

**Winter 2020 Math 33A**  
**Week 3 Worksheet**  
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**Problem 1:** Find all 2 by 2 matrices  $X$  with

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} X = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Hint:* Begin by writing  $X = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ . Translate the above equation into a system of 4 equations in the variables  $a, b, c, d$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} a+2c & b+2d \\ 2a+3c & 2b+3d \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{array}{l} a+2c=3 \\ b+2d=5 \\ 2a+3c=5 \\ 2b+3d=8 \end{array} & \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 8 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{-2R_1+R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{2R_3+R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{-R_4 \rightarrow R_4} \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right) \\ a=1 & \left| \begin{array}{c} a=1 \\ b=1 \\ c=1 \\ d=2 \end{array} \right. \\ b=1 & \\ c=1 & \\ d=2 & \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

check:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2 & 1+4 \\ 2+3 & 2+6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$

**Problem 2:** Recall that to find the matrix of a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ , i.e. a 2 by 2 matrix  $A$  with  $T(x) = Ax$ , we can get the first column by simply computing  $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ , and we can get the second column by computing  $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ .

a) Let  $T_1 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear transformation of scaling by a factor of 2. Find the matrix for  $T_1$ .

$$T_1\left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad T_1\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T_1\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \boxed{A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}} \quad \text{i.e. } T_1(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x}$$

b) Let  $T_2 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear transformation of rotation by an angle of  $\theta$  counterclockwise. Find the matrix for  $T_2$ .

Diagram illustrating the rotation of a vector  $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  by an angle  $\theta$  counterclockwise. The resulting vector is  $T_2\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$ . The rotation matrix  $A$  is given as  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ . The diagram shows the original vector  $\vec{x}$  and the rotated vector  $T_2(\vec{x})$  in a 2D plane.

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c) Let  $T_3 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear transformation of projection onto the  $x$ -axis. Find the matrix of  $T_3$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{i.e. } T_3(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x}$$

d) Let  $T_4 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear transformation of rotating by an angle of  $\theta$  counterclockwise, and then projecting onto the  $x$ -axis. Find the matrix of  $T_4$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{i.e. } T_4(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x}$$

e) Verify that if you multiply your matrix from c with the matrix from  $\text{d}$ , in that order, you get the matrix from  $\text{d}$ . Why is this true? And why is the matrix multiplication done in that order?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta + 0 & -\sin \theta + 0 \\ 0 + 0 & 0 + 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ same as (d)} \checkmark$$

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rotate first  
↓  
project second

If we did  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  then this means project first, rotate second  
which is not the same.

f) Which of the linear transformations from a through d are invertible? Hint: Can the transformation be undone?

(a) and (b) are invertible because they can be undone  
(c) and (d) are not invertible because they cannot be undone

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**Problem 3:** In this problem, we show 2 by 2 matrices  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  are invertible (i.e. have rank 2) if and only if  $ad - bc \neq 0$ . (This quantity is known as the *determinant* of the matrix. We will eventually see a notion of determinant for larger matrices as well, and it will similarly tell us about invertibility.)

a) If  $a = 0$  and  $c = 0$ , is the matrix invertible?

A matrix is invertible if  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  has only the solution  $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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 $x_1$  is a free variable  $\Rightarrow$  infinitely many solutions  
 $\Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{0}$  is not the only solution  
 $\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$  not invertible

b) Suppose  $a \neq 0$ . Then we can pick it as a pivot, divide through by  $a$  and get the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Perform the next step in row reduction. Can we figure out when the matrix is invertible without going further? (Note that we're ready to pick another pivot, if we can).

Try working at  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-cR_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} \\ 0 & \frac{-bc}{a} + d \end{pmatrix} \text{ Want only one solution}$$

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 Need  $\frac{-bc}{a} + d \neq 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{ad \neq bc}$

c) Suppose  $a = 0$  but  $c \neq 0$ . Then we can just swap rows and do the same process as part b. Verify this gives you the same condition as part b.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 1 & \frac{d}{c} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{d}{c} \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix} \text{ Want only one solution}$$

need  $b \neq 0$   
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 $bc \neq 0$   
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 $bc \neq 0 \cdot d$   
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 $bc \neq ad$  since  $a=0$ .

d) Which of the matrices from 2a through 2d are invertible? Does this agree with your answer to 2f?

$$2a: A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det A = 2(2) - 0(0) = 4 \neq 0 \text{ so invertible}$$

$$2b: A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \det A = \cos \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta (-\sin \theta) = \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1 \neq 0 \text{ so invertible}$$

$$2c: A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det A = 1 \cdot 0 - 0 \cdot 0 = 0, \text{ not invertible}$$

$$2d: A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det A = \cos \theta \cdot 0 - \sin \theta \cdot 0 = 0, \text{ not invertible}$$

**Problem 4:** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a rotation by an angle of  $\theta$  on the  $xz$ -plane (the rotation is going from the positive  $x$ -axis towards the positive  $z$ -axis). Find the matrix of  $T$ .

Hint: Finding  $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  will give us the first, second and third columns of this matrix. To figure out what will happen to the first and third, draw the  $xz$ -plane and what happens to these vectors after the rotation occurs.

