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# **Exercises (with Solutions) · Chapter 3**

#### 1. Problem

Calculate the following sums and products (as far as they are defined):

$$A = 3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 7 & -3 \\ -2 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \qquad D = 6 + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad F = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ -9 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix} \qquad H = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 3 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -8 & -4 \\ 7 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## **Solution**

It holds that

$$A = 3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 \\ 15 & 21 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 7 & -3 \\ -2 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 20 & -5 \\ 12 & 14 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 27 \\ 7 & 63 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ -9 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -30 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix} = 144$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 3 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -8 & -4 \\ 7 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -8 & -4 \\ 7 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 34 & -28 & -16 \\ 10 & -19 & -10 \\ 11 & 34 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrices D and E are not defined.

## 2. Problem

(a) Determine the rank of the following matrix:

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

(b) Determine the rank of the following matrix:

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

(c) Compute the inverse of the following matrix:

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Solution

## **Crash Course on Ranks:**

- The rank of a matrix can be defined as the maximal number of linearly independent columns of the matrix.
- If A is a  $(n \times m)$  dimensional matrix, then  $rank(A) \leq min\{m, n\}$ .
- The column rank and the row rank are always equal. So, it is sufficient to check either the columns or the rows.
- A column vector is said to be linearly dependent if it can be written as a linear combination of the other column vectors.
- A set of column vectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1,\dots,\mathbf{v}_p\}$  is said to be linearly independent if the vector equation

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{v}_p = 0$$

has only the trivial solution  $c_1 = \cdots = c_p = 0$ . Otherwise, the set of column vectors is linearly dependent.

- A  $(n \times n)$  matrix is invertible if it has full rank n.
- (a) The  $(3 \times 4)$  Matrix A has rank 2, i.e., there are two linear dependencies:
  - ullet A first linear dependency is due to the zero vector in the second column of A. The vector equation

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{v}_p = 0$$

is here fulfilled, for instance, by  $c_1 = c_3 = c_4 = 0$  and any  $c_2 \neq 0$ .

• A second linear dependency is due to the fact that the first column of A multiplied by -1 plus the third column of A equals the fourth column of A. I.e., the vector equation

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{v}_p = 0$$

is here fulfilled by  $c_1 = -1$ ,  $c_2 = 0$ ,  $c_3 = 1$ ,  $c_4 = -1$ .

(b) The  $(2 \times 2)$  Matrix B has rank 2 since both column vectors are linearly independent.

Side-Note: One can compute the rank of a matrix using R as following:

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(c) Generally, the inverse of a  $(2 \times 2)$  matrix is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix},$$

where ad-bc is the determinant of the matrix, which has to be non-zero, otherwise the matrix is not invertible.

The inverse of C is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{4 \cdot 6 - 7 \cdot 2} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -7 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -7 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & -0.7 \\ -0.2 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remember it must be true that:  $CC^{-1} = I$ .

Side-Note: One can compute the inverse of a matrix using R as following:

### 3. Problem

Show that

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

for any two  $n \times n$  matrices A and B that have full rank (i.e. rank(A) = rank(B) = n).

# Solution

**Remember:** A  $(n \times n)$  matrix  $D^{-1}$  is called the inverse of a  $(n \times n)$  matrix D, if

$$D^{-1}D = DD^{-1} = I_n.$$

We are asked whether the inverse of AB, i.e.  $(AB)^{-1}$ , equals  $B^{-1}A^{-1}$ . So, we have to check the following two statements:

1. 
$$(B^{-1}A^{-1})(AB) = I_n$$

**2.** 
$$(AB)(B^{-1}A^{-1}) = I_n$$

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$$(B^{-1}A^{-1})(AB) = B^{-1}\underbrace{A^{-1}A}_{=I_n}B = B^{-1}B = I_n$$

To 2.

$$(AB)(B^{-1}A^{-1}) = A\underbrace{BB^{-1}}_{=I_n}A^{-1} = AA^{-1} = I_n$$

So,  $(B^{-1}A^{-1})$  is indeed the inverse of (AB), i.e.,  $(AB)^{-1} = (B^{-1}A^{-1})$ .

## 4. Problem

Let A and B be  $(n \times n)$  matrices each with full rank and thus invertible. Assume that (B+A) is also invertible. Calculate

a) 
$$(AB)'(B^{-1}A^{-1})'$$

b) 
$$(A(A^{-1} + B^{-1})B)(B + A)^{-1}$$

## Solution

a) 
$$(AB)'(B^{-1}A^{-1})' = B'A'(A^{-1})'(B^{-1})' = B'\underbrace{A'A'^{-1}}_{=I_n}B'^{-1}$$

$$= \underbrace{B'B'^{-1}}_{=I_n} = I_n$$
b)  $(A(A^{-1} + B^{-1})B)(B + A)^{-1} = ((\underbrace{AA^{-1}}_{=I_n} + AB^{-1})B)(B + A)^{-1} = (B + A\underbrace{B^{-1}B}_{=I_n})(B + A)^{-1}$ 

$$= (B + A)(B + A)^{-1} = I_n$$

## 5. Problem

Consider the matrix

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 & \cdots & X_n \end{bmatrix}',$$

where  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \in \mathbb{R}^K$  are column vectors. Show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i X_i' = X' X .$$

#### Solution

First, let us check how X looks like and what dimension this matrix has:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 & \cdots & X_n \\ (K \times 1) & (K \times 1) & \cdots & (K \times 1) \end{bmatrix}'$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} X'_1 \\ (1 \times K) \\ X'_2 \\ (1 \times K) \\ \vdots \\ X'_n \\ (1 \times K) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & \cdots & X_{1K} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & \cdots & X_{nK} \end{bmatrix}$$

OK, X is a  $(n \times K)$  matrix.

Now, we can show that  $X'X = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i'X_i$ :

$$X'X_{(K \times K)} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 & \cdots & X_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 & \cdots & X_n \end{bmatrix}'$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 & \cdots & X_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1' \\ X_2' \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ X_n' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= X_1 X_1' + X_2 X_2' + \cdots + X_n X_n'$$

$$(K \times K) & (K \times K) & (K \times K)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n X_i X_i'$$

## 6. Problem

(a) Show the following useful result:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})y_i$$

(b) Derive the OLS estimates  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and  $\hat{\beta}_2$  of a simple linear regression model by minimizing the sum of squared residuals,  $S_n(b_0,b_1)$ , for a given sample (i.e., for given data)  $((Y_1,X_1),\ldots,(Y_n,X_n))$ , where

$$S_n(b_0, b_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\varepsilon}_i^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - b_0 - b_1 X_i)^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i^2 - 2b_0 Y_i - 2b_1 Y_i X_i + b_0^2 + 2b_0 b_1 X_i + b_1^2 X_i^2).$$

## **Solution**

(a)

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i y_i - x_i \overline{y} - \overline{x} y_i + \overline{x} \overline{y})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i y_i - \overline{y} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - \overline{x} \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i + n \overline{x} \overline{y}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i y_i - \overline{y} n \overline{x} - \overline{x} \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i + n \overline{x} \overline{y}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i y_i - \overline{x} \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i y_i - \overline{x} y_i)$$

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Note that by similar arguments one can show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \overline{y})x_i$$

and that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})(x_i - \overline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})x_i.$$

(b) Taking the partial differentiates of

$$S_n(b_0, b_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i^2 - 2b_0 Y_i - 2b_1 Y_i X_i + b_0^2 + 2b_0 b_1 X_i + b_1^2 X_i^2).$$

yields

$$\frac{\partial S_n(b_0, b_1)}{\partial b_0} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( -2Y_i + 2b_0 + 2b_1 X_i \right)$$
$$\frac{\partial S_n(b_0, b_1)}{\partial b_1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( -2Y_i X_i + 2b_0 X_i + 2b_1 X_i^2 \right)$$

Next, we want to find the minimizing arguments

$$(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1)' = \min \arg_{(b_0, b_1) \in \mathbb{R}^2} S_n(b_0, b_1).$$

For this we set the two partial derivatives equal to zero which gives us two equations that fully determine the values  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$ :

$$n\hat{\beta}_0 - \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i + \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 0$$
$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left( -Y_i X_i + \hat{\beta}_0 X_i + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i^2 \right) = 0$$

The two latter equations are known as the **least squares normal equations**. It is easy to see from the first normal equation that the OLS estimator of  $\beta_0$  is

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X} \tag{1}$$

Substituting  $\hat{\beta}_0$  into the second normal equation gives

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( -Y_i X_i + (\bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X}) X_i + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i^2 \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( -X_i (Y_i - \bar{Y}) + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i (X_i - \bar{X}) \right)$$

$$= -\left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i (Y_i - \bar{Y}) \right) + \hat{\beta}_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i (X_i - \bar{X}) \right)$$

Solving for  $\hat{\beta}_1$  gives

$$\begin{split} \hat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y}) X_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}) X_i} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y}) (X_i - \bar{X})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}) (X_i - \bar{X})} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}) Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \end{split}$$

The last two lines follow from the useful result shown in (a).