**Readings:** Linz & Wang, Section 3.1, Section 8.1 through the first paragraph on p.213.

- 1. MATLAB
  - (a) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ . Compute both A.<sup>^</sup> 2 and A<sup>^</sup> 2 and explain the difference between the two results.
  - (b) Let  $\mathbf{a} = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4]$ . Compute both  $\mathbf{a} * \mathbf{a}'$  and  $\mathbf{a}' * \mathbf{a}$  and explain the difference between the two results.
- 2. MATLAB . Let  $\mathbf{w} = \operatorname{rand}(2, 1), \ \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{w}/\operatorname{sum}(\mathbf{w})$  . Let

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} .2 & .4 \\ .8 & .6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute  $P^n \mathbf{z}$  for n = 1, ... 20. What do you notice ?

3. Solve the following systems by Gauss Elimination (by hand).(a)

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 5$$
  

$$x_1 + 4x_2 - 3x_3 = -8$$
  

$$-2x_1 + x_3 = 5$$

(b)

$$x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0$$
  

$$2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = -3$$
  

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = -2$$

- 4. Problem 8, p.38 Linz & Wang . (Use MATLAB .)
- 5. Problem 11, p.39 Linz & Wang. (Use MATLAB.)
- 6. Problem 2, p.215 Linz & Wang. Use the LU decomposition of A to solve  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ where  $\mathbf{b} = (-4, -5, 19)^T$ .
- 7.
- (a) Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . How many *flops* does it take to form the product  $A\mathbf{x}$ ?
- (b) Let A and B be  $n \times n$  matrices. How many *flops* does it take to form the product AB?
- (c) In light of the results of (a) and (b), from the standpoint of efficiency, how should one compute  $A^k \mathbf{x}$  for k a positive integer k > 1?