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# Modular Arithmetic Inverse of a Rectangular Matrix 

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we have devoted our attention to the study of the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix. Here, we have shown that $(A B) \bmod N=I$, where $A$ is of size $m x n$ and $B$ is of size $n x m$ in which $m<n$. We have also established that the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix does not exist, when $m>n$.


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## I. INTRODUCTION

The study of the arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix attracted the attention of several researchers [1-3] in view of its wide variety of applications in networks, regression analysis and least square curve fitting. The modular arithmetic inverse of a square matrix was introduced by Hill [4], and it was made use of in developing a block cipher in cryptography. In a recent paper, Sastry and Janaki [5] have developed a systematic procedure for obtaining the modular arithmetic inverse of a square matrix and they have employed it in the development of block ciphers in various ways [6-7].

In the present paper, our objective is to develop the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix. Here, we have shown that the arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix of size m x n exists only when $\mathrm{m}<\mathrm{n}$. This implies that the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix also exists only when $\mathrm{m}<\mathrm{n}$.

In what follows, we present the plan of this paper. In section 2, we have presented a method for obtaining the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix of size $\mathrm{m} x \mathrm{n}$, when $\mathrm{m}<\mathrm{n}$. In this, we have illustrated the procedure by giving several examples. Then we have shown that the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix does not exist, when $m>n$. Finally, section 3 is devoted to conclusions.

## II. MODULAR ARITHMETIC INVERSE OF A RECTANGULAR MATRIX

Let $A$ be an $m \times n$ matrix and $B$ be an $n x m$ matrix, where $\mathrm{m}<\mathrm{n}$. Let us assume that all the elements of A and B are positive integers, which are less than an integer $N$, and $B$ is the modular arithmetic inverse of A . Then we can write an equation of the form
(A B) $\bmod N=I$, where $I$ is an Identity matrix of size $m$.

On multiplying on both the sides of (2.1) by $\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$, where T denotes the transpose of the matrix, we get
$(\mathrm{QB}) \bmod \mathrm{N}=\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$
in which $Q=A^{T} A$ is a square matrix of order $n$.
We now obtain the arithmetic inverse of Q by using Gaussian reduction method [8]. Then we find the modular arithmetic inverse of Q .

Thus we have $\mathrm{Q}^{-1}$ governed by the relation

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\begin{equation*}
\left(\mathrm{Q}^{-1} \mathrm{Q}\right) \bmod \mathrm{N}=\left(\mathrm{Q} \mathrm{Q}^{-1}\right) \bmod \mathrm{N}=\mathrm{I} \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (2.2) and (2.3), we have
$B=\left(Q^{-1} A^{T}\right) \bmod N$.
In what follows, we present different rectangular matrices, denoted as A , and their corresponding modular arithmetic inverses, denoted as B , for various values of N , say $\mathrm{N}=2$, 128 , and 256.

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\text { For } \mathrm{N}=2 \text {, we have }
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\begin{array}{ll}
A=\left(\begin{array}{lllll}
1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1
\end{array}\right), & B=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 \\
1 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right] \\
\text { For } \mathrm{N}=128 \text {, we have } \\
A=\left[\begin{array}{lllll}
5 & 99 & 19 & 12 & 11 \\
21 & 13 & 16 & 121 & 57 \\
51 & 32 & 55 & 73 & 22
\end{array}\right], & B=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
93 & 9 & 93 \\
111 & 113 & 116 \\
102 & 67 & 55 \\
93 & 2 & 61 \\
31 & 13 & 102
\end{array}\right] \\
\text { For } N=256, \text { we have } \\
A=\left[\begin{array}{lllll}
85 & 32 & 156 & 129 & 31 \\
199 & 233 & 221 & 19 & 80 \\
22 & 77 & 99 & 167 & 131
\end{array}\right], & B=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
49 & 0 & 191 \\
216 & 151 & 87 \\
184 & 121 & 251 \\
179 & 63 & 243 \\
119 & 187 & 242
\end{array}\right]
\end{array}
$$

Some more examples related to the rectangular matrix and its modular arithmetic inverse, for various values of N , are presented in Appendix. In all the aforementioned examples, we have $\mathrm{m}<\mathrm{n}$.

Now let us examine the case when $m>n$. Let $A$ be a matrix of size $m \times n$, and $D$ be a matrix of size $n \times m$, where $m>n$. Let D be the arithmetic inverse of A . Then we have
A D = I,
where $I$ is a unit matrix of size $m$.
For simplicity, let us take an example, where

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\begin{align*}
& A=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
x_{1} & y_{1} \\
x_{2} & y_{2} \\
x_{3} & y_{3}
\end{array}\right]  \tag{2}\\
& \text { and } D=  \tag{3}\\
& {\left[\begin{array}{lll}
a_{1} & b_{1} & c_{1} \\
a_{2} & b_{2} & c_{3}
\end{array}\right] }
\end{align*}
$$

Here, $m=3$, and $n=2$.
From (1) - (3), we get a system of equations given by
$a_{1} x_{1}+a_{2} y_{1}=1$
$a_{1} x_{2}+a_{2} y_{2}=0$
$a_{1} x_{3}+a_{2} y_{3}=0$
$b_{1} x_{1}+b_{2} y_{1}=0$
$b_{1} x_{2}+b_{2} y_{2}=1$
$b_{1} x_{3}+b_{2} y_{3}=0$
$c_{1} x_{1}+c_{2} y_{1}=0$
$c_{1} x_{2}+c_{2} y_{2}=0$
$c_{1} x_{3}+c_{2} y_{3}=1$

Here, $\mathrm{x}_{1}, \mathrm{y}_{1}, \mathrm{x}_{2}, \mathrm{y}_{2}$, and $\mathrm{x}_{3}, \mathrm{y}_{3}$ are known to us. Now, we are to obtain the unknowns $a_{1}$ and $a_{2}$ from (4) - (6), $b_{1}$ and $b_{2}$ from (7) - (9), and $c_{1}$ and $c_{2}$ from (10) - (12).

Considering (5) and (6), and assuming that there is a nontrivial solution for $a_{1}$ and $a_{2}$, we get

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\begin{equation*}
x_{2} y_{3}-x_{3} y_{2}=0 \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
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Similarly, from (7) and (9), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{x}_{1} \mathrm{y}_{3}-\mathrm{x}_{3} \mathrm{y}_{1}=0 \text {, } \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

and from (10) and (11), we have
$x_{1} y_{2}-x_{2} y_{1}=0$.
Thus, from (15), we can have

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\begin{align*}
& \mathrm{x}_{2}  \tag{15}\\
& ---=\frac{\mathrm{y}_{2}}{---}=\lambda, \\
& \mathrm{x}_{1}
\end{align*}=\lambda \mathrm{y}_{1},
$$

where $\lambda$ is a constant.
From (5) and (16), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{a}_{1} \mathrm{x}_{1}+\mathrm{a}_{2} \mathrm{y}_{1}=0 \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

On comparing, (5) and (17), we clearly see that they are inconsistent. Similarly, we can establish that, the second set (7) - (9), and the third set (10) - (12) are also inconsistent and hence, no solution can be obtained for (4) - (12). Thus, when A is given, D (the arithmetic inverse of A ) cannot be determined, whenever $\mathrm{m}>\mathrm{n}$. As a consequence of this, the modular arithmetic inverse of $A$, say B, does not exist, in the case of a rectangular matrix, when $\mathrm{m}>\mathrm{n}$.

It is interesting to note that, the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix can be determined, only when $\mathrm{m}<\mathrm{n}$.

## III. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, we have developed a procedure for obtaining the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix. Here, we have shown that

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(\mathrm{AB}) \bmod N=I
$$

(3.1)
where $A$ is of size $m x n$ and $B$ is of size $n x m$, in which $m<$ $n$. In this case we have presented a number of examples. Further, we have established that the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix does not exist, when $m>n$. Though we have illustrated the nonexistence of the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix in a very simple case ( $m=3$, $n$ $=2$ ), this analysis can be generalised to any values of $m$ and $n$, where $\mathrm{m}>\mathrm{n}$.

Here, it is interesting to note that the modular arithmetic inverse of a rectangular matrix is expected to find a vide variety of applications in the areas of cryptography.

## IV. APPENDIX

When $\mathrm{N}=2$, we have

$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllll}0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1\end{array} 11$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1\end{array}$ $\left[\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllll}0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1\end{array}\right.$ $\mathrm{A}=\mathrm{l} \begin{array}{lllllllllllllllllllllllllll} & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & & 0 & 1\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0\end{array} 1$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1\end{array}$ $\left[\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1\end{array}\right]$ $\left(\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllll}1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1\end{array}\right)$


When $\mathrm{N}=128$, we have


When $\mathrm{N}=256$, we have
$\mathrm{A}=\left(\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}175 & 123 & 236 & 176 & 32 & 165 & 76 & 17 & 32 & 84 & 72 & 69 & 32 & 185 & 169 \\ 182 & 132 & 23 & 149 & 74 & 123 & 3 & 55 & 93 & 113 & 235 & 89 & 103 & 100 & 9 \\ 87 & 32 & 23 & 184 & 197 & 179 & 251 & 160 & 3 & 69 & 89 & 185 & 53 & 181 & 87 \\ 67 & 31 & 61 & 171 & 187 & 93 & 21 & 45 & 179 & 118 & 132 & 87 & 175 & 133 & 184 \\ 72 & 69 & 73 & 227 & 132 & 170 & 109 & 165 & 108 & 173 & 121 & 178 & 111 & 125 & 87 \\ 102 & 209 & 168 & 235 & 173 & 78 & 150 & 243 & 232 & 68 & 79 & 135 & 178 & 93 & 43 \\ 87 & 165 & 173 & 225 & 232 & 165 & 157 & 139 & 232 & 177 & 95 & 181 & 29 & 36 & 37 \\ 225 & 181 & 171 & 69 & 138 & 189 & 47 & 133 & 225 & 70 & 137 & 165 & 75 & 171 & 219 \\ 151 & 77 & 91 & 93 & 28 & 50 & 123 & 57 & 77 & 121 & 133 & 207 & 247 & 60 & 97 \\ 184 & 88 & 17 & 169 & 93 & 38 & 19 & 76 & 32 & 85 & 72 & 69 & 32 & 84 & 69\end{array}\right)$
$\mathbf{B}=\left(\begin{array}{llllllllll}202 & 57 & 108 & 237 & 254 & 207 & 137 & 7 & 51 & 204 \\ 251 & 207 & 142 & 176 & 146 & 71 & 9 & 129 & 2 & 207 \\ 39 & 169 & 218 & 37 & 187 & 228 & 226 & 144 & 121 & 121 \\ 41 & 104 & 255 & 40 & 0 & 46 & 8 & 185 & 11 & 80 \\ 70 & 83 & 16 & 78 & 23 & 243 & 161 & 122 & 91 & 150 \\ 175 & 115 & 152 & 103 & 124 & 96 & 156 & 214 & 220 & 115 \\ 209 & 107 & 206 & 45 & 43 & 202 & 90 & 54 & 255 & 133 \\ 21 & 51 & 253 & 89 & 243 & 185 & 67 & 0 & 48 & 242 \\ 67 & 201 & 66 & 121 & 124 & 94 & 33 & 112 & 193 & 177 \\ 157 & 37 & 27 & 57 & 10 & 177 & 131 & 55 & 28 & 73 \\ 105 & 43 & 119 & 80 & 245 & 83 & 2 & 222 & 41 & 69 \\ 237 & 82 & 17 & 76 & 123 & 194 & 225 & 37 & 90 & 31 \\ 212 & 80 & 66 & 85 & 109 & 115 & 223 & 88 & 231 & 190 \\ 66 & 230 & 79 & 150 & 198 & 249 & 147 & 178 & 137 & 114 \\ 251 & 6 & 117 & 219 & 116 & 58 & 115 & 103 & 150 & 29\end{array}\right]$

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