

**MATH 2568, Spring 2019**  
**Homework 1**  
**Due Wednesday, January 16, 1:50pm.**

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*Homework is due at the beginning of class. Late homework is not accepted. I encourage you to work with others on homework problems, but you must write up your own solutions. Solutions must be presented clearly, or will be marked down.*

(1) (§1.1, Exercise 2) Let  $x = (2, 1, 3)$  and  $y = (1, 1, -1)$ , and compute  $2x - 3y$ .

(2) (§1.1, Exercise 4) Let  $A$  be the  $3 \times 4$  matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & -7 & 10 \\ 6 & -3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) For which  $n$  is a row of  $A$  a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ?

(b) What is the 2<sup>nd</sup> column of  $A$ ?

(c) Let  $a_{ij}$  be the entry of  $A$  in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row and the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column. What is  $a_{23} - a_{31}$ ?

(3) (§1.1, Exercise 7) Let  $x = (1, 2, 3)$  and  $y = (-2, 1)$ . Is  $x + y$  possible?

(4) (§1.1, Exercise 10) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and compute  $4A + B$ .

(5) (§1.2, Exercise 3) Let  $x = (1.2, 1.4, -2.45)$  and  $y = (-2.6, 1.1, 0.65)$  and use MATLAB to compute  $3.27x - 7.4y$ .

(6) (§1.2, Exercise 5) Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1.2 & 2.3 & -0.5 \\ 0.7 & -1.4 & 2.3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} -2.9 & 1.23 & 1.6 \\ -2.2 & 1.67 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and use MATLAB to compute  $-4.2A + 3.1B$  (include your code in the solution).

(7) (§1.3, Exercise 5) Is the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & -1 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$  symmetric?

(8) A general  $2 \times 2$  diagonal matrix has the form  $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix}$ . Thus the two unknown real numbers  $a$  and  $b$  are needed to specify each  $2 \times 2$  diagonal matrix. How many unknown real numbers are needed to specify each of the given matrices?

(a) (§1.3, Exercise 11) An upper triangular  $2 \times 2$  matrix?

(b) (§1.3, Exercise 13) An  $m \times n$  matrix?

(c) (§1.3, Exercise 16) A symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix?

(9) (§1.3, Exercise 18) True or false? Every diagonal matrix is a multiple of the identity matrix.

(10) (§1.4, Exercise 9) Find a real number  $a$  so that the vectors

$$x = (1, 3, 2), \quad y = (2, a, -6)$$

are perpendicular.

(11) (§1.4, Exercise 21) Find the angle (in degrees) between  $x = (2, 1, -3, 4)$  and  $y = (1, 1, -5, 7)$ .