

HW11

## 3.2 Matrix Algebra

1. Following remarks prior to Example 3.16, the key assumption is matrices are the same size. Then add, subtract, and multiply (by scalars only) as in *normal* algebra.

$$X - 2A + 3B = 0 \Rightarrow X = 2A - 3B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. Following remarks prior to Example 3.16, the key assumption is matrices are the same size. Then add, subtract, and multiply (by scalars only) as in *normal* algebra.

$$2X = A - B \Rightarrow X = \frac{1}{2}(A - B) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

3.  $X = \frac{2}{3}(A + 2B) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{10}{3} & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$

4.  $X = 5A - 2B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 10 \\ 13 & 18 \end{bmatrix}.$

5. As in Example 3.16, we want to find scalars  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that  $c_1A_1 + c_2A_2 = B$ .

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The left-hand side of this equation can be rewritten as  $\begin{bmatrix} c_1 & 2c_1 + c_2 \\ -c_1 + 2c_2 & c_1 + c_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Comparing entries and the definition of matrix equality yields

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= 2 \\ 2c_1 + c_2 &= 5 \\ -c_1 + 2c_2 &= 0 \\ c_1 + c_2 &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Gauss-Jordan elimination easily gives  $\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

So,  $c_1 = 2$  and  $c_2 = 1$ . Thus,  $2A_1 + A_2 = B$ , which can be easily checked.

Having walked through the process, we note this pattern in our augmented matrix: the first column is the entries of  $A_1$ , the second column is the entries of  $A_2$ , and the third column, the augmented column, is the entries of  $B$ . Make use of this pattern!

13. Following Example 3.18, we create an augmented matrix and row reduce to solve. As in Exercise 8, the first column is the entries of  $A_1$ , the second column is the entries of  $A_2$ , but now the augmented column is all zeroes.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Clearly, the only solution is  $c_1 = c_2 = 0$ . What do we conclude?  
We conclude that  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are linearly independent.

14. Following Example 3.18, we create an augmented matrix and row reduce to solve. As in Exercise 8, the first column is the entries of  $A_1$ , the second column is the entries of  $A_2$ , the third column is the entries of  $A_3$ , but now the augmented column is all zeroes.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

So,  $c_1 = -3c_3$ ,  $c_2 = c_3$  is a solution with at least one  $c_i \neq 0$ . What does that tell us?  
That tells us that  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ , and  $A_3$  are linearly dependent.

In particular, if we let  $c_3 = -1$ , we have the following dependence relation:

$$3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

23. We will compute  $AB$  and  $BA$ , then equate entries to find the conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ .

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+c & b+d \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & a+b \\ c & c+d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = BA$$

Equating entries gives us the following four equations (conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ ):  
 $a + c = a$ ,  $b + d = a + b$ ,  $c = c$ , and  $d = c + d \Rightarrow$  The conditions are  $a = d$  and  $c = 0$ .

24. We will compute  $AB$  and  $BA$ , then equate entries to find the conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a-c & b-d \\ -a+c & -b+d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a-b & -a+b \\ c-d & -c+d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equating entries gives us the following four equations (conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ ):  
 $a - c = a - b$ ,  $b - d = -a + b$ ,  $-a + c = c - d$ , and  $-b + d = -c + d$ .

So, the conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$  are  $a = d$  and  $b = c$ .

25. We will compute  $AB$  and  $BA$ , then equate entries to find the conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ .

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+2c & b+2d \\ 3a+4c & 3b+4d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+3b & 2a+4b \\ c+3d & 2c+4d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = BA$$

Equating entries gives us the following four equations (conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ ):  
 $a + 2c = a + 3b$ ,  $b + 2d = 2a + 4b$ ,  $3a + 4c = c + 3d$ , and  $3b + 4d = 2c + 4d$ .

So, the conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$  are  $3b = 2c$  and  $a = d - c$ .

26. We will compute  $A_1B$  and  $BA_1$ , then equate entries to find conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ .  
 We will then repeat the process for  $A_4B$  and  $BA_4$ , then combine conditions for our answer.

$$A_1B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = BA_1$$

Equating entries gives us the following four equations (conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ ):  
 $a = a$ ,  $b = 0$ ,  $c = 0$ , and  $0 = 0 \Rightarrow$  The  $A_1$  conditions are  $b = 0$  and  $c = 0$ .

Repeating the process for  $A_4B$  and  $BA_4$  yields:

$$A_4B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = BA_4$$

Equating entries gives us the following four equations (conditions on  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ ):  
 $0 = 0$ ,  $b = 0$ ,  $c = 0$ , and  $d = d \Rightarrow$  The  $A_4$  conditions are  $b = 0$  and  $c = 0$ .

Combining the conditions for  $A_1$  and  $A_4$  (in this case they are the same) gives us:  
 The required conditions so that  $B$  will commute with  $A_1$  and  $A_4$  are  $b = c = 0$ .

Q: Let  $M = aA_1 + dA_4$ . Does the  $B$  we found above commute with  $M$ ?

A: Yes, since  $BM = B(aA_1 + dA_4) = aBA_1 + dBA_4 = aA_1B + dA_4B = (aA_1 + dA_4)B = MB$ .

36. (a) Let  $A$  be the  $n \times n$  matrix with entries  $a_{ij} = 1$  if either  $i = 1$  or  $j = 1$ , 0 otherwise, and let  $B$  be the  $n \times n$  matrix with entries  $b_{ij} = 1$  if  $i + j = n + 1$ , 0 otherwise.

$$\text{So, } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Clearly,  $A$  and  $B$  are symmetric, but  $AB$  is not symmetric.

$$\text{When } n = 2, \text{ for instance, we have } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) Since this is an *if and only if* statement, we have two claims to prove.

if: If  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $AB$  are symmetric, then  $AB = BA$ .

$$AB \stackrel{\substack{AB \text{ is} \\ \text{symmetric}}}{=} (AB)^T \stackrel{\substack{\text{by} \\ \text{Thm 3.4d}}}{=} B^T A^T \stackrel{\substack{A \text{ and } B \text{ are} \\ \text{symmetric}}}{=} BA$$

only if: If  $A$ ,  $B$  are symmetric and  $AB = BA$ , then  $AB$  is symmetric, that is  $(AB)^T = AB$ .

$$(AB)^T \stackrel{\substack{\text{by} \\ \text{Thm 3.4d}}}{=} B^T A^T \stackrel{\substack{A \text{ and } B \text{ are} \\ \text{symmetric}}}{=} BA \stackrel{\substack{\text{by the given} \\ AB = BA}}{=} AB$$

37. For each matrix, we will simply check to see if  $A^T = -A$  is satisfied.

(a) Since  $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \neq -\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = -A$ ,  $A$  is *not* skew-symmetric.

(b) Since  $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -A$ ,  $A$  is skew-symmetric.

(c) Since  $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -A$ ,  $A$  is skew-symmetric.

(d) Since  $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -A$ ,  $A$  is *not* skew-symmetric.

38. A square matrix is called skew-symmetric if  $A^T = -A \Leftrightarrow [A^T]_{ij} = [-A]_{ij} \Leftrightarrow [A]_{ji} = -[A]_{ij}$ . Thus, the components must satisfy  $a_{ji} = -a_{ij}$ .

39. If  $A$  is skew-symmetric ( $A^T = -A$ ), then the diagonal entries must be zero ( $a_{ii} = 0$ ).

$$A^T = -A \Rightarrow [A^T]_{ij} = [-A]_{ij} \Rightarrow [A]_{ji} = -[A]_{ij}$$

$$\text{So } a_{ji} = -a_{ij} \Rightarrow a_{ii} = -a_{ii} \Rightarrow 2a_{ii} = 0 \Rightarrow a_{ii} = 0$$

40. If  $A$  and  $B$  are skew-symmetric, then so is  $A + B$ , that is  $(A + B)^T = -(A + B)$ .

$$(A + B)^T \stackrel{\substack{\text{by} \\ \text{Thm 3.4b}}}{=} A^T + B^T \stackrel{\substack{A \text{ and } B \text{ are} \\ \text{skew-symmetric}}}{=} (-A) + (-B) \stackrel{\substack{\text{by} \\ \text{Thm 3.2}}}{=} -(A + B)$$

1. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be skew-symmetric  $2 \times 2$  matrices, so  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ -b & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Demanding that  $AB$  be skew-symmetric gives us the equation:

$$(AB)^T = -AB \Leftrightarrow \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ -b & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T = - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ -b & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -ab & 0 \\ 0 & -ab \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} ab & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -ab & 0 \\ 0 & -ab \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ab & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{bmatrix}.$$

So,  $-ab = ab \Leftrightarrow ab = 0$ . Letting  $O$  = the zero matrix, we get:

$AB$  will be skew-symmetric provided either  $A = O$  or  $B = O$  (or both).

42. If  $A$  is a square matrix, then  $A - A^T$  is skew-symmetric, that is  $(A - A^T)^T = -(A - A^T)$ .

$$(A - A^T)^T \stackrel{\text{by Thm 3.4b}}{=} A^T - (A^T)^T \stackrel{\text{by Thm 3.4a}}{=} A^T - A \stackrel{\text{by Thm 3.2}}{=} -(A - A^T)$$

43. We will prove this claim in (a) and demonstrate it with an example in (b).

- (a) If  $A$  is  $n \times n$ , then  $A = B + C$ , where  $B$  is symmetric and  $C$  is skew-symmetric.

$$S \stackrel{\substack{\text{symmetric by} \\ \text{Thm 3.5a}}}{=} A + A^T \text{ and } S' \stackrel{\substack{\text{skew-symmetric by} \\ \text{Exercise 42}}}{=} A - A^T$$

$$\text{Now simply note } A = \frac{1}{2}(A + A^T) + \frac{1}{2}(A - A^T) = \frac{1}{2}S + \frac{1}{2}S'$$

Q: When  $S$  is symmetric and  $S'$  is skew-symmetric, are  $cS$  and  $cS'$  also?

A: Yes, since  $(cS)^T = cS^T = cS$  and  $(cS')^T = c(S')^T = -cS'$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } A &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 5 & 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

44. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  matrices, and let  $k$  be a scalar. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) } \operatorname{tr}(A + B) &= (a_{11} + b_{11}) + (a_{22} + b_{22}) + \cdots + (a_{nn} + b_{nn}) \\ &= (a_{11} + a_{22} + \cdots + a_{nn}) + (b_{11} + b_{22} + \cdots + b_{nn}) = \operatorname{tr}(A) + \operatorname{tr}(B). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(ii) } \operatorname{tr}(kA) = ka_{11} + ka_{22} + \cdots + ka_{nn} = k(a_{11} + a_{22} + \cdots + a_{nn}) = k \operatorname{tr}(A).$$

45. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  matrices. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{tr}(AB) &= (a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} + \cdots + a_{1n}b_{n1}) + (a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} + \cdots + a_{2n}b_{n2}) + \\ &\quad \cdots + (a_{n1}b_{1n} + a_{n2}b_{2n} + \cdots + a_{nn}b_{nn}) \\ &= (b_{11}a_{11} + b_{12}a_{21} + \cdots + b_{1n}a_{n1}) + (b_{21}a_{12} + b_{22}a_{22} + \cdots + b_{2n}a_{n2}) + \\ &\quad \cdots + (b_{n1}a_{1n} + b_{n2}a_{2n} + \cdots + b_{nn}a_{nn}) \\ &= \operatorname{tr}(BA) \end{aligned}$$

46. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Then

$$\operatorname{tr}(AA^T) = (a_{11}^2 + a_{12}^2 + \cdots + a_{1n}^2) + (a_{21}^2 + a_{22}^2 + \cdots + a_{2n}^2) + \cdots + (a_{n1}^2 + a_{n2}^2 + \cdots + a_{nn}^2),$$

that is, the sum of the squares of the entries of  $A$ .