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**Question 1:**

(a)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 27 & 44 & 51 \\ 35 & 39 & 62 \\ 33 & 50 & 47 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 42 & 48 \\ 33 & 40 & 66 \\ 35 & 48 & 50 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 27 + 25 & 44 + 42 & 51 + 48 \\ 35 + 33 & 39 + 40 & 62 + 66 \\ 33 + 35 & 50 + 48 & 47 + 50 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 52 & 86 & 99 \\ 68 & 79 & 128 \\ 68 & 98 & 97 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Solve  $AB$  and  $BA$ , where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 * 1 + 2 * 1 & 1 * 0 + 2 * 0 \\ 2 * 1 + 1 * 1 & 2 * 0 + 1 * 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 * 1 + 0 * 2 & 1 * 2 + 0 * 1 \\ 1 * 1 + 0 * 2 & 1 * 2 + 0 * 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

In general, matrix multiplication is noncommutative as  $BA \neq AB$ .

(c) Compute  $(A + B)^T$ , for A and B below:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 3 & 2 + 1 \\ 3 + -1 & 0 + 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A + B)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A + B)^T - B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T + B^T - B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T + B^T - B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Additive inverse on  $M(\mathbb{R})_{2 \times 2}$  yields:

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and,

$$B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^T + A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Additive commutativity in general linear systems (2x2) results in:

$$A^T + B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = (A + B)^T$$

Thus:  $A^T + B^T = (A + B)^T$  which was to be shown.

## Question 2:

(a) Compute the following limits:

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} (x^2 + 5x)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} (x^2 + 5x) = ((2^+)^2 + 5(2^+)) = (4 - 10)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} (x^2 + 5x) = -6$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} (x^2 + 5x) = ((2^-)^2 + 5(-2^-)) = (4 - 10)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} (x^2 + 5x) = -6$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} (x^2 + 5x) = -6 = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} (x^2 + 5x)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} (x^2 + 5x) = -6$$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^2 - 15}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^2 - 15} = \frac{2(2^+)^{\frac{3}{2}} - (4^+)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(4^+)^2 - 15} = \frac{2(2^+)(2^+)(2^+) - (2^+)}{(16^+) - 15} = \frac{16-2}{1}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^2 - 15} = 14$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^2 - 15} = \frac{2(4^-)^{\frac{3}{2}} - (4^-)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(4^-)^2 - 15} = \frac{2(2^-)(2^-)(2^-) - (2^-)}{(16^-) - 15} = \frac{16-2}{1}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^2 - 15} = 14$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^2 - 15} = 14 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^2 - 15}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^2 - 15} = 14$$

A limit of  $\pm 15^{1/2} \in \mathbb{R}^1$  would be a different story.

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (Ax^n)$

We need to be careful, as the following does not hold for  $\forall x, a, n \in \mathbb{R}$ , for example if  $a = 0$  and  $n < 0$  then we are dividing by zero which is undefined as the left sided and right sided limits diverge from each other.

Case 1:

Suppose  $n$  is a non-negative integer.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} (Ax^n) = A(a^+)^n = Aa^n$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} (Ax^n) = A(a^-)^n = Aa^n$$

If  $n$  is a non-negative integer, then:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} (Ax^n) = Aa^n = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} (Ax^n)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (Ax^n) = Aa^n$$

Case 2:

Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^-$  and  $x$  never crosses the 0 region on  $x \rightarrow a^-$  and  $a \neq 0$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a+} (Ax^n) = A(a^+)^n = Aa^n$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a-} (Ax^n) = A(a^-)^n = Aa^n$$

If  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^-$  and  $x$  never crosses the 0 region on  $x \rightarrow a^-$  and  $a \neq 0$ , then:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} (Ax^n) = Aa^n = \lim_{x \rightarrow a+} (Ax^n)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (Ax^n) = Ax^n$$

Case 3:

Suppose  $n \in \{m | m \text{ is even } \mathbb{R}^+ - \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  ie. 2.2, 51.2.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a+} (Ax^n) = A(a^+)^n = Aa^n$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a-} (Ax^n) = A(a^-)^n = Aa^n$$

If  $n \in \{m | m \text{ is even } \mathbb{R}^+ - \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ , then:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} (Ax^n) = Aa^n = \lim_{x \rightarrow a+} (Ax^n)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (Ax^n) = Ax^n$$

Case 4:

Suppose  $n \in \{m | m \text{ is even } \mathbb{R}^- - \mathbb{Z}^-\}$  and  $x$  never crosses the 0 region on  $x \rightarrow a^-$  and  $a \neq 0$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a+} (Ax^n) = A(a^+)^n = Aa^n$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a-} (Ax^n) = A(a^-)^n = Aa^n$$

If  $n \in \{m | m \text{ is even } \mathbb{R}^- - \mathbb{Z}^-\}$  and  $x$  never crosses the 0 region on  $x \rightarrow a^-$  and  $a \neq 0$ , then:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} (Ax^n) = Aa^n = \lim_{x \rightarrow a+} (Ax^n)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (Ax^n) = Ax^n$$

Case 5:

Suppose  $n \in \{m | m \text{ is odd } \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Z}\}$  ie. 1.3, -22.1 and  $a > 0$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a+} (Ax^n) = A(a^+)^n = Aa^n$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a-} (Ax^n) = A(a^-)^n = Aa^n$$

If  $n \in \{m | m \text{ is odd } \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Z}\}$  and  $a > 0$ , then:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} (Ax^n) = Aa^n = \lim_{x \rightarrow a+} (Ax^n)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (Ax^n) = Ax^n$$

Otherwise, the two sided limit does not exist in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(b) Find an expression for  $dz$  in terms of  $dx$  and  $dy$  in the following:

(a)  $z = Ax^a + By^b$

$$z = f(x, y) = Ax^a + By^b$$

$$dz = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy$$

$$dz = aAx^{a-1}dx + bBy^{b-1}dy$$

(b)  $z = e^{xu}$ , where  $u = u(x, y)$ .

$$z = f(x, y) = e^{xu}, \text{ where } u = u(x, y)$$

$$dz = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy$$

$$dz = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy$$

$$dz = \left( ue^{xu} + xe^{xu} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) dx + xe^{xu} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy$$

$$dz = e^{xu} \left( \left( u + x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) dx + x \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy \right)$$

$u = u(x, y)$  is unknown so its derivative with respect to  $x$  and  $y$  are unknown.

(c)  $z = \ln(x^2 + y)$

$$z = f(x, y) = \ln(x^2 + y)$$

let  $u = \ln(w)$  and  $w = x^2 + y$ .

$$dz = \frac{\partial u}{\partial w} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial w} \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} dy$$

$$dz = \frac{\partial u}{\partial w} \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} dy \right)$$

$$dz = \frac{1}{w} (2x dx + dy)$$

$$dz = \frac{2x dx + dy}{x^2 + y}$$

**Question 3:**Find  $A^{-1}$ 

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = (1 * 1 * 1) + (2 * -1 * 1) + (3 * 0 * 2) - (2 * 0 * 1) - (1 * -1 * 2) - (3 * 1 * 1)$$

$$\det(A) = 1 + -2 + 0 - 0 - -2 - 3 = -2$$

Matrix is invertible.

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{cof}(A)^T = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A)$$

$$\text{minors}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ -4 & -2 & 0 \\ -5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{cof}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 \\ -5 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{cof}(A)^T = \text{adjoint}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & -5 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{-2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & -5 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-3}{2} & -2 & \frac{5}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{-1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{-1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 4:** Consider the National -Income model with 3 endogenous variables, Y (national income), C (consumption), and t (taxes).

$$Q_d = a - bp \quad (a, b > 0)$$

$$Q_s = -c + dp \quad (c, d > 0)$$

Endogenous variables:  $\{P, Q_s, Q_d\}$  which are functions of the exogenous variables :  $\{a, b, c, d\}$ .

- (a) Derive  $P^*$  and  $Q^*$  in equilibrium (when quantity supplied = to quantity demanded)

We want to find the intersection of the supply and demand curves. Since  $b$  and  $d$  are both positive, we know the demand and supply curves are opposite sloping. An intersection of the supply and demand curves must exist in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

$$D = \{(P, Q) | Q = a - bP\}$$

$$S = \{(P, Q) | Q = -c + dP\}$$

$$D \cap S = (P^*, Q^*)$$

$$Q_d = a - bP = -c + dP = Q_s \quad (c, d > 0), (a, b > 0)$$

$$a + c = bP + dP$$

$$a + c = P(b + d)$$

$$\frac{a + c}{b + d} = P^*$$

$$Q^* = a - b \left( \frac{a + c}{b + d} \right)$$

$$Q^* = \frac{a(b + d) - b(a + c)}{b + d}$$

$$Q^* = \frac{ab + ad - ba - bc}{b + d}$$

$$Q^* = \frac{ab - ab + ad - bc}{b + d}$$

$$Q^* = \frac{ad - bc}{b + d} \quad (a, b, c, d > 0), \quad (b + d > 0) \rightarrow (ad > bc)$$

$$P^* = \frac{a + c}{b + d} \quad (a, b, c, d > 0)$$

- (b) Examine the comparative-static properties of the equilibrium quantity and provide the economic meaning of it? (Note compute partial derivatives of  $P^*$  with respect to parameters in the model. We discuss this in details in class during lecture)

This comparative-static model reflects the equilibrium point  $(Q^*, P^*)$  with respect to a single commodity. The exogenous variables  $a$  represents the quantity demanded if  $P = 0$  and  $c$  reflect the quantity supplied if  $P = 0$ . Furthermore,  $b$  represents the decrease in quantity demanded per unit price, while  $d$  represents the additional quantity supplied per unit of price.

$$(a, b, c, d > 0), (ad > bc)$$

$$\frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial a} = \frac{d}{b + d}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial c} &= -\frac{b}{b+d} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial d} &= \frac{a(b+d) - (ad - bc)}{(b+d)^2} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial d} &= \frac{ab + ad - ad + bc}{(b+d)^2} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial d} &= \frac{ab + bc}{(b+d)^2} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial d} &= \frac{b(a - c)}{(b+d)^2}\end{aligned}$$

lastly,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial b} &= \frac{-c(b+d) - (ad - bc)}{(b+d)^2} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial b} &= \frac{-cb + -cd - ad + bc}{(b+d)^2} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial b} &= \frac{-cd - ad}{(b+d)^2}\end{aligned}$$

finally,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial a} &= \frac{d}{b+d} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial b} &= -\frac{d(c+a)}{(b+d)^2} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial c} &= -\frac{b}{b+d} \\ \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial d} &= \frac{b(a+c)}{(b+d)^2} \\ \frac{\partial P^*}{\partial a} &= \frac{1}{b+d} = \frac{\partial P^*}{\partial c} \\ \frac{\partial P^*}{\partial b} &= -\frac{a+c}{(b+d)^2} = \frac{\partial P^*}{\partial d} \\ Q_d &= a - bP \quad (a, b > 0) \\ Q_s &= -c + dP \quad (c, d > 0)\end{aligned}$$

$a$  represents the quantity demanded at  $P = 0$ .

If  $a$  increases, both the equilibrium price and quantity increase.

If  $a$  decreases, both the equilibrium price and quantity decrease.

$c$  represents the quantity supplied at  $P = 0$ .



If  $c$  increases, the equilibrium price increases and the equilibrium quantity decrease.

If  $c$  decreases, the equilibrium price decreases and the equilibrium quantity increases.

$b$  represents the per unit negation of the number of units demanded given a price  $P$  (I hope that makes sense). Negative slope.

If  $b$  increases, the demand slope becomes steeper, the equilibrium price decreases and the equilibrium quantity decrease.

If  $b$  decreases, the demand slope becomes more shallow, the equilibrium price increase and the equilibrium quantity increase.

$d$  represents the per unit of additional units supplied given a price  $P$ . Positive slope.

If  $d$  increases, the supply slope becomes steeper, the equilibrium price decreases and the equilibrium quantity increases.

If  $d$  decreases, the supply slope becomes more shallow, the equilibrium price increases and the equilibrium quantity decreases.

For all cases, if all else is constant.

Hopefully I did not cross my wires.