# CHAPTER 1 MATRICES, VECTORS, AND SYSTEMS OF LINEAR EQUATIONS 1.1 Matrices and Vectors

### In many occasions, we can arrange a number of values of interest into an rectangular array. For example:

	July			August	
Store	1	2	Store	1	2
Newspaper	6	8	Newspaper	7	9
Magazines	15	20	Magazines	18	31
Books	45	64	Books	52	68
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elements of *R*, the set of real numbers

### Definitions

Notation:

A matrix is a rectangular array of scalars.

If the matrix has m rows and n columns, we say that the **size** of the matrix is m by n, written  $m \times n$ .

The matrix is called **square** if m = n.

The scalar in the *i*th row and *j*th column is called the (i, j)-entry of the matrix.

Example:

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ 15 & 20 \\ 45 & 64 \end{bmatrix}$$

We use  $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$  to denote the set that contains all matrices whose sizes are  $m \times n$ .

#### **Equality of matrices**

• equal: We say that two matrices *A* and *B* are equal if they have the same size and have equal corresponding entries.

Let 
$$A, B \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$$
.  
Then  $A = B \Leftrightarrow a_{ij} = b_{ij}, \forall i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$ .



### **Submatrices**

- submatrix: A submatrix is obtained by deleting from a matrix entire rows and/or columns.
- For example,

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 20\\ 45 & 64 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a submatrix of } B = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -8 \\ 15 & 20\\ 45 & 64 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Matrix addition**

#### • Sum of matrices

# **Definition** A, $\beta \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$

Let A and B be  $m \times n$  matrices. We define the **sum** of A and B, denoted A+B, to be the  $m \times n$  matrix obtained by adding the corresponding entries of  $\overline{A}$  and B; that is, the  $m \times n$  matrix whose (i, j)-entry is  $a_{ij} + b_{ij}$ .



### **Scalar multiplication**

## Definition

Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix and c be a scalar. The scalar multiple cA of the matrix A is defined to be the  $m \times n$  matrix whose (i, j)-entry is  $ca_{ij}$ .



### **Zero matrices**

zero matrix: matrix with all zero entries, denoted by *O* (any size) or *O<sub>m×n</sub>*.

For example, a 2-by-3 zero matrix can be denoted

$$O_{2\times3} = \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

### Property

$$A = O + A$$
 for all  $A \in M_{mxn}$ 

## Property

$$0 \cdot A = O$$
 for all  $A$ 

### Question

Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_{2 \times 2}$$
 and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_{3 \times 2}.$ 

Then both  $0 \cdot A$  and  $0 \cdot B$  can be denoted by O, that is,

$$0 \cdot A = O$$
, and  $0 \cdot B = O$ .

Can we conclude that

$$\underbrace{0 \cdot A \neq 0 \cdot B?}{4}$$

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#### **Matrix Subtraction**

### Definition

We define the matrix -A to be (-1)A. The **matrix subtraction** of two matrices A and B is defined as

$$A - B = A + (-B).$$



### Question

For any  $m \times n$  matrices A and B (i.e.,  $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ ), will

A + B = B + A

always be true?

### Question

For any  $m \times n$  matrices A and B (i.e.,  $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ ) and any real number s (i.e.,  $\forall s \in \mathcal{R}$ ), will

s(A+B) = sA + sB

always be true?

### Question

For any  $m \times n$  matrices A and B (i.e.,  $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ ), will

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A + B = B + A
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always be true?

Answer: Yes! It is always true. Proof:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \cdots a_{1n} \\ a_{21} \cdots a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m_{1}} \cdots a_{m_{n}} \end{bmatrix}$   $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} \cdots b_{1n} \\ b_{21} \cdots b_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ b_{m_{1}} \cdots b_{m_{n}} \end{bmatrix}$   $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} + a_{11} \cdots \\ b_{m_{1}} \cdots b_{m_{n}} \end{bmatrix}$   $A + B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} - a_{1m} + b_{1n} \\ a_{12} + b_{12} \end{bmatrix}$   $B + A = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} + a_{11} \cdots \\ \vdots \\ b_{11} + a_{11} \cdots \\ \vdots \\ b_{11} + a_{11} \cdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{12} + a_{12} \end{bmatrix}$   $Y = \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} + b_{12} \end{bmatrix}$  **Theorem 1.1 (Properties of Matrix Addition and Scalar Multiplication)** Let A, B, and C be  $m \times n$  matrices, and let s and t be any scalars. Then  $\checkmark$ (a) A + B = B + A. (commutative law of matrix addition) (b) (A + B) + C = A + (B + C). (associative law of matrix addition) (c) A + O = A. (d) A + (-A) = O. (e) (st)A = s(tA). (f) s(A + B) = sA + sB. (g) (s + t)A = sA + tA.

**Proof:** All proofs can follow from basic arithmetic laws in *R* and previous definitions. Please do all of them yourself (homework).

By (b), sum of multiple matrices are written as  $A + B + \cdots + M$ 

### Transpose

# Definition

The **transpose** of an  $m \times n$  matrix A is the  $n \times m$  matrix  $A^T$  whose (i, j)-entry is the (j, i)-entry of A.

## Property

$$C \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n} \Rightarrow C^T \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times m}$$

## Example

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 9 \\ 18 & 31 \\ 52 & 68 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow C^T = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 18 & 52 \\ 9 & 31 & 68 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Question

Is 
$$C = C^T$$
 always wrong?

# Question

Is 
$$\forall A, B \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}, (A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$$
 always true?

### **Theorem 1.2** (Properties of the Transpose)

Let A and B be  $m \times n$  matrices, and let s be any scalar. Then (a)  $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$ . (b)  $(sA)^T = sA^T$ . (c)  $(A^T)^T = A$ .

Proof: (b) 
$$(SA)^{T} = \left(S \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \cdots a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \cdots a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}\right)^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} Sa_{11} \cdots Sa_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ Sa_{m1} \cdots Sa_{mn} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} Sa_{11} \cdots Sa_{m1} \\ \vdots \\ Sa_{1n} \cdots Sa_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$SA^{T} = S \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \cdots a_{m1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1n} \cdots a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Sa_{11} \cdots Sa_{m1} \\ \vdots \\ Sa_{1n} \cdots Sa_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \forall S \in \mathbb{R}$$
$$\forall A \in M_{man}$$
$$\Rightarrow (SA)^{T} = S \cdot A^{T}$$

### Vectors

• A row vector is a matrix with one row.

 $\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr}1 & 2 & 3 & 4\end{array}\right]$ 

• A column vector is a matrix with one column.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3\\4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

- The term **vector** can refer to either a **row vector** or a **column vector**.
- (Important) In this course, the term **vector** *always* refers to a **column vector** unless being explicitly mentioned otherwise.

#### Vectors

- $\mathcal{R}^n$ : We denote the set of all **column vectors** with *n* entries by  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .
  - In other words,

$$\mathcal{R}^n = \mathcal{M}_{n \times 1}$$

• components: the entries of a vector.

Let  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{R}^n$  and assume

Then the *i*th component of  $\mathbf{v}$  refers to  $v_i$ .

 $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underbrace{\forall z} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_h \end{bmatrix}$ 

### **Vector Addition and Scalar Multiplication**

- Definitions of vector addition and scalar multiplication of vectors follow those for matrices.
- $\mathbf{0}$  is the zero vector (any size), and  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{u}$ ,  $0\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$  for all  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{R}^n$ .

A matrix is often regarded as a stack of **row vectors** or a cross list of **column vectors**. For any  $C \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ , we can write

where 
$$\mathbf{c}_{j} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1j} & \cdots & c_{j} & \cdots & c_{n} \end{bmatrix}$$
  $\begin{array}{c} m \times n \\ c_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ c_{mj} \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{array}{c} c_{1j} & c_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ c_{mj} \end{array}$ 



### Section 1.1 (Review)

- Matrix
  - Rows and columns
  - Size (*m*-by-*n*).
  - Square matrix.
  - (*i*,*j*)-entry
- Matrix
  - Equality,
  - Addition, Zero Matrix
  - Scalar multiplication, subtraction
- Vector
  - Row vectors, column vectors.
  - components

# 1.2 Linear Combinations, Matrix-Vector Products, and Special Matrices

# Definition

A linear combination of vectors  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, ..., \mathbf{u}_k$  is a vector of the form

 $c_1\mathbf{u}_1+c_2\mathbf{u}_2+\cdots+c_k\mathbf{u}_k,$ 

where  $c_1, c_2, ..., c_k$  are scalars. These scalars are called the **coefficients** of the linear combination.

Example: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\\8 \end{bmatrix} = -3 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\3 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Given the coefficients ( $\{-3,4,1\}$ ), it is easy to compute the combination ([2 8]<sup>*T*</sup>), but the inverse problem is harder.

Example: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 3x_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3x_2 \\ 1x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 + 3x_2 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

To determine  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , we must solve a system of linear equations, which has a unique solution  $[x_1 x_2]^T = [-1 \ 2]^T$  in this case.



Example: to determine if  $[-4 - 2]^T$  is a linear combination of  $[6 3]^T$ and  $[2 1]^T$ , we must solve  $6x_1 + 2x_2 = -4$  $3x_1 + x_2 = -2$ which has infinitely many solutions, as the geometry suggests.  $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = (-2) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 6 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  $= 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (-1) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  Example: to determine if  $[3 4]^T$  is a linear combination of  $[3 2]^T$  and  $[6 4]^T$ , must solve

$$3x_1 + 6x_2 = 3$$

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 = 4$$

which has no solutions, as the geometry suggests.



If **u** and **v** are any nonparallel vectors in  $\mathcal{R}^2$ , then every vector in  $\mathcal{R}^2$  is a linear combination of **u** and **v** (unique linear combination).



algebraically, this means that  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are nonzero vectors, and  $\mathbf{u} \neq c\mathbf{v}$ .

What is the condition in  $\mathcal{R}^3$ ? in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ ?

### **Standard vectors**

The **standard vectors** of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  are defined as

$$\mathbf{e}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\\vdots\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{e}_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\\vdots\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \cdots, \mathbf{e}_{n} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\\vdots\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Obviously, every vector in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  may be uniquely linearly combined by these standard vectors.

$$\underline{V} = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n \qquad \underline{V} = V_1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + V_2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \cdots + V_n \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## **Matrix-Vector Product**

## Definition

Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix and **v** be an  $n \times 1$  vector. We define the **matrix-vector product** of A and **v**, denoted by A**v**, to be the linear combination of the columns of A whose coefficients are the corresponding components of **v**. That is,

Note that we can write: 
$$A\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix}$$
  
Example: Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 21 \\ 35 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 32 \\ 48 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 23 \\ 53 \\ 83 \end{bmatrix}$   
Property:  $A\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$  and  $O\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$  for any  $A$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

Let 
$$A \in \mathcal{M}_{2 \times 3}$$
 and  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{R}^{3}$ . Then  

$$A\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{22} \\ a_{22} \\ a_{22} \\ a_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \\ v_{3} \\ v_{3} \end{bmatrix} = v_{1} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \end{bmatrix} + v_{2} \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \end{bmatrix} + v_{3} \begin{bmatrix} a_{13} \\ a_{23} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}v_{1} + a_{12}v_{2} + a_{13}v_{3} \\ a_{21}v_{1} + a_{22}v_{2} + a_{23}v_{3} \end{bmatrix}$$
More generally, when  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{R}^{n}$ . Then  

$$A\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \\ \vdots \\ v_{n} \end{bmatrix} = v_{1} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + v_{2} \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + v_{3} \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}v_{1} + a_{12}v_{2} + \cdots + a_{1n}v_{n} \\ a_{21}v_{1} + a_{22}v_{2} + \cdots + a_{2n}v_{n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}v_{1} + a_{m2}v_{2} + \cdots + a_{2n}v_{n} \end{bmatrix}$$
The *i*th component of  $A\mathbf{v}$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} a_{i1} & a_{i2} & \cdots & a_{1n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \\ \vdots \\ v_{n} \end{bmatrix}$ 

# **Identity Matrix**

# Definition

For each positive integer n, the  $n \times n$  identity matrix  $I_n$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix whose respective columns are the standard vectors  $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots \mathbf{e}_n$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .

Example: 
$$I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sometimes  $I_n$  is simply written as I (any size).

Property:  $I_n \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$  for any  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{R}^n$ 



### **Stochastic Matrix**

# Definition

An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$  is called a **stochastic matrix** if all entries of A are nonnegative and the sum of all entries in each column is unity.

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.85 \\ 0.15 \\ 0.97 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a 2 × 2 stochastic matrix.



 $A(A\mathbf{p})$ : population distribution in the year following the next

# Example: rotation matrix

$$A_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{\theta} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta \\ x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

# Question

Is the statement

$$(A+B)\mathbf{u} = A\mathbf{u} + B\mathbf{u}, \forall A, B \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}, \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{R}^n$$

always true?

# Question

Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{e}_j$  be the *j*th standard vector in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Then what is  $A\mathbf{e}_j$ ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1 & \underline{a}_2 & \cdots & \underline{a}_h \end{bmatrix} \qquad A \cdot \underline{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1 & \underline{a}_1 & \cdots & \underline{a}_h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1 \\ \underline{a}_1 \\ \underline{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \underline{j} + \underline{h} = \underline{h}_1$$

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#### **Theorem 1.3** (Properties of Matrix-Vector Products)

Let A and B be m×n matrices, and let u and v be vectors in R<sup>n</sup>. Then
✓ (a) A(u + v) = Au + Av.
(b) A(cu) = c(Au) = (cA)u for every scalar c.
✓ (c) (A + B)u = Au + Bu.
✓ (d) Ae<sub>j</sub> = a<sub>j</sub> for j = 1, 2, ..., n, where o<sub>j</sub> is the jth standard vector in R<sup>n</sup>.
(e) If B is an m×n matrix such that Bw = Aw for all w in R<sup>n</sup>) then B = A.
✓ (f) A0 is the m×1 zero vector.
✓ (g) If O is the m×n zero matrix, then Ov is the m×1 zero vector.
✓ (h) I<sub>n</sub>v = v.

**Proof** for (e): If 
$$B \neq A$$
, then  $(B - A)\mathbf{e}_j \neq \mathbf{0}$ , i.e.,  $B\mathbf{e}_j \neq A\mathbf{e}_j$ , for some  $j$ .  

$$\begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Problems for practice (1.1~1.2)** 

Section 1.1: Problems 1, 5, 7, 11, 13, 19, 25, 27, 29, 31, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 51, 53, 55.

Section 1.2: Problems 3, 5, 8, 9, 15, 34, 42, 44, 83-87