal.
- (2) Add/sub.: add or subtract corresponding entries of *same size* matrices.

Properties:

$$A + B = B + A, \quad A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C, \quad A + \mathbf{0} = A, \quad A + (-A) = \mathbf{0}.$$

- (3) Multiply by scalar  $k$ : multiply each entry by  $k$ .

Properties:

$$r(sA) = (rs)A, \quad (r + s)A = rA + sA, \quad r(A + B) = rA + rB, \quad A(rB) = r(AB)$$

- (4) Transpose:  $[a_{ij}]^T = [a_{ji}]$ ; i.e., interchanging row and column of  $A$ .

Properties:

$$(A^T)^T = A, \quad (A \pm B)^T = A^T \pm B^T, \quad (rA)^T = rA^T, \quad (AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

**Def.**  $A$  is a *symmetric* matrix if  $A^T = A$ .

This means  $A$  has to be a square matrix with  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ .

**Def.**  $A$  is a *skew symmetric* matrix if  $A^T = -A$ .

This means  $A$  has to be a square matrix with  $a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$ .

- (5) Trace of a square matrix  $A$ , denoted by  $Tr(A)$ , is the sum of main diagonal entries.

- (6) Dot product: Let  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_n]$  and  $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \cdots + x_n y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$$

$$\text{Ex.: } [1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = (1)(4) + (2)(0) + (3)(-1) + (4)(3) = 13.$$

- (7) Matrix multiplication: Let  $A$  be  $m \times p$  and  $B$  be  $p \times n$  matrices, then the product  $AB = C$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix where each entry

$$c_{ij} = \text{row}_i(A) \cdot \text{col}_j(B)$$

- (8) matrix to a power: Let  $A$  be a square matrix and  $r, s$  are integers.

$$A^r = \underbrace{AA \cdots A}_r$$

$$A^r A^s = A^{r+s}$$

$$(A^r)^s = A^{rs}$$

### Properties of matrix multiplications:

- Identity matrix acts as multiplicative identity:  $I_n A = A I_n = A$
- Multiply by  $\mathbf{0}$  matrix:  $\mathbf{0}A = \mathbf{0}$  and  $A\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$
- Let  $A, B,$  and  $C$  be matrix with appropriated size.

$$A(BC) = (AB)C, \quad A(B+C) = AB+AC, \quad (A+B)C = AC+BC$$

- In general,  $AB \neq BA$
- $AC = BC$  does NOT imply  $A = B$ .
- $AB = 0$  does NOT imply  $A = 0$  or  $B = 0$ .

Ex: Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$   $C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$   $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

We can easily verify that

$$AB = AC \quad \text{but} \quad B \neq C$$

$$AD = 0 \quad \text{but} \quad A \neq 0, \quad D \neq 0$$

### Examples:

**Ex.1:** Show that for any square matrix  $M$ ,  $M + M^T$  is symmetric.

**Ex.2:** Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 \\ -2 & 1 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute (if possible)  $2A + B^T$ ,  $C^2$ ,  $ED$ ,  $DE$ ,  $Tr(BA)$ .

**Ex.3:** Prove: If  $AB$  and  $BA$  are both defined, then  $AB$  and  $BA$  are square matrices.

**Ex.4:** True or false:  $AA^T$  and  $A^T A$  is always a square matrix.

**Ex.5:** True or false:  $Tr(AA^T) = Tr(A^T A)$ .