# Homework 2 Solutions

ECON 441: Introduction to Mathematical Economics

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#### Exercise 4.2

1. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$
  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$   $C = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 3 \\ 6 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
(a)  $A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 9 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$   
(b)  $C - A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $3A = \begin{bmatrix} 21 & -3 \\ 18 & 27 \end{bmatrix}$   
(d)  $4B + 2C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 16 \\ 12 & -8 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 6 \\ 12 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 22 \\ 24 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$ 

2. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$   $C = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ 

(a) *AB* is defined as number of columns in *A* is two which is equal to the number of rows in *B*.

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 2 + 8 \times 3 & 2 \times 0 + 8 \times 8 \\ 3 \times 2 + 6 \times 3 & 3 \times 0 + 0 \times 0 \\ 5 \times 2 + 1 \times 3 & 5 \times 0 + 1 \times 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 28 & 64 \\ 6 & 0 \\ 13 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Not possible to calculate BA as *B* has two columns, but *A* has three rows.

(b) *BC* and *CB* are both defined as both have two rows and two columns.

$$BC = \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 4\\ 69 & 30 \end{bmatrix} \neq CB = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 16\\ 21 & 24 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 36 & 20 \\ 16 & 3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$$
 (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 49 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3x + 5y \\ 4x + 2y - 7z \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}$  (d)  $[7a + c \quad 2b + 4c]$ 

## Exercise 4.4

5. (e)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 3}$$

$$C = AB = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -12 & 4 \\ 12 & 24 & -8 \\ 21 & 42 & -14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D = BA = [3 \times -2 + 6 \times 4 + -2 \times 7] = [4]$$

7. In example 5, 
$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . In which case,  
 $x'Ax = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 & a_{22}x_2 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}$   
 $= \underbrace{a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{22}x_2^2}_{\text{Weighted sum of squares}} = \sum_{i=1}^2 a_{ii}x_i^2$ 

So x'Ax represents a weighted sum of squares where  $a_{11}, a_{22}$  are weights.

But now what if 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$
. In this case,  
 $x'Ax = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 1}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{21}x_2 & a_{12}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 1}$   
 $= a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{21}x_1x_2 + a_{12}x_1x_2 + a_{22}x_2^2$   
 $= a_{11}x_1^2 + (a_{21} + a_{12})x_1x_2 + a_{22}x_2^2$ 

So x'Ax no longer represents a weighted sum of squares.

You can check that the associative law i.e.

$$(x'A) x = x'(Ax)$$

will apply in both cases (after all, its a law!) as all products are possible.

### Exercise 4.5

1.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} \qquad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}$$
  
(a)  $AI = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = A$   
(b)  $IA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $Ix = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$   
(d)  $x'I = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ 

4. Let's start with a  $2 \times 2$  diagonal matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} a_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} a_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} a_{11}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22}^2 \end{array}\right]$$

 $x = x^2$  for only x = 0, 1 so  $a_{11}$  and  $a_{22}$  can either be 0 or 1. So we can have the following  $2 \times 2$  idempotent diagonal matrices:

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}1&0\\0&0\end{array}\right], \left[\begin{array}{rrrr}1&0\\0&1\end{array}\right], \left[\begin{array}{rrrr}0&0\\0&0\end{array}\right], \left[\begin{array}{rrrr}0&0\\0&1\end{array}\right]$$

More generally, for  $n \times n$  matrix, there can be  $2^n$  such matrices. This is because there will be *n* elements, each of which can take two values.

### Exercise 4.6

2. 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -8 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 9 \\ 6 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
(a)  $A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$A' + B' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -8 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
So,  $(A + B)' = A' + B'$ 

(b) 
$$AC = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 9 \\ 6 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 24 & 4 & 4 \\ 17 & 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 3}$$
  
 $C'A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 9 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 24 & 17 \\ 4 & 3 \\ 4 & -6 \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 2}$   
So,  $(AC)' = C'A'$ .

6. 
$$A = I - X (X'X)^{-1} X'$$

- (a.) Say the dimension of X is  $m \times n$ . Then the dimension of  $X'_{n \times m} X_{m \times n}$  is  $n \times n$ . So the dimension of  $(X'X)^{-1}$  is also  $n \times n$ . This implies that the dimension of  $X_{m \times n} (X'X)_{n \times n}^{-1} X'_{n \times m}$  is  $m \times m$ . Hence, X'X and A must be square matrices, but X need not be square.
- (b.) To prove a matrix is idempotent, we need to show AA = A.

$$AA = (I - X (X'X)^{-1} X')(I - X (X'X)^{-1} X')$$
  
=  $I - X (X'X)^{-1} X' - X (X'X)^{-1} X' + X \underbrace{(X'X)^{-1} X'X}_{I} (X'X)^{-1} X'$   
=  $I - X (X'X)^{-1} X' - X (X'X)^{-1} X' + X (X'X)^{-1} X'$   
=  $I - X (X'X)^{-1} X' = A$