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CHAPTER NAME : MATRICES

1. INTRODUCTION

Matrices provide a convenient method of arranging numbers, symbols, or mathematical expressions in rows and columns. They are useful for representing information in a compact and organized form and are applied in mathematics, science, engineering, economics, and computer applications.

2. DEFINITION OF A MATRIX

A matrix is a rectangular arrangement of numbers, symbols, or expressions in rows and columns. It is generally represented by a capital letter such as A, B, C, P, or Q. The individual entries are called elements or entries.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1j} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2j} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3j} & \cdots & a_{3n} \\ a_{i1} & a_{i2} & a_{i3} & \cdots & a_{ij} & \cdots & a_{in} \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \cdots & a_{mj} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

3. ORDER OF A MATRIX

If a matrix has m rows & n columns, its order is $m \times n$.

A general matrix is written as $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$, where a_{ij} is the element in the i^{th} row and j^{th} column.

4. TYPES OF MATRICES

Row matrix: one row.

Column matrix: one column.

Rectangular matrix: number of rows is not equal to number of columns.

Square matrix: number of rows equals number of columns.

Zero matrix: every element is zero.

Diagonal matrix: a square matrix in which all non-diagonal elements are zero.

Scalar matrix: a diagonal matrix with equal diagonal elements.

Unit/Identity matrix: a diagonal matrix with every diagonal element equal to 1.

It satisfies $AI = IA = A$.

Triagonal matrix: A triangular matrix is a special type of square matrix featuring zeros either above or below the main diagonal.

Types of Matrix		
1. Row Matrix	2. Column Matrix	3. Rectangular Matrix
$(1 \ 2 \ 3)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$
4. Square Matrix	5. Zero Matrix	6. Diagonal Matrix
$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$
7. Scalar Matrix	8. Unit Matrix	9. Upper and lower triangular matrix
$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 8 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

5. EQUALITY OF MATRICES

Two matrices A and B are equal only when they have the same order and all corresponding elements are equal. Thus, $A = B$ only when $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for every corresponding position.

6. TRANSPOSE OF A MATRIX

The transpose of a matrix is obtained by changing rows into columns and columns into rows. It is denoted by A^T or A' .

Important properties are:

- $\rightarrow (A^T)^T = A$
- $\rightarrow (A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$
- $\rightarrow (A-B)^T = A^T - B^T$
- $\rightarrow (AB)^T = B^T A^T$



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7. SYMMETRIC MATRIX

A square matrix A is symmetric if $A^T = A$. Therefore, $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$; elements on opposite sides of the main diagonal are equal.

8. SKEW-SYMMETRIC MATRIX

A square matrix A is skew-symmetric if $A^T = -A$. Therefore, $a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$. All diagonal elements of a skew-symmetric matrix are zero.

9. ADDITION OF MATRICES

Two matrices can be added only when they have the same order.

Corresponding elements are added: $A+B = [a_{ij}+b_{ij}]$.

Properties:

- $A+B=B+A$
- $A+(B+C)=(A+B)+C$
- $A+O=A$;
- $A+(-A)=O$.

10. SUBTRACTION OF MATRICES

Two matrices can be subtracted only when they have the same order. Corresponding elements are subtracted: $A-B=[a_{ij}-b_{ij}]$. In general, $A-B$ is not equal to $B-A$.

11. SCALAR MULTIPLICATION

When every element of a matrix is multiplied by a number k , the operation is called scalar multiplication.

Important properties are :

- $k(A+B)=kA+kB$
- $(k+l)A=kA+lA$
- $k(lA)=(kl)A$.

12. MULTIPLICATION OF MATRICES

If A is of order $m \times n$ and B is of order $p \times q$, the product AB exists only when $n=p$. The product then has order $m \times q$. Each entry is found by multiplying a row of the first matrix by a column of the second matrix and adding the products.

PROPERTIES OF MATRIX MULTIPLICATION:

- Matrix multiplication is associative: $(AB)C=A(BC)$.
- It is distributive: $A(B+C)=AB+AC$ and $(A+B)C=AC+BC$.
- The identity property is $AI=IA=A$.
- Matrix multiplication is generally not commutative, so $AB \neq BA$.
- It is also possible for non-zero matrices A and B to have $AB=O$.

13. INVERTIBLE MATRIX

A square matrix A is invertible if there is a square matrix B such that $AB=BA=I$. The matrix B is called the inverse and is denoted by A^{-1} . Hence $AA^{-1}=A^{-1}A=I$. An invertible matrix has a unique inverse.

For a non-singular matrix, $A^{-1} = (1/|A|) \text{adj } A$.

14. ELEMENTARY TRANSFORMATIONS

Elementary row operations are: interchange of two rows, $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$; multiplication of a row by a non-zero number, $R_i \rightarrow kR_i$; and addition of a multiple of one row to another, $R_i \rightarrow R_i + kR_j$. Similar operations can be performed on columns.

15. FINDING THE INVERSE USING ELEMENTARY OPERATIONS

Write the augmented matrix $[A \mid I]$, where I is the identity matrix of the same order. Apply elementary row operations until the left side becomes I . The right side then becomes A^{-1} . Thus, $[A \mid I] \rightarrow [I \mid A^{-1}]$.



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Class 12 NIOS Mathematics – Matrices Formula Sheet

Topic	Formula / Condition	Important Point
Order of Matrix	$m \times n$	m = number of rows, n = number of columns
General Matrix	$A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$	a_{ij} is the element in the i^{th} row and j^{th} column
Equality of Matrices	$A = B \Rightarrow a_{ij} = b_{ij}$	Both matrices must have the same order
Transpose	A^T	Rows become columns and columns become rows
Transpose Property	$(A^T)^T = A$	Transpose of transpose gives the original matrix
Transpose of Addition	$(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$	Valid when addition is possible
Transpose of Subtraction	$(A - B)^T = A^T - B^T$	Valid when subtraction is possible
Transpose of Product	$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$	The order is reversed
Symmetric Matrix	$A^T = A$	$a_{ij} = a_{ji}$
Skew-Symmetric Matrix	$A^T = -A$	$a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$
Diagonal Elements of Skew-Symmetric Matrix	$a_{ii} = 0$	All main diagonal elements are zero

Matrix Addition	$A + B = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}]$	Both matrices must have the same order
Commutative Property of Addition	$A + B = B + A$	Addition is commutative
Associative Property of Addition	$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$	Addition is associative
Additive Identity	$A + O = O + A = A$	O is the zero matrix
Additive Inverse	$A + (-A) = O$	$-A$ is the additive inverse
Matrix Subtraction	$A - B = [a_{ij} - b_{ij}]$	Both matrices must have the same order
Subtraction Property	$A - B \neq B - A$	Matrix subtraction is generally not commutative
Scalar Multiplication	$kA = [ka_{ij}]$	Every element is multiplied by k
Scalar Distributive Property	$k(A + B) = kA + kB$	Scalar is distributed over addition
Addition of Scalars	$(k + l)A = kA + lA$	Both scalars are distributed
Scalar Associative Property	$k(lA) = (kl)A$	Scalars can be multiplied first
Condition for AB	Columns of A = Rows of B	Multiplication is possible only under this condition
Order of Product	$(m \times n)(n \times p) = m \times p$	Inner numbers must be equal; outer numbers give the answer



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Matrix Multiplication	$AB = [\sum a_{ik}b_{kj}]$	Use the row-by-column method
Associative Property	$(AB)C = A(BC)$	Matrix multiplication is associative
Left Distributive Property	$A(B + C) = AB + AC$	Multiplication is distributed
Right Distributive Property	$(A + B)C = AC + BC$	Multiplication is distributed
Commutative Property	$AB \neq BA$	Matrix multiplication is generally not commutative
Identity Property	$AI = IA = A$	I is the identity matrix
Zero Product	$A \neq O, B \neq O, AB = O$	Two non-zero matrices can have a zero product
Inverse Property	$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$	A^{-1} is the inverse of A
Inverse Formula	$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ A } \text{adj } A$	Applicable when $ A \neq 0$
2×2 Determinant	$\boxed{\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}}$	$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$
Inverse of 2×2 Matrix	$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$	Condition: $ad - bc \neq 0$
Row Interchange	$R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$	Interchange two rows
Row Multiplication	$R_i \rightarrow kR_i$	$k \neq 0$

Row Replacement	$R_i \rightarrow R_i + kR_j$	Add a multiple of one row to another
Inverse by Elementary Operations	$[A I] \rightarrow [I A^{-1}]$	Convert the left side into the identity matrix

Most Important Formulas for Exam

$$(A^T)^T = A$$

$$A^T = A$$

$$A^T = -A$$

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

$$(m \times n)(n \times p) = m \times p$$

$$AB \neq BA$$

$$AI = IA = A$$

$$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

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



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