

- The operation of dividing one matrix by another does not exist in matrix theory, but equivalent of division of a unit matrix by any square matrix can be accomplished (in most cases) by a process known as inversion of matrix.
- In ordinary algebra, if $x \times y = 1$, then x = 1/y or we may say that x is inverse of y or vice versa.



- Similarly, if A is a matrix and its inverse A⁻¹, then their product must be equal to the identity matrix.
- $A \times A^{-1} = I$ (*I* is identity matrix).

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• A^{-1} = I/A
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- Uses of Inverse Matrix:
- i. Solving simultaneous equation.
- ii. Input Output analysis
- iii. Regression analysis

Conditions to calculate inverse of matrix:

- I. The matrix needs to be square matrix
- II. The matrix must non-singular matrix i.e., the determinant should not be zero.
- **Method to Calculate Inverse of Matrix:**
 - A. Co-factor Method- Using adjoint matices
 - **B.** Gauss Elimination Method

A. Co-factor Method:

> Formula:
$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \cdot AdjA$$

- Where,
- Adj.A is transpose of matrix of cofactors of the elements of matrix A.

To be Continued

