## Positive Integral Powers of a Matrix.

The positive integral powers of a matrix *A* are defined only when *A* is a square matrix. Also then  $A^2 = A.A$ ,  $A^3 = A.A.A = A^2A$ . Also for any positive integers *m*,*n*. (i)  $A^m A^n = A^{m+n}$ 

(ii) 
$$(A^m)^n = A^{mn} = (A^n)^m$$

(iii) 
$$I^n = I, I^m = I$$

(iv)  $A^0 = I_n$  Where *A* is a square matrix of order *n*.