

# Announcements

- 1) New HW up later today,  
due Wednesday next week.
- 2) Sections to be covered  
2.2, 2.3, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3

# Properties of Addition

Let  $A, B$  be  $m \times n$  matrices.

1) Commutativity

$$A + B = B + A$$

2) Associativity

$$(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$$

3) Identity

Let  $O_{m,n}$  be the  $m \times n$  matrix

with all entries equal to zero.

Then

$$A + O_{m,n} = A$$

We call  $O_{m,n}$  the **additive identity** for  $m \times n$  matrices.

4) Additive Inverse

Let  $-A$  be the matrix whose entries are the negatives of the entries of  $A$ . Then

$$A + (-A) = O_{m,n}$$

When adding  $-B$  to  $A$ ,  
we usually write

$A - B$  instead of  $A + (-B)$ .

The matrix  $-A$  is called the  
additive inverse of  $A$ .

You are free to use all  
these facts without justification.

# Properties of Multiplication

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix,  
 $B$  be an  $n \times k$  matrix, and  
 $C$  be a  $k \times j$  matrix.

1) Associativity

$$\underbrace{(A \cdot B)}_{m \times k} \cdot \underbrace{C}_{k \times j} = \underbrace{A}_{m \times n} \cdot \underbrace{(B \cdot C)}_{n \times j}$$

## 2) Distributivity

Let  $D$  be a  $n \times k$  matrix.

Then

$$A(B+D) = A \cdot B + A \cdot D$$

$$(B+D)C = B \cdot C + D \cdot C$$

## 3) Identity ( $n \times n$ )

Let  $I_n$  denote the  $n \times n$  matrix whose entries are 1 on the diagonal, zeros everywhere else.

For example,

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

etc.

Then if  $m=n$ ,

$$A \cdot I_n = I_n \cdot A = A$$

Warning: Suppose  $A$  and

$B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices. Is

**NOT** always true that

$$AB = BA.$$

Moreover, multiplicative inverses

do not necessarily exist; that

is, given  $A$ , there is **NOT**

always a  $B$  with

$$AB = BA = \underline{I}_n$$



## Example 1:

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

These are not equal, so  $AB \neq BA$ .

## Example 2:

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then if } AB = I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} \\ b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ we have}$$

$$2b_{1,1} + 3b_{2,1} = 1 \quad (1,1) \text{ entry}$$

$$2b_{1,2} + 3b_{2,2} = 0 \quad (1,2) \text{ entry}$$

$$0 = 0$$

$$(2,1) \text{ entry}$$

$$0 = 1$$

We see that  $A$   
cannot have a  
multiplicative inverse.

Q: How do you tell when an  $n \times n$  matrix has a multiplicative inverse?

A: Determinants!

The only time an  $n \times n$  matrix has a multiplicative inverse is when its determinant is nonzero!