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HW 15: Due 04/08

*“Yeah. Yeah, I . . . I can see this. I mean, it’s not for me, but people will like it.  
It’s Starbucks. It’s what American wants.”*

*— Matthew MacDell, Big Mouth*

**Problem 1.** (10pts) Define the following:

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Showing all your work, compute the following:

(a)  $-3\mathbf{w}$

(b)  $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}$

(c)  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$

**Solution.**

(a)

$$-3\mathbf{w} = -3 \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -18 \\ 6 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)

$$\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-1 \\ -3-0 \\ 8-(-1) \\ 2-4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c)

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1(6) + 0(-2) + (-1)(-1) + 4(0) = 6 + 0 + 1 + 0 = 7$$

**Problem 2.** (10pts) Define the following:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -5 \\ 6 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Showing all your work, compute the following:

(a)  $3A$

(b)  $B - A$

(c)  $CA^T$

**Solution.**

(a)

$$3A = 3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 18 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)

$$B - A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 - (-1) & -3 - 2 & -1 - 0 \\ 1 - 0 & 1 - 6 & 0 - (-2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -5 & -1 \\ 1 & -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} CA^T &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -5 \\ 6 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & -2 \end{pmatrix}^T \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -5 \\ 6 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0(-1) + 2(2) + (-5)(0) & 0(0) + 2(6) + (-5)(-2) \\ 6(-1) + 0(2) + 4(0) & 6(0) + 0(6) + 4(-2) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 + 4 + 0 & 0 + 12 + 10 \\ -6 + 0 + 0 & 0 + 0 - 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 22 \\ -6 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 3.** (10pts) Define the following:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 \\ -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Can one compute  $A\mathbf{u}$ ? If so, compute it. If not, explain why.  
(b) Can one compute  $A^T\mathbf{u}$ ? If so, compute it. If not, explain why.

**Solution.**

- (a) No, we cannot compute  $A\mathbf{u}$ . To multiply a  $m \times n$  matrix with a  $r \times s$  matrix, it must be that  $n = r$ , i.e. the number of columns of the first must be the number of rows of the second. The matrix  $A$  is  $4 \times 2$  and the matrix/vector  $\mathbf{u}$  is  $4 \times 1$ . Because  $n = 2 \neq 4 = r$ , we cannot form  $A\mathbf{u}$ .  
(b) The matrix  $A^T$  switches the rows and columns of  $A$ . But then  $A^T$  is a  $2 \times 4$  matrix. But then one can form  $A^T\mathbf{u}$ . We have...

$$\begin{aligned} A^T\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 \\ -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1(4) + 0(-2) + (-4)0 + 0(1) \\ -1(4) + 3(-2) + 2(0) + 6(1) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 + 0 + 0 + 0 \\ -4 - 6 + 0 + 6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$