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Matrices

- A matrix is an ordered rectangular array of numbers or functions.
- A matrix having m rows and n columns is called a matrix of order $m \times n$.
- $[a_{ij}]_{m \times 1}$ is a column matrix.
- $[a_{ij}]_{1 \times n}$ is a row matrix.
- An $m \times n$ matrix is a square matrix if $m = n$.
- $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ is a diagonal matrix if $a_{ij} = 0$, when $i \neq j$
- $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ is a scalar matrix if $a_{ij} = 0$ when $i \neq j$, $a_{ij} = k$ (k is some constant), when $i = j$.
- $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ is an identity matrix, if $a_{ij} = 1$, when $i = j$, $a_{ij} = 0$, when $i \neq j$.
- A zero matrix has all its elements as zero.
- $A = [a_{ij}] = [b_{ij}] = B$ if (i) A and B are of same order, (ii) for all possible values of i and j .
- $kA = k[a_{ij}]_{m \times n} = [k(a_{ij})]_{m \times n}$
- $-A = (-1)A$
- $A - B = A + (-1)B$
- $A + B = B + A$
- $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$, where A , B and C are of same order.
- $k(A + B) = kA + kB$, where A and B are of same order, k is constant.
- $(k + l)A = kA + lA$, where k and l are constant.
- If $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ and $B = [b_{jk}]_{n \times p}$, then $AB = C = [c_{ik}]_{m \times p}$, where $c_{ik} = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}b_{jk}$

(i) $A(BC) = (AB)C$,

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(ii) $A(B + C) = AB + AC,$

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

- If $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$, then A' or $A^T = [a_{ji}]_{n \times m}$
- (i) $(A')' = A,$
- (ii) $(kA)' = kA',$
- (iii) $(A + B)' = A' + B',$
- (iv) $(AB)' = B'A'$
- A is a symmetric matrix if $A' = A.$
- A is a skew symmetric matrix if $A' = -A.$
- Any square matrix can be represented as the sum of a symmetric and a skew symmetric matrix.
- Elementary operations of a matrix are as follows:
 - (i) $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_j$ or $C_1 \leftrightarrow C_j$
 - (i) $R_1 \rightarrow kR_1$ or $C_1 \leftrightarrow kC_1$
 - (i) $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_j + kR_j$ or $C_1 \leftrightarrow C_j + kC_j$
- If A and B are two square matrices such that $AB = BA = I,$ then B is the inverse matrix of A and is denoted by A^{-1} and A is the inverse of B.
- Inverse of a square matrix, if it exists, is unique.