

A NOTE ON COMMUTATIVITY PRESERVING MAPS ON  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ 

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*Abstract.* Let  $M_n(\mathbb{F})$  be the set of all  $n \times n$  matrices over a field  $\mathbb{F}$ . Surjective maps which preserve the commutativity relation on  $M_n(\mathbb{F})$  only in one direction have been recently classified for the case when  $\mathbb{F}$  is an algebraically closed field. We show that the same result holds also when  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$  is the field of real numbers and  $n \geq 7$  is odd.

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