

1. Let  $a_{i,j} = i + j \quad \forall i, j \in \{1, \dots, 5\}$ .

Write  $(a_{i,j})_{1 \leq i, j \leq 5}$  as an array of numbers, *i.e.* as a  $5 \times 5$  matrix.

2. Define a function  $a : \{1, 2, 3, 4\}^2 \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$  representing the matrix

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

That is, give a formula for  $a_{i,j}$ . Hint: One way is to use power of  $(-1)$ .

3. Let  $R$  be the relation defined by

$$R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (3, 4), (2, 1)\} \subseteq \{1, 2, 3, 4\}^2.$$

Define  $(a_{i,j})_{1 \leq i, j \leq 4} \in M_n(\{0, 1\})$  by  $a_{i,j} = 1 \iff iRj$ .

Write  $(a_{i,j})_{1 \leq i, j \leq 4}$  as a matrix.

4. Let  $(q_1, q_2, q_3) \in \mathbb{Q}^3$  represent the quantities (in ml) of three ingredients required to produce one glass of a cocktail.

(a) Which vector  $(r_1, r_2, r_3) \in \mathbb{Q}^3$  represents the quantities required to produce five glasses of the cocktail?

(b) If  $q_1, q_2$  correspond to alcohols, and  $q_3$  to juice, are you making the cocktail stronger or weaker by replacing  $(q_1, q_2, q_3)$  by  $(q_1, q_2, q_3) + (-10, -20, 30)$ ?

5. Compute the following.

(a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$

(b)  $3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$

(c)  $\alpha \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}.$

6. Are the following functions linear?

(a)  $f : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  defined by  $f(x) = 2x + 1$ .

(b)  $g : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  defined by  $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ .

(c)  $k : \mathbb{Q}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}^3$  defined by  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = M \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$ , for  $M \in M_3(\mathbb{Q})$ .

7. Compute the following.

(a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

(b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & j \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

8. Compute the following.

(a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & y & z \\ a & b & c \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

9. Let  $(x_n, y_n) \in \mathbb{Q}^2$  represent, at time  $n \in \mathbb{N}^* = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , the quantity  $x_n$  of a certain plant in an ecosystem, and  $y_n$  the quantity of a pollutant. Assume that they are related in the following way:  $x_0 = a \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $y_0 = b \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$   $x_{n+1} = 2x_n - 3y_n$ ,  $y_{n+1} = y_n/2$ .

(a) Explain the meaning of these equations.

(b) Prove that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$   $\begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2^n & 0 \\ 0 & 2^{-n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}.$

(c) Prove that, if  $a > 2b$ , then the plant will survive.

**10.** A portfolio is to contain three types of shares;  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ . To hedge certain risks, the investor wants twice as many  $C$  shares as the combined number of  $A$  and  $B$  shares and only a third as many  $B$  shares as the combined number of  $A$  and  $C$  shares. The numbers of  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  shares are to be  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  with a total of 1200.

(a) Show that 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1200 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Verify that 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \\ -4 & 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(c) Find  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .

**11.** Compute  $\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**12.** Prove that  $\forall A, B \in M_2(\mathbb{Q}) \quad \det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$ .

**13.** Let  $P \in M_2(\mathbb{Q})$  be such that  $P^2 = I$ . Prove that  $\det(P) \in \{-1, 1\}$ .