

MATH V2020 PROBLEM SET 3
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This is the first problem set where you'll write proofs of interesting results on your own. I've given sketches, but it still may be a bit of a struggle. Don't forget that help is available.

- (1) Compute the following matrix arithmetic:

(a)

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 18 & -6 \end{pmatrix}^2$$

- (2) Some abstract computations with matrix multiplication. (The answers and a little justification is enough; you don't have to give proofs or detailed arguments.)

(a) Let $E_{i,j}$ denote the $n \times n$ matrix with a 1 in the $(i, j)^{th}$ position and 0's everywhere else. What is the product $E_{i,j}E_{k,l}$ in terms of i, j, k and l ? (Suggestion: do a couple of 2×2 or 3×3 examples.)

(b) Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and let A be a 3×3 matrix. What is the effect of left multiplying A by M (i.e., MA)? What about right multiplying (i.e., AM)? (Suggestion: do an example.)

(c) Let $N = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and let A be a 3×3 matrix. What is the effect of left multiplying A by N ? Right multiplying A by N ?

(d) Let $P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and let A be a 3×3 matrix. What is the effect of left multiplying A by P ? Right multiplying A by P ?

(e) What are the inverses of M , N and P ? (Guess the answer by thinking about your answers from the first three parts, not by computing directly. Check that they're correct.)

- (3) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$. Find the inverse B of A . (Hint: B is a 2×2 matrix. Write $B = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$. Then, the condition that B be the inverse of A boils down to a system of linear equations. Solve them.)

(You might already have learned some tricks for inverting matrices somewhere. Please don't use them unless you can explain why they work.)

- (4) Prove that the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$ has no inverse, two ways:
- Write down the condition for B to be the inverse of A , in terms of linear equations, and check that they are not satisfied.
 - Consider the linear map induced by A , and show that it has no inverse. (Hint: is it bijective?)
- (Both parts should be quite short; if you're having trouble writing them, talk to someone (e.g., me, Evan).)
- (5) Let $F: \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^m$ be a linear transformation.
- Prove that if $n < m$ then F is not surjective. (Hint: take a basis for \mathbb{F}^n , apply F to it. Explain why the resulting vectors can't span W . Explain why this implies F is not surjective.)
 - Let $F: \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^m$ be a linear transformation. Prove that if $n > m$ then F is not injective. (Hint: take a basis for V , apply F to it. Explain why the resulting vectors can't be linearly independent. Explain why this implies F is not injective.)
 - Use the first two parts to prove that if A is an $m \times n$ matrix and $m \neq n$ then A is not invertible.
- (6) Last week you found a matrix for the linear transformation $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ given by reflection across the line making an angle θ with the x -axis. Let R_θ denote this linear transformation. Find a matrix for the composition $R_\theta \circ R_\eta$ in two different ways:
- Directly, by geometric arguments similar to those you used last week.
 - By multiplying the matrices for R_θ and R_η .
- Check that your answers agree.
- (7) Let $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be given by $F(x, y)^T = (x + y, x - y)^T$.
- Find the matrix for F with respect to the standard basis \mathcal{B} for \mathbb{R}^2 .
 - Find the change of basis matrix from \mathcal{B} to $\mathcal{B}' = [(1, 2)^T, (3, 7)^T]$. Find its inverse (hint: you've already done that in this problem set).
 - Use the first two parts to compute the matrix for F with respect to \mathcal{B}' . (This is not rigged to have a particularly nice answer.)
- (8) Let $F: \mathcal{P}_{\leq 1} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{\leq 1}$ be given by $F(p(x)) = xp(1) + p'(x)$.
- Find the matrix for F with respect to the basis $\mathcal{B} = [1, x]$.
 - Find the change of basis matrix from \mathcal{B} to $\mathcal{B}' = [1, 2 + x]$ and its inverse. (Hint: you figured out how to invert the relevant matrix in Problem 2.)
 - Use parts 8a and 8b to compute the matrix for F with respect to the basis \mathcal{B}' .
 - Check your answer by computing the matrix for F with respect to \mathcal{B}' directly.
- (9) Find two 2×2 matrices which are not similar. Prove that they're not similar. (This can be easy, if you choose the right matrices.)

Note: we'll do some more change of basis problems next week, but you still might like to find some more to practice on your own this week.

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