

Linear Algebra I Exercises I

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<http://kurt.scitec.kobe-u.ac.jp/~fuchino/kobe/lin-alg1-ss14-ex1.pdf>

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A lecture note of the course will be also linked to this page in the course of the semester.

1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Calculate (1) AB , (2) $B + C$, (3) $7A - 3B$, (4) $AB + AC$
(Hint for (4): use The Distributive Law (see **4.**) to simplify the calculation),

2. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Calculate AB , BA , A^2 , B^2 , A^3 , B^3 .

3. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Calculate A^2 , A^3 , A^4 .

4. For $l \times m$ matrix $A = [a_{i,j}]$, and $m \times n$ matrices $B = [b_{j,k}]$, $C = [c_{j,k}]$, show that the following equation (The Distributive Law) always holds: $A(B + C) = AB + AC$. Show that the corresponding calculation rule $(A + B)C = AC + BC$ also holds (note that the size of matrices should be declared differently for this equation).

5. For $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$, let $\text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ be the $n \times n$ matrix $D = [d_{i,j}]$ (the diagonal matrix with diagonal entries a_1, \dots, a_n) defined by:

$$d_{i,j} = \begin{cases} a_i, & \text{if } j = i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(1) What is $\text{diag}(2, 3, -1, 4)$?

(2) Show the following equation:

$$\text{diag}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \text{diag}(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) = \text{diag}(a_1 b_1, a_2 b_2, \dots, a_n b_n).$$

(3) Show that, for an $m \times n$ matrix $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{a}_2 \cdots \mathbf{a}_n]$,

$$A \text{diag}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = [a_1 \mathbf{a}_1 \ a_2 \mathbf{a}_2 \ \cdots \ a_n \mathbf{a}_n]$$

holds.

6. Find the matrices $M_{\varphi_1}, M_{\varphi_2}$ corresponding to the following linear mappings φ_1, φ_2 :

$$\varphi_1 : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2; \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{projection})$$

$$\varphi_1 : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^5; \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{canonical embedding})$$

7. Show the following:

(1) If $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ are all $\neq 0$ then $\text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is invertible and $(\text{diag}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n))^{-1} = \text{diag}(\frac{1}{a_1}, \frac{1}{a_2}, \dots, \frac{1}{a_n})$.

(2) If at least one of $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ is equal to 0 then $\text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is not invertible.

8 (1) Suppose that both of $n \times n$ -matrices A and B are invertible. Show that then the matrices AB and BA are invertible as well.

(2) Suppose that A, B are $n \times n$ -matrices and A is invertible. Show that AB is invertible if and only if B is invertible¹.

¹Actually we can even show: For $n \times n$ -matrix A and B , AB (or BA) is invertible if and only if both A and B are invertible. But for the proof of this theorem, we need some deep results we will learn later. In contrast, the assertion of **8**, (2) can be proved quite easily.