

Intro to Econometric Theory
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Homework #1, due Friday, February 24, 2006

1. Consider two matrixes: A , $m \times n$, and B , $n \times p$. Prove that their product, AB can be written:

$$AB = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i B^i.$$

How could we write $X'X$?

2. Prove that the commutative law of mulitplication applies to diagonal matrixes. What is the inverse of a diagonal matrix?
3. Consider the sum $\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})$, where X_i, Y_i are scalars.
- (a) Please write the sum in matrix notation, using no sums. (Hint: use M_0).
- (b) Use the matrix notation and facts you know about M_0 to prove:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})Y_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n X_i(Y_i - \bar{Y}) \end{aligned}$$

and that $\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i$
if either the mean of X or the mean of Y is zero.