

**MA 405 HW 1**  
**show all your work**

1. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  compute  $A^n$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$
2. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Verify that
  - (i)  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$  and (ii)  $\text{Tr}(AC) = \text{Tr}(CA)$
3. Let  $P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (i) Compute  $P^T P$ ,  $Q^T Q$ ,  $PP^T$  and  $QQ^T$
  - (ii) Find  $P^{-1}$  and  $Q^{-1}$
4. Let  $E^2 = E$  and  $A = I + bE$ , where  $b \neq -1$ .
  - (i) Show that  $E(I - E) = 0 = (I - E)E$
  - (ii)  $(I - E)^2 = I - E$
  - (iii)  $(I - 2E)^2 = I$
  - (iv)  $[EX(I - E)]^2 = 0$  for any conformable  $X$ .
  - (v) Find a scalar  $c$  such that  $A^{-1} = I + cE$
5. If  $(I - AB)X = I$  verify that  $(I - BA)Y = I$ , where  $Y = I + BXA$
6. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{a}_4] = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1^T \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2^T \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3^T \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}_4^T \end{bmatrix}$ 
  - (i) Compute the row and column sums  $A\mathbf{e}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}^T A$
  - (ii) Compute  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{a}_j$  and  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_i^T \boldsymbol{\alpha}_j$  for  $i \neq j$ .
  - (iii) What do you notice?
7. Let  $V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{bmatrix}$  with  $a, b, c$  distinct, and let  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} bc \\ -(c+b) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (i) Verify that  $V\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  for some  $\alpha$ .
  - (ii) What is the value of  $\alpha$ ?
  - (iii) Can you find vectors  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  such that  $V\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \beta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $V\mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \gamma \end{bmatrix}$
  - (iv) What are the values of  $\beta, \gamma$ ?