

## Assignment #13

Due on Monday, April 1, 2019

**Read** Chapter 5, on *Linear Vector Fields in Two Dimensions*, in the class lecture notes at <http://pages.pomona.edu/~ajr04747/>

**Do** the following problems

1. Let  $A$  be the  $2 \times 2$  matrix given by  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $ad - bc \neq 0$ .  
Set  $\Delta = ad - bc$  and define  $B = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$ . Verify that  $AB = BA = I$ , where  $I$  denotes the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.
2. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Use the result in Problem 1 to find a matrix  $B$  such that  $AB = BA = I$ , where  $I$  denotes the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.
3. Let  $A$  be the matrix given in Problem 2. Compute  $A^2 - 2A + 5I$ , where  $I$  denotes the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.
4. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , let  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Compute the product  $Av_1$ . What do you conclude?
5. Let  $A$  and  $v_1$  be as given in Problem 4. Find all vectors  $v = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  such that

$$(A - I)v = v_1,$$

where  $I$  denotes the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.