

1. Consider the following  $3 \times 3$  matrices

$$S_{2,3} := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_2(\lambda) := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad L_{1,2}(\lambda) := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A := \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Compute  $S_{2,3}A$ ,  $M_2(\lambda)A$  and  $L_{1,2}(\lambda)A$ .

(b) Compute  $AS_{2,3}$ ,  $AM_2(\lambda)$  and  $AL_{1,2}(\lambda)$ .

(c) Matrix  $S_{2,3}$  is a **swapper**,  $M_2(\lambda)$  is a **multiplier** and  $L_{1,2}(\lambda)$  is a **product adder**. Why do you think we should call them by these names?

(a), (b)

$$S_{2,3} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A S_{2,3} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{swaps rows when multiplied on left} \\ \text{swaps columns when multiplied on right} \end{array}$$

$$M_2(\lambda) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ \lambda a_{21} & \lambda a_{22} & \lambda a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A M_2(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \lambda a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & \lambda a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & \lambda a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{multiplies 2nd row by } \lambda \text{ when multiplied on left} \\ \text{multiplies 2nd column by } \lambda \text{ when multiplied on right} \end{array}$$

2.

$$L_{1,2}(\lambda) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} + \lambda a_{21} & a_{12} + \lambda a_{22} & a_{13} + \lambda a_{23} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A L_{1,2}(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \lambda a_{11} + a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & \lambda a_{21} + a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & \lambda a_{31} + a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{substitutes 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ row by 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ row} + \lambda (2^{\text{nd}} \text{ row}) \\ \text{when multiplied on left} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{substitutes 2}^{\text{nd}} \text{ column by 2}^{\text{nd}} \text{ column} + \lambda (1^{\text{st}} \text{ column}) \\ \text{when multiplied on right} \end{array}$$

2. Find all angles  $\theta$  for which  $R_{x,\theta} R_{y,\theta} = R_{y,\theta} R_{x,\theta}$ , where  $R_{x,\theta}$  and  $R_{y,\theta}$  are rotation matrices by  $\theta$  about  $x$  and  $y$  axes, respectively.

$$R_{x,\theta} R_{y,\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta \\ \sin^2 \theta & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \cos \theta \\ -\sin \theta \cos \theta & \sin \theta & \cos^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_{y,\theta} R_{x,\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin^2 \theta & \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \sin \theta \cos \theta & \cos^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So, } R_{x,\theta} R_{y,\theta} = R_{y,\theta} R_{x,\theta}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \overset{\checkmark}{\cos \theta} & 0 & \sin \theta \\ \sin^2 \theta & \overset{\checkmark}{\cos \theta} & -\sin \theta \cos \theta \\ -\sin \theta \cos \theta & \sin \theta & \cos^2 \theta \checkmark \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \overset{\checkmark}{\cos \theta} & \sin^2 \theta & \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ 0 & \overset{\checkmark}{\cos \theta} & -\sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \sin \theta \cos \theta & \cos^2 \theta \checkmark \end{pmatrix}$$

substitute  $\theta = 0, \pi$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sin^2 \theta = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \sin \theta = 0$$

So  $\theta = 0, \pi$  are the only such angles, in  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$  range

$$\text{So } R_{x,0} R_{y,0} = R_{y,0} R_{x,0} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

= Identity matrix

$\Rightarrow$  No change in the configuration

$$\text{and } R_{x,\pi} R_{y,\pi} = R_{y,\pi} R_{x,\pi} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= R_{z,\pi}$$

All this validates (in fact, **strengthens**) your experiments with tomatoes, Rubik's cube etc.)

3. Take three  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A, B, C$  of your choice and show that  $A(BC) = (AB)C$ . Do you think that for every choice of  $2 \times 2$  matrices this equality will hold? What about  $3 \times 3$  matrices?

$$A = (a_{ij}), \quad B = (b_{jk}), \quad C = (c_{kl})$$

- $(j, l)^{\text{th}}$  entry of  $BC$  is

$$\sum_k b_{jk} c_{kl}$$

- $(i, l)^{\text{th}}$  entry of  $A(BC)$  is

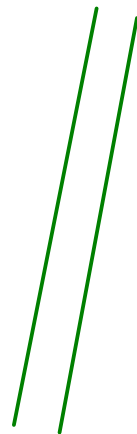
$$\sum_j a_{ij} \left( \sum_k b_{jk} c_{kl} \right) = \sum_j \sum_k a_{ij} b_{jk} c_{kl}$$

- $(i, k)^{\text{th}}$  entry of  $AB$  is

$$\sum_j a_{ij} b_{jk}$$

- $(i, l)^{\text{th}}$  entry of  $(AB)C$  is

$$\sum_k \left( \sum_j a_{ij} b_{jk} \right) c_{kl} = \sum_k \sum_j a_{ij} b_{jk} c_{kl}$$



4. Consider the following system of linear equations:

$$x + y - z = 4$$

$$3x - 2z = 6$$

$$x + 2y - z = 7$$

and express it in the matrix form. Now, compute

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

Can you use this computation to obtain values of  $x, y, z$  that satisfy the above system of equations?

The given system of equations in the matrix form is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Multiplying on left by

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

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{"}} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -16 + 6 + 14 \\ -4 + 0 + 7 \\ -24 + 6 + 21 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}; \text{ so } \begin{matrix} x=4 \\ y=3 \\ z=3 \end{matrix}$$

is a solution.

5. Resultant of multiplying a matrix  $A$  with itself is called the **square** of  $A$ . It is written as  $A^2$ .  
So  $A^2 := AA$ .

(a) Can you find a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  such that none of the entries of  $A$  is zero, but  $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

(b) Can you find a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  such that  $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

(a) Try  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

or  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

Any such matrix will be of the form

$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & -a \end{pmatrix}$  with  $a^2 = -bc$ .  
why?

(b) Try  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

How to come up with it?

Hint: Rotation by  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ , followed by rotation

by  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ , results into net rotation by  $\pi$ .

There could be more ways.