

MATH-1564, K1, TA: Sam, Instructor: Nitzan, Sigal Shahaf  
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1. (a)  $AB = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$
- (b)  $BA = \text{Undefined, inner dims don't match. } (2 \times \underline{3})(\underline{2} \times 2)$
- (c)  $D^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -3 & 6 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$
- (d)  $B^2 = \text{Undefined, inner dims don't match. } (2 \times \underline{3})(\underline{2} \times 3)$
- (e)  $DC = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$
- (f)  $CB = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 & 5 \\ 5 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$
- (g)  $BC = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 7 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$
- (h)  $FE = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \end{pmatrix}$
- (i)  $EF = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$
- (j)  $CE = \text{Undefined, inner dims don't match. } (3 \times \underline{2})(\underline{3} \times 1)$
- (k)  $EC = \text{Undefined, inner dims don't match. } (3 \times \underline{1})(\underline{3} \times 2)$
2. (a)
  - i. A is invertible.  $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & -0.2 \end{pmatrix}$
  - ii. B is not invertible because its rows and columns do not match. Its REF cannot be an identity matrix.
  - iii. F is not invertible because its rows and columns do not match. Its REF cannot be an identity matrix.
  - iv. C is not invertible because its rows and columns do not match. Its REF cannot be an identity matrix.
  - v. D is invertible.  $D^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.3 & -0.1 & -0.1 \end{pmatrix}$

vi.  $E$  is not invertible because its rows and columns do not match. Its REF cannot be an identity matrix.

$$(b) \ A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A^{-1}A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & -0.2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.6 \\ 0.8 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) You cannot find  $x, y$  which solve this equation because  $B \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  is undefined since their dimensions don't match.

$$(d) \ DG = E \rightarrow D^{-1}DG = D^{-1}E \rightarrow G = \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.3 & -0.1 & -0.1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 0.6 & 0.3 & 1.4 \\ 3 & -1.5 & -3 \\ 0.8 & -0.1 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. (a) **False.** If  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ , fix  $n = 2$ , let us say that  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .  $A^2 = 0$ , but  $A \neq 0$ , thus the statement is false.

(b) **True.** Let  $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ . Rewrite  $AB^2 = B^2A$  as  $A(BB) = (BB)A$ . Apply associative property on matrices:  $(AB)B = B(BA)$ . Since we are given that  $AB = BA$ , substitute in equation:  $(BA)B = B(BA)$ . Apply associative property again and get  $B(AB) = B(AB)$ . We therefore conclude that the terms are equal and that  $AB^2 = B^2A$  as long as  $AB = BA$ .

(c) **False.** If  $A, B, C \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ , fix  $n = 2$ , let us set  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .  $AB = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $CB = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . However,  $A \neq C$ , so clearly the statement is false.

4. (a)