CS480 Linear Algebra Exercises

For this activity, your goal is to complete the exercises below, *and* to develop a Pythonbased answer key using numpy. After you complete each exercise by hand, update your Python script to print the key for that question.

1. Assuming that

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 3 & 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, z = \begin{bmatrix} -15 \\ -8 \\ -22 \end{bmatrix}$$

calculate each of the following:

(a) BA

(b) AB^T

(c) Ay

- (d) $y^T z$ (This is the inner product, or dot product, of y and z.)
- (e) yz^T (This is the outer product of y and z.)

- 2. Given that $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, and $b = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$
 - (a) Find A^{-1} .

Check your answer by computing AA^{-1} .

(Hint: let $B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ and solve AB = I for a, b, c and d by solving a set of four equations in four unknowns. You would learn better ways to accomplish this in a linear algebra course, but this approach only requires high-school algebra.)

(b) Use A^{-1} to solve Ax = b for x. Check your answer by computing Ax.