

# Quick answer key to R03

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# 1 Problem 1

## 1.1 Part (a)

Calculate  $AB$  and  $BA$ .

First, we compute  $AB$ :

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2(-3) + 1(2) & 2(1) + 1(0) \\ 1(-3) + 2(2) & 1(1) + 2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 + 2 & 2 \\ -3 + 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now, we compute  $BA$ :

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3(2) + 1(1) & -3(1) + 1(2) \\ 2(2) + 0(1) & 2(1) + 0(2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 + 1 & -3 + 2 \\ 4 + 0 & 2 + 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## 1.2 Part (b)

Calculate the matrix  $A^{-1}$ .

To calculate the inverse of  $A$ , we use the formula for a  $2 \times 2$  matrix:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}.$$

First, compute the determinant of  $A$ :

$$\det(A) = 2(2) - 1(1) = 4 - 1 = 3.$$

Now, the inverse of  $A$  is:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

### 1.3 Part (c)

Check directly that  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$ .

We compute  $AA^{-1}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}AA^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + 1\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) & 2\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) + 1\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \\ 1\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + 2\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) & 1\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) + 2\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} - \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I.\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $A^{-1}A = I$ .

#### 1.4 Part (d)

Solve the system of equations using  $A^{-1}$ .

The system of equations is:

$$2x + y = 7, \quad x + 2y = 11.$$

This can be written as the matrix equation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Multiplying both sides by  $A^{-1}$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3}(7) + -\frac{1}{3}(11) \\ -\frac{1}{3}(7) + \frac{2}{3}(11) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{14}{3} - \frac{11}{3} \\ -\frac{7}{3} + \frac{22}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So, the solution is  $x = 1$ ,  $y = 5$ .

**Check the solution.**

Substituting  $x = 1$  and  $y = 5$  into the original equations:

$$2(1) + 5 = 7, \quad 1 + 2(5) = 11,$$

both of which are true, so the solution is correct.

## 2 Problem 2

### 2.1 (a) Transformation of the unit square by $T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

We apply  $T$  to each vertex of the unit square:

$$T(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$T(0,1) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$T(1,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$T(1,1) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The new vertices of the transformed square are  $(0,0)$ ,  $(3,1)$ ,  $(2,0)$ , and  $(5,1)$ .

## 2.2 (b) Reflection Across the Line $y = -x$

The matrix  $A$  associated with reflection across the line  $y = -x$  is found by observing how the reflection changes the coordinates of a point  $(x, y)$  to  $(-y, -x)$ .

For the standard basis vectors:

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ reflects to } \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ reflects to } \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, the matrix representing this reflection is:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### 2.3 (c) Linear Transformation in $\mathbb{R}^3$

The linear transformation  $f$  acts on vectors  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$  by:

$$f \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3x - 2z \\ x + y + z \\ 4y + z \end{pmatrix}.$$

To find the matrix associated with this transformation, we determine how the transformation acts on the standard basis vectors  $\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

and  $\mathbf{e}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ :

$$f(\mathbf{e}_1) = f \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad f(\mathbf{e}_2) = f \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad f(\mathbf{e}_3) = f \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, the matrix associated with the transformation is:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$



## 2.4 (d) Projection onto the Vector $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

The answer is

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & \frac{2}{5} \\ \frac{2}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \end{pmatrix}.$$

This follows by showing  $\mathbf{e}_1$  and  $\mathbf{e}_2$  project to  $\begin{pmatrix} 1/5 \\ 2/5 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 2/5 \\ 4/5 \end{pmatrix}$  respectively.<sup>1</sup> Recall from R02 the projection of a vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  onto the vector  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  is given by the formula:

$$\frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w}.$$

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<sup>1</sup>ChatGPT provided a solution by citing a formula that I don't think was covered in the class, that's basically a cheat code in my opinion. But here it is if you want to see it. The projection matrix formula for projecting onto  $\mathbf{w}$  is:

$$A = \frac{1}{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w} \mathbf{w}^T = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Carrying out the matrix multiplication:

$$A = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & \frac{2}{5} \\ \frac{2}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, the matrix for the projection onto  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  is:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & \frac{2}{5} \\ \frac{2}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \end{pmatrix}.$$