

# Exercises with matrices

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## 1 Operations with matrices

**Exercise 1.** *Let be the matrices*

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 6 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E = (1 \ 3 \ 4), \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

1. *What is the size of the previous matrices?*
2. *Can you name the types or characteristics of those types as defined in section L 2.3?*

**Exercise 2.**

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 6 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 8 & 1 \\ 5 & 5 & 4 \\ 9 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 7 \\ 1 & 8 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Do the following operations.

1.  $A + B$ .
2.  $A - C$ .
3.  $2A + B - 3C$ .
4.  $A \cdot B$ .

5.  $B \cdot C$
6.  $A \cdot B \cdot C$ .
7.  $|A|, |B|$  i  $|C|$ .

Calculating inverses:

1. Calculate  $A^{-1}$  by Gauss.
2. Calculate  $B^{-1}$  using the adjoint matrix.

**Exercise 3.**

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 8 \\ 5 & 8 \\ 10 & 16 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 7 \\ 1 & 8 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

*Calculate, if you can, the following matrices. If you can't, explain why.*

1.  $A + B, A + C$ .
2.  $A \cdot B + C, B \cdot A + C$ .
3.  $ABC, BAC$ .
4.  $|A| + |B|$ .
5.  $A^2, C^2$ .
6.  $C^{-1}$ .
7.  $\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B), \text{rank}(C)$ .
8.  $A^T, B^T$  i  $C^T$ .
9. *Is some of the previous matrices symmetric? Which condition must a matrix meet to be symmetric?*

**Exercise 4.** *Answer the following questions*

- *What is the maximum range of a matrix  $m \times n$ ?*
- *How can we compute the range?*
- *Write all the minors of size two of the matrix  $C$  on the previous exercise.*

**Exercise 5.** *Let the vector  $b$  be*

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- *Can you define a matrix representing the following linear application  $\phi$ ? What will be the dimension of the matrix? Why?*

$$\phi(b) = \begin{pmatrix} 2b_1 - b_2 + 3b_3 \\ b_2 - b_1 + 4b_3 \\ 5b_1 - b_2 + b_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Exercise 6.**

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

1. *Calculate the determinant of  $A$  developing it by rows (or columns).*
2. *Calculate the determinant of  $A$  using equivalent matrices.*

**Exercise 7.** \* *Let  $X$  some square matrix such that*

$$X^2 + X + I = 0$$

- *What can we say about its determinant?*
- *And about the invertibility of  $X$ ? Why?*
- *Can you express the inverse of  $X$  as a function of  $X$ ?*

**Exercise 8.** \* *Let  $C$  be as in exercise 3.*

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 7 \\ 1 & 8 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

*If we have the system*

$$C^2 + CX + I = 0$$

What should be the dimensions of  $X$ ? Compute the value of  $X$ .

**Exercise 9.** Be the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Without performing any operation, answer.

1. Calculate  $|A|$  i  $|B|$ .
2. Calculate  $|AB|$ .
3. Is true that  $|AB| = |BA|$ ?
4. Is true that  $AB = BA$ ?

**Exercise 10.** Let

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad w = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad r = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Can you express  $r$  as a linear combination of  $v$  and  $w$ ? Why? Why not?
- Is the set of these three vector linearly independent? Why? Why not?
- Let  $A$  be a matrix with columns  $v$ ,  $w$  and  $r$  (in that order). Is  $A$  singular? What is the rank of the matrix? What happens if we change the order of the columns?

**Exercise 11.** \*

1. Calculate the eigenvalues of matrices in exercise 2.
2. Calculate its trace.
3. Are those matrices positive definite?