UNIT I: MATRICES 4.2 MULTIPLYING MATRICES

MULTIPLYING TWO MATRICES

The product of two matrices A and B is defined provided the number of columns of matrix A is equal to the number of rows in matrix B.

A is an *m* x *n* matrix

B is an $n \ge p$ matrix

AB is a $m \ge p$ matrix



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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & -2 \\ 3 & -7 & 4 & -8 \\ 1 & 0 & 9 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$3 \times 2 \qquad 3 \times 4$$

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Example 1.) Find *AB* if
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -7 \\ 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

Multiply the numbers in the first row of *A* by the numbers in the first column of *B*, add the products, and put the result in the first row, first column of *AB*.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -7 \\ 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1(5) + 4(9) \\ 2 \times 2 \\ 2 \times 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Multiply the numbers in the first row of *A* by the numbers in the first column of *B*, add the products, and put the result in the first row, second column of *AB*.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -7 \\ 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1(5) + 4(9) & 1(-7) + 4(6) \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

EXAMPLE STEP 3

Multiply the numbers in the second row of *A* by the numbers in the first column of *B*, add the products, and put the result in the second row, first column of *AB*.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -7 \\ 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1(5) + 4(9) & 1(-7) + 4(6) \\ 3(5) + (-2)(9) \end{bmatrix}$$



Multiply the numbers in the second row of *A* by the numbers in the second column of *B*, add the products, and put the result in the second row, second column of *AB*.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -7 \\ 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1(5) + 4(9) & 1(-7) + 4(6) \\ 3(5) + (-2)(9) & 3(-7) + (-2)(6) \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1(5) + 4(9) & 1(-7) + 4(6) \\ 3(5) + (-2)(9) & 3(-7) + (-2)(6) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 41 & 17 \\ -3 & -33 \end{bmatrix}$$



PROPERTIES OF MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

Let A, B, and C be matrices and let c be a scalar

ASSOCIATIVE PROPERTY OF MATRIX MULTIPLICATIONA(BC) = (AB)CLEFT DISTRIBUTIVE PROPERTYA(B+C) = AB + BCRIGHT DISTRIBUTIVE PROPERTY(A+B)C = AC + BCASSOCIATIVE PROPERTY OF SCALAR MULTIPLICATIONc(AB) = (cA)B = A(cB)



REAL LIFE APPLICATIONS

Matrix multiplication is useful in business applications because an *inventory* matrix, when multiplied by a *cost per item* matrix, results in a *total cost* matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{Inventory} \\ \text{matrix} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \text{Cost per item} \\ \text{matrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Total cost} \\ \text{matrix} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\frac{m \times n}{m \times p} = \frac{m \times p}{m \times p}$$

EXAMPLE

Two softball teams submit equipment lists for the season.

Women's team:

Men's team:

12 Bats 45 Balls 15 Uniforms 15 Bats 38 Balls 17 Uniforms

2×3 · 3×1

 $m\left[(12)(21) + (45)(4) + (15)(30) \\ (15)(21) + (38)(4) + (17)(30) \right]$

Cost

COST

Each bat costs \$21, each ball costs \$4, and each uniform costs \$30. Use matrix multiplication to find the total cost of equipment for each team

PRACTICE PROBLEMS

- Pg 211 #18, 22, 23, 24, 25
- Pg 212 #27, 29, 31, 40