

## M3 RVW

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- 12.** Suppose  $A$  is a linear transformation from the  $x$ - $y$  plane to itself. Why does  $A^{-1}(x + y) = A^{-1}x + A^{-1}y$ ? If  $A$  is represented by the matrix  $M$ , explain why  $A^{-1}$  is represented by  $M^{-1}$ .

This follows from the definition of a linear transformations:

$$A(cx + dy) = c(Ax) + d(Ay)$$

or, in our case,

$$A^{-1}(x + y) = A^{-1}x + A^{-1}y$$

But I'm guessing that's not what this means.

Since the vectors  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly independent,