

# problem-set-01

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## 0.0.1 SP-6534 Economía Computacional

## 1 Problem set 1

### 1.0.1 Instrucciones

- **Fecha de entrega: 29 de agosto de 2018**
- Resuelva los siguientes problemas, tomados del libro de Miranda and Fackler.
- Cambie el nombre del archivo: al nombre original agregue un guión y su número de carné, e.g. problem-set-01-A98765
- Envíe este archivo con las respuestas al asistente del curso.

### 1.1 Problem 1.

Plot the function  $f(x) = 1e^{2x}$  on the interval  $[1,1]$  using a grid of evenly spaced points 0.01 units apart. Hint: you will need `numpy.exp` and `numpy.arange` for the computations, and `matplotlib.pyplot.plot` for plotting.

### 1.2 Problem 2.

Consider the matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

and

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 1 & 1 \\ 7 & 3 & -2 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

and the vector

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

### 1.2.1 a.

Formulate the standard matrix product  $C = AB$ , and solve the linear equation  $Cx = y$ . What are the values of  $C$  and  $x$ ? Hint: you will need `numpy.array` to declare the matrices, and `np.linalg.solve` to solve the system. Matrix multiplication is done with the `@` symbol.

### 1.2.2 b.

Formulate the element-by-element matrix product  $C = AB$ , and solve the linear equation  $Cx = y$ . What are the values of  $C$  and  $x$ ? Hint: Element-by-element multiplication is done with the `*` symbol.

## 1.3 Problem 3.

Using the Numpy standard normal pseudo-random number generator `numpy.random.randn`, simulate a hypothetical time series  $\{y_t\}$  governed by the structural relationship  $y_t = 5 + 0.05t + \epsilon_t$  for years  $t = 1960, 1961, \dots, 2001$ , assuming that the  $\epsilon_t$  are independently and identically distributed with mean 0 and standard deviation 0.2. Using only Numpy elementary matrix operations, regress the simulated observations of  $y_t$  on a constant and time, then use Matplotlib to plot the actual values of  $y$  and estimated trend line against time.

### 1.3.1 Reference

Miranda and Fackler 2002 Applied Computational Economics and Finance