

Matrices

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(ix) Transpose of a matrix: The matrix obtained interchanging rows and columns of a matrix A is called the transpose of A and is denoted by A' . Thus if $A = (a_{ij})_{m,n}$ then $A' = (a'_{ji})_{n,m}$ where $a'_{ji} = a_{ij}$.

(x) Symmetric matrix: A matrix A is called symmetric if $A' = A$. Note that a symmetric matrix must be square.

(xi) Scalar product of a matrix: If $A = (a_{ij})_{m,n}$ and k any number (i.e. scalar) then the scalar product of A with k is denoted by kA (or AK) and is defined by $kA = AK = (ka_{ij})_{m,n}$.

(xii) Skew symmetric matrix: A matrix A is called skew symmetric if $A' = -A$.

Note that a skew symmetric matrix must be a square. Its diagonal element should be zero.

(xiii) Orthogonal matrix: A square matrix A is called orthogonal if $A'A = AA' = I$ where I is the unit matrix.

(xiv) Conjugate of a matrix : Let $A = (a_{ij})_{m,n}$ be a matrix. Let \bar{a}_{ij} denote the complex conjugate of a_{ij} . Then the matrix $(\bar{a}_{ij})_{m,n}$ is called the conjugate of A and is denoted by \bar{A} .

(xv) Transposal Conjugate of a matrix : The transpose of \bar{A} is called the transposed conjugate of A and is denoted by A^θ . Thus $A^\theta = (\bar{A})' = (\bar{A}')$

(xvi) Hermitian matrix : A square matrix A is called a Hermitian matrix if $A^\theta = A$, i.e. if (i,j) th element of A is the complex conjugate of the (j,i) th element of A .

(xvii) Skew-Hermitian matrix : A square matrix A is called skew Hermitian if $A^\theta = -A$.

(xviii) Unitary matrix : A square matrix A is called a unitary matrix if $A^\theta A = A A^\theta = I$.