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Transpose

The **transpose** of $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m,n}$ is the $n \times m$ matrix A^t whose (i,j) -entry is $a_{j,i}$:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A^t = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{m,1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1,n} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ A square matrix is **symmetric** if $A^t = A$

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Sum of matrices

If A, B are two $m \times n$ matrices, then the sum $A + B$ is the matrix whose (i, j) -entry is $c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + b_{i,j}$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_{1,1} & \cdots & b_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ b_{m,1} & \cdots & b_{m,n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} + b_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,n} + b_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} + b_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,n} + b_{m,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

Properties: associative, commutative, neutral element $\mathbf{0}$, opposite element $-A = (-a_{i,j})$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} b_{1,1} & \cdots & b_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ b_{m,1} & \cdots & b_{m,n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} - b_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,n} - b_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} - b_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,n} - b_{m,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(A + B)^t = A^t + B^t$$

Product by a scalar

Let $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m,n}$ and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$ be a number (scalar), then $c \cdot A$ is the $m \times n$ matrix whose (i,j) -element is $c a_{i,j}$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$:

$$c \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & \dots & a_{m,n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c a_{1,1} & \dots & c a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ c a_{m,1} & \dots & c a_{m,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

Properties: $0 \cdot A = \mathbf{0}$, $c \cdot (A + B) = c \cdot A + c \cdot B$.

Multiplication of matrices

Let $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m,n}$ and $B \in \mathcal{M}_{n,p}$, then AB is the matrix C such that

$$c_{i,j} = a_{i,1}b_{1,j} + a_{i,2}b_{2,j} + \cdots + a_{i,n}b_{n,j}.$$

Note that $c_{i,j} = (a_{i,1} \ a_{i,2} \ \cdots \ a_{i,n}) \begin{pmatrix} b_{1,j} \\ \vdots \\ b_{n,j} \end{pmatrix}$.

Example:

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Inverse

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. If there exists a matrix B such that

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then B is called the **inverse** of A and is denoted as A^{-1} .

A matrix is called **invertible** (or **non-singular**) if it has an inverse and is called **singular** if it does NOT have an inverse.

Remark. Only $AB = Id_n$ or $BA = Id_n$ is necessary (the other comes for free).

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Inverse in the 2×2 case

If $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ and $ad - bc \neq 0$, then

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}.$$

Computing the inverse for larger matrices: see the section “Determinant” and the next topic (“Linear Systems”).

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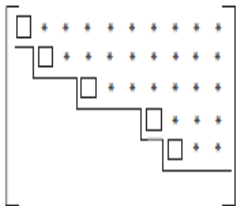
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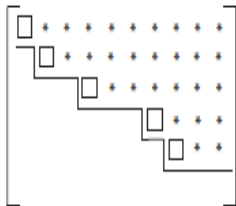
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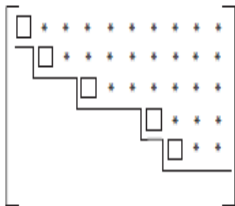
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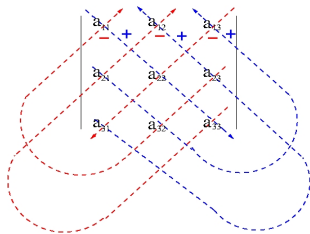
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Determinant of a 3×3 matrix

Sarrus Rule:

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Warning: Not valid for $n \geq 4$.

Definition of determinant

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix, we define the **determinant** of A , $\det(A)$, as follows (notation $|A| = \det(A)$):

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- ▶ Recursively, if $A_{i,j}$ is the matrix obtained by removing row i and column j from A ,

$$|A| = a_{11} \det A_{1,1} - a_{1,2} \det A_{1,2} + \cdots + (-1)^{n+1} a_{1,n} \det A_{1,n}.$$

The expression above is called the **Laplace expansion of the determinant by the first row**.

Laplace expansion Theorem

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Goal: Do transformations of type E_3 (and of type E_1 if necessary) to compute efficiently $\det(A)$.

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import numpy as np
```

We can use array to create matrices introducing them by rows:

```
A = np.array([[a11, ..., a1n], [a21, ..., a2n], ..., [am1, ..., amn]])
```

To visualize: `print(A)`

To work with matrices we need the linalg submodule of numpy:

```
from numpy.linalg import *
```

Python: Matrix operations

Command	Output
<code>np.zeros((m,n))</code>	the $m \times n$ zero matrix.
<code>np.identity(n)</code>	the $n \times n$ identity matrix.
<code>A.T</code>	the transpose of A .
<code>A+B</code>	the sum of matrices A and B .
<code>A@B</code> or <code>np.matmul(A, B)</code>	the product of matrices A and B .
<code>c*A</code>	the product of the matrix A by $c \in \mathbb{R}$.
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