

Section 2: Matrices and transformations

Section test

1. The matrix $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ represents the transformation

(a) Reflection in the line y = -x

(b) Rotation through 180° about the origin

(c) Reflection in the line y = x

(d) Rotation through 90° clockwise about the origin

2. The matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ represents the transformation

(a) Reflection in the *x* axis

(b) Reflection in the *y* axis

(c) Rotation through 90° anticlockwise about the origin

(d) Rotation through 90° clockwise about the origin

3. A two-way stretch, scale factor 4 in the *x* direction and scale factor 2 in the *y* direction is represented by the matrix

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

4. A reflection in the x axis is represented by the matrix

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(b) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

5. Which of these matrices represent rotations?

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & -0.6 \\ 0.6 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.8 & 0.6 \\ -0.6 & -0.8 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.6 \\ 0.6 & -0.8 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.8 & 0.6 \\ 0.6 & -0.8 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.6 \\ -0.6 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix}$$



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6. A triangle has vertices A (2, 0), B (3, 1) and C (-1, 3) The triangle is transformed using the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$.

What are the vertices of the image?

7. In a transformation, the point (1, 0) is mapped to (1, 4) and the point (0, 1) is mapped to itself.What is the image of the point (-2, 3)?

8. The matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ represents which of the following transformations?

- (a) reflection in x = 0
- (b) reflection in y = 0
- (c) reflection in z = 0
- (d) rotation through 90° clockwise about the *x*-axis
- (e) rotation through 90° clockwise about the *y*-axis
- (f) rotation through 90° clockwise about the *z*-axis

In Questions 9 – 10, the transformation A is represented by the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and the transformation B is represented by the matrix $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$

9. The composite transformation "A followed by B" is represented by the matrix

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 5 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -7 & -11 \end{pmatrix}$
(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6 \\ -1 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$
(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ -6 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$

10. The composite transformation " \boldsymbol{B} followed by \boldsymbol{A} " is represented by the matrix

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 5 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -7 & -11 \end{pmatrix}$
(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6 \\ -1 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$
(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ -6 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$

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Solutions to section test



3. Under a two-way stretch, scale factor 4 in the x direction and scale factor 2 in the y direction, the point (1, 0) is mapped to (4, 0) and the point (0, 1) is mapped to (0, 2).

So the matrix representing this transformation is $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

4. Under a reflection in the x-axis, the point (1, 0) is mapped to itself, and the point (0, 1) is mapped to (0, -1).

So the matrix representing this transformation is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

5. The general rotation matrix is $\begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$

So the elements on the leading diagonal must be the same, with the same sign. This is the case in matrices A, B, D and E.

The elements on the other diagonal must be the same but have opposite signs. This is the case in matrices A, B and E.

So the matrices which represent rotations are A, B and E.

 $6. \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 & 1 \\ 6 & 13 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$

The vertices of the image are A'(4, 6), B'(7, 13) and C'(1, 9).

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7. The matrix for the transformation is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$
 so the image of (-2, 3) is (-2, -5)

- 8. Rotation about the y-axis through 90° clockwise.
- 9. The composite transformation "A followed by B" is represented by the matrix

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6 \\ -1 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

10. The composite transformation "B followed by A" is represented by the matrix

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -7 & -11 \end{pmatrix}$$