Matrices

• A matrix is an ordered rectangular array of numbers or functions. The numbers or functions are called the elements or the entries of the matrix.

For example, $\begin{bmatrix} -10 & \sin x & \log x \\ e^x & 2 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$ is a matrix having 6 elements. In this matrix, number of rows = 2 and number of columns = 3

• A matrix having *m* rows and *n* columns is called a matrix of order $m \times n$. In such a matrix, there are *mn* numbers of elements.

For example, the order of the matrix
$$\begin{bmatrix} \sin x & \cos x \\ -1 & 1 + \sin x \\ 0 & \cos x \end{bmatrix}$$
 is 3 × 2 as the numbers of rows and columns of this matrix are 3 and 2 respectively.

• A matrix A is said to be a **row matrix**, if it has only one row. In general, $A = [a_{ij}]_{1 \times n}$ is a row matrix of order $1 \times n$.

For example, $[-9 \ 6 \ 5 \ e \ \sin x]$ is a row matrix of order 1×5 .

• A matrix *B* is said to be a **column matrix**, if it has only one column. In general, $B = [b_{ij}]_{m \rtimes l}$ is a column matrix of order $m \times 1$.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -6\\19\\13 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a column matrix of order 3 × 1.

A matrix C is said to be a square matrix, if the number of rows and columns of the matrix are equal. In general, C = [b_{ij}]_{m×n} is a square matrix, if m = n

For example,
$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 9 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a square matrix.

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- A square matrix A is said to be a **diagonal matrix**, if all its non-diagonal elements are zero. In general, $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \ge n}$ is a diagonal matrix, if $a_{ij} = 0$ for $i \ne n$ j
- A matrix is said to be a **rectangular matrix**, if the number of rows is not equal to the number of columns.

For example: $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 3 & 9 \\ 1 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ is a rectangular matrix.

• If A is a matrix of order $m \times n$, then the matrix obtained by interchanging the rows and columns of A is called the transpose of matrix A. The transpose of A is denoted by A' or A^T . In other words, if $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \ge n}$, then $A' = [a_{ij}]_{n \ge m}$

For example, the transpose of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 & -3 \\ 1 & 11 & 9 \end{bmatrix}_{is} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 8 & 11 \\ -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

• For any matrices A and B of suitable orders, the properties of transpose of matrices are given as:

$$\circ (A')' = A$$

- (kA)' = kA', where k is a constant (A+B)' = A' + B'

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 $(AB)' = B'A'$

• Two matrices $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{ij} \end{bmatrix}$ are said to be equal (denoted as A = B) if they are of the same order and each element of A is equal to the corresponding element of *B* i.e., $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for all *i* and *j*.

For example: $\begin{bmatrix} 15 & 11 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 15 & 11 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ are equal but $\begin{bmatrix} 15 & 11 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 15 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$ are not equal.

Example: If
$$\begin{bmatrix} 7 & x-y \\ 13 & 3y+z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x+y & 5 \\ 2x+y+z & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
, then find the values of x, y and z.

Solution:

Since the corresponding elements of equal matrices are equal,

$$2x + y = 7...(1)$$

$$x - y = 5...(2)$$

$$2x + y + z = 13...(3)$$

$$3y + z = 3...(4)$$

On solving equations (1) and (2), we obtain x = 4 and y = -1.

On substituting the value of y in equation (4), we obtain z = 6.

Thus, the values of x, y and z are 4, -1 and 6 respectively.

• Two matrices $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ can be added, if they are of the same order.

The sum of two matrices A and B of same order $m \times n$ is defined as matrix $C = [c_{ij}]_{m \times n}$, where $c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$ for all possible values of i and j.

- The difference of two matrices A and B is defined, if and only if they are of same order. The difference of the matrices A and B is defined as A B = A + (–1)B
- If *A*, *B*, and *C* are three matrices of same order, then they follow the following properties related to addition:
 - Commutative law: A + B = B + A
 - Associative law: A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C
 - Existence of additive identity: For every matrix A, there exists a matrix O such that A + O = O + A = A. In this case, O is called the additive identity for matrix addition.
 - Existence of additive inverse: For every matrix A, there exists a matrix (-A) such that A + (-A) = (-A) + A = O. In this case, (-A) is called the additive inverse or the negative of A.

Example: Find the value of *x* and *y*, if:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x + 3y & 9 \\ -2 & 4x - 7y \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 3x + \frac{5}{2}y & -11 \\ -13 & 3x - \frac{3}{2}y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 56 & -13 \\ -28 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2x + 3y & 9 \\ -2 & 4x - 7y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 6x + 5y & -22 \\ -26 & 6x - 3y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 56 & -13 \\ -28 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 8(x + y) & -13 \\ -28 & 10(x - y) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 56 & -13 \\ -28 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, we have 8 (x + y) = 56 and 10 (x - y) = 30 $\Rightarrow x + y = 7$... (1) And x - y = 3 ... (2)

Solving equation (1) and (2), we obtain x = 5 and y = 2

• The multiplication of a matrix A of order $m \times n$ by a scalar k is defined as

 $kA = kA = k[a_{ij}]_{m \times n} = [k(a_{ij})]_{m \times n}$

- If *A* and *B* are matrices of same order and *k* and *l* are scalars, then
 - k(A+B) = kA + kB

$$\circ (k+l) A = kA + lA$$

- The negative of a matrix B is denoted by -B and is defined as (-1)B.
- The product of two matrices *A* and *B* is defined, if the number of columns of *A* is equal to the number of rows of *B*.
- If $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ and $B = [b_{jk}]_{n \times p}$ are two matrices, then their product is defined as $AB = C = [c_{ik}]_{m \times p}$, where $c_{ik} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}b_{jk}$

For example, if
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & -9 \end{bmatrix} and B = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 9 \\ 7 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then}$$
$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 9 \\ 7 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times (-5) + (-3) \times 7 + 7 \times 0 \ 2 \times 9 + (-3) \times 2 + 7 \times 1 \\ 0 \times (-5) + 1 \times 7 + (-9) \times 0 \ 0 \times 9 + 1 \times 2 + (-9) \times 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -31 & 19 \\ 7 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

- If *A*, *B*, and *C* are any three matrices, then they follow the following properties related to multiplication:
 - Associative law: (AB) C = A (BC)
 - Distribution law: A(B + C) = AB + AC and (A + B) C = AC + BC, if both sides of equality are defined.
 - Existence of multiplicative identity: For every square matrix A, there exists an identity matrix I of same order such that IA = AI = A. In this case, I is called the multiplicative identity.
- Multiplication of two matrices is not commutative. There are many cases where the product *AB* of two matrices *A* and *B* is defined, but the product *BA* need not be defined.

For example, if $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 2}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$, then *AB* is defined where as *BA* is not defined.