

# Topic:- Properties of Transpose

## ⇒ Definitions:-

The new matrix obtained by interchanging the rows and columns of the original matrix is called as the transpose of the matrix. It is denoted by  $A^t$ . In other words, if  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  then  $A^t = [a_{ji}]_{n \times m}$ .

For example:-

$$\text{If } U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } U^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

## ⇒ Properties:-

- Transpose of transpose of a matrix:-

The transpose of the transpose of a matrix is the matrix itself:

$$(A^t)^t = A. \text{ e.g.}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Therefore } (A^t)^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Hence } \boxed{(A^t)^t = A}$$

- Transpose of a product:-

The transpose of

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a product is the product of the transpose in the reverse order.

$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$ . The same is true for the product of multiple matrices:

$$(ABC)^T = C^T B^T A^T$$

For example: Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = (AB)^T$$

$$= \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = B^T A^T, \quad B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^T A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2-2 & 0+2 \\ 6+0 & 0+0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

Thus  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

### • Transpose of a sum:-

The transpose of a sum is the sum of transposes. E.g

$$(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T, \quad \text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = (A+B)^T = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$(A+B)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = A^T + B^T$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\text{Then } A+B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Hence } \boxed{(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T}$$

• Transpose of subtraction:-

The subtraction of two matrices is equal to the subtraction of their transpose.  $(A-B)^T = A^T - B^T$

E.g Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{L.H.S} = (A-B)^T = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = A^T - B^T \quad \text{where } A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Hence } \boxed{(A-B)^T = A^T - B^T}$$

• Transpose of a scalar product:-

The transpose of a matrix times a scalar (c) is equal to the constant times the transpose of the matrix.  $(cA)^T = c(A^T)$

E.g:- Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $c = 3$

$$\text{L.H.S} = (cA)^T = \left( 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

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R.H.S:  $C(A^T) = 3 \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

Hence  $(cA)^T = C(A^T)$

## ⇒ Inverse of a matrix:

In matrix, the inverse of a square matrix  $A$ , which is shown by  $A^{-1}$  (read  $A$  inverse), is the matrix of the same order such that:

$$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

where  $I$  is the identity matrix of the same order.

## ⇒ Properties:

1  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$

If  $A$  is non-singular matrix then

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$$

E.g Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{|A|}$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 4 - 3 = 1, \quad \text{adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{|A|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A^{-1})}{|A^{-1}|}, \quad |A^{-1}| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 4 - 3 = 1$$

$$\text{Adj}(A^{-1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A^{-1})^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A^{-1})}{|A^{-1}|}$$

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = A$$

Hence prove that  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ .

2.  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

If  $A$  and  $B$  are non-singular matrices, then  $AB$  is non-singular.

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

Example: Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

L.H.S.:  $(AB)^{-1}$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|AB| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3 + 0 = 3$$

$$(AB)^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(AB)}{|AB|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}}{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

R.H.S.:  $B^{-1}A^{-1}$

where  $B^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$B^{-1}A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 0+1 & -2+3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$  is verified.

$$3. (A^t)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^t$$

If  $A$  is non-singular matrix then

$$(A^t)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^t$$

Example: Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  then

L.H.S.  $(A^t)^{-1}$

$$A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = -6 + 1 = -5 \neq 0$$

$$(A^t)^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A^t)}{|A^t|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}{-5} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 & -1/5 \\ 1/5 & -2/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

R.H.S.  $(A^{-1})^t$ ,  $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = -6 + 1 = -5$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{|A|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}{-5} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 & 1/5 \\ -1/5 & -2/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A^{-1})^t = \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 & 1/5 \\ -1/5 & -2/5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 & -1/5 \\ 1/5 & -2/5 \end{bmatrix} = (A^t)^{-1}$$

Hence prove that  $(A^t)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^t$ .

$$4. (kA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{k} A^{-1}$$

If  $A^k$  be any non-singular matrix then  $(kA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{k} A^{-1}$

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^k$  and  $k = 2$  then

$$\text{L.H.S.} : (kA)^{-1} = \left( 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$(kA)^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(kA)}{|kA|}, \quad |kA| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 4$$

$$\text{Adj}(kA) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } (kA)^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(kA)}{|kA|}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}{4} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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R.H.S.:  $\frac{1}{k} (A)^{-1}$ ,  $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2$

$$\text{Adj}(A)^k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{|A|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now  $\frac{1}{k} (A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = (kA)^{-1}$

Hence proved that  $(kA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{k} A^{-1}$ .