

# ECON 6018

# TUTORIAL

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# Essential Materials

## I. Textbook

Essential Mathematics for Economic Analysis  
by Knut Sydsæter, Peter Hammond, Arne Strøm  
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- Fifth Edition

## 2. Writing Materials

- tutorials will be doing questions

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## Questions :

1. Will we get these notes ?

- Yes, they will be sent out 2 days after lecture

2. How does tutorial help ?

- help you get familiar with concepts

- majority of students who attended all my tutorial last sem got B+ and above

Any others ?

# I. System of Linear Equations

In Lecture :

Eg.

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 = 1$$

$$3x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3 = 2$$

$$4x_1 + 5x_2 + 6x_3 = 3$$

- can be represented as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & x & = d \\ 3 \times 3 & 3 \times 1 & 3 \times 1 \end{array}$$

coefficient matrix

Practices:

Step 1: Write all the common terms in the same column

- there may be a lot of variables so this makes sure we are not confused

Step 2: Separate the coefficients

# Practice Questions:

## Chpt 15.1

Q1.

$$3x_1 - 2x_2 + 6x_3 = 5$$

$$5x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 = -2$$

Q2.

Trygve Haavelmo (1911–1999), a Norwegian Nobel prize-winning economist, devised a model of the US economy for the years 1929–1941 that is based on the following four equations:

- (i)  $c = 0.712y + 95.05$    (ii)  $y = c + x - s$    (iii)  $s = 0.158(c + x) - 34.30$    (iv)  $x = 93.53$ .

Here  $x$  denotes total investment,  $y$  is disposable income,  $s$  is the total saving by firms, and  $c$  is total consumption. Write the system of equations in the form (15.1.1) when the variables appear in the order  $x, y, s$ , and  $c$ .

Answer:

Q1.  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & 6 \\ 5 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

Q2.  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -0.712 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -0.158 & 0 & -0.158 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 95.05 \\ 0 \\ -34.30 \\ 93.53 \end{pmatrix}$

## Extra

How is this use in Economics?

- PhD Level Macro Economics Modelling  
"Job Search Model"
- Value of being unemployed  
Value of being employed } solving for wage

$$\text{allow } \infty = \begin{bmatrix} V_u \\ V_e \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V_u = (b - \kappa) + \beta[(1-p)V_u + pV_e]$$

$$V_e = \omega + \beta[(1-\delta)V_e + \delta V_u]$$

$$\omega = \phi y + (1-\phi)b$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 - \beta(1-p) & -\beta p & 0 \\ -\beta \delta & 1 - \beta(1-\delta) & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_u \\ V_e \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b - \kappa \\ 0 \\ \phi y + (1-\phi)b \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2. Matrix Operations

### In Lecture: (Addition and subtraction)

Let  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ , and  $\mathbf{C}$  be arbitrary  $m \times n$  matrices, and let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be real numbers. Also, let  $\mathbf{0}$  denote the  $m \times n$  matrix consisting only of zeros, called the *zero matrix*. Then:

- (a)  $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C})$
- (b)  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}$
- (c)  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{A}$
- (d)  $\mathbf{A} + (-\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{0}$
- (e)  $(\alpha + \beta)\mathbf{A} = \alpha\mathbf{A} + \beta\mathbf{A}$
- (f)  $\alpha(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \alpha\mathbf{A} + \alpha\mathbf{B}$

# Practices

## Chpt 15.2

Q1.

Evaluate  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$  and  $3\mathbf{A}$  when  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Q2.

Evaluate  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$ , and  $5\mathbf{A} - 3\mathbf{B}$  when  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Ans:

$$Q1. A+B \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 6 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q2. A+B \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A-B \quad \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & -6 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$5A-3B \quad \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 8 & -20 \\ 10 & 12 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

# In Lecture : Matrix Multiplication

$$A \times B = AB$$

Iff

A is  $m \times n$

B is  $n \times m$

Final product:  $m \times m$

$$\text{Eg. } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} 2 \times 1 & & 1 \times 2 \\ AB = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

# Practices

## Chpt 15.3

Q1.

Compute the products  $\mathbf{AB}$  and  $\mathbf{BA}$ , if possible, when  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are, respectively:

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 4 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Answer

Q1. (a)

$$\begin{array}{l} AB \\ BA \end{array} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -10 \\ -2 & 17 \\ 12 & 6 \\ 15 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)

$$\begin{array}{l} AB \\ BA \end{array} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 26 & 3 \\ 6 & -22 \\ 14 & 6 & -12 \\ 35 & 12 & 4 \\ 3 & 3 & -22 \end{pmatrix}$$

# In Lecture: Rules for Matrix Multiplication

$$(AB)C = A(BC)$$

$$A(B + C) = AB + AC$$

$$(A + B)C = AC + BC$$

$$(\alpha A)B = A(\alpha B) = \alpha(AB)$$

Power matrix — square matrix

$$A^2 = A \times A$$

$$A^n = \underbrace{AA \dots A}_{n \text{ times}}$$

# Practices: Chpt 15.4

Suppose  $P$  and  $Q$  are two  $n \times n$  matrices that satisfy  $PQ = Q^2P$ . Prove then that  $(PQ)^2 = Q^6P^2$ .

Ans:

$$\begin{aligned}PQ &= PQ \cdot PQ \\&= Q^2 \cdot PPQ \\&= Q^2 \cdot P(Q^2 P) \\&= Q^2 \cdot PQ \cdot QP \\&= Q^2 (Q^2 P) QP \\&= Q^4 (PQ) P \\&= Q^4 (Q^2 P) P \\&= Q^6 P^2\end{aligned}$$

# In Lecture: Identity Matrix

$$\mathbf{I}_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{I}_n = \mathbf{I}_n\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}$$

## Practices :

### Chpt 15.4

#### Qns 1.

Suppose that  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are square matrices of order  $n$ .

(a) Prove that, in general

(i)  $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) \neq \mathbf{A}^2 - \mathbf{B}^2$

(ii)  $(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) \neq \mathbf{A}^2 - 2\mathbf{AB} + \mathbf{B}^2$

#### Qns 2.

A square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is said to be *idempotent* if  $\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{A}$ .

(a) Show that the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$  is idempotent.

(b) Show that if  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{B}$ , then  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are both idempotent.

(c) Show that if  $\mathbf{A}$  is idempotent, then  $\mathbf{A}^n = \mathbf{A}$  for all positive integers  $n$ .

#### Qns 3.

Suppose that  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  are  $n \times n$  matrices and that  $\mathbf{P}^3\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{PQ}$ . Prove that  $\mathbf{P}^5\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{PQ}$ .

# Answers

Qns 1:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(ai)} \quad (A+B)(A-B) &= A(A-B) + B(A-B) \\ &= A^2 - AB + BA - B^2 \\ &\neq A^2 - B^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(aii)} \quad (A-B)(A-B) &= A^2 - AB - BA + B^2 \\ &\neq A^2 - 2AB + B^2\end{aligned}$$

Q2. (a)  $A^2 = A$

(b)  $AB = A = AA$   
 $B = A$

$BA = B$   
 $BB = B$   
 $B^2 = B$  (shown)

(c)  $A^n = A$  when  $n=1$

Induction

$$A^k = A$$

$$A^{k+1} = A^k A = AA = I$$

$$Q3. P^s Q = P^2 P^s Q$$

$$= P^2 (PQ)$$

$$= P^3 Q$$

$$= P$$

### 3. Transpose

In Lecture :

$$(\mathbf{A}')' = \mathbf{A}$$

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})' = \mathbf{A}' + \mathbf{B}'$$

$$(\alpha \mathbf{A})' = \alpha \mathbf{A}'$$

$$(\mathbf{AB})' = \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{A}'$$

# Practice Question

## Chpt 15.5

Q1.

Find the transposes of  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & 8 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Q2.

If  $\mathbf{A}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{A}_3$  are matrices for which the given products are defined, show that

$$(\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{A}_3)' = \mathbf{A}_3' \mathbf{A}_2' \mathbf{A}_1'$$

Generalize to products of  $n$  matrices.

Ans:

Q1.  $A' = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \\ 8 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$B' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q2.  $(A_1 A_2 A_3)' = (A_3)' (A_1 A_2)'$

$$= A_3' A_2' A_1'$$

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