

Homework Set 5: Exercises on Matrices and Linear Maps

Directions: Please work on all problems! Hand in solutions to the Computational Problems 1, 2(i,m,r), 5(a), 6(a) and the Proof-Writing Problems 11 and 13 at the **beginning** of lecture on February 9, 2007.

As usual, we are using \mathbb{F} to denote either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

1. Suppose that A , B , C , D , and E are matrices over \mathbb{F} having the following sizes:

$$A \text{ is } 4 \times 5, \quad B \text{ is } 4 \times 5, \quad C \text{ is } 5 \times 2, \quad D \text{ is } 4 \times 2, \quad E \text{ is } 5 \times 4.$$

Determine whether the following matrix expressions are defined, and, for those that are defined, determine the size of the resulting matrix.

(a) BA (b) $AC + D$ (c) $AE + B$ (d) $AB + B$ (e) $E(A + B)$ (f) $E(AC)$

2. Suppose that A , B , C , D , and E are the following matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine whether the following matrix expressions are defined, and, for those that are defined, compute the resulting matrix.

(a) $D + E$ (b) $D - E$ (c) $5A$ (d) $-7C$ (e) $2B - C$ (f) $2E - 2D$
 (g) $-3(D + 2E)$ (h) $A - A$ (i) AB (j) BA (k) $(3E)D$ (l) $(AB)C$
 (m) $A(BC)$ (n) $(4B)C + 2B$ (o) $D - 3E$ (p) $CA + 2E$ (q) $4E - D$ (r) DD

3. Suppose that A , B , and C are the following matrices and that $a = 4$ and $b = -7$.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Verify computationally that

(a) $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$ (b) $(AB)C = A(BC)$ (c) $(a + b)C = aC + bC$
 (d) $a(B - C) = aB - aC$ (e) $a(BC) = (aB)C = B(aC)$ (f) $A(B - C) = AB - AC$
 (g) $(B + C)A = BA + CA$ (h) $a(bC) = (ab)C$ (i) $B - C = -C + B$

4. Suppose that A is the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute $p(A)$ where $p(x)$ is given by

$$(a) p(x) = x - 2 \quad (b) p(x) = 2x^2 - x + 1 \quad (c) p(x) = x^3 - 2x + 4 \quad (d) p(x) = x^2 - 4x + 1$$

5. In each of the following, find matrices A , x , and b such that the given system of linear equations can be expressed as the single matrix equation $Ax = b$.

$$(a) \begin{cases} 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3 = 7 \\ 9x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = -1 \\ x_1 + 5x_2 + 4x_3 = 0 \end{cases} \quad (b) \begin{cases} 4x_1 - 3x_3 + x_4 = 1 \\ 5x_1 + x_2 - 8x_4 = 3 \\ 2x_1 - 5x_2 + 9x_3 - x_4 = 0 \\ 3x_2 - x_3 + 7x_4 = 2 \end{cases}$$

6. In each of the following, express the matrix equation as a system of linear equations.

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 & 7 \\ -2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 7 \\ -2 & 5 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. Let U , V , and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces over \mathbb{F} with $S \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$ and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$. Prove that

$$\dim(\text{null}(T \circ S)) \leq \dim(\text{null}(T)) + \dim(\text{null}(S)).$$

8. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} with $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$. Prove that $T \circ S$ is invertible if and only if both S and T are invertible.

9. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} with $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$, and denote by I the identity map on V . Prove that $T \circ S = I$ if and only if $S \circ T = I$.

10. Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ be a positive integer and $a_{i,j} \in \mathbb{F}$ be scalars for $i, j = 1, \dots, n$. Prove that the following two statements are equivalent:

- (a) The trivial solution $x_1 = \cdots = x_n = 0$ is the only solution to the homogeneous system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n a_{1,k}x_k &= 0 \\ &\vdots \\ \sum_{k=1}^n a_{n,k}x_k &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) For every choice of scalars $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{F}$, there is a solution to the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n a_{1,k}x_k &= c_1 \\ &\vdots \\ \sum_{k=1}^n a_{n,k}x_k &= c_n. \end{aligned}$$

11. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} with $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$, and let U_1, \dots, U_m be subspaces of V that are invariant under T . Prove that $U_1 + \cdots + U_m$ must then also be an invariant subspace of V under T .
12. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} with $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$, and suppose that U_1 and U_2 are subspaces of V that are invariant under T . Prove that $U_1 \cap U_2$ is also an invariant subspace of V under T .
13. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}^2, \mathbb{F}^2)$ be defined by

$$T(u, v) = (v, u)$$

for every $u, v \in \mathbb{F}$. Compute the eigenvalues and associated eigenvectors for T .

14. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}^3, \mathbb{F}^3)$ be defined by

$$T(u, v, w) = (2v, 0, 5w)$$

for every $u, v, w \in \mathbb{F}$. Compute the eigenvalues and associated eigenvectors for T .

15. Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ be a positive integer and $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}^n, \mathbb{F}^n)$ be defined by

$$T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1 + \dots + x_n, \dots, x_1 + \dots + x_n)$$

for every $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{F}$. Compute the eigenvalues and associated eigenvectors for T .

16. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} with $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ invertible and $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Prove that λ is an eigenvalue for T if and only if λ^{-1} is an eigenvalue for T^{-1} .
17. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} , and suppose that $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ has the property that every $v \in V$ is an eigenvector for T . Prove that T must then be a scalar multiple of the identity function on V .