

**2.** Suppose that  $AXBC = D$ , where  $A, B, C$ , and  $D$  are  $n \times n$  invertible matrices. Express  $X$  in terms of the matrices  $A^{-1}, B^{-1}, C^{-1}$ , and  $D$ .

**Solution.** We have

$$\begin{aligned}AXBC = D &\implies A^{-1}(AXBC)C^{-1} = A^{-1}DC^{-1} \\ \implies (A^{-1}A)XB(CC^{-1}) &= A^{-1}DC^{-1} \\ \implies IXBI &= A^{-1}DC^{-1} \\ \implies XB &= A^{-1}DC^{-1} \\ \implies (XB)B^{-1} &= (A^{-1}DC^{-1})B^{-1} \\ \implies X(BB^{-1}) &= A^{-1}DC^{-1}B^{-1} \\ \implies XI &= A^{-1}DC^{-1}B^{-1} \\ \implies X &= A^{-1}DC^{-1}B^{-1}.\end{aligned}$$

**Answer.**  $X = A^{-1}DC^{-1}B^{-1}$ .