

ECON2125/8013*
Week 6 Tutorial Questions (27/3/2015)

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Question 1

For conformable matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} , verify the following transpositions hold:

1. $(\mathbf{A}')' = \mathbf{A}$
2. $(\mathbf{AB})' = \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{A}'$
3. $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})' = \mathbf{A}' + \mathbf{B}'$
4. $(c\mathbf{A})' = c\mathbf{A}'$ for any constant c .

Question 2

If \mathbf{I} is the $N \times N$ identity, \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are $N \times N$ matrices and scalar $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then try to verify the following properties when the case is $N = 2$:

1. $\det(\mathbf{I}) = 1$
2. \mathbf{A} is nonsingular if and only if $\det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$
3. $\det(\mathbf{AB}) = \det(\mathbf{A}) \det(\mathbf{B})$
4. $\det(\alpha\mathbf{A}) = \alpha^N \det(\mathbf{A})$
5. $\det(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = (\det(\mathbf{A}))^{-1}$

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6. Is it true that $\det(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \det(\mathbf{A}) + \det(\mathbf{B})$? If yes, please verify. If not, then provide a counter example.

7. $\det(\mathbf{A}') = \det(\mathbf{A})$

8. If \mathbf{A} is nonsingular, then so is \mathbf{A}' , and $(\mathbf{A}')^{-1} = (\mathbf{A}^{-1})'$

Question 3

Prove that: If matrix \mathbf{A} is $N \times M$ and matrix \mathbf{B} is $M \times N$, then $\text{trace}(\mathbf{AB}) = \text{trace}(\mathbf{BA})$.

Question 4

For conformable matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} , verify the following properties of the matrix norm:

1. $\|\mathbf{A}\| = 0$ if and only if all entries of \mathbf{A} are zero.
2. $\|\alpha\mathbf{A}\| = |\alpha|\|\mathbf{A}\|$ for any scalar α .
3. $\|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| + \|\mathbf{B}\|$.
4. If \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are square matrices, then $\|\mathbf{AB}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|\|\mathbf{B}\|$.