

# NMAI057 – Linear algebra 1

## Tutorial 4

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**Problem 1.** Compute the following expressions:

- (a)  $2A$
- (b)  $A + B$
- (c)  $A - B$
- (d)  $C^T$
- (e)  $Cv$
- (f)  $AB$
- (g)  $BC$

for

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Problem 2.** Prove or disprove the following:

- (a) For all matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $A + A = 2A$ .
- (b) For all square matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ ,  $A = A^T$ .

**Problem 3.** Compute  $(-1)A + 2BC$  for matrices

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

**Problem 4.** Solve the systems of linear equations  $(A | b)$  and  $(B | c)$  given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ a } b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and}$$
$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ a } c = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Verify the correctness of your result  $x$  (resp.  $y$ ) by computing the matrix product  $Ax = b$  (resp.  $By = c$ ).

**Problem 5.** Express the elementary row operations as matrix products, i.e., for each elementary row operation, find a matrix  $E \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  such that  $EA$  is the result of applying the operation to matrix  $A$  for all matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

**Problem 6.** Prove or disprove whether for all matrices  $A, B, C$  and  $\mathbf{0}$  of the same order and real numbers  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ , it holds that:

- (a)  $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$
- (b)  $A + B = B + A$
- (c)  $A + \mathbf{0} = A$
- (d)  $\alpha(\beta A) = (\alpha\beta)A$
- (e)  $\alpha(\beta A) = \beta(\alpha A)$
- (f)  $A + (-1)A = \mathbf{0}$
- (g)  $1A = A$

**Problem 7.** Give a non-symmetric matrix  $A$  and a symmetric matrix  $B$  such that their product does not commute, i.e., such that  $AB \neq BA$ .

Is the product of symmetric matrices commutative?

**Problem 8.** Prove or disprove the following statements:

- (a) For all  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , if  $A$  is symmetric and commutes with  $B$  then  $A$  commutes also with  $B^T$ .
- (b) For all  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , if  $A$  commutes with  $B$  then  $A$  commutes with  $B^T$ .