

Exercise series N⁰⁵

Exercise 0.1. Let $U = (1, -2, 4)$ and $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 4 & 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$. Find uA .

Exercise 0.2. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ Find:

1. AB
 2. BA
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Exercise 0.3. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ Find:

1. A^2
 2. A^3
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Exercise 0.4. Which vectors are probability vectors?

- (i) $U = (\frac{1}{8}, 0, \frac{-1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3})$
 - (ii) $v = (\frac{1}{6}, 0, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{8})$
 - (iii) $w = (\frac{1}{3}, 0, 0, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2})$
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Exercise 0.5. Multiply each vector by the appropriate scalar to form a probability vector:

- (i) $(2, 1, 0, 2, 3)$
 - (ii) $(4, 0, 1, 2, 0.5)$
 - (iii) $(3, 0, -2, 1)$
 - (iv) $(0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$
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Exercise 0.6. Find a multiple of each vector which is a probability vector:

- (i) $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, 0, 2, \frac{5}{6})$
 - (ii) $(0, \frac{2}{3}, 1, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{5}{6})$
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Exercise 0.7. Which of the following matrices are stochastic matrices ?

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{15}{16} & \frac{1}{16} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } D = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

Exercise 0.8. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

be a stochastic matrix, and let $U = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$ be a probability vector.

- Show that UA is also a probability vector.
- If $A = (a_{ij})$ is a stochastic matrix of order n , and $U = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ is a probability vector, then UA is also a probability vector.

Exercise 0.9. Find the unique fixed probability vector of the regular stochastic matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$. What matrix does A^n approach as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

Exercise 0.10. (i) Show that the vector $\mathbf{U} = (b, a)$ is a fixed point of the general 2×2 stochastic matrix $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1-a & a \\ b & 1-b \end{pmatrix}$. . (ii) Use the result of (i) to find the unique fixed probability vector of each of the following matrices: $A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.3 \\ 0.8 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix}$

Exercise 0.11. Find the unique fixed probability vector of the regular stochastic matrix:

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Exercise 0.12. Find the unique fixed probability vector of the regular stochastic matrix:

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Exercise 0.13. Which of the following stochastic matrices are regular?

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
