

## 2.5 : Multiplication of Matrices

- If  $A$  is a row matrix of size  $1 \times n$ ,  $A = [a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n]$   <sup>$1 \times n$</sup>

and  $B$  is a column matrix of size  $n \times 1$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$   <sup>$n \times 1$</sup>

$$\begin{matrix} [1 \times n] & [n \times 1] & [1 \times 1] \\ A \cdot B & = & C \end{matrix}$$

then the matrix product of  $A$  and  $B$  is defined by

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 + \dots + a_nb_n$$

EXAMPLE 1. Let  $A = [1 \ 2 \ -3 \ 0 \ -1]$  and  $B = [1 \ 2 \ 0 \ 1 \ -1]$ . Find  $BA^T$ .

$$\begin{matrix} AB & [1 \times 5] \cdot [5 \times 5] \\ BA & \text{undefined} \end{matrix}$$

$$BA^T = [1 \ 2 \ 0 \ 1 \ -1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$BA^T = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot (-3) + 1 \cdot 0 + (-1) \cdot (-1) = 1 + 4 + 1 = 6$$

$$[m \times p] \cdot [p \times n] \rightarrow [m \times n]$$

- If  $A$  is an  $m \times p$  matrix and matrix  $B$  is  $p \times n$ , then the product  $AB$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, and its element in the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column is the product of the  $i$ th row of  $A$  and the  $j$ th column of  $B$ .

$$AB = C$$

$$C_{ij} = \underbrace{A_i}_{\text{row}} \underbrace{B^j}_{\text{column}}$$

- RULE for multiplying matrices:

The column of the 1st matrix must be the same size as the row of the 2nd matrix.

EXAMPLE 2. Multiply

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \cdot 1 + (-2) \cdot 1 = 1$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \left( -\frac{1}{3} \right) + (-2) \cdot (-1) = -1 + 2 = 1$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} YY & YG \\ GY & GG \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2+2 & 4-4 \\ 2-2 & -4+4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$-1 \cdot 2 + (-2) \cdot (-1)$

$$(d) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ undefined}$$

$2 \times 4 \quad 2 \times 2$

$$(e) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} YY & YG & YW \\ GY & GG & GW \\ WY & WG & WW \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & -3 \\ 4 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$C \quad I \quad C$

$$(f) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 & 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 \\ 3 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 & 3 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A \quad B$

$$(g) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 3 & 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 2 \\ 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 3 & 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$B \quad A$

- Identity Matrix

The identity matrix of size  $n$  is given by  $I_n =$  <sup>square</sup>  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- FACTS and LAWS FOR MATRIX MULTIPLICATION: If the size requirements are met for matrices  $A, B$  and  $C$ , then

- $AB \neq BA$  (NOT always Commutative)
- $A(B + C) = AB + AC$  (always Distributive)
- $(AB)C = A(BC)$  (always Associative)
- $AB = 0$  does not imply that  $A = 0$  or  $B = 0$ .
- $AB = AC$  does not imply that  $B = C$ .
- $I_n A = A$  for every  $n \times p$  matrix  $A$ .
- $B I_n = B$  for every  $s \times n$  matrix  $B$ .
- $I_n A = A I_n = A$  for any square matrix  $A$  of size  $n$ .

NOTE: Since the multiplication of matrices is NOT commutative, you MUST multiply left to right.

EXAMPLE 3. The sizes of matrices  $A, B, C, D$  are given in the table below:

$A$	$B$	$C$	$D$
$2 \times 3$	$3 \times 5$	$3 \times 3$	$5 \times 5$

Find the size of the following matrices whenever they are defined.

(a)  $AB$   
 $[2 \times 3] \cdot [3 \times 5]$   
 $[2 \times 5]$

(b)  $BA$   
 $[3 \times 5] \cdot [2 \times 3]$   
 undefined

(c)  $ABD$   
 $[2 \times 5] [5 \times 5]$   
 $[2 \times 5]$

(d)  $ABB^T$   
 $[2 \times 5] [5 \times 3]$   
 $[2 \times 3]$

(e)  $CBD$   
 $[3 \times 3] [3 \times 5] [5 \times 5]$   
 $[3 \times 5] [5 \times 5] \rightarrow [3 \times 5]$

(f)  $BD + CB$   
 $[3 \times 5] [5 \times 5] + [3 \times 3] [3 \times 5]$   
 $[3 \times 5] + [3 \times 5]$   
 $[3 \times 5]$

(g)  $D^2 + I_5 = D \cdot D + I_5$   
 $[5 \times 5] [5 \times 5] + [5 \times 5]$   
 $[5 \times 5]$

(h)  $BI_3$   
 $[3 \times 5] [3 \times 3]$   
 undefined

EXAMPLE 4. Given  $J = \begin{bmatrix} a & -2 \\ b & 2c \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $K = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 10 \\ -14 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$

Find the values of  $a, b, c$  s.t.  $JK = P$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & -2 \\ b & 2c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 10 \\ -14 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3a + (-2) \cdot 4 & a \cdot 0 + (-2)(-5) \\ 3b + 2c \cdot 4 & b \cdot 0 + 2c(-5) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 10 \\ -14 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3a - 8 & 10 \\ 3b + 8c & -10c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 10 \\ -14 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3a - 8 = 1 \Rightarrow 3a = 1 + 8 \Rightarrow a = \frac{9}{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{a = 3}$$

$$10 = 10$$

$$3b + 8c = -14$$

$$-10c = 20 \Rightarrow c = \frac{20}{-10} \Rightarrow \boxed{c = -2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3b + 8 \cdot (-2) = -14$$

$$3b - 16 = -14 \Rightarrow 3b = -14 + 16 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow 3b = 2 \Rightarrow \boxed{b = \frac{2}{3}}$$

- A system of linear equations can be written as a matrix equation  $AX = B$ .

EXAMPLE 5. Express the following system of linear equations in matrix form:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 4y - 7z &= 6 \\ \text{(a)} \quad -x - 3y + 11z &= 0 \\ 0 \cdot x - y + z &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & -7 \\ -1 & -3 & 11 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}}_X = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B$$

coefficient matrix

$$(b) \begin{aligned} 1x_1 + 5x_2 &= 16 \\ 4x_1 - 3x_2 &= 11 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}}_X = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}}_B$$



EXAMPLE 6. Matrix A shows the **number of calories** from fat, protein and carbohydrates per unit of each food. Matrix B shows **the number of units** of each food eaten by each person. Explain the meaning of entries of BA and AB.

$$A = \begin{matrix} & \text{fat} & \text{carbs} & \text{protein} \\ \text{Food A} & 25 & 8 & 12 \\ \text{Food B} & 31 & 25 & 19 \\ \text{Food C} & 30 & 12 & 18 \end{matrix} \quad [3 \times 3], \quad B = \begin{matrix} & \text{Tom} & \text{Bob} & \text{Jill} \\ \text{fat} & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ \text{carbs} & 0 & 5 & 6 \\ \text{protein} & 2 & 2 & 0 \end{matrix} \quad [3 \times 3]$$

$A \rightarrow [\text{Food} \times \text{nutrients}] \quad B \rightarrow [\text{nutrients} \times \text{person}]$

Solution:

$$BA = \begin{matrix} & \text{Tom} & \text{Bob} & \text{Jill} \\ \text{fat} & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ \text{carbs} & 0 & 5 & 6 \\ \text{protein} & 2 & 2 & 0 \end{matrix} * \begin{matrix} & \text{fat} & \text{carbs} & \text{protein} \\ \text{Food A} & 25 & 8 & 12 \\ \text{Food B} & 31 & 25 & 19 \\ \text{Food C} & 30 & 12 & 18 \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 166 & 73 & 91 \\ 335 & 197 & 203 \\ 112 & 66 & 62 \end{bmatrix}$$

$[\text{nutrients} \times \text{person}] \quad [\text{Food} \times \text{nutrients}] \rightarrow ?$   
no meaning

$$3 \cdot 25 + 1 \cdot 31 + 2 \cdot 30 = 166$$

$$AB = \begin{matrix} & \text{fat} & \text{carbs} & \text{protein} \\ \text{Food A} & 25 & 8 & 12 \\ \text{Food B} & 31 & 25 & 19 \\ \text{Food C} & 30 & 12 & 18 \end{matrix} * \begin{matrix} & \text{Tom} & \text{Bob} & \text{Jill} \\ \text{fat} & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ \text{carbs} & 0 & 5 & 6 \\ \text{protein} & 2 & 2 & 0 \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} & \text{Tom} & \text{Bob} & \text{Jill} \\ \text{Food A} & 99 & 89 & 98 \\ \text{Food B} & 131 & 194 & 212 \\ \text{Food C} & 126 & 126 & 132 \end{matrix}$$

$AB$   
 $[\text{Food} \times \text{nutrients}] \times [\text{nutrients} \times \text{person}] \rightarrow [\text{food} \times \text{person}]$

Each entry in AB represents number of calories from each food for each person.

EXAMPLE 7. Matrix  $A$  below gives the percentage of eligible voters in a city, classified according to party affiliation and age group:

$$A = \begin{matrix} \text{[Age} \times \text{party affiliation]} & \begin{matrix} D & R & I \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0.50 & 0.30 & 0.20 \\ 0.45 & 0.38 & 0.17 \\ 0.38 & 0.52 & 0.10 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 35- \\ 35-55 \\ 55+ \end{matrix} \end{matrix} \quad [3 \times 3]$$

where rows 1, 2 & 3 represent Under 35, 35-55 and over 55, respectively. Columns 1, 2 & 3 represent Democrat, Republican and Independent, respectively. The city currently has 28,000 eligible voters under the age of 35. They have 44,000 eligible voters between 35-55 years of age, and 18,000 eligible voters over 55 years old. Find the matrix  $B$  representing the population of eligible voters. Then use it to find a matrix giving the total number of eligible voters in the city who vote Independent.

$$B = \begin{matrix} \text{# voters} \\ \begin{matrix} 28\ 000 \\ 44\ 000 \\ 18\ 000 \end{matrix} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 35- \\ 35-55 \\ 55+ \end{matrix} \quad [3 \times 1]$$

[age  $\times$  # voters]

$B A$  undefined because  $[3 \times 1] [3 \times 3]$  impossible

$A B$   $[3 \times 3] [3 \times 1] \rightarrow [3 \times 1]$   
 [age  $\times$  party aff] [age  $\times$  # voters] - ?

$A^T B$   $[3 \times 3] [3 \times 1] \rightarrow [3 \times 1]$   
 [party aff  $\times$  age] [age  $\times$  # voters]  
 ↓  
 [party aff  $\times$  # voters]

Use calculator

$$A^T B = \begin{bmatrix} 40\ 640 \\ 3\ 4980 \\ 14\ 880 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} D \\ R \\ I \\ \text{\# voters} \end{matrix}$$

14880 eligible voters who vote Independent

## 2.6: The Inverse of a Square Matrix

Let  $A$  be a square matrix of size  $n$ . A square matrix,  $A^{-1}$ , of size  $n$ , such that  $AA^{-1} = I_n$  (or equivalently,  $A^{-1}A = I_n$ ) is called an inverse matrix.

EXAMPLE 1. Are these matrices inverses?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.75 & -0.25 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check if  $AB = I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  Yes (use calculator)

Conclusion  $A = B^{-1}$  and  $B = A^{-1}$

We shall use the calculator to find  $A^{-1}$  if it exists.

EXAMPLE 2. If possible, find the inverse of the following matrices and express it with exact values (fractions).

(a)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ -4 & -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ .  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{13}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & -\frac{7}{5} \\ \frac{1}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{2}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix}$

(b)  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ -4 & -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  DNE, because  $B$  is not square

(c)  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -4 & -2 & 7 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . not possible, because  $C$  is singular

DEFINITION 3. A matrix that does NOT have an inverse is called singular.

EXAMPLE 4. Solve the matrix equation for  $X$ . Assume all matrices are square and all inverses are possible.

(a)  $XA - 4B = D$

$$\begin{aligned} XA\bar{A}^{-1} &= (D + 4B)\bar{A}^{-1} \\ X\underbrace{\bar{A}\bar{A}^{-1}}_{\mathbf{I}} &= (D + 4B)\bar{A}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$X = (D + 4B)\bar{A}^{-1}$$

(b)  $X + AX = B$

$$\begin{aligned} IX + AX &= B \\ \underbrace{(I+A)^{-1}}_{\text{red}} (I+A)X &= \underbrace{(I+A)^{-1}}_{\text{blue}} B \\ IX &= (I+A)^{-1}B \end{aligned} \Rightarrow$$

$$X = (I+A)^{-1}B$$

$$AX = B$$

EXAMPLE 5. Suppose we have the following system of linear equations:

$$2x + y + 2z = -1$$

$$3x + 2y + z = 2$$

$$2x + y + z = 1$$

(a) write a matrix equation that is equivalent to the system of linear equations.

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}}_X = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B$$

(b) solve the system of equations by using the inverse of the coefficient matrix. A

$$AX = B$$
$$\underbrace{A^{-1}}_I AX = A^{-1}B \Rightarrow X = A^{-1}B$$

use calculator

$$A \Rightarrow [3 \times 3]$$

$$B \rightarrow [3 \times 1]$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(x, y, z) = (2, -1, -2)$$

OR

$$\begin{bmatrix} x = 2 \\ y = -1 \\ z = -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

EXAMPLE 6. Solve the following system of linear equations:

$$2x + y + 2z = -1$$

$$3x + 2y + z = 2$$

$$x + 3z = -4 \rightarrow 1 \cdot x + 0 \cdot y + 3z = -4$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}}_X = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}}_B$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \underbrace{A^{-1}}_{\text{singular}} B$$

$A^{-1}$  DNE

the system has no unique solution

infinite many solutions ?

no solution

use another method to solve (see Sections 2.2-2.3)