

Example:-

One example of a row-reduced matrix is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix  $I$  this is the  $n \times n$  matrix defined by

$$I_{ij} = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Theorem:- 4

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Every  $m \times n$  matrix over field  $F$  is row equivalent to a row reduced matrix.

Proof:-

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix over  $F$ . If every entry in the first row of  $A$  is zero, then condition (i) is satisfied in so far as row 1 is concerned.

If row 1 has a non-zero entry. Let  $k$  be the smallest integer  $j$  for which  $A_{1j} \neq 0$ .

Multiply row 1 by  $A_{1k}^{-1}$  and the condition (i) is satisfied with regard to row 1.

Now for each  $i \geq 2$ , add  $(-A_{ik})$  times row 1 to row  $i$ . Now the leading non-zero entry is row 1 and every other entry in column  $k$  is 0.

Now consider the matrix which has resulted from above.

If some every entry in row 2 is 0 we do nothing to row 2. If some entry in row 2 different from zero by a scalar so that the zero leading non-zero entry is, 1.

In the event that row 1 and a leading non-zero entry in column  $k$ . This leading non-zero entry of row 2 cannot occur in column  $k$  say it occurs in column  $k_r \neq k$ .

By adding suitable multiples of row 2 to the various rows, we get

arrange that all entries in columns  $k-1$  are 0, except that in row 2.

In carrying out these least squares operation we will not change the entries of row 1 in columns  $1$  to  $k$  for will we change any entry of column.

If row 1 was identically 0, the operation with row 2 will not affect row 1.

Working with one row at a time in the above manner it is clear that in a finite number of steps we will arrive at a row reduced matrix.

Every  $m \times n$  matrix over the field  $F$  is row equivalent to a row-reduced matrix.

Hence the theorem.

## MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

### Definition:-

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix over the field  $F$  and let  $B$  be an  $n \times p$  matrix over the field  $F$ . The product  $AB$  is the  $m \times p$  matrix...

whose  $c_{ij}$  entry is

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{n=1}^n A_{in} B_{nj}$$

### Example:-

(i) If  $I$  is  $m \times m$  identity matrix and  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix  $IA = A$ .

(ii) If  $I$  is the  $m \times m$  identity matrix and  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix  $AI = A$ .

(iii) If  $O^{k,m}$  is the  $k \times m$  zero matrix

$$O^{k,n} = O^{k,m}, \text{ by } AO^{n,p} = O^{m,p}$$

### Theorem:-

If  $A, B, C$  are matrices over the field  $F$  such that the products  $BC$  and  $A(BC)$  are defined then so are the product  $AB$ ,  $AB(C)$  and  $A(BC) = (AB)C$

Proof:-

Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix.

Let  $B = (b_{jk})$  be an  $n \times p$  matrix and

$C = (c_{kl})$  be an  $p \times q$  matrix.

$$B_{n \times p} = C_{p \times q} = BC_{n \times q}$$

Since  $BC$  is defined  $C$  is a matrix with  $p$  rows and  $BC$  has  $n$  rows because  $A(BC)$  is defined where  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix.

Thus the product  $AB$  exist and is  $m \times p$  matrix from which it follows that the product  $(AB)C = m \times q$  exists.

To prove that  $A(BC) = (AB)C$

It is enough to prove that,

$$[A(BC)]_{ij} = [(AB)C]_{ij} \text{ for each } i, j$$

$$[A(BC)]_{ij} = \sum_{r=1}^n A_{ir} (BC)_{rj}$$

$$= \sum_r A_{ir} \sum_s B_{rs} C_{sj}$$

$$= \sum_r \sum_s A_{ir} B_{rs} C_{sj}$$

$$= \sum_s \sum_r A_{ir} B_{rs} C_{sj}$$

$$= \sum_s \left( \sum_r A_{ir} B_{rs} \right) C_{sj}$$

$$= \sum_s (AB)_{is} c_{sj}$$

$$[A(BC)]_{ij} = [(AB)C]_{ij}$$

Hence the proof.

Definition:

An  $m \times n$  matrix is said to be an elementary matrix if it can be obtained from the  $m \times m$  identity matrix by means of a single elementary row operation.

Example:-

A  $2 \times 2$  elementary matrix is necessarily one of the following

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & c \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ c & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad c \neq 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \quad c \neq 0$$

Corollary:-

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $m \times n$  matrices over the field  $F$ . iff then  $B$  is row-equivalent to  $A$  iff  $B = PA$ , where  $P$  is a product of  $m \times m$  elementary matrices.

Proof:-

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $m \times n$  matrices over the field  $F$ . Assume that  $B = PA$  whose  $P = E_1 \dots E_2 E_1$  and the  $E_i$  are  $m \times m$  elementary matrix.

Then  $E_1 A$  is row-equivalent to  $A$  and  $E_2(E_1 A)$  is row equivalent to  $E_1 A$ .  
 $E_2 E_1 A$  is

Continuing in this way we get  $(E_1 \dots E_i$

$A$  is row-equivalent to  $A$

$PA$  is row-equivalent to  $A$

(ii)  $B$  is row-equivalent to  $A$ . Conversely assume that  $B$  is row-equivalent to  $A$ .  
To prove that  $B = PA$ .

Row-reduced Echelon matrices:-

Definition:-

An  $m \times n$  matrix  $R$  is called a row reduced echelon matrix if

(i)  $R$  is row reduced

(ii) every row of  $R$  which has all its entries zero.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Theorem:- 5

Every  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is row-equivalent to a row reduced echelon matrix.

### Proof:-

W.K.T every matrix  $A$  is row equivalent to a row reduced matrix by theorem (4).

Hence by performing finite numbers of row interchanges on this row reduced matrix being it to row reduced echelon.

### Theorem:- 6

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $m < n$  then the homogeneous system of this linear equation  $AX = 0$  has a non-trivial solution.

### Proof:-

Let  $R$  be a row-reduced echelon matrix which is row equivalent to  $A$ .

Then the system  $AX = 0$  and  $RX = 0$  have the same solution.

If  $v$  is the numbers of non-zero

rows in  $1 \leq r \leq m$  certainly  $r \leq m$  and  
 $r \leq m$ ,  $m < n$ ,  $r < n$ , since  $m < n$  and  
from  $r < n$ .

Let us leading non-zero entry  
of in the column  $k$ :

The system  $PX=0$  then consists  
of  $r$  non-trivial equations.

Also the unknown  $x_k$  will occur  
only in the  $i$ th equation.

If we let  $u_1, \dots, u_{n-r}$  denote  
the  $(n-r)$  unknowns which are different  
from  $x_k, \dots, x_{k_r}$  then the  $r$  non-  
trivial equations in  $PX=0$  are of  
the form -

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_k + \sum_{j=1}^{n-r} a_{ij} u_j &= 0 \\ x_k + \sum_{j=1}^{n-r} c_{ij} u_j &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{--- (1)}$$

All the solutions to the system  
of equations  $PX=0$  are obtained

by assigning any values what so ever  
to  $u_1, \dots, u_{n-r}$  and then computing the  
corresponding values of  $x_{k_1}, \dots, x_{k_r}$   
for (1).

(ii)  $Px = 0$  has a non-trivial solution

or  $Ax = 0$  has a non-trivial solution

Hence the theorem.