

Question 1

Write a program using Python that does the following:

- Takes two matrices of any size as the input
- Returns their dot product as the output

Note: You cannot use pre-packaged algorithms for matrix operations for this question. You can use numpy or pandas to store your data (not for calculations). Please do the following:

a. Please test the following matrix multiplications using your hand-written code and report the result:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & -3 & -2 \\ 6 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 6 & 7 \\ -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Compare the result to the packaged dot product numpy.dot. Are they same?

c. Please add your code to your .pdf file and also save it as an .ipynb file

In [15]:

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import numpy as np

def create_matrix():
    num_rows_A = int(input("Enter number of rows for matrix A: "))
    num_cols_A = int(input("Enter number of columns for matrix A: "))

    matrix_A = []

    for i in range(0, num_rows_A):
        matrix_A_row = []
        for j in range(0, num_cols_A):
            ele = int(input("Enter value: "))
            matrix_A_row.append(ele)
        matrix_A.append(matrix_A_row)

    print("MATRIX A")
    print(np.array(np.mat(matrix_A)))

    num_rows_B = int(input("Enter number of rows for matrix B: "))
    num_cols_B = int(input("Enter number of columns for matrix B: "))

    matrix_B = []

    for i in range(0, num_rows_B):
        matrix_B_row = []
        for j in range(0, num_cols_B):
            ele = int(input("Enter value: "))
            matrix_B_row.append(ele)
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        matrix_B.append(matrix_B_row)

    print("MATRIX B")
    print(np.array(np.mat(matrix_B)))

    return matrix_A, matrix_B, num_rows_B, num_cols_A, num_rows_A, num_cols_B

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In [16]: def dot_product(matrix_A, matrix_B, num_rows_B, num_cols_A, num_rows_A, num_cols_A):
    if num_rows_B == num_cols_A:
        matrix_dotprodAB = np.zeros((num_rows_A, num_cols_B))

        for i in range(len(matrix_A)):
            for j in range(len(matrix_B[0])):
                for k in range(len(matrix_B)):
                    matrix_dotprodAB[i][j] += matrix_A[i][k] * matrix_B[k][j]
        return matrix_dotprodAB
    else:
        print("The matrices are not compatible")
        return None

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Part a:

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In [17]: matrix_A, matrix_B, num_rows_B, num_cols_A, num_rows_A, num_cols_B = create_matrices()

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Enter number of rows for matrix A: 3
Enter number of columns for matrix A: 3
Enter value: -4
Enter value: -3
Enter value: -2
Enter value: 6
Enter value: 0
Enter value: -1
Enter value: 2
Enter value: 1
Enter value: 3
MATRIX A
[[-4 -3 -2]
 [ 6  0 -1]
 [ 2  1  3]]
Enter number of rows for matrix B: 3
Enter number of columns for matrix B: 2
Enter value: 5
Enter value: 4
Enter value: 6
Enter value: 7
Enter value: -4
Enter value: -3
MATRIX B
[[ 5  4]
 [ 6  7]
 [-4 -3]]

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In [18]: dot_product(matrix_A, matrix_B, num_rows_B, num_cols_A, num_rows_A, num_cols_B)

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Out[18]: array([[ -30.,  -31.],
                [ 34.,   27.],
                [  4.,    6.]])

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In [19]: dotProd_AB = np.dot(matrix_A, matrix_B)
         print(dotProd_AB)
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[[ -30  -31]
 [  34   27]
 [   4    6]]
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In [20]: matrix_A, matrix_B, num_rows_B, num_cols_A, num_rows_A, num_cols_B = create_matr
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Enter number of rows for matrix A: 2
Enter number of columns for matrix A: 2
Enter value: 1
Enter value: 0
Enter value: 0
Enter value: 1
MATRIX A
[[1 0]
 [0 1]]
Enter number of rows for matrix B: 2
Enter number of columns for matrix B: 4
Enter value: 1
Enter value: 2
Enter value: 3
Enter value: 4
Enter value: 5
Enter value: 6
Enter value: 7
Enter value: 8
MATRIX B
[[1 2 3 4]
 [5 6 7 8]]
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In [21]: dot_product(matrix_A, matrix_B, num_rows_B, num_cols_A, num_rows_A, num_cols_B)
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Out[21]: array([[1., 2., 3., 4.],
               [5., 6., 7., 8.]])
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In [22]: dotProd_AB = np.dot(matrix_A, matrix_B)
         print(dotProd_AB)
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[[1 2 3 4]
 [5 6 7 8]]
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Part b:

Yes, the packaged dot product `numpy.dot` and the handwritten code for matrix multiplication give the same results.

Question 2

Assume that we have two (2) d -dimensional real vectors x and y . And denote by x_i (or y_i) the value in the i -th coordinate of x (or y). Prove or disprove the following statements by checking non-negativity, definiteness, homogeneity, and triangle inequality.

a. The following distance function is a metric. (5 points)

$$L_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|$$

b. The following distance function is a metric. (5 points)

$$L_2(x, y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

c. The following distance function is a metric. (10 points)

$$L_2^2(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2$$

In order to check whether a distance function is a metric, we need to check for the following properties:

Non-negativity: For all $x \in R^n$, $f(x) \geq 0$

Definiteness: $f(x) = 0$ if $x = 0$

Homogeneity: For all $x \in R^n$, $t \in R \rightarrow f(tx) = |t|f(x)$

Triangle inequality: $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$ for all points $x, y, z \in X$

Part a:

$$L_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|$$

$$|x_i - y_i| \geq 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq d$$

Hence,

$$\sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i| \geq 0$$

The distance function is non-negative.

$$\text{if } x_i - y_i = 0$$

$$\text{then, } |x_i - y_i| = 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq d$$

Hence,

$$\sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i| = 0$$

The distance function is definite.

$$|t \cdot x_i - t \cdot y_i| = |t| \cdot |x_i - y_i| \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq d$$

Hence,

$$\sum_{i=1}^d |t \cdot x_i - t \cdot y_i| = \sum_{i=1}^d |t| \cdot |x_i - y_i| = |t| \cdot \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|$$

The distance function is homogenous.

Consider,

$$L_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|$$

$$L_1(x, z) = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - z_i|$$

$$L_1(z, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d |z_i - y_i|$$

Hence,

$$L_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i| = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - z_i + z_i - y_i| \leq \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - z_i| + \sum_{i=1}^d |z_i - y_i|$$

$$L_1(x, y) \leq L_1(x, z) + L_1(z, y)$$

The distance function satisfies the triangle inequality condition.

The distance function $L_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|$ is a metric.

Part b:

$$L_2(x, y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

$$(x_i - y_i)^2 \geq 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq d$$

$\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2 \geq 0$ is a non-negative real function since it is a metric and the square root of any non-negative real number is also a non-negative real number.

Hence,

$$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2} \geq 0 \text{ is a non-negative real function.}$$

The distance function is non-negative.

$$\text{if } x_i - y_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_i - y_i)^2 = 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq d$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2 = 0$$

Hence,

$$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2} = 0$$

The distance function is definite.

$$f(x) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

$$f(t \cdot x) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (t \cdot x_i - t \cdot y_i)^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d t^2 (x_i - y_i)^2} = |t| \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2} = |t| f(x)$$

The distance function is homogenous.

$$L_2(x, y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

$$L_2(x, z) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - z_i)^2}$$

$$L_2(z, y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (z_i - y_i)^2}$$

Hence,

$$L_2(x, y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - z_i)^2} + \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (z_i - y_i)^2}$$

$$L_2(x, y) \leq L_2(x, z) + L_2(z, y)$$

The distance function satisfies the triangle inequality condition.

$$\text{The distance function } L_2(x, y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2} \text{ is a metric.}$$

Part c:

$$L_2^2(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2$$

$$(x_i - y_i)^2 \geq 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq d$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow L_2^2(x, y) \geq 0$$

The distance function is non-negative.

$$\text{if } x_i - y_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_i - y_i)^2 = 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq d$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2 = 0$$

Hence,

$$L_2^2(x, y) = 0$$

The distance function is definite.

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2$$

$$f(t \cdot x) = \sum_{i=1}^d (t \cdot x_i - t \cdot y_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d t^2 (x_i - y_i)^2 = t^2 \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2$$

The distance function is homogenous.

Consider,

$$L_2^2(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2$$

$$L_2^2(x, z) = \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - z_i)^2$$

$$L_2^2(z, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d (z_i - y_i)^2$$

Hence,

$$L_2^2(x, z) + L_2^2(z, y)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - z_i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^d (z_i - y_i)^2 \\
&\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i^2 - 2x_i \cdot z_i + z_i^2 + z_i^2 - 2z_i \cdot y_i + y_i^2) \\
&\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i^2 + y_i^2 + 2z_i^2 - 2x_i \cdot z_i - 2z_i \cdot y_i) \\
&\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i^2 + y_i^2 - 2x_i \cdot y_i + 2x_i \cdot y_i + 2z_i^2 - 2x_i \cdot z_i - 2z_i \cdot y_i) \\
&\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d ((x_i - y_i)^2 + 2x_i \cdot y_i + 2z_i^2 - 2x_i \cdot z_i - 2z_i \cdot y_i) \\
&\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d ((x_i - y_i)^2 + 2(z_i^2 + x_i \cdot y_i - x_i \cdot z_i - z_i \cdot y_i)) \\
&\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^d (z_i^2 + x_i \cdot y_i - x_i \cdot z_i - z_i \cdot y_i)
\end{aligned}$$

Now, consider $t = 2 \sum_{i=1}^d (z_i^2 + x_i \cdot y_i - x_i \cdot z_i - z_i \cdot y_i)$

LHS: $\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2$

RHS: $\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2 + t$

if $t = 0$, then LHS = RHS

if $t > 0$, then LHS < RHS

But, if $t < 0$, then LHS > RHS

i.e. if $2 \sum_{i=1}^d (z_i^2 + x_i \cdot y_i - x_i \cdot z_i - z_i \cdot y_i) < 0$ then $L_2^2(x, y) > L_2^2(x, z) + L_2^2(z, y)$

The distance function does not satisfy the triangle inequality condition for all cases.

The distance function $L_2^2(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2$ is not a metric.

Question 3

Calculating by hand, find the characteristic polynomial, eigenvalues and the eigenvectors of the following matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & -3 & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let's assume,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & -3 & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

characteristic polynomial of matrix:

step 1:

$$[A] - \lambda \cdot [I] = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & -3 & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & -3 - \lambda & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

step 2:

$$\det([A] - \lambda \cdot [I]) = \{(4 - \lambda) * [(-3 - \lambda) * (6 - \lambda) - (-6 * 3)]\} - \{4 * [(-2 * (6 - \lambda)) - (-6 * 1)]\} + \{4 * [\lambda^2 - 3\lambda] - \lambda[\lambda^2 - 3\lambda]\} - \{-24 + 8\lambda\} + \{-12 + 4\lambda\}$$

Answer:

$$-\lambda^3 + 7\lambda^2 - 16\lambda + 12$$

eigenvalues of matrix:

step 1:

The characteristic equation is:

$$-\lambda^3 + 7\lambda^2 - 16\lambda + 12 = 0$$

step 2:

factorizing the above equation:

$$(\lambda - 2)(-\lambda^2 + 5\lambda - 6) = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 2)(-\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 3\lambda - 6) = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 2)[- \lambda(\lambda - 2) + 3(\lambda - 2)] = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 3) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 2, \lambda = 3$$

Answer:

The eigenvalues are 2 & 3.

eigenvectors of matrix:

When $\lambda = 2$,

step 1:

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & -3 - \lambda & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & -5 & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

step 2:

Setting $X = 1$, we get the following equations:

$$2(1) + 4Y + 4Z = 0$$

$$-2(1) - 5Y - 6Z = 0$$

step 3:

$$\Rightarrow [2 + 4Y + 4Z = 0] \text{ --- } > X3 \text{ (eq1)}$$

$$[-2 - 5Y - 6Z = 0] \text{ --- } > X2 \text{ (eq2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 12Y + 12Z + 6 = 0$$

$$-10Y - 12Z - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2Y + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Y = -1$$

Substituting $Y = -1$ in eq1

$$\Rightarrow 2 + 4(-1) + 4Z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4Z - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Z = 1/2$$

step 4:

The eigenvector when $\lambda = 2$ is $(1, -1, 1/2)$

For convenience, we can scale up by a factor of 2, to get:

$$(2, -2, 1)$$

When $\lambda = 3$,

step 1:

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & -3 - \lambda & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 4 \\ -2 & -6 & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

step 2:

Setting $X = 1$, we get the following equations:

$$1(1) + 4Y + 4Z = 0$$

$$-2(1) - 6Y - 6Z = 0$$

step 3:

$$\Rightarrow [1 + 4Y + 4Z = 0] \text{ --- } > X3 \text{ (eq1)}$$

$$[-2 - 6Y - 6Z = 0] \text{ --- } > X2 \text{ (eq2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 12Y + 12Z + 3 = 0$$

$$-12Y - 12Z - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow X \neq 1$$

step 4:

Setting $Y = 1$, we get the following equations:

$$X + 4(1) + 4Z = 0$$

$$-2X - 6(1) - 6Z = 0$$

step 5:

$$\Rightarrow X + 4Z + 4 = 0 \text{ --- } > X2 \text{ (eq1)}$$

$$-2X - 6Z - 6 = 0 \text{ (eq2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2X + 8Z + 8 = 0$$

$$-2X - 6Z - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2Z + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Z = -1$$

step 6:

Substituting $Z = -1$ in eq1

$$X = 0$$

step 7:

The eigenvector when $\lambda = 2$ is $(1, -1, 1/2)$

For convenience, we can scale up by a factor of 2, to get:

$$(0, 1, -1)$$

Answer:

The Eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda = 2$ is $[2, -2, 1]$

The Eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda = 3$ is $[0, 1, -1]$

Question 4

Provide a proof for the following: Let A, B, and C be any $n \times n$ matrices:

- Show that $\text{trace}(ABC) = \text{trace}(CAB) = \text{trace}(BCA)$ (10 points)
- $\text{trace}(ABC) = \text{trace}(BAC)$. Provide a proof or a counterexample (10 points)

Part a:

Consider the following two matrices,

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} & x_{33} & \dots & x_{3n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & x_{n3} & \dots & x_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} & y_{13} & \dots & y_{1n} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} & y_{23} & \dots & y_{2n} \\ y_{31} & y_{32} & y_{33} & \dots & y_{3n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ y_{n1} & y_{n2} & y_{n3} & \dots & y_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,

$$X \cdot Y = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} \cdot y_{11} + x_{12} \cdot y_{21} + \dots + x_{1n} \cdot y_{n1} & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & x_{21} \cdot y_{12} + x_{22} \cdot y_{22} + \dots + x_{2n} \cdot y_{n2} & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \quad x_{ni}$$

This means that,

$$\text{Trace}(AB) = [x_{11} \cdot y_{11} + x_{12} \cdot y_{21} + \dots + x_{1n} \cdot y_{n1}] + [x_{21} \cdot y_{12} + x_{22} \cdot y_{22} + \dots + x_{2n} \cdot y_{n2}] + \dots + [$$

In simpler terms it can be expressed as follows,

$$\text{Trace}(XY) = \sum x_{ij} \cdot y_{ji}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Trace}(XY) = \sum_i \sum_j x_{ij} \cdot y_{ji}$$

Since x_{ij}, y_{ij} are scalar,

$$x_{ij} \cdot y_{ij} = y_{ij} \cdot x_{ij}$$

Hence,

$$\Rightarrow \text{Trace}(XY) = \sum_i \sum_j y_{ij} \cdot x_{ji}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Trace}(XY) = \text{Trace}(YX)$$

Now consider,

$$X = AB$$

$$Y = C$$

$$\text{Trace}(XY) = \text{Trace}(YX)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Trace}((AB)C) = \text{Trace}(C(AB))$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Trace}(ABC) = \text{Trace}(CAB)$$

Also consider,

$$X = CA$$

$$Y = B$$

$$\text{Trace}(XY) = \text{Trace}(YX)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Trace}((CA)B) = \text{Trace}(B(AC))$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Trace}(CAB) = \text{Trace}(BAC)$$

Therefore,

$$\text{Trace}(ABC) = \text{Trace}(CAB) = \text{Trace}(BAC)$$

Part b:

Let

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

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$ABC = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 15 \\ 21 & 18 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BAC = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 27 & 9 \\ 27 & 18 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Trace}(ABC) = 31 + 18 = 49$$

$$\text{Trace}(BAC) = 27 + 18 = 45$$

Thus,

$$\text{Trace}(ABC) \neq \text{Trace}(BAC)$$

Question 5

Let A and B be n x n matrices with AB = 0.

Each question below is 5 points. Provide a proof or counterexample for each of the following:

a. BA = 0

b. Either A = 0 or B = 0 (or both)

c. If $\det(A) = -3$, then $B = 0$

d. There is a vector $v \neq 0$ such that $BAv = 0$

Part a:

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

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the statement if $AB = 0$ then $BA = 0$ is False.

Part b:

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

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

But,

$$A \neq 0 \text{ and } B \neq 0$$

Hence, the statement Either $A = 0$ or $B = 0$ (or both) is False.

Part c:

Method 1:

$$AB = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(AB) = 0$$

$$\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$$

Consider,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} n_1 & n_2 \\ n_3 & n_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{And, } \det(A) = n_1 \cdot n_4 - n_2 \cdot n_3 = -3$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \cdot B = \begin{bmatrix} n_1 b_{11} + n_2 b_{21} & b_1 b_{12} + n_2 b_{22} \\ n_3 b_{11} + n_4 b_{21} & n_3 b_{12} + n_4 b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

And, we know that $AB=0$

So we get the following equations:

$$n_1 b_{11} + n_2 b_{21} = 0 \text{ (eq 1)}$$

$$n_3 b_{11} + n_4 b_{21} = 0 \text{ (eq 2)}$$

$$b_1 b_{12} + n_2 b_{22} = 0 \text{ (eq 3)}$$

$$n_3 b_{12} + n_4 b_{22} = 0 \text{ (eq 4)}$$

Considering eq1 and eq2;

$$n_1 b_{11} + n_2 b_{21} = 0 \dots [eq1 \times n_3]$$

$$n_3 b_{11} + n_4 b_{21} = 0 \dots [eq2 \times -n_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow n_1 n_3 b_{11} + n_2 n_3 b_{21} = 0$$

$$-n_1 n_3 b_{11} - n_1 n_4 b_{21} = 0 \text{ (eq 2)}$$

Solving the above 2 equations, we get

$$[n_1 n_4 - n_2 n_3] b_{21} = 0$$

So, either $n_1 n_4 - n_2 n_3 = 0$ or $b_{21} = 0$

But, we know that $n_1 n_4 - n_2 n_3 = \det(A) = -3$

Hence, $b_{21} = 0$

Similarly, $b_{11} = 0, b_{21} = 0, b_{22} = 0$

So if $\det(A) = -3$ then $\det(B)$ should be equal to 0.

Method 2:

$$AB = 0$$

We can assume that A^{-1} exists since $\det(A) \neq 0$

Multiplying both sides by A^{-1}

$$\Rightarrow A \cdot B \cdot A^{-1} = 0 \cdot A^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(B) = 0$$

So if $\det(A) = -3$ then $\det(B)$ should be equal to 0.

Part d:

There is a vector $v \neq 0$ such that $BAv = 0$

$$AB = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(AB) = \det(BA) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow BA$ is not invertible (Since, a matrix is invertible only when its product with non-zero vector is 0).

Hence, there is a vector $v \neq 0$ such that $BAv = 0$