

## Lecture 6: §1.5 Matrix Operations

### TODAY'S GOALS:

① Define 3 operations on matrices

Addition  
Scalar Multiplication  
Multiplication

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② Study the algebra behind these operations (rules that will help us compute faster, like we do with + &  $\times$  over the reals)

Q: Why do we want to define & study these operations?

A1: We will write linear systems as products of matrices

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

A            X            b

A2: (\*) will be used to define abstract vector spaces (Example:  $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}) = \{m \times n \text{ matrices}\}$ )

## Matrix Operations

Definition A scalar is a real (or complex) number

Definition Two matrices are identical if they have the same size & the same values for all their entries.

In symbols: If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ (m \times n) \text{ matrix}}}$  &  $B = [b_{ij}]_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq k \\ (k \times l) \text{ matrix}}}$ , we

Say  $A = B$  if  $m = k$  (same # rows) &  $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$   
 $n = l$  (- # cols) for all  $i = 1, \dots, m$  &  
for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

Now that we know what  $=$  means for matrices, we can discuss addition (+) & scalar multiplication

Obs: These 2 operations will be used to define (abstract) vector spaces.

## Matrix Addition & Scalar Multiplication

(a) Given  $A, B$  matrices we want to define  $A+B$  as a new matrix

Def 1 If  $A \& B$  are  $m \times n$  matrices, then we define  $A+B$  as an  $m \times n$  matrix with  $[A+B]_{ij} = (i,j)$ -entry

(b) Given an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  & a scalar  $r$  (real / complex number)

Def 2: The scalar product  $r \cdot A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix with  $[r \cdot A]_{ij} = (i,j)$ -entry

## Vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n$ & solutions to $m \times n$ linear systems

- We identify solutions to linear systems as tuples with  $n$  entries.
  - Each entry involves constants & multiples of independent variables
  - Points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  = ordered tuples with  $n$  entries  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
  - Column vectors of dimension  $n$  =  $n \times 1$  matrices 
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$
  - Write  $\boxed{\mathbb{R}^n}$  for the set of all column vectors of dimension  $n$
- We call  $\mathbb{R}^n$  Euclidean Space. It has 2 operations
- (Think of column vectors as matrices!)
- We can write solutions to linear systems of  $m$  equations in  $n$  variables in vector form
- addition  
scalar multiplication

Example 2:

$$B = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right] = B'$$

Consistent?

Conclusion: If an  $m \times n$  system with augmented matrix  $B = [A|b]$  is consistent, then the general form of a solution is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ \vdots \\ p_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{if the solution is unique}$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ \vdots \\ p_n \end{bmatrix} + \text{General Solution of the } \underline{\text{associated}} \underline{\text{homogeneous system}} \text{ with matrix } [A|0]$$

Extra Operation on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  = dot product

Def: Given  $\underline{u}, \underline{v}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we define their dot product as the number

$$\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v}$$

Def: The norm or magnitude of any  $\underline{v}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (Euclidean length) equals

$$\|\underline{v}\| =$$

## Matrix Multiplication

Warm-up Case: A matrix of size  $m \times n$  &  $\underline{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then  $A \cdot \underline{x}$  is in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and it is defined as:

$$A \cdot \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

In symbols:  $(A \cdot \underline{x})_i =$

Application: We can write the system  $\begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \cdots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array}$  as a

product of matrices :  $A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$   $A$  = coefficient matrix

General case How to multiply 2 matrices?  $A \cdot B = ???$

ONLY defined when  $\# \text{cols}(A) = \# \text{rows}(B)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} A & m \times s \\ B & s \times n \end{array} \right\} \rightsquigarrow$$

$$(AB)_{ij} =$$

In symbols: