

## Math 270 Linear Algebra

### Chapter 1 Linear Equations and Matrices

#### 1.3 Matrix Multiplication

**Definition** The **dot product** or **inner product** of the  $n$ -vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

is defined as

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$$

**Example 1**  $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = (1)(0) + (-2)(4) + (3)(1) = 0 - 8 + 3 = -5$

**Example 2** Exercise #4 p. 30 Determine the value of  $x$  so that  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$ , where

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 4 \\ x \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution:

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = (1)(x) + (-3)(2) + (4)(-1) + (x)(1) = x - 6 - 4 + x = 2x - 10$$

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0 \Rightarrow 2x - 10 = 0 \Rightarrow 2x = 10 \Rightarrow x = 5$$

**Definition** If  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is an  $m \times p$  matrix and  $B = [b_{ij}]$  is a  $p \times n$  matrix, then the product of  $A$  and  $B$ , denoted by  $AB$ , is the  $m \times n$  matrix  $C = [c_{ij}]$ , defined by

$$c_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \dots + a_{ip}b_{pj} = \sum_{k=1}^p a_{ik}b_{kj} \quad (1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n) \quad (1)$$

**Note:**

1. The  $i, j^{\text{th}}$  element in the product matrix is the dot product of the transpose of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row,  $\text{row}_i(A)$ , of  $A$  and the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column,  $\text{col}_j(B)$ , of  $B$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1p} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2p} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{j1} & a_{j2} & \dots & a_{jp} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mp} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1j} & \dots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2j} & \dots & b_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ b_{p1} & b_{p2} & \dots & b_{pj} & \dots & b_{pn} \end{bmatrix} \\
 & = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & \dots & c_{1n} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & \dots & c_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & c_{ij} & \dots \\ c_{m1} & c_{m2} & \dots & c_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \\
 & c_{ij} = (\text{row}_i(A))^T \cdot \text{col}_j(B)
 \end{aligned}$$

2. The product of  $A$  and  $B$  is defined only when the number of rows of  $B$  is exactly the same as the number of columns of  $A$ .

$${}_m A_p \cdot {}_p B_n = {}_m AB_n$$

### Example 3

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 AB &= \begin{bmatrix} (1)(1)+(2)(0) & (1)(0)+(2)(1) & (1)(-2)+(2)(-1) \\ (3)(1)+(-1)(0) & (3)(0)+(-1)(1) & (3)(-2)+(-1)(-1) \\ (2)(1)+(-2)(0) & (2)(0)+(-2)(1) & (2)(-2)+(-2)(-1) \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 \\ 3 & -1 & -5 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 BA &= \begin{bmatrix} (1)(1)+(0)(3)+(-2)(2) & (1)(2)+(0)(-1)+(-2)(-2) \\ (0)(1)+(1)(3)+(-1)(2) & (0)(2)+(1)(-1)+(-1)(-2) \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Note:**  $AB$  and  $BA$  are both defined but  $AB \neq BA$ .

**Example 4** If  $A$  is  $2 \times 3$  and  $B$  is  $3 \times 5$ , then  $AB$  is  $2 \times 5$  and  $BA$  is defined.

**Example 5** Exercise #10 p. 31

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & x \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} y \\ x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ If } AB = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ find } x \text{ and } y.$$

Solution:

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} y+2x+x \\ 3y-x+2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} y+3x=6 \\ 3y-x=6 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{array}{r} -3y-9x=-18 \\ \underline{3y-x=6} \\ -10x=-12 \end{array}$$

$$x = \frac{12}{10} = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$y + 3 \cdot \frac{6}{5} = 6 \Leftrightarrow 5y + 18 = 30 \Leftrightarrow 5y = 12 \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{12}{5}$$

## Application

### Exercise # 50 p. 33

Medicine: diet research project; adults (M and F), children (M and F)

adults	children	protein	fat	carb
$A = \begin{bmatrix} 80 & 120 \\ 100 & 200 \end{bmatrix}$	male female	$B = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 20 & 20 \\ 10 & 20 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$	adult child	

- a. How many grams of protein are consumed daily by the males in the project?
- b. How many grams of fat are consumed daily by the females in the project?

Solution:

a.

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} (80)(20) + (120)(10) & (80)(20) + (120)(20) & (80)(20) + (120)(30) \\ (100)(20) + (200)(10) & (100)(20) + (200)(20) & (100)(20) + (200)(30) \end{bmatrix}$$

protein consumed by the males:

$$(80)(20) + (120)(10) = 1600 + 1200 = 2800 \text{ g}$$

- b. fat consumed by the females:  $(100)(20) + (200)(20) = 2000 + 4000 = 6000 \text{ g}$

To find a column in the product  $AB$  without carrying out the multiplication, use:

**Exercise #46a:** The  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of  $AB$  is the matrix  $A\bar{b}_j$ , or  $A \text{ col}_j(B)$ .

### Example 7

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

The 3<sup>rd</sup> column of  $AB$  is

$$AB_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Note:**  $AB_3$  can be written as the linear combination of the columns of  $A$ , i.e.,

$$AB_3 = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (-1) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{In general, let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \text{ be an } m \times n \text{ matrix and let } \vec{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

be an  $n$ -vector. Then

$$\begin{aligned} A\vec{c} &= c_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \cdots + c_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= c_1 A_1 + c_2 A_2 + \cdots + c_n A_n \end{aligned}$$

**Remark** If  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are  $n$ -vectors, then  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u}^T \vec{v}$ .

Proof: Exercise 41

Back to linear systems:

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

Define

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the linear system can be written in matrix form as

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b},$$

where  $A$  is called the **coefficient matrix** of (2) and the matrix

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} & b_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{array} \right]$$

is called the **augmented matrix** of (2).

**Example 8**

$$x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 + 4x_4 = 10$$

$$2x_1 + 2x_3 - x_4 = 7$$

$$5x_1 + x_2 + 3x_4 = 2$$

In matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 5 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 7 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The coefficient matrix is

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

and the augmented matrix is

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -3 & 1 & 4 & 10 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 5 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

**Example 9** Given the augmented matrix

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 4 & 6 \end{array} \right],$$

then the corresponding linear system is

$$x_1 + 3x_3 - 2x_4 = 5$$

$$2x_2 - x_3 + 4x_4 = 6$$

**Note:**  $\bar{A}\bar{x}$  can be written as a linear combination of the columns of  $A$ :

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

(3) provides another way of thinking about the solution of a linear system:

$\bar{A}\bar{x} = \bar{b}$  is consistent if and only if  $\bar{b}$  can be expressed as a linear combination of the columns of the matrix  $A$ .

