

Complete solutions to Exercises 1.4

1. We are given the following matrices, $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1+6 & 2-1 \\ 3+5 & -1+3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 1 \\ 8 & 2 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

(b) $\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}$ is similar to part (a):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} &= \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 6+1 & -1+2 \\ 5+3 & 3-1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 1 \\ 8 & 2 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

(c) $\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} &= \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 6+6+6 & -1-1-1 \\ 5+5+5 & 3+3+3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 18 & -3 \\ 15 & 9 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$$(d) \quad 3\mathbf{B} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (3 \times 6) & (3 \times (-1)) \\ (3 \times 5) & (3 \times 3) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 18 & -3 \\ 15 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

(e) We have

$$\begin{aligned}3\mathbf{A} + 2\mathbf{B} &= 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 9 & -3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 12 & -2 \\ 10 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3+12 & 6-2 \\ 9+10 & -3+6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 15 & 4 \\ 19 & 3 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

(f) $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{C}$ is impossible because the matrix sizes are different.

(g) $\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}$ is impossible because the matrix sizes are different.

(h) \mathbf{AC} is evaluated by row times column:

$$\mathbf{AC} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (1 \times -1) + (2 \times 1) \\ (3 \times -1) + (-1 \times 1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(i) Similarly \mathbf{BC} equals

$$\mathbf{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (6 \times -1) + (-1 \times 1) \\ (5 \times -1) + (3 \times 1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(j) We have

$$\begin{aligned}5\mathbf{A} - 7\mathbf{BC} &= 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} - 7 \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 10 \\ 15 & -5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -49 \\ -14 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Evaluated above

Cannot subtract the above matrices because they are of different size. Therefore it is impossible to evaluate $5\mathbf{A} - 7\mathbf{BC}$.

(k) By parts (h) and (i) above we have

$$\begin{aligned} 3\mathbf{AC} - 2\mathbf{BC} &= 3 \underset{\text{By Part (h)}}{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}} - 2 \underset{\text{By Part (i)}}{\begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -14 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 - (-14) \\ -12 - (-4) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 17 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$2. \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & 9 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 8 & 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \\ 2 & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & 9 & 6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & 9 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1-1 & -1-(-1) & 7-7 \\ 2-2 & 9-9 & 6-6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Similarly we have

$$\begin{aligned} 3\mathbf{A} - 2\mathbf{A} &= 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & 9 & 6 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & 9 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -3 & 21 \\ 6 & 27 & 18 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 14 \\ 4 & 18 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3-2 & -3-(-2) & 21-14 \\ 6-4 & 27-18 & 18-12 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & 9 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A} \end{aligned}$$

(c) \mathbf{BC} which is matrix times a vector:

$$\mathbf{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 8 & 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + 7 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 42 \\ 73 \\ 81 \end{pmatrix}$$

(d) \mathbf{CB} is impossible because vector \mathbf{C} has only one column but matrix \mathbf{B} has 3 rows.

Remember for multiplication of matrices the number of columns of the first (Left Hand) matrix must equal the number of rows of the second (Right Hand) matrix.

(e) $\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D} &= \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 8 & 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \\ 2 & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 5+7 & 1+9 & 4+4 \\ 8+1 & 2+3 & 7+(-5) \\ 1+2 & 4+(-1) & 9+(-3) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 & 10 & 8 \\ 9 & 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(f) Clearly $\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{B}$ gives the same result as part (e) because the same elements are added but in different order.

(g) $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}$ is impossible because matrices are of **different** size.

$$(h) \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{C} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \\ \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \\ \frac{1}{2} \times 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

(i) Working out \mathbf{BD} gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{BD} &= \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 8 & 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \\ 2 & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (5 \times 7) + (1 \times 1) + (4 \times 2) & (5 \times 9) + (1 \times 3) + (4 \times -1) & (5 \times 4) + (1 \times -5) + (4 \times -3) \\ (8 \times 7) + (2 \times 1) + (7 \times 2) & (8 \times 9) + (2 \times 3) + (7 \times -1) & (8 \times 4) + (2 \times -5) + (7 \times -3) \\ (1 \times 7) + (4 \times 1) + (9 \times 2) & (1 \times 9) + (4 \times 3) + (9 \times -1) & (1 \times 4) + (4 \times -5) + (9 \times -3) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 44 & 44 & 3 \\ 72 & 71 & 1 \\ 29 & 12 & -43 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(j) \mathbf{DB} is evaluated row by column:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{DB} &= \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \\ 2 & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 8 & 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (7 \times 5) + (9 \times 8) + (4 \times 1) & (7 \times 1) + (9 \times 2) + (4 \times 4) & (7 \times 4) + (9 \times 7) + (4 \times 9) \\ (1 \times 5) + (3 \times 8) + (-5 \times 1) & (1 \times 1) + (3 \times 2) + (-5 \times 4) & (1 \times 4) + (3 \times 7) + (-5 \times 9) \\ (2 \times 5) + (-1 \times 8) + (-3 \times 1) & (2 \times 1) + (-1 \times 2) + (-3 \times 4) & (2 \times 4) + (-1 \times 7) + (-3 \times 9) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 111 & 41 & 127 \\ 24 & -13 & -20 \\ -1 & -12 & -26 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(k) By parts (i) and (j) above we have $\mathbf{BD} - \mathbf{DB}$ given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{BD} - \mathbf{DB} &= \begin{pmatrix} 44 & 44 & 3 \\ 72 & 71 & 1 \\ 29 & 12 & -43 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 111 & 41 & 127 \\ 24 & -13 & -20 \\ -1 & -12 & -26 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 44 - 111 & 44 - 41 & 3 - 127 \\ 72 - 24 & 71 - (-13) & 1 - (-20) \\ 29 - (-1) & 12 - (-12) & -43 - (-26) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -67 & 3 & -124 \\ 48 & 84 & 21 \\ 30 & 24 & -17 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(l) \mathbf{CD} is impossible because vector \mathbf{C} has only one column but matrix \mathbf{D} has 3 rows.

3. (a) We have

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (2 \times 1) + (4 \times 0) & (2 \times 0) + (4 \times 1) \\ (3 \times 1) + (9 \times 0) & (3 \times 0) + (9 \times 1) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Similarly we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (6 \times 1) + (7 \times 0) & (6 \times 0) + (7 \times 1) \\ (2 \times 1) + (3 \times 0) & (2 \times 0) + (3 \times 1) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) Again we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (a \times 1) + (b \times 0) & (a \times 0) + (b \times 1) \\ (c \times 1) + (d \times 0) & (c \times 0) + (d \times 1) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

(d) '3 by 3' matrices involve a long multiplication process:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 9 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (2 \times 1) + (3 \times 0) + (6 \times 0) & (2 \times 0) + (3 \times 1) + (6 \times 0) & (2 \times 0) + (3 \times 0) + (6 \times 1) \\ (1 \times 1) + (4 \times 0) + (5 \times 0) & (1 \times 0) + (4 \times 1) + (5 \times 0) & (1 \times 0) + (4 \times 0) + (5 \times 1) \\ (0 \times 1) + (9 \times 0) + (7 \times 0) & (0 \times 0) + (9 \times 1) + (7 \times 0) & (0 \times 0) + (9 \times 0) + (7 \times 1) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 9 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

The result is always the first (Left Hand) matrix. In arithmetic or algebra when you multiply a real number such as x by 1 your result is always x . Similarly when you multiply a matrix by the above Right Hand matrix called the **identity matrix** the result is always what you started with.

$$4. (a) \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -7 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 15 - 14 & -21 + 21 \\ 10 - 10 & -14 + 15 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) We can evaluate this matrix multiplication in a similar way:

$$\frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ -7 & 11 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 4 \\ 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 33 - 28 & 12 - 12 \\ -77 + 77 & -28 + 33 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) Similarly we have

$$\frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -9 \\ -5 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 \\ 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 49 - 45 & 63 - 63 \\ -35 + 35 & -45 + 49 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. $\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Notice that multiplying two non-zero matrices gives all zero entries which is called a **zero matrix**.

6. Multiplying the two matrices gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 & -2 \\ 10 & -2 & -4 \\ 15 & -3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice that multiplying two non-zero matrices gives a zero matrix.

By solutions to questions 5 and 6 we conclude that it is possible that multiplying matrices with non-zero entries gives a matrix with **all zero** entries called a zero matrix.

In real numbers you have the following:

$$ab = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0 \text{ or } b = 0$$

However in matrices this is **not** the case as you can observe in answers to questions 5 and 6.

7. Remember in the subscript the row number goes first and then the column number:

	Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4
Row 1	a_{11}	a_{12}	a_{13}	a_{14}
Row 2	a_{21}	a_{22}	a_{23}	a_{24}

8. (a) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^2 &= \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{A}^3 &= \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\mathbf{A}^2} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{By Above}} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly $\mathbf{A}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. In general $\mathbf{A}^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Hence the formula for $\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{x}$ is

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

(b) Similarly we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^2 &= \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{A}^3 &= \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\mathbf{A}^2} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{A}^4 &= \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\mathbf{A}^3} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\mathbf{A}^3 \text{ By Above}} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

You may have noticed by the results of question 3 that multiplying by this last matrix

$\mathbf{A}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ does not change the matrix. This means that

$$\mathbf{A}^5 = \mathbf{A}^4 \times \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A}$$

Similarly $\mathbf{A}^6 = \mathbf{A}^5 \times \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^2$. Expanding in this way yields

$$\mathbf{A}^7 = \mathbf{A}^3, \mathbf{A}^8 = \mathbf{A}^4 \text{ and } \mathbf{A}^9 = \mathbf{A}^5 = \mathbf{A}$$

Also with $\mathbf{A}^4 \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$.

The formula for $\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{x}$ is given by

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{A}^r \mathbf{x}$$

where r is the remainder after dividing n by 4. If the remainder $r = 0$ then $\mathbf{A}^r \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$.

(c) We have

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A}$$

Also $\mathbf{A}^3 = \mathbf{A}^2 \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{A}^4 = \mathbf{A}^3 \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{A}$. We have $\mathbf{A}^n = \mathbf{A}$ so the formula for the discrete dynamic system is $\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$.

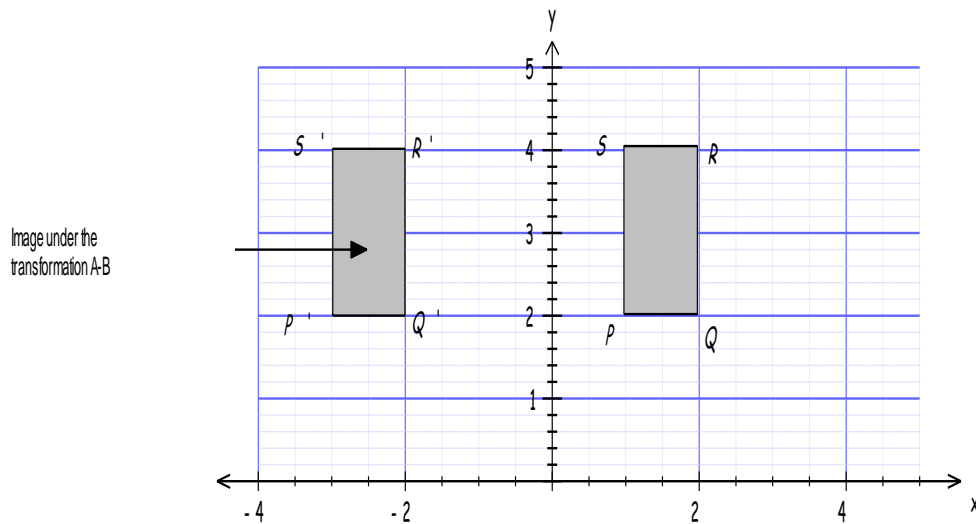
9. The matrix representing the points $P(1, 2)$, $Q(2, 2)$, $R(2, 4)$ and $S(1, 4)$ is

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 & P & Q & R & S \\
 \mathbf{A} = & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

(a) The matrix subtraction $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$ is

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 & P & Q & R & S \\
 \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -2 & -2 & -3 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

This can be illustrated as:

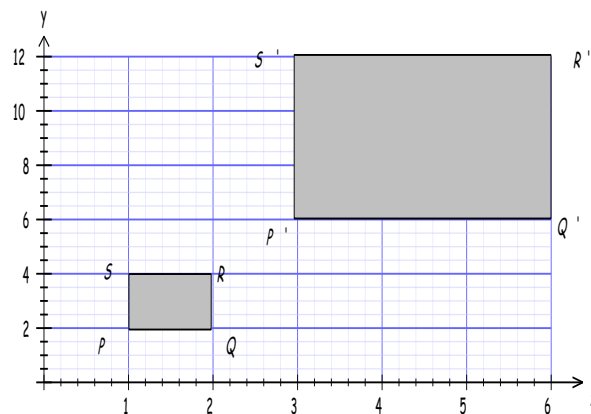


The operation $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$ translates the table top $PQRS$ four units to the left.

(b) The scalar multiplication $3\mathbf{A}$ is given by

$$3\mathbf{A} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 6 & 3 \\ 6 & 6 & 12 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

Plotting this on the plane gives

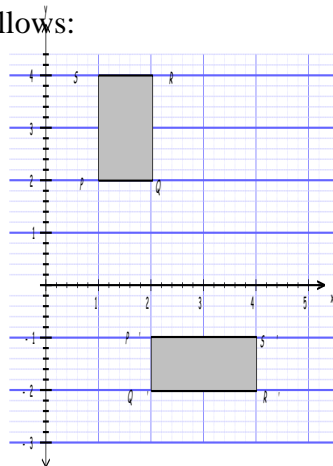


The matrix transformation represented by $3\mathbf{A}$ increases each side of the rectangle by 3.

(c) The matrix transformation represented by \mathbf{CA} is

$$\mathbf{CA} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 & -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can represent this on the plan as follows:

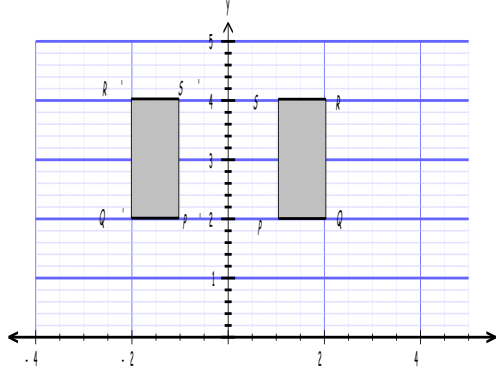


The transformation \mathbf{CA} represents a rotation of 90° clockwise with the origin as the centre.

(d) Similarly we have the matrix transformation represented by \mathbf{DA} is

$$\mathbf{DA} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Plotting this transformation on the plane we have

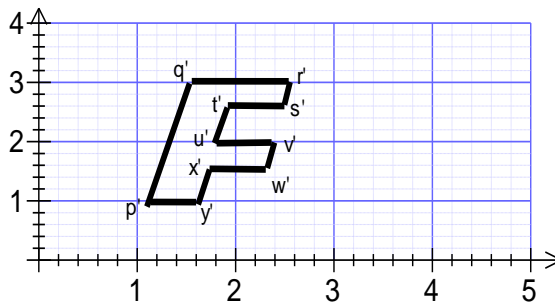


The transformation \mathbf{DA} represents reflection in the vertical axis.

10. Multiplying the given matrices we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{AF} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 1.4 & 1.4 & 2 & 2 & 1.4 & 1.4 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 2.6 & 2.6 & 2 & 2 & 1.6 & 1.6 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1.2 & 1.6 & 2.6 & 2.52 & 1.92 & 1.8 & 2.4 & 2.32 & 1.72 & 1.6 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 2.6 & 2.6 & 2 & 2 & 1.6 & 1.6 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We can illustrate these vertices (vectors) as follows:



Applying transformation \mathbf{A} results in italicizing the given letter F.

11. (a) We have $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ which means that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Multiplying the matrix \mathbf{A} with the vector \mathbf{x} gives

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x + 2y &= 0 \\ 3x + 5y &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ implies that } x = 0, y = 0$$

(b) Similarly we have $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ means

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 3 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Applying the given matrix \mathbf{A} to the vector \mathbf{x} we obtain:

$$\begin{cases} 2x + 7y = 0 \\ 3x + 15y = 0 \end{cases} \text{ implies } x=0, y=0$$

(c) With the given matrix \mathbf{A} you need to be a bit more careful. Of course $x=0, y=0$ which means that vector $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{0}$ is going to work because

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

However there may be other values of x and y for which $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{0}$. We have

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The simultaneous equations are

$$x + 4y = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$3x + 12y = 0 \quad (2)$$

Transposing the first equation we have $x=-4y$. If we let y equal any real number r say then $x=-4r$. We can check that $x=-4r$ and $y=r$ satisfies **both** the above equations (1) and (2). Hence $x=-4r$ and $y=r$ where r is any real number is a solution. Hence it will work with $r=0, 1, \frac{1}{2}, \pi, \sqrt{2}, e, e^\pi, \dots$. Try checking by substituting any real number for r into the above equations (1) and (2).

12. (a) Let k and c be scalars such that $k\mathbf{u}+c\mathbf{v}=\mathbf{w}$ which means

$$k\mathbf{u}+c\mathbf{v} = k \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5k+2c \\ 8k+4c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (*)$$

From the bottom row we have

$$8k+4c=0 \Rightarrow c=-2k$$

Substituting this $c=-2k$ into the top row gives

$$5k+2c=5k+2(-2k)=k=1$$

Substituting $k=1$ into $c=-2k$ gives $c=-2$. Putting $k=1$ and $c=-2$ into $k\mathbf{u}+c\mathbf{v}=\mathbf{w}$ gives

$$(1)\mathbf{u}+(-2)\mathbf{v}=\mathbf{u}-2\mathbf{v}=\mathbf{w}$$

You may check that this result is correct by substituting these values into (*). Hence \mathbf{w} is a linear combination of the vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

(b) Similarly we have

$$k\mathbf{u}+c\mathbf{v} = k \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5k+2c \\ 8k+4c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

From the top row we have the equation

$$5k+2c=0 \Rightarrow c=-\frac{5}{2}k$$

Putting this into the bottom equation gives

$$8k + 4c = 8k + 4\left(-\frac{5}{2}k\right) = 8k - 10k = -2k = 1$$

Dividing by -2 gives $k = -\frac{1}{2}$. Substituting this $k = -\frac{1}{2}$ into $c = -\frac{5}{2}k$ yields

$$c = -\frac{5}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{5}{4}$$

Hence we have $k\mathbf{u} + c\mathbf{v} = -\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{u} + \frac{5}{4}\mathbf{v} \underset{\text{Factorizing}}{=} \frac{1}{4}(5\mathbf{v} - 2\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{w}$.

(c) We are given $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

The bottom entries of the vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is zero so whatever scalar multiple of vector \mathbf{u} added to the scalar multiple of vector \mathbf{v} it is impossible to get 3 which is the bottom entry of vector \mathbf{w} . Hence the vector \mathbf{w} is **not** a linear combination of the vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

(d) Let k and c be scalars such that

$$k\mathbf{u} + c\mathbf{v} = k \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3/7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4k + c \\ 8k + 2c \\ -3c/7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{w}$$

From the bottom row we have $-\frac{3c}{7} = 3 \Rightarrow c = -7$. Substituting $c = -7$ into the top row gives

$$4k + c = 4k - 7 = 1 \Rightarrow k = 2$$

Do these values $c = -7$ and $k = 2$ work for the middle row:

$$8k + 2c = 8(2) + 2(-7) = 2$$

Hence we have $k\mathbf{u} + c\mathbf{v} = 2\mathbf{u} - 7\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w}$ which means that the vector \mathbf{w} is a linear combination of the vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .