



Math 201

Section F03

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Matrix multiplication

Definition. Let $P \in M_{m \times \ell}(F)$ and $Q \in M_{\ell \times n}(F)$, then the product $PQ \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ is defined by

$$(PQ)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} P_{ik} Q_{kj}.$$

Example.

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Matrix algebra

Proposition. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix, B an $n \times r$ matrix, both over a field F , and $\lambda \in F$.

1. $\lambda(AB) = (\lambda A)B = A(\lambda B)$.
2. $A(BC) = (AB)C$ for all $r \times s$ matrices C .
3. $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ for all $n \times r$ matrices C .
4. $(C + D)A = CA + DA$ for all $r \times m$ matrices C and D .

Linear functions and matrices

Proposition. Let V and W be vector spaces over F of dimension n and m , respectively. Then there is an isomorphism of vector spaces

$$\text{Hom}(V, W) \rightarrow M_{m \times n}(F).$$