

**2.1 Point Transformations**

A square matrix of size  $2 \times 2$  can be thought of as a transformation that moves a point on a two dimensional surface to a different location on that surface. This is an application of what is termed “matrix multiplication”. This is a completely new type of mathematical operation, and the word “multiplication” is given a new meaning in the context of manipulating matrices. The rule for performing matrix multiplication with a  $2 \times 2$  matrix on a point is now given;

**Point Transformation by a Matrix (Two Dimensions)**

The point  $(x, y)$  is written  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  and placed right of the transforming matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax + by \\ cx + dy \end{pmatrix}$$

The point  $(x, y)$  has been transformed to the point  $(ax + by, cx + dy)$

**2.2 Four Practice Questions**

Use the above rule to transform the given point.

Once done, check your answers with those over the page

(i)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$                       (ii)  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$

$(1, 3) \rightarrow ( \quad , \quad )$

$(3, 5) \rightarrow ( \quad , \quad )$

(iii)  $\begin{pmatrix} 7 & 4 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$                       (iv)  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ -8 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$

$(2, -3) \rightarrow ( \quad , \quad )$

$(-3, 5) \rightarrow ( \quad , \quad )$

[ 8 marks ]

### 2.3 Practice Question's Answers

$$(i) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \times 1 + 3 \times 3 \\ 4 \times 1 + 1 \times 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore (1, 3) \rightarrow (11, 7)$$

$$(ii) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \times 3 + (-1) \times 5 \\ 6 \times 3 + 2 \times 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 28 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore (3, 5) \rightarrow (7, 28)$$

$$(iii) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 4 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \times 2 + 4 \times (-3) \\ 5 \times 2 + 3 \times (-3) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore (2, -3) \rightarrow (2, 1)$$

$$(iv) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ -8 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \times (-3) + (-1) \times 5 \\ (-8) \times (-3) + 5 \times 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -17 \\ 49 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore (-3, 5) \rightarrow (-17, 49)$$

[ 8 marks ]

### 2.4 Exercise

*Any solution based entirely on graphical  
or numerical methods is not acceptable*

Marks Available : 30

#### Question 1

Determine where each of the following points are moved to by the given matrix.

$$(i) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(7, 4) \rightarrow ( \quad , \quad )$$

$$(6, 1) \rightarrow ( \quad , \quad )$$

$$(iii) \quad \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 3 \\ 6 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(iv) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ -6 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2, -5) \rightarrow ( \quad , \quad )$$

$$(-3, 1) \rightarrow ( \quad , \quad )$$

[ 8 marks ]

**Question 2**

Given that,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x + 4y \\ 3x - y \end{pmatrix}$$

State the values of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$

[ 4 marks ]

**Question 3**

Given that,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & p \\ -6 & p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2p \\ -9p \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the value of  $p$

[ 4 marks ]

**Question 4**

Prove that any point on the line  $y = x$  remains on the line  $y = x$  when it is

transformed by the matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

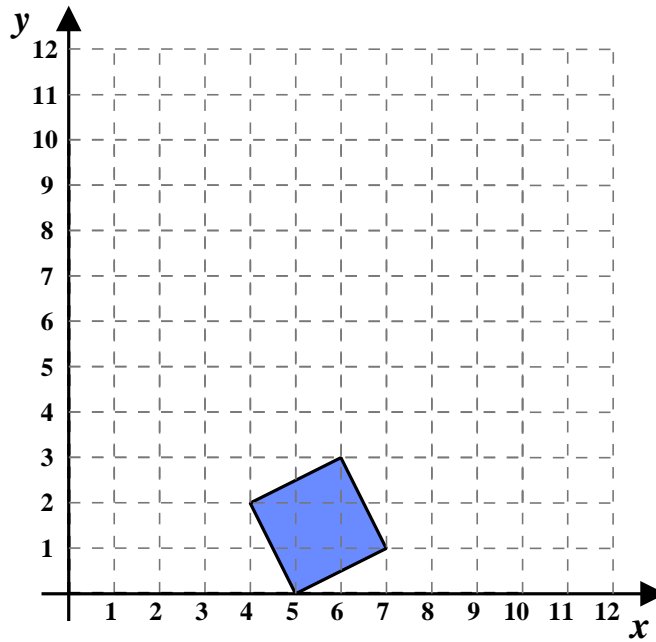
HINT : Let a generalised point on  $y = x$  be  $(p, p)$  and work out  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ p \end{pmatrix}$

[ 4 marks ]

**Question 5**

A square has vertices  $(5, 0)$ ,  $(7, 1)$ ,  $(6, 3)$  and  $(4, 2)$

It is to be transformed by the matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$



- (i) Move each point by  $\mathbf{M}$  and plot the resulting shape on the graph.

[ 5 marks ]

- (ii) Work out the area of the original square.

[ 1 marks ]

( iii ) Work out the area of the transformed shape.

[ 2 marks ]

( iv ) There is a connecting between  $|M|$  and the areas of the two shapes.  
Guess what this might be !

[ 2 marks ]

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