

Section 4-7:

Solving a system of equations
using matrices

Entering Matrices on the Ti-84:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

What are the dimensions of this matrix?

2x2

Enter this matrix as [A] on the calc.

Enter the following matrix as [B]

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Multiply the two matrices:

Find each:

1. $[A][B]$ $\begin{bmatrix} 42 \\ 40 \end{bmatrix}$

2. $[B][A]$ NOT POSSIBLE

To multiply matrices: $[A] \cdot [B]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 42 \\ 40 \end{bmatrix}$$

$2 \times 2 \quad 2 \times 1 \quad 2 \times 1$

of columns of the first matrix must match the number of rows in the second matrix.

The answer matrix will have the # of rows in the first and the # of columns in the second.

Trying to multiply matrices: $[B] \cdot [A]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$2 \times 1 \quad 2 \times 2$

These don't match so you can't find this product.

Find the product of this pair of matrices:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 7 & 11 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 92 \\ 27 \\ 107 \\ -14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$4 \times 2 \quad 2 \times 1 \quad 4 \times 1$

Which pair of matrices can be multiplied?

$$A \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad 2 \times 1$$

$$B \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \quad 3 \times 1$$

$$C \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 & 7 \\ 10 & -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad 2 \times 3$$

$C \cdot B$
 $2 \times 3 \cdot 3 \times 1$

Solve the following equation without using division:

$$\frac{1}{8} \cdot 8x = 106 \cdot \frac{1}{8}$$

Write the following expression without negative exponents:

$$w^{-1}$$

$$w^{-1} = \frac{1}{w}$$

Property

Negative Exponent

For every nonzero number a and integer n , $a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$.

Solve the following equation without using division:

$$8^{-1} \cdot 8x = 106 \cdot 8^{-1}$$

Instead of multiplying by the reciprocal of 8 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{8}$

you could multiply by the inverse of 8. $\rightarrow 8^{-1}$

Now solve this equation without using division or without using fractions.

$$9.5^{-1} \cdot (9.5m) = (22.8) \cdot 9.5^{-1}$$

A matrix equation that models a system of linear equations:

Both equations must be in Standard Form

$$4m + 3n = 9$$

$$4m + 2n = 2$$

$$\rightarrow [A] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = [B]$$

[A] Coefficient Matrix \rightarrow

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

[B] Constant Matrix \rightarrow

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Dimensions:

$$2 \times 2$$

$$2 \times 1$$

Solving the matrix equation:

$$[A] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = [B] \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = [A]^{-1} \cdot [B]$$

$2 \times 2 = 2 \times 1$

You can't divide matrices so how do you move [A] to the other side of the equation?

~~$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = [B] \cdot [A]^{-1}$$~~

$2 \times 1 \quad 2 \times 2$
dimensions don't match.

Multiply both sides by the inverse of [A] but because of the dimensions of the two matrices you must do it this way $[A]^{-1}[B]$

Solve each system of linear equations using matrices. Give your answer as an ordered pair. Round any decimals to the nearest hundredth.

1.

$$7R + 8P = 54.2$$

$$12R + 17P = 100.8$$

$R=5 \quad P=24$

2. $M + 3N = 9.3$

$$5M - 7N = -10.7$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 8 \\ 12 & 17 \end{bmatrix} \quad [A]^{-1}[B] \quad (2.4, 5)$$

$$B \begin{bmatrix} 54.2 \\ 100.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 5 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \quad [A]^{-1}[B] \quad (1.5, 24)$$

$$B \begin{bmatrix} 9.3 \\ -10.7 \end{bmatrix}$$