

4-7 Identity and Inverse Matrices

Objective: Determine whether 2 matrices are inverses.

Find the inverse of a 2×2 .

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$$A \cdot A^{-1} = A^{-1} \cdot A = I$$

Identity Matrix

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine whether each pair of matrices are inverses.

Ex 1) $x = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$xy = yx = I_2$$

$$xy = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3+2 & 6+6 \\ -1+1 & -2+3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$yx = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3+2 & -2+2 \\ 3+3 & -2+3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since $xy = yx = I_2$
These matrices are inverses of each other.

Ex 2) $P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$PQ = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3+2 & -9+4 \\ 4-2 & -8+8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since $-5 \neq 0$
These two matrices are not inverses of each other.

Some matrices do not have an inverse. You can determine whether it does or does not by using the determinant...

$ad - bc = \det A$ (determinant of A)...If the determinant of A is 0, then the matrix does not have an inverse.

How to find an Inverse of a 2x 2.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

Memorize

Find the inverse.

determinant

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex 3) $R = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -3 \\ 8 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$\det R = -24 - 24 = -24 + 24 = 0$ Inverse does not exist!

Ex 4) $P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\det P = 6 - 5 = 1$

$$\frac{1}{1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1}$$

Ex 5) $S = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 8 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\det S = 2 - 0 = 2$

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 8 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1}$$