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We say a $2 \times 2$ matrix $A$ has projective order $n$ if $n$ is the smallest integer such that $A^{n}=\lambda I$, a multiple of the identity matrix. In this talk, new formulae for integer powers of $2 \times 2,3 \times 3$, and $4 \times 4$ matrices is presented, along with the above motivation. Examples and extensions of the concept of projective order to the $3 \times 3$ and $4 \times 4$ cases are presented, as time allows. (Received February 14, 2018)

