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HW 15: Due 11/22

“There is hardly any theory which is more elementary [than linear algebra], in spite of the fact that generations of professors and textbook writers have obscured its simplicity by preposterous calculations with matrices.”

– Jean Dieudonné

Problem 1. (10pt) Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ be the following vectors: $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$.

Compute the following:

(a) $-2\mathbf{u}$

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

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

(d) \mathbf{v}^T

Solution.

(a)

$$-2\mathbf{u} = -2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ -6 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)

$$\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 - 1 \\ 8 - (-2) \\ -2 - 3 \\ 3 - 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 10 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = 1(10) + (-2)8 + 3(-2) + 4(3) = 10 - 16 - 6 + 12 = 0$$

Note: The fact that $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ shows that \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are perpendicular.

(d)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}^T = (10 \ 8 \ -2 \ 3)$$

Problem 2. (10pt) Define the following matrices:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 2 \\ -9 & 3 & -8 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -8 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute the following:

(a) $3B$

(b) $A + B$

(c) A^T

(d) $A^T B$

Solution.

(a)

$$3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -8 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -12 & 6 \\ 3 & -24 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 2 \\ -9 & 3 & -8 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -8 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3+1 & 6-4 & 2+2 \\ -9+1 & 3-8 & -8+(-3) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 4 \\ -8 & -5 & -11 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 2 \\ -9 & 3 & -8 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -9 \\ 6 & 3 \\ 2 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 2 \\ -9 & 3 & -8 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -8 & -3 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -9 \\ 6 & 3 \\ 2 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -8 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3(1) + (-9)(1) & 3(-4) - 9(-8) & 3(2) - 9(-3) \\ 6(1) + 3(1) & 6(-4) + 3(-8) & 6(2) + 3(-3) \\ 2(1) - 8(1) & 2(-4) - 8(-8) & 2(2) - 8(-3) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3-9 & -12+72 & 6+27 \\ 6+3 & -24-24 & 12-9 \\ 2-8 & -8+64 & 4+24 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 60 & 33 \\ 9 & -48 & 3 \\ -6 & 56 & 28 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3. (10pt) Define the following matrices:

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

Only one of the following is computable: CA , AB , or AC . For those products that cannot be computed, explain why. For the product that can be computed, compute the product.

Solution. The matrix A has dimension 3×2 . The matrix B has dimension 1×4 . The matrix C has dimension 2×2 . If P is a $m \times n$ matrix and Q is a $a \times b$ matrix, then PQ can be multiplied only if $n = a$. If so, then the resulting matrix, PQ , has dimension $m \times b$. But then neither AB nor BA can be formed. Similarly, neither BC nor CB can be formed. While CA cannot be formed, we can form the product AC . Then we have...

$$\begin{aligned} AC &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1(2) + 0(-1) & 1(0) + 0(3) \\ -2(2) + 3(-1) & -2(0) + 3(3) \\ 0(2) + (-1)(-1) & 0(0) + (-1)3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 + 0 & 0 + 0 \\ -4 - 3 & 0 + 9 \\ 0 + 1 & 0 - 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -7 & 9 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$