

DEFINITION

Addition of Matrices

The **sum** of two matrices $\mathbf{A} = [a_{jk}]$ and $\mathbf{B} = [b_{jk}]$ of the same size is written $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$ and has the entries $a_{jk} + b_{jk}$ obtained by adding the corresponding entries of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} . Matrices of different sizes cannot be added.

As a special case, the **sum** $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$ of two row vectors or two column vectors, which must have the same number of components, is obtained by adding the corresponding components.

EXAMPLE 4 Addition of Matrices and Vectors

$$\text{If } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

\mathbf{A} in Example 3 and our present \mathbf{A} cannot be added. If $\mathbf{a} = [5 \ 7 \ 2]$ and $\mathbf{b} = [-6 \ 2 \ 0]$, then $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = [-1 \ 9 \ 2]$.

An application of matrix addition was suggested in Example 2. Many others will follow. ■

DEFINITION

Scalar Multiplication (Multiplication by a Number)

The **product** of any $m \times n$ matrix $\mathbf{A} = [a_{jk}]$ and any scalar c (number c) is written $c\mathbf{A}$ and is the $m \times n$ matrix $c\mathbf{A} = [ca_{jk}]$ obtained by multiplying each entry of \mathbf{A} by c .

Here $(-1)\mathbf{A}$ is simply written $-\mathbf{A}$ and is called the **negative** of \mathbf{A} . Similarly, $(-k)\mathbf{A}$ is written $-k\mathbf{A}$. Also, $\mathbf{A} + (-\mathbf{B})$ is written $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$ and is called the **difference** of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} (which must have the same size!).

EXAMPLE 5 Scalar Multiplication

$$\text{If } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.7 & -1.8 \\ 0 & 0.9 \\ 9.0 & -4.5 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } -\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -2.7 & 1.8 \\ 0 & -0.9 \\ -9.0 & 4.5 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{10}{9}\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 10 & -5 \end{bmatrix}, 0\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If a matrix \mathbf{B} shows the distances between some cities in miles, $1.609\mathbf{B}$ gives these distances in kilometers. ■

Rules for Matrix Addition and Scalar Multiplication. From the familiar laws for the addition of numbers we obtain similar laws for the addition of matrices of the same size $m \times n$, namely,

- (3) (a) $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}$
 (b) $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C})$ (written $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}$)
 (c) $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{A}$
 (d) $\mathbf{A} + (-\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{0}$.

Here $\mathbf{0}$ denotes the **zero matrix** (of size $m \times n$), that is, the $m \times n$ matrix with all entries zero. If $m = 1$ or $n = 1$, this is a vector, called a **zero vector**.

Hence matrix addition is *commutative* and *associative* [by (3a) and (3b)]. Similarly, for scalar multiplication we obtain the rules

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} (a) \quad c(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) &= c\mathbf{A} + c\mathbf{B} \\ (b) \quad (c + k)\mathbf{A} &= c\mathbf{A} + k\mathbf{A} \\ (c) \quad c(k\mathbf{A}) &= (ck)\mathbf{A} \quad (\text{written } ck\mathbf{A}) \\ (d) \quad 1\mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{A}. \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM SET 7.1

1-7 GENERAL QUESTIONS

- Equality.** Give reasons why the five matrices in Example 3 are all different.
- Double subscript notation.** If you write the matrix in Example 2 in the form $\mathbf{A} = [a_{jk}]$, what is a_{31} ? a_{13} ? a_{26} ? a_{33} ?
- Sizes.** What sizes do the matrices in Examples 1, 2, 3, and 5 have?
- Main diagonal.** What is the main diagonal of \mathbf{A} in Example 1? Of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} in Example 3?
- Scalar multiplication.** If \mathbf{A} in Example 2 shows the number of items sold, what is the matrix \mathbf{B} of units sold if a unit consists of (a) 5 items and (b) 10 items?
- If a 12×12 matrix \mathbf{A} shows the distances between 12 cities in kilometers, how can you obtain from \mathbf{A} the matrix \mathbf{B} showing these distances in miles?
- Addition of vectors.** Can you add: A row and a column vector with different numbers of components? With the same number of components? Two row vectors with the same number of components but different numbers of zeros? A vector and a scalar? A vector with four components and a 2×2 matrix?

8-16 ADDITION AND SCALAR MULTIPLICATION OF MATRICES AND VECTORS

Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0 \\ -3.0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -30 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the following expressions, indicating which of the rules in (3) or (4) they illustrate, or give reasons why they are not defined.

- $2\mathbf{A} + 4\mathbf{B}$, $4\mathbf{B} + 2\mathbf{A}$, $0\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$, $0.4\mathbf{B} - 4.2\mathbf{A}$
- $3\mathbf{A}$, $0.5\mathbf{B}$, $3\mathbf{A} + 0.5\mathbf{B}$, $3\mathbf{A} + 0.5\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}$
- $(4 \cdot 3)\mathbf{A}$, $4(3\mathbf{A})$, $14\mathbf{B} - 3\mathbf{B}$, $11\mathbf{B}$
- $8\mathbf{C} + 10\mathbf{D}$, $2(5\mathbf{D} + 4\mathbf{C})$, $0.6\mathbf{C} - 0.6\mathbf{D}$, $0.6(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D})$
- $(\mathbf{C} + \mathbf{D}) + \mathbf{E}$, $(\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{E}) + \mathbf{C}$, $0(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{E}) + 4\mathbf{D}$, $\mathbf{A} - 0\mathbf{C}$
- $(2 \cdot 7)\mathbf{C}$, $2(7\mathbf{C})$, $-\mathbf{D} + 0\mathbf{E}$, $\mathbf{E} - \mathbf{D} + \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{u}$
- $(5\mathbf{u} + 5\mathbf{v}) - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}$, $-20(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + 2\mathbf{w}$, $\mathbf{E} - (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})$, $10(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$
- $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) - \mathbf{w}$, $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w})$, $\mathbf{C} + 0\mathbf{w}$, $0\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$
- $15\mathbf{v} - 3\mathbf{w} - 0\mathbf{u}$, $-3\mathbf{w} + 15\mathbf{v}$, $\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{u} + 3\mathbf{C}$, $8.5\mathbf{w} - 11.1\mathbf{u} + 0.4\mathbf{v}$
- Resultant of forces.** If the above vectors \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , \mathbf{w} represent forces in space, their sum is called their *resultant*. Calculate it.
- Equilibrium.** By definition, forces are *in equilibrium* if their resultant is the zero vector. Find a force \mathbf{p} such that the above \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , \mathbf{w} , and \mathbf{p} are in equilibrium.
- General rules.** Prove (3) and (4) for general 2×3 matrices and scalars c and k .

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A is a **stochastic matrix**, that is, a square matrix with all entries nonnegative and all column sums equal to 1. Our example concerns a **Markov process**,¹ that is, a process for which the probability of entering a certain state depends only on the last state occupied (and the matrix A), not on any earlier state.

Solution. From the matrix A and the 2004 state we can compute the 2009 state,

$$\begin{array}{l} C \\ I \\ R \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 \cdot 25 + 0.1 \cdot 20 + 0 \cdot 55 \\ 0.2 \cdot 25 + 0.9 \cdot 20 + 0.2 \cdot 55 \\ 0.1 \cdot 25 + 0 \cdot 20 + 0.8 \cdot 55 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0.9 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 20 \\ 55 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 19.5 \\ 34.0 \\ 46.5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To explain: The 2009 figure for C equals 25% times the probability 0.7 that C goes into C , plus 20% times the probability 0.1 that I goes into C , plus 55% times the probability 0 that R goes into C . Together,

$$25 \cdot 0.7 + 20 \cdot 0.1 + 55 \cdot 0 = 19.5 [\%]. \quad \text{Also} \quad 25 \cdot 0.2 + 20 \cdot 0.9 + 55 \cdot 0.2 = 34 [\%].$$

Similarly, the new R is 46.5%. We see that the 2009 state vector is the column vector

$$\mathbf{y} = [19.5 \quad 34.0 \quad 46.5]^T = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} [25 \quad 20 \quad 55]^T$$

where the column vector $\mathbf{x} = [25 \quad 20 \quad 55]^T$ is the given 2004 state vector. Note that the sum of the entries of \mathbf{y} is 100 [%]. Similarly, you may verify that for 2014 and 2019 we get the state vectors

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{x} = [17.05 \quad 43.80 \quad 39.15]^T \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}^3\mathbf{x} = [16.315 \quad 50.660 \quad 33.025]^T. \end{aligned}$$

Answer. In 2009 the commercial area will be 19.5% (11.7 mi²), the industrial 34% (20.4 mi²), and the residential 46.5% (27.9 mi²). For 2014 the corresponding figures are 17.05%, 43.80%, and 39.15%. For 2019 they are 16.315%, 50.660%, and 33.025%. (In Sec. 8.2 we shall see what happens in the limit, assuming that those probabilities remain the same. In the meantime, can you experiment or guess?) ■

PROBLEM SET 7.2

1–10 GENERAL QUESTIONS

- Multiplication.** Why is multiplication of matrices restricted by conditions on the factors?
- Square matrix.** What form does a 3×3 matrix have if it is symmetric as well as skew-symmetric?
- Product of vectors.** Can every 3×3 matrix be represented by two vectors as in Example 3?
- Skew-symmetric matrix.** How many different entries can a 4×4 skew-symmetric matrix have? An $n \times n$ skew-symmetric matrix?
- Same questions as in Prob. 4 for symmetric matrices.
- Triangular matrix.** If U_1, U_2 are upper triangular and L_1, L_2 are lower triangular, which of the following are triangular?

$$U_1 + U_2, \quad U_1 U_2, \quad U_1^2, \quad U_1 + L_1, \quad U_1 L_1, \\ L_1 + L_2$$

- Idempotent matrix,** defined by $A^2 = A$. Can you find four 2×2 idempotent matrices?

- Nilpotent matrix,** defined by $B^m = 0$ for some m . Can you find three 2×2 nilpotent matrices?
- Transposition.** Can you prove (10a)–(10c) for 3×3 matrices? For $m \times n$ matrices?
- Transposition.** (a) Illustrate (10d) by simple examples. (b) Prove (10d).

11–20 MULTIPLICATION, ADDITION, AND TRANSPOSITION OF MATRICES AND VECTORS

Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{a} = [1 \quad -2 \quad 0], \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

¹ANDREI ANDREJEVITCH MARKOV (1856–1922), Russian mathematician, known for his work in probability theory.

Showing all intermediate results, calculate the following expressions or give reasons why they are undefined:

11. $AB, AB^T, BA, B^T A$
12. AA^T, A^2, BB^T, B^2
13. $CC^T, BC, CB, C^T B$
14. $3A - 2B, (3A - 2B)^T, 3A^T - 2B^T, (3A - 2B)^T a^T$
15. $Aa, Aa^T, (Ab)^T, b^T A^T$
16. $BC, BC^T, Bb, b^T B$
17. ABC, ABa, ABb, Ca^T
18. ab, ba, aA, Bb
19. $1.5a + 3.0b, 1.5a^T + 3.0b, (A - B)b, Ab - Bb$
20. $b^T Ab, aBa^T, aCC^T, C^T ba$
21. **General rules.** Prove (2) for 2×2 matrices $A = [a_{jk}]$, $B = [b_{jk}]$, $C = [c_{jk}]$, and a general scalar.

22. **Product.** Write AB in Prob. 11 in terms of row and column vectors.

23. **Product.** Calculate AB in Prob. 11 columnwise. See Example 1.

24. **Commutativity.** Find all 2×2 matrices $A = [a_{jk}]$ that commute with $B = [b_{jk}]$, where $b_{jk} = j + k$.

25. **TEAM PROJECT. Symmetric and Skew-Symmetric Matrices.** These matrices occur quite frequently in applications, so it is worthwhile to study some of their most important properties.

(a) Verify the claims in (11) that $a_{kj} = a_{jk}$ for a symmetric matrix, and $a_{kj} = -a_{jk}$ for a skew-symmetric matrix. Give examples.

(b) Show that for every square matrix C the matrix $C + C^T$ is symmetric and $C - C^T$ is skew-symmetric. Write C in the form $C = S + T$, where S is symmetric and T is skew-symmetric and find S and T in terms of C . Represent A and B in Probs. 11–20 in this form.

(c) A **linear combination** of matrices A, B, C, \dots, M of the same size is an expression of the form

$$(14) \quad aA + bB + cC + \dots + mM,$$

where a, \dots, m are any scalars. Show that if these matrices are square and symmetric, so is (14); similarly, if they are skew-symmetric, so is (14).

(d) Show that AB with symmetric A and B is symmetric if and only if A and B **commute**, that is, $AB = BA$.

(e) Under what condition is the product of skew-symmetric matrices skew-symmetric?

26–30) FURTHER APPLICATIONS

26. **Production.** In a production process, let N mean “no trouble” and T “trouble.” Let the transition probabilities from one day to the next be 0.8 for $N \rightarrow N$, hence 0.2 for $N \rightarrow T$, and 0.5 for $T \rightarrow N$, hence 0.5 for $T \rightarrow T$.

If today there is no trouble, what is the probability of N two days after today? Three days after today?

27. **CAS Experiment. Markov Process.** Write a program for a Markov process. Use it to calculate further steps in Example 13 of the text. Experiment with other stochastic 3×3 matrices, also using different starting values.

28. **Concert subscription.** In a community of 100,000 adults, subscribers to a concert series tend to renew their subscription with probability 90% and persons presently not subscribing will subscribe for the next season with probability 0.2%. If the present number of subscribers is 1200, can one predict an increase, decrease, or no change over each of the next three seasons?

29. **Profit vector.** Two factory outlets F_1 and F_2 in New York and Los Angeles sell sofas (S), chairs (C), and tables (T) with a profit of \$35, \$62, and \$30, respectively. Let the sales in a certain week be given by the matrix

$$A = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} S & C & T \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 400 & 60 & 240 \\ 100 & 120 & 500 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Introduce a “profit vector” p such that the components of $v = Ap$ give the total profits of F_1 and F_2 .

30. **TEAM PROJECT. Special Linear Transformations. Rotations** have various applications. We show in this project how they can be handled by matrices.

(a) **Rotation in the plane.** Show that the linear transformation $y = Ax$ with

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a counterclockwise rotation of the Cartesian x_1x_2 -coordinate system in the plane about the origin, where θ is the angle of rotation.

(b) **Rotation through $n\theta$.** Show that in (a)

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos n\theta & -\sin n\theta \\ \sin n\theta & \cos n\theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

Is this plausible? Explain this in words.

(c) **Addition formulas for cosine and sine.** By geometry we should have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta & -\sin \beta \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha + \beta) & -\sin(\alpha + \beta) \\ \sin(\alpha + \beta) & \cos(\alpha + \beta) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Derive from this the addition formulas (6) in App. A3.1.

$R\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}$ is inconsistent: No solution is possible. Therefore the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is inconsistent as well. See Example 4, where $r = 2 < m = 3$ and $f_{r+1} = f_3 = 12$.

If the system is consistent (either $r = m$, or $r < m$ and all the numbers $f_{r+1}, f_{r+2}, \dots, f_m$ are zero), then there are solutions.

(b) **Unique solution.** If the system is consistent and $r = n$, there is exactly one solution, which can be found by back substitution. See Example 2, where $r = n = 3$ and $m = 4$.

(c) **Infinitely many solutions.** To obtain any of these solutions, choose values of x_{r+1}, \dots, x_n arbitrarily. Then solve the r th equation for x_r (in terms of those arbitrary values), then the $(r - 1)$ st equation for x_{r-1} , and so on up the line. See Example 3.

Orientation. Gauss elimination is reasonable in computing time and storage demand. We shall consider those aspects in Sec. 20.1 in the chapter on numeric linear algebra. Section 7.4 develops fundamental concepts of linear algebra such as linear independence and rank of a matrix. These in turn will be used in Sec. 7.5 to fully characterize the behavior of linear systems in terms of existence and uniqueness of solutions.

1-14 GAUSS ELIMINATION

Solve the linear system given explicitly or by its augmented matrix. Show details.

1. $4x - 6y = -11$
 $-3x + 8y = 10$

3. $x + y - z = 9$
 $8y + 6z = -6$
 $-2x + 4y - 6z = 40$

5. $\begin{bmatrix} 13 & 12 & -6 \\ -4 & 7 & -73 \\ 11 & -13 & 157 \end{bmatrix}$

7. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

9. $-2y - 2z = -8$
 $3x + 4y - 5z = 13$

11. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 5 & -10 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & -3 & 6 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

2. $\begin{bmatrix} 3.0 & -0.5 & 0.6 \\ 1.5 & 4.5 & 6.0 \end{bmatrix}$

4. $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & -3 & 1 & 2 \\ -9 & 2 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

6. $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -8 & 3 & 16 \\ -1 & 2 & -5 & -21 \\ 3 & -6 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

8. $4y + 3z = 8$
 $2x - z = 2$
 $3x + 2y = 5$

10. $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -7 & 3 & 17 \\ -15 & 21 & -9 & 50 \end{bmatrix}$

12. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & -6 & 5 & 15 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

13. $10x + 4y - 2z = -4$
 $-3w - 17x + y + 2z = 2$
 $w + x + y = 6$
 $8w - 34x + 16y - 10z = 4$

14. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & -11 & 1 \\ 5 & -2 & 5 & -4 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & -3 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & -7 & 2 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$

15. **Equivalence relation.** By definition, an *equivalence relation* on a set is a relation satisfying three conditions: (named as indicated)

(i) Each element A of the set is equivalent to itself (*Reflexivity*).

(ii) If A is equivalent to B , then B is equivalent to A (*Symmetry*).

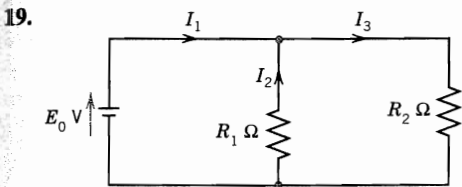
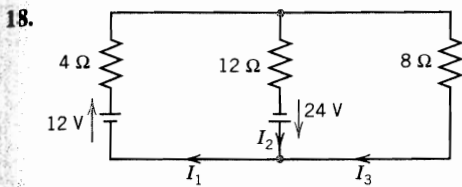
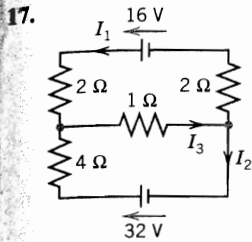
(iii) If A is equivalent to B and B is equivalent to C , then A is equivalent to C (*Transitivity*).

Show that row equivalence of matrices satisfies these three conditions. *Hint.* Show that for each of the three elementary row operations these conditions hold.

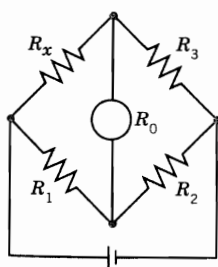
- 16. CAS PROJECT. Gauss Elimination and Back Substitution.** Write a program for Gauss elimination and back substitution (a) that does not include pivoting and (b) that does include pivoting. Apply the programs to Probs. 11–14 and to some larger systems of your choice.

17–21 MODELS OF NETWORKS

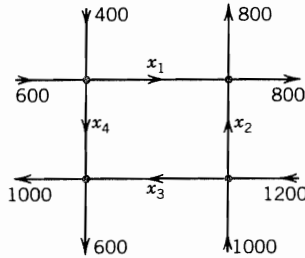
In Probs. 17–19, using Kirchhoff's laws (see Example 2) and showing the details, find the currents:



- 20. Wheatstone bridge.** Show that if $R_x/R_3 = R_1/R_2$ in the figure, then $I = 0$. (R_0 is the resistance of the instrument by which I is measured.) This bridge is a method for determining R_x . R_1, R_2, R_3 are known. R_3 is variable. To get R_x , make $I = 0$ by varying R_3 . Then calculate $R_x = R_3R_1/R_2$.



Wheatstone bridge
Problem 20



Net of one-way streets
Problem 21

- 21. Traffic flow.** Methods of electrical circuit analysis have applications to other fields. For instance, applying

the analog of Kirchhoff's Current Law, find the traffic flow (cars per hour) in the net of one-way streets (in the directions indicated by the arrows) shown in the figure. Is the solution unique?

- 22. Models of markets.** Determine the equilibrium solution ($D_1 = S_1, D_2 = S_2$) of the two-commodity market with linear model ($D, S, P =$ demand, supply, price; index 1 = first commodity, index 2 = second commodity)

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= 40 - 2P_1 - P_2, & S_1 &= 4P_1 - P_2 + 4, \\ D_2 &= 5P_1 - 2P_2 + 16, & S_2 &= 3P_2 - 4. \end{aligned}$$

- 23. Balancing a chemical equation** $x_1C_3H_8 + x_2O_2 \rightarrow x_3CO_2 + x_4H_2O$ means finding integer x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 such that the numbers of atoms of carbon (C), hydrogen (H), and oxygen (O) are the same on both sides of this reaction, in which propane C_3H_8 and O_2 give carbon dioxide and water. Find the smallest positive integers x_1, \dots, x_4 .

- 24. PROJECT. Elementary Matrices.** The idea is that elementary operations can be accomplished by matrix multiplication. If A is an $m \times n$ matrix on which we want to do an elementary operation, then there is a matrix E such that EA is the new matrix after the operation. Such an E is called an **elementary matrix**. This idea can be helpful, for instance, in the design of algorithms. (*Computationally*, it is generally preferable to do row operations *directly*, rather than by multiplication by E .)

(a) Show that the following are elementary matrices, for interchanging Rows 2 and 3, for adding -5 times the first row to the third, and for multiplying the fourth row by 8.

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ E_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -5 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ E_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

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Finally, for a given matrix \mathbf{A} the solution set of the homogeneous system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ is a vector space, called the **null space** of \mathbf{A} , and its dimension is called the **nullity** of \mathbf{A} . In the next section we motivate and prove the basic relation

$$(6) \quad \text{rank } \mathbf{A} + \text{nullity } \mathbf{A} = \text{Number of columns of } \mathbf{A}.$$

PROBLEM SET 7.4

1-10 RANK, ROW SPACE, COLUMN SPACE

Find the rank. Find a basis for the row space. Find a basis for the column space. *Hint.* Row-reduce the matrix and its transpose. (You may omit obvious factors from the vectors of these bases.)

1. $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 6 \\ -2 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

2. $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$

3. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$

4. $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -4 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

5. $\begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & -0.1 & 0.4 \\ 0 & 1.1 & -0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0 & -2.1 \end{bmatrix}$

6. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

7. $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

8. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 8 & 16 \\ 16 & 8 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & 8 & 16 & 2 \\ 2 & 16 & 8 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

9. $\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

10. $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & -11 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

11. **CAS Experiment. Rank.** (a) Show experimentally that the $n \times n$ matrix $\mathbf{A} = [a_{jk}]$ with $a_{jk} = j + k - 1$ has rank 2 for any n . (Problem 20 shows $n = 4$.) Try to prove it.

(b) Do the same when $a_{jk} = j + k + c$, where c is any positive integer.

(c) What is rank \mathbf{A} if $a_{jk} = 2^{j+k-2}$? Try to find other large matrices of low rank independent of n .

12-16 GENERAL PROPERTIES OF RANK

Show the following:

12. rank $\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T = \text{rank } \mathbf{AB}$. (Note the order!)

13. rank $\mathbf{A} = \text{rank } \mathbf{B}$ does *not* imply rank $\mathbf{A}^2 = \text{rank } \mathbf{B}^2$. (Give a counterexample.)

14. If \mathbf{A} is not square, either the row vectors or the column vectors of \mathbf{A} are linearly dependent.

15. If the row vectors of a square matrix are linearly independent, so are the column vectors, and conversely.

16. Give examples showing that the rank of a product of matrices cannot exceed the rank of either factor.

17-25 LINEAR INDEPENDENCE

Are the following sets of vectors linearly independent? Show the details of your work.

17. $[3 \ 4 \ 0 \ 2]$, $[2 \ -1 \ 3 \ 7]$, $[1 \ 16 \ -12 \ -22]$

18. $[1 \ \frac{1}{2} \ \frac{1}{3} \ \frac{1}{4}]$, $[\frac{1}{2} \ \frac{1}{3} \ \frac{1}{4} \ \frac{1}{5}]$, $[\frac{1}{3} \ \frac{1}{4} \ \frac{1}{5} \ \frac{1}{6}]$, $[\frac{1}{4} \ \frac{1}{5} \ \frac{1}{6} \ \frac{1}{7}]$

19. $[0 \ 1 \ 1]$, $[1 \ 1 \ 1]$, $[0 \ 0 \ 1]$

20. $[1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4]$, $[2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5]$, $[3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6]$, $[4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7]$

21. $[2 \ 0 \ 0 \ 7]$, $[2 \ 0 \ 0 \ 8]$, $[2 \ 0 \ 0 \ 9]$, $[2 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0]$

22. $[0.4 \ -0.2 \ 0.2]$, $[0 \ 0 \ 0]$, $[3.0 \ -0.6 \ 1.5]$

23. $[9 \ 8 \ 7 \ 6 \ 5]$, $[9 \ 7 \ 5 \ 3 \ 1]$

24. $[4 \ -1 \ 3]$, $[0 \ 8 \ 1]$, $[1 \ 3 \ -5]$, $[2 \ 6 \ 1]$

25. $[6 \ 0 \ -1 \ 3]$, $[2 \ 2 \ 5 \ 0]$, $[-4 \ -4 \ -4 \ -4]$

26. **Linearly independent subset.** Beginning with the last of the vectors $[3 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2]$, $[6 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0]$, $[12 \ 1 \ 2 \ 4]$, $[6 \ 0 \ 2 \ 4]$, and $[9 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2]$, omit one after another until you get a linearly independent set.

27–35 VECTOR SPACE

Is the given set of vectors a vector space? Give reasons. If your answer is yes, determine the dimension and find a basis. (v_1, v_2, \dots denote components.)

- 27. All vectors in R^3 with $v_1 - v_2 + 2v_3 = 0$
- 28. All vectors in R^3 with $3v_2 + v_3 = k$
- 29. All vectors in R^2 with $v_1 \geq v_2$
- 30. All vectors in R^n with the first $n - 2$ components zero
- 31. All vectors in R^5 with positive components
- 32. All vectors in R^3 with $3v_1 - 2v_2 + v_3 = 0, 4v_1 + 5v_2 = 0$
- 33. All vectors in R^3 with $3v_1 - v_3 = 0, 2v_1 + 3v_2 - 4v_3 = 0$
- 34. All vectors in R^n with $|v_j| = 1$ for $j = 1, \dots, n$
- 35. All vectors in R^4 with $v_1 = 2v_2 = 3v_3 = 4v_4$

7.5 Solutions of Linear Systems: Existence, Uniqueness

Rank, as just defined, gives complete information about existence, uniqueness, and general structure of the solution set of linear systems as follows.

A linear system of equations in n unknowns has a unique solution if the coefficient matrix and the augmented matrix have the same rank n , and infinitely many solutions if that common rank is less than n . The system has no solution if those two matrices have different rank.

To state this precisely and prove it, we shall use the generally important concept of a **submatrix** of \mathbf{A} . By this we mean any matrix obtained from \mathbf{A} by omitting some rows or columns (or both). By definition this includes \mathbf{A} itself (as the matrix obtained by omitting no rows or columns); this is practical.

THEOREM 1

Fundamental Theorem for Linear Systems

(a) **Existence.** A linear system of m equations in n unknowns x_1, \dots, x_n

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\ \dots & \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n &= b_m \end{aligned}$$

is **consistent**, that is, has solutions, if and only if the coefficient matrix \mathbf{A} and the augmented matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ have the same rank. Here,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \cdot & \dots & \cdot \\ \cdot & \dots & \cdot \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{array} \right]$$

(b) **Uniqueness.** The system (1) has precisely one solution if and only if this common rank r of \mathbf{A} and $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ equals n .