# Mathematics Notes for Class 12 chapter 3. Matrices

A matrix is a rectangular arrangement of numbers (real or complex) which may be represented as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

matrix is enclosed by [] or () or ||||

Compact form the above matrix is represented by  $[a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  or  $A = [a_{ij}]$ .

- 1. Element of a Matrix The numbers  $a_{11}$ ,  $a_{12}$  ... etc., in the above matrix are known as the element of the matrix, generally represented as  $a_{ij}$ , which denotes element in ith row and jth column.
- 2. Order of a Matrix In above matrix has m rows and n columns, then A is of order m x n.

#### **Types of Matrices**

- 1. Row Matrix A matrix having only one row and any number of columns is called a row matrix.
- 2. Column Matrix A matrix having only one column and any number of rows is called column matrix.
- 3. Rectangular Matrix A matrix of order m x n, such that  $m \neq n$ , is called rectangular matrix.
- 4. Horizontal Matrix A matrix in which the number of rows is less than the number of columns, is called a horizontal matrix.
- 5. Vertical Matrix A matrix in which the number of rows is greater than the number of columns, is called a vertical matrix.
- 6. Null/Zero Matrix A matrix of any order, having all its elements are zero, is called a null/zero matrix. i.e.,  $a_{ij} = 0$ ,  $\forall$  i, j
- 7. Square Matrix A matrix of order m x n, such that m = n, is called square matrix.
- 8. Diagonal Matrix A square matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ , is called a diagonal matrix, if all the elements except those in the leading diagonals are zero, i.e.,  $a_{ij} = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ . It can be represented as

$$A = diag[a_{11} \ a_{22}... \ a_{nn}]$$

9. Scalar Matrix A square matrix in which every non-diagonal element is zero and all diagonal elements are equal, is called scalar matrix. i.e., in scalar matrix  $a_{ij} = 0$ , for  $i \neq j$  and  $a_{ij} = k$ , for i = j

10. Unit/Identity Matrix A square matrix, in which every non-diagonal element is zero and every diagonal element is 1, is called, unit matrix or an identity matrix.

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0, \text{ if } i \neq j \\ 1, \text{ if } i = j \end{cases}$$

- 11. Upper Triangular Matrix A square matrix  $A = a_{ij}_{n \times n}$  is called a upper triangular matrix, if  $a_{ii}_{ij}$ , = 0,  $\forall i > j$ .
- 12.Lower Triangular Matrix A square matrix  $A = a_{ij}_{n \times n}$  is called a lower triangular matrix, if  $a_{ij}_{ij} = 0$ ,  $\forall i < j$ .
- 13. Submatrix A matrix which is obtained from a given matrix by deleting any number of rows or columns or both is called a submatrix of the given matrix.
- 14. Equal Matrices Two matrices A and B are said to be equal, if both having same order and corresponding elements of the matrices are equal.
- 15. Principal Diagonal of a Matrix In a square matrix, the diagonal from the first element of the first row to the last element of the last row is called the principal diagonal of a matrix.

e.g., If 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
, then principal diagonal of A is 1, 6, 2.

16. Singular Matrix A square matrix A is said to be singular matrix, if determinant of A denoted by det (A) or |A| is zero, i.e., |A|=0, otherwise it is a non-singular matrix.

#### **Algebra of Matrices**

#### 1. Addition of Matrices

Let A and B be two matrices each of order m x n. Then, the sum of matrices A + B is defined only if matrices A and B are of same order.

If 
$$A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$$
,  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ 

Then, 
$$A + B = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}]_{m \times n}$$

Properties of Addition of Matrices If A, B and C are three matrices of order m x n, then

- 1. Commutative Law A + B = B + A
- 2. Associative Law (A + B) + C = A + (B + C)
- 3. **Existence of Additive Identity** A zero matrix (0) of order m x n (same as of A), is additive identity, if

$$A + 0 = A = 0 + A$$

4. **Existence of Additive Inverse** If A is a square matrix, then the matrix (- A) is called additive inverse, if

$$A + (-A) = 0 = (-A) + A$$

#### 5. Cancellation Law

$$A + B = A + C \Rightarrow B = C$$
 (left cancellation law)  
 $B + A = C + A \Rightarrow B = C$  (right cancellation law)

#### 2. Subtraction of Matrices

Let A and B be two matrices of the same order, then subtraction of matrices, A - B, is defined as

$$A - B = [a_{ij} - b_{ij}]_{n \times n},$$

where 
$$A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$$
,  $B = [b_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ 

#### 3. Multiplication of a Matrix by a Scalar

Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  be a matrix and k be any scalar. Then, the matrix obtained by multiplying each element of A by k is called the scalar multiple of A by k and is denoted by kA, given as

$$kA = [ka_{ij}]_{m \times n}$$

### Properties of Scalar Multiplication If A and B are matrices of order m x n, then

- 1. k(A + B) = kA + kB
- 2.  $(k_1 + k_2)A = k_1A + k_2A$
- 3.  $k_1k_2A = k_1(k_2A) = k_2(k_1A)$
- 4. (-k)A = -(kA) = k(-A)

### 4. Multiplication of Matrices

Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]_{n \times p}$  are two matrices such that the number of columns of A is equal to the number of rows of B, then multiplication of A and B is denoted by AB, is given by

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj} ,$$

where  $c_{ij}$  is the element of matrix C and C = AB

## **Properties of Multiplication of Matrices**

- 1. Commutative Law Generally  $AB \neq BA$
- 2. Associative Law (AB)C = A(BC)
- 3. Existence of multiplicative Identity A.I = A = I.A, I is called multiplicative Identity.
- 4. Distributive Law A(B + C) = AB + AC

5. Cancellation Law If A is non-singular matrix, then

$$AB = AC \Rightarrow B = C$$
 (left cancellation law)

$$BA = CA \Rightarrow B = C$$
 (right cancellation law)

6. AB = 0, does not necessarily imply that A = 0 or B = 0 or both A and B = 0

#### **Important Points to be Remembered**

- (i) If A and B are square matrices of the same order, say n, then both the product AB and BA are defined and each is a square matrix of order n.
- (ii) In the matrix product AB, the matrix A is called premultiplier (prefactor) and B is called postmultiplier (postfactor).
- (iii) The rule of multiplication of matrices is row column wise (or  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  wise) the first row of AB is obtained by multiplying the first row of A with first, second, third,... columns of B respectively; similarly second row of A with first, second, third,... columns of B, respectively and so on.

#### Positive Integral Powers of a Square Matrix

Let A be a square matrix. Then, we can define

- 1.  $A^{n+1} = A^n$ . A, where  $n \in N$ .
- 2.  $A^{m}$ .  $A^{n} = A^{m+n}$
- 3.  $(A^m)^n = A^{mn}, \forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}$

# **Matrix Polynomial**

Let 
$$f(x) = a_0 x^n + a_1 x^{n-1} - 1 + a_2 x^{n-2} + ... + a_n$$
. Then  $f(A) = a_0 A^n + a_1 A^{n-2} + ... + a_n I_n$  is called the matrix polynomial.

# Transpose of a Matrix

Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ , be a matrix of order m x n. Then, the n x m matrix obtained by interchanging the rows and columns of A is called the transpose of A and is denoted by A' or  $A^T$ .

$$A' = A^{T} = [a_{ij}]_{n \times m}$$

# **Properties of Transpose**

- 1. (A')' = A
- 2. (A + B)' = A' + B'
- 3. (AB)' = B'A'
- 4. (KA)' = kA'
- 5.  $(A^N)' = (A')^N$
- 6. (ABC)' = C' B' A'

# **Symmetric and Skew-Symmetric Matrices**

- 1. A square matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ , is said to be symmetric, if A' = A. i.e.,  $a_{ii} = a_{ii}$ ,  $\forall i$  and j.
- 2. A square matrix A is said to be skew-symmetric matrices, if i.e., aij = aji, di and j

#### **Properties of Symmetric and Skew-Symmetric Matrices**

- 1. Elements of principal diagonals of a skew-symmetric matrix are all zero. i.e.,  $a_{ii} = -a_{ii}$   $a_{ii} = 0$  or  $a_{ii} = 0$ , for all values of i.
- 2. If A is a square matrix, then
  - (a) A + A' is symmetric.
  - (b) A A' is skew-symmetric matrix.
- 3. If A and B are two symmetric (or skew-symmetric) matrices of same order, then A + B is also symmetric (or skew-symmetric).
- 4. If A is symmetric (or skew-symmetric), then kA (k is a scalar) is also symmetric for skew-symmetric matrix.
- 5. If A and B are symmetric matrices of the same order, then the product AB is symmetric, iff BA = AB.
- 6. Every square matrix can be expressed uniquely as the sum of a symmetric and a skew-symmetric matrix.
- 7. The matrix B' AB is symmetric or skew-symmetric according as A is symmetric or skew-symmetric matrix.
- 8. All positive integral powers of a symmetric matrix are symmetric.
- 9. All positive odd integral powers of a skew-symmetric matrix are skew-symmetric and positive even integral powers of a skew-symmetric are symmetric matrix.
- 10. If A and B are symmetric matrices of the same order, then
  - (a) AB BA is a skew-symmetric and
  - (b) AB + BA is symmetric.
- 11. For a square matrix A, AA' and A' A are symmetric matrix.

#### Trace of a Matrix

The sum of the diagonal elements of a square matrix A is called the trace of A, denoted by trace (A) or tr (A).

## **Properties of Trace of a Matrix**

- 1. Trace  $(A \pm B)$ = Trace  $(A) \pm$  Trace (B)
- 2. Trace (kA)=k Trace (A)
- 3. Trace (A') = Trace (A)
- 4. Trace  $(I_n)=n$
- 5. Trace (0) = 0
- 6. Trace (AB)  $\neq$  Trace (A) x Trace (B)
- 7. Trace  $(AA') \ge 0$

#### Conjugate of a Matrix

The matrix obtained from a matrix A containing complex number as its elements, on replacing its elements by the corresponding conjugate complex number is called conjugate of A and is denoted by A.

## **Properties of Conjugate of a Matrix**

If A is a matrix of order m x n, then

If A is a matrix of order  $m \times n$ , then

- (i)  $\overline{(A)} = A$
- (ii) For matrix B of order  $m \times n$ ,  $(\overline{A} + \overline{B}) = \overline{A} + \overline{B}$
- (iii) For matrix B of order  $n \times p$ ,  $(\overline{AB}) = \overline{AB}$
- (iv) If k is a scalar, then  $(k\overline{A}) = k\overline{A}$
- (v)  $(\overline{A}^n) = (\overline{A})^n$

## **Transpose Conjugate of a Matrix**

The transpose of the conjugate of a matrix A is called transpose conjugate of A and is denoted by  $A^0$  or  $A^*$ .

i.e., 
$$(A') = A' = A^0 \text{ or } A^*$$

## **Properties of Transpose Conjugate of a Matrix**

- $(i) (A^*)^* = A$
- $(ii) (A + B)^* = A^* + B^*$
- $(iii) (kA)^* = kA^*$
- $(iv) (AB)^* = B^*A^*$
- $(V) (An)^* = (A^*)n$

# **Some Special Types of Matrices**

# 1. Orthogonal Matrix

A square matrix of order n is said to be orthogonal, if  $AA' = I_n = A'A$  Properties of Orthogonal Matrix

- (i) If A is orthogonal matrix, then A' is also orthogonal matrix.
- (ii) For any two orthogonal matrices A and B, AB and BA is also an orthogonal matrix.
- (iii) If A is an orthogonal matrix, A<sup>-1</sup> is also orthogonal matrix.

# 2. ldempotent Matrix

A square matrix A is said to be idempotent, if  $A^2 = A$ .

#### **Properties of Idempotent Matrix**

- (i) If A and B are two idempotent matrices, then
  - AB is idempotent, if AB = BA.
  - A + B is an idempotent matrix, iff AB = BA = 0
  - AB = A and BA = B, then  $A^2 = A$ ,  $B^2 = B$

(ii)

- If A is an idempotent matrix and A + B = I, then B is an idempotent and AB = BA = 0.
- Diagonal (1, 1, 1, ...,1) is an idempotent matrix.
- If  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$  and  $I_3$  are direction cosines, then

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_1^2 & l_1 l_2 & l_1 l_3 \\ l_1 l_2 & l_2^2 & l_2 l_3 \\ l_3 l_1 & l_3 l_2 & l_3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is an idempotent as  $|\Delta|^2 = 1$ .

A square matrix A is said to be involutory, if  $A^2 = I$ 

## 4. Nilpotent Matrix

A square matrix A is said to be nilpotent matrix, if there exists a positive integer m such that  $A^2 = 0$ . If m is the least positive integer such that  $A^m = 0$ , then m is called the index of the nilpotent matrix A.

# 5. Unitary Matrix

A square matrix A is said to be unitary, if A'A = I

#### **Hermitian Matrix**

A square matrix A is said to be hermitian matrix, if  $A = A^*$  or  $= a_{ij}$ , for  $a_{ji}$  only.

## **Properties of Hermitian Matrix**

- 1. If A is hermitian matrix, then kA is also hermitian matrix for any non-zero real number k.
- 2. If A and B are hermitian matrices of same order, then  $\lambda_1 A + \lambda B$ , also hermitian for any non-zero real number  $\lambda_1$ , and  $\lambda$ .
- 3. If A is any square matrix, then AA\* and A\* A are also hermitian.

- 4. If A and B are hermitian, then AB is also hermitian, iff AB = BA
- 5. If A is a hermitian matrix, then A is also hermitian.
- 6. If A and B are hermitian matrix of same order, then AB + BA is also hermitian.
- 7. If A is a square matrix, then  $A + A^*$  is also hermitian,
- 8. Any square matrix can be uniquely expressed as A + iB, where A and B are hermitian matrices.

#### **Skew-Hermitian Matrix**

A square matrix A is said to be skew-hermitian if  $A^* = -A$  or  $a_{ii}$  for every i and j.

## **Properties of Skew-Hermitian Matrix**

- 1. If A is skew-hermitian matrix, then kA is skew-hermitian matrix, where k is any nonzero real number.
- 2. If A and B are skew-hermitian matrix of same order, then  $\lambda_1 A + \lambda_2 B$  is also skewhermitian for any real number  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ .
- 3. If A and B are hermitian matrices of same order, then AB BA is skew-hermitian.
- 4. If A is any square matrix, then A A\* is a skew-hermitian matrix.
- 5. Every square matrix can be uniquely expressed as the sum of a hermitian and a skewhermitian matrices.
- 6. If A is a skew-hermitian matrix, then A is a hermitian matrix.
- 7. If A is a skew-hermitian matrix, then A is also skew-hermitian matrix.

## **Adjoint of a Square Matrix**

Let  $A[a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  be a square matrix of order n and let  $C_{ij}$  be the cofactor of  $a_{ij}$  in the determinant |A|, then the adjoint of A, denoted by adj (A), is defined as the transpose of the matrix, formed by the cofactors of the matrix.

## **Properties of Adjoint of a Square Matrix**

If A and B are square matrices of order n, then

- 1. A (adj A) = (adj A) A = |A|I
- 2. adj(A') = (adj A)'
- 3. adj(AB) = (adj B)(adj A)
- 4.  $adj(kA) = k^{n-1}(adj A), k \in R$
- 5.  $adj(A^m) = (adj A)^m$
- 6. adj (adj A) = |A|<sup>n-2</sup> A, A is a non-singular matrix.
  7. |adj A| =|A|<sup>n-1</sup>, A is a non-singular matrix.
  8. |adj (adj A)| =|A|<sup>(n-1)2</sup> A is a non-singular matrix.

- 9. Adjoint of a diagonal matrix is a diagonal matrix.

## **Inverse of a Square Matrix**

Let A be a square matrix of order n, then a square matrix B, such that AB = BA = I, is called inverse of A, denoted by A<sup>-1</sup>.

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|}$$
 (adj A)  
i.e.,  
or  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = 1$ 

## **Properties of Inverse of a Square Matrix**

- 1. Square matrix A is invertible if and only if  $|A| \neq 0$
- 2.  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ 3.  $(A')^{-1} = (A^{-1})'$
- 4.  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

In general  $(A_1A_1A_1 ... A_n)^{-1} = A_n^{-1}A_{n-1}^{-1} ... A_3^{-1}A_2^{-1}A_1^{-1}$ 

- 5. If a non-singular square matrix A is symmetric, then A<sup>-1</sup> is also symmetric.
- 6.  $|A^{-1}| = |A|^{-1}$
- 7.  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$
- 8.  $(A^k)^{-1} = (A^{-1})A^k k \in N$

(ix) If 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $abc \neq 0$ , then  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/c \end{bmatrix}$ ,

## **Elementary Transformation**

Any one of the following operations on a matrix is called an elementary transformation.

- 1. Interchanging any two rows (or columns), denoted by  $R_i \leftarrow \rightarrow R_i$  or  $C_i \leftarrow \rightarrow C_i$
- 2. Multiplication of the element of any row (or column) by a non-zero quantity and denoted by

$$R_i \rightarrow kR_i \text{ or } C_i \rightarrow kC_i$$

3. Addition of constant multiple of the elements of any row to the corresponding element of any other row, denoted by

$$R_i \rightarrow R_i + kR_i \text{ or } C_i \rightarrow C_i + kC_i$$

# **Equivalent Matrix**

- Two matrices A and B are said to be equivalent, if one can be obtained from the other by a sequence of elementary transformation.
- The symbol≈ is used for equivalence.

#### Rank of a Matrix

A positive integer r is said to be the rank of a non-zero matrix A, if

- 1. there exists at least one minor in A of order r which is not zero.
- 2. every minor in A of order greater than r is zero, rank of a matrix A is denoted by  $\rho(A) = r$ .

#### **Properties of Rank of a Matrix**

- 1. The rank of a null matrix is zero ie,  $\rho(0) = 0$
- 2. If In is an identity matrix of order n, then  $\rho(I_n) = n$ .
- 3. (a) If a matrix A does't possess any minor of order r, then  $\rho(A) \ge r$ .
  - (b) If at least one minor of order r of the matrix is not equal to zero, then  $\rho(A) \le r$ .
- 4. If every (r + 1)th order minor of A is zero, then any higher order minor will also be zero.
- 5. If A is of order n, then for a non-singular matrix A,  $\rho(A) = n$
- 6.  $\rho(A') = \rho(A)$
- 7.  $\rho(A^*) = \rho(A)$
- 8.  $\rho(A + B) \& LE; \rho(A) + \rho(B)$
- 9. If A and B are two matrices such that the product AB is defined, then rank (AB) cannot exceed the rank of the either matrix.
- 10. If A and B are square matrix of same order and  $\rho(A) = \rho(B) = n$ , then  $\rho(AB) = n$
- 11. Every skew-symmetric matrix, of odd order has rank less than its order.
- 12. Elementary operations do not change the rank of a matrix.

#### **Echelon Form of a Matrix**

A non-zero matrix A is said to be in Echelon form, if A satisfies the following conditions

- 1. All the non-zero rows of A, if any precede the zero rows.
- 2. The number of zeros preceding the first non-zero element in a row is less than the number of such zeros in the successive row.
- 3. The first non-zero element in a row is unity.
- 4. The number of non-zero rows of a matrix given in the Echelon form is its rank.

#### Homogeneous and Non-Homogeneous System of Linear Equations

A system of equations AX = B, is called a homogeneous system if B = 0 and if  $B \neq 0$ , then it is called a non-homogeneous system of equations.

#### **Solution of System of Linear Equations**

The values of the variables satisfying all the linear equations in the system, is called solution of system of linear equations.

#### 1. Solution of System of Equations by Matrix Method

(i) Non-Homogeneous System of Equations Let AX = B be a system of n linear equations in n variables.

- If  $|A| \neq 0$ , then the system of equations is consistent and has a unique solution given by  $X = A^{-1}B$ .
- If |A| = 0 and (adj A)B = 0, then the system of equations is consistent and has infinitely many solutions.
- If |A| = 0 and (adj A) B  $\neq 0$ , then the system of equations is inconsistent i.e., having no solution
- (ii) Homogeneous System of Equations Let AX = 0 is a system of n linear equations in n variables.
  - If I  $|A| \neq 0$ , then it has only solution X = 0, is called the trivial solution.
  - If I|A| = 0, then the system has infinitely many solutions, called non-trivial solution.

#### 2. Solution of System of Equations by Rank Method

- (i) Non-Homogeneous System of Equations Let AX = B, be a system of n linear equations in n variables, then
  - **Step I** Write the augmented matrix [A:B]
  - **Step II** Reduce the augmented matrix to Echelon form using elementary row-transformation.
  - **Step III** Determine the rank of coefficient matrix A and augmented matrix [A:B] by counting the number of non-zero rows in A and [A:B].

#### **Important Results**

- 1. If  $\rho(A) \neq \rho(AB)$ , then the system of equations is inconsistent.
- 2. If  $\rho(A) = \rho(AB)$  = the number of unknowns, then the system of equations is consistent and has a unique solution.
- 3. If  $\rho(A) = \rho(AB)$  < the number of unknowns, then the system of equations is consistent and has infinitely many solutions.

#### (ii) Homogeneous System of Equations

- If AX = 0, be a homogeneous system of linear equations then, If  $\rho(A)$  = number of unknown, then AX = 0, have a non-trivial solution, i.e., X = 0.
- If  $\rho(A)$  < number of unknowns, then AX = 0, have a non-trivial solution, with infinitely many solutions.