# Math 220 Assignment 

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## Due Monday, October 15

1. For a given real number $\theta$ find a $2 \times 2$ matrix $R_{\theta}$ for which the linear function $\rho$ defined by $\rho(x)=R_{\theta} x$ is the counterclockwise rotation of the plane through the angle of (radian) measure $\theta$. Hint: First work out the four special cases where $\theta$ takes the values $0, \pi / 2$, $\pi$, and $3 \pi / 2$.
2. Find a $3 \times 3$ matrix $S$ for which the linear function $\sigma$ given by $\sigma(x)=S x$ is the reflection of $\mathbf{R}^{3}$ in the $x z$ plane (where the $2^{\text {nd }}$ coordinate $y=0$ ).
3. Possibly very difficult at this stage: Find a $3 \times 3$ matrix $T$ for which the linear function $\sigma$ given by $\sigma(x)=T x$ is the reflection of $\mathbf{R}^{3}$ in the plane $2 x-2 y+z=0$.

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