

# Exercises in Linear Algebra

## Exercise 1

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \\ 3 & 8 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $a_{13}$ ,  $a_{21}$  and  $a_{32}$ .

## Exercise 2

Consider the following matrices:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute the following (where possible).

a)  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$ , b)  $\mathbf{CA}$ , c)  $5\mathbf{B} - 2\mathbf{D}$ , d)  $\mathbf{BD} - \mathbf{D}$  and e)  $\mathbf{BCD}$

## Exercise 3

Using the matrices defined in Ex. 2, compute the following.

a)  $(\mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{C})^T$ , b)  $-\mathbf{C}^T - \mathbf{A}$

## Exercise 4

Using the matrices defined in Ex. 2, compute the following.

a)  $\mathbf{BD}$ , b)  $\mathbf{DB}$ , c)  $\mathbf{B}^2$

## Exercise 5

Find the inverse matrix of  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

Verify that  $\mathbf{BB}^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}$

## Exercise 6

Suppose the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_1 = [1, 2, 0]^T$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_2 = [2, 0, -1]^T$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_3 = [0, 1, 2]^T$ . The dot products with an unknown vector  $\mathbf{x}$  are 5, 8 and 9 respectively. Find the unknown vector.

## Exercise 7

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$ .

a) Find  $\mathbf{A}^2$

b) Find  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$

### Exercise 8

Find the included angle  $\theta$  of the vectors  $\mathbf{u} = [3, 4]$  and  $\mathbf{v} = [4, 3]$

### Exercise 9

Find the included angle  $\theta$  of the vectors  $\mathbf{u} = [a, b]$  and  $\mathbf{v} = 2\mathbf{u}$

### Exercise 10

Suppose that we selected three features of a document (i.e. a document is represented by a 3-d vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ). Five documents were examined and represented by the following vectors:

$$\mathbf{d}_1 = [8, 6, 0], \mathbf{d}_2 = [0, 6, 8], \mathbf{d}_3 = [6, 0, 8], \mathbf{d}_4 = [2, 3, 0], \mathbf{d}_5 = [9, 6, 0],$$

Find whether any similar documents (under this representation) exist.