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HSMMC Pre-workshop Exercise (Linear Algebra) Solutions

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1. Compute $-2u + 4v$ where $u = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$.

Answer: $-2u + 4v = -2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + 4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 16 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 20 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$

2. (a) Calculate $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- (b) Calculate the inverse of $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$.

Answer:

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (3)(-2) + (7)(4) & (3)(1) + 7(2) \\ (-1)(-2) + (4)(4) & (-1)(1) + (4)(2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 22 & 17 \\ 18 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{(5)(4) - (3)(6)} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -6 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

3. Define $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

- (a) Calculate A^2 , A^3 , A^4 .

- (b) Hence, write down A^n (where n is a positive integer).

- (c) Similarly, find $(A^{-1})^n$.

Answer:

- (a)

$$A^2 = AA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = A^2A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (note: it can be proved by mathematical induction)

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -n & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (note: it can be proved by mathematical induction)

4. Please try the computational exercises in the Google Colab notebooks.

Answer: See the solution notebook.

5. (Bonus) Let $C = \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{pmatrix}$. It is given that $C \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $C \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$ for some non-zero vectors $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and distinct scalars λ_1 and λ_2 .

(a) Prove that $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ and $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_2 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$.

(b) Hence, prove that λ_1 and λ_2 are the roots of the equation $\lambda^2 - \text{tr}(C) \cdot \lambda + \det(C) = 0$.

(Here, $\text{tr}(C)$ = the sum of all diagonal entries of $C = p + s$, which is also known as the *trace* of a matrix.)

Answer:

(a) Since $C \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$ for some non-zero vector $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$, we have $(C - \lambda_1 I) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$,
i.e.,

$$\begin{pmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

If $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$, then the matrix inverse $\begin{pmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$ exists. Multiplying

both sides of the above equation by $\begin{pmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$ gives $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$, which contradicts

the condition that the vector is a non-zero vector. Therefore, we have $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$.

Similarly, $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_2 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$.

(b) From (a), we have

$$\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix} = (p - \lambda_1)(s - \lambda_1) - rq = 0,$$

from which we have

$$\lambda_1^2 - (p + s)\lambda_1 + ps - rq = 0.$$

Similarly,

$$\lambda_2^2 - (p + s)\lambda_2 + ps - rq = 0.$$

Also, note that $p + s = \text{tr}(C)$ and $ps - rq = \det(C)$. Therefore, λ_1, λ_2 are the two roots of the solution

$$\lambda^2 - \text{tr}(C) \cdot \lambda + \det(C) = 0.$$

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答案: $-2u + 4v = -2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + 4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 16 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 20 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$

2. (a) 計算 $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ 。

(b) 計算 $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ 的逆矩陣。

答案:

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3. 設 $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 。

(a) 計算 A^2, A^3, A^4 。

(b) 由此, 歸納出 A^n (其中 n 為正整數)。

(c) 同理, 求 $(A^{-1})^n$ 。

答案:

(a)

$$A^2 = AA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (可用數學歸納法證明)

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -n & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (可用數學歸納法證明)

4. 嘗試完成 Google Colab 筆記本中的計算練習。

答案：請參閱習題解答。

5. (挑戰題) 設 $C = \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{pmatrix}$ 。已知存在非零向量 $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$ 、 $\begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$ 及相異純量 λ_1 和 λ_2 ，使得 $C \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$ 和 $C \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$ 。

(a) 證明 $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ 及 $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_2 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ 。

(b) 由此，證明 λ_1 和 λ_2 為方程 $\lambda^2 - \text{tr}(C) \cdot \lambda + \det(C) = 0$ 的根。

(其中 $\text{tr}(C) = C$ 的對角線元素之和 $= p + s$ ，亦稱為矩陣的跡。)

答案：

(a) 由於存在非零向量 $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$ 使得 $C \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}$ ，可得 $(C - \lambda_1 I) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$ ，即

$$\begin{pmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

若 $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$ ，則逆矩陣 $\begin{pmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$ 存在。將上式兩邊同時左乘

$\begin{pmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$ 可得 $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$ ，這與該向量為非零向量的條件矛盾。因此，我們

有 $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ 。同理可證 $\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_2 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ 。

(b) 由 (a) 可得

$$\begin{vmatrix} p - \lambda_1 & q \\ r & s - \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix} = (p - \lambda_1)(s - \lambda_1) - rq = 0,$$

整理後得

$$\lambda_1^2 - (p + s)\lambda_1 + ps - rq = 0.$$

同樣地，

$$\lambda_2^2 - (p + s)\lambda_2 + ps - rq = 0.$$

注意到 $p + s = \text{tr}(C)$ 及 $ps - rq = \det(C)$ 。因此， λ_1, λ_2 為方程

$$\lambda^2 - \text{tr}(C) \cdot \lambda + \det(C) = 0$$

的兩個根。