Chapter 3 – Sections 1 & 3 Matrices

A **matrix** is a rectangular array of real numbers. Matrix *A* has 2 horizontal **rows** and 3 vertical **columns.**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 7 & -1 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Each **entry** can be identified by its position in the matrix. 7 is in Row 2 Column 1. -2 is in Row 1 Column 3.

A matrix with *m* rows and *n* columns is of **order** $m \times n$. *A* is of order 2×3 .

If m = n the matrix is said to be square of order n.

Examples: Find the order of each matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} A \text{ has three rows and} four \text{ columns.}$$

The order of A is 3×4 .
$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} B \text{ has one row and five columns.}$$

The order of B is 1×5 .
 B is called a **row matrix**.

 $C = \begin{vmatrix} C \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{vmatrix}$ C is a 2 × 2 square matrix.

An $m \times n$ matrix can be written

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m1} & a_{m1} & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Two matrices $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ are **equal** if they have the same order and $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for every *i* and *j*.

For example, $\begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & \sqrt{9} \\ \frac{1}{4} & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 3 \\ 0.25 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ since both matrices

are of order 2×2 and all corresponding entries are equal.

To add matrices:

Check to see if the matrices have the same order.
Add corresponding entries.

Example: Find the sums A + B and B + C. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

A has order 3×2 and B has order 2×3 . So they cannot be added. C has order 2×3 and can be added to B.

$$B + C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 & 6 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To subtract matrices:

Check to see if the matrices have the same order.
Subtract corresponding entries.

Example: Find the differences A - B and B - C. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} C = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

A and B are both of order 2×2 and can be subtracted.

 $A - B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ Since *B* is of order 2 × 2 and *C* is of order 3 × 2, they cannot be subtracted. If $A = [a_{ij}]$ is an $m \times n$ matrix and c is a scalar (a real number), then the $m \times n$ matrix $cA = [ca_{ij}]$ is the scalar multiple of A by c. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

scalar multiple of A by c. Example: Find 2A and -3A for $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

 $2A = \begin{bmatrix} 2(2) & 2(5) & 2(-1) \\ 2(3) & 2(4) & 2(0) \\ 2(2) & 2(7) & 2(2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 10 & -2 \\ 6 & 8 & 0 \\ 4 & 14 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ $-\frac{1}{3}A = \begin{bmatrix} -3(2) & -3(5) & -3(-1) \\ -3(3) & -3(4) & -3(0) \\ -3(2) & -3(7) & -3(2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -15 & 3 \\ -9 & -12 & 0 \\ -6 & -21 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$

Example: Calculate the value of 3A - 2B + C with



An **augmented matrix** and a **coefficient matrix** are associated with each system of linear equations.

For the system $\begin{cases} 2x + 3y - z = 12\\ x - 8y = 16 \end{cases}$

The augmented matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & 12 \\ 1 & -8 & 0 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$.

The coefficient matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Elementary Row Operations.

1. Interchange two rows of a matrix.

2. Multiply a row of a matrix by a nonzero constant.

3. Add a multiple of one row of a matrix to another.

A sequence of elementary row operations transforms the augmented matrix of a system into the augmented matrix of another system with the same solutions as the original system.

In this case we say the augmented matrices are **row** equivalent.

Example: Apply the elementary row operation $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$ to the augmented matrix of the system $\begin{cases} x+2y=8 \\ 3x-y=10 \end{cases}$.



Note that the two systems are equivalent.

Example: Apply the elementary row operation $3R_2$ to the augmented matrix of the system $\begin{cases} x + 2y = 8 \\ 3x - y = 10 \end{cases}$.



Example: Apply the row operation $-3R_1 + R_2$ to the augmented matrix of the system $\begin{cases} x + 2y = 8 \\ 3x - y = 10 \end{cases}$.

