

PS1 Solution Template

a. Using the matrix squaring operator create a “triangular” matrix with 1 on the main diagonal, 2 above, etc.

$$M(n) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n-1 & n \\ & 1 & 2 & \dots & n-1 \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 & 2 \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

```
In[1]: # The line below is a Julia function that given n computes M(n)
# If you are not using Julia please supply your function
M(n) = triu(ones(n,n))^2
# Show that it works
M(5)
```

Out[1]: # Put your output here

```
5x5 Array{Float64,2}:
 1.0  2.0  3.0  4.0  5.0
 0.0  1.0  2.0  3.0  4.0
 0.0  0.0  1.0  2.0  3.0
 0.0  0.0  0.0  1.0  2.0
 0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  1.0
```

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In[2]: # Show that it works for n=1,2,3,4,5,6
       {M(n) for n=1:6}
```

```
Out[2]: # Put your output here
```

```
6-element Array{Any,1}:
 1x1 Array{Float64,2}:
 1.0
 2x2 Array{Float64,2}:
 1.0 2.0
 0.0 1.0
 3x3 Array{Float64,2}:
 1.0 2.0 3.0
 0.0 1.0 2.0
 0.0 0.0 1.0
 4x4 Array{Float64,2}:
 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0
 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0
 0.0 0.0 1.0 2.0
 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0
 5x5 Array{Float64,2}:
 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0
 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0
 0.0 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0
 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0 2.0
 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0
 6x6 Array{Float64,2}:
 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0 6.0
 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0
 0.0 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0
 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0
 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0 2.0
 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0
```

b. You very likely have heard of the triangular numbers: (see wikipedia if not)

$$T_n = 1 + 2 + \dots + n.$$

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In[3]: #Here they are
        cumsum(1:10)'
        # If not using Julia, how would you do this in your language?
```

```
Out[3]: 1x10 Array{Int64,2}:
         1  3  6  10  15  21  28  36  45  55
```

Don't use cumsum, or sum or "+", just matrix operations to create the matrix that has the triangular numbers on the diagonals: Explain roughly (not too formal a proof), why your idea works.

$$M(n) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & \dots & (n-1)n/2 & n(n+1)/2 \\ & 1 & 3 & \dots & (n-1)n/2 \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 & 3 \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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In[4]: # Put your input code here, put in a function and show that it
        works, just like In[1] and Out[1]
```

```
M(n) = triu(ones(n,n))^3
M(5)
```

```
Out[4]: 5x5 Array{Float64,2}:
         1.0  3.0  6.0  10.0  15.0
         0.0  1.0  3.0   6.0  10.0
         0.0  0.0  1.0   3.0   6.0
         0.0  0.0  0.0   1.0   3.0
         0.0  0.0  0.0   0.0   1.0
```

c. Don't stop. Keep going, and get the tetrahedral numbers. (see wikipedia) Explain briefly why this worked.

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In[5]: # This is hardly much different from In[4] and Out[4]
```

```
M(n) = triu(ones(n,n))^4  
M(5)
```

```
Out[5]: 5x5 Array{Float64,2}:  
 1.0  4.0  10.0  20.0  35.0  
 0.0  1.0   4.0  10.0  20.0  
 0.0  0.0   1.0   4.0  10.0  
 0.0  0.0   0.0   1.0   4.0  
 0.0  0.0   0.0   0.0   1.0
```

If you think about how matrix multiply works, if you multiply any matrix A by $\text{triu}(\text{ones}(n,n))$ the (i,j) element of the result is the partial sum of the i th row up to the j th column. Said more simply, it's like doing a `cumsum` of each row. That's exactly how the tetrahedral numbers are defined, as the cumsum of the triangular numbers.

d. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

Compute $(AB)^{10}$ on your computer. Explain why it's possible to get this without a computer!

```
In[6]: A=[1;2;3;1]
```

```
Out[6]: 4-element Array{Int64,1}:  
 1  
 2  
 3  
 1
```

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In[7]: B=[-1 2 1 4]
```

```
Out[7]: 1x4 Array{Int64,2}:  
 -1 2 1 4
```

```
In[8]: (A*B)^10
```

```
Out[8]: # Put your solution here
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```
4x4 Array{Int64,2}:  
-1000000000  2000000000  1000000000  4000000000  
-2000000000  4000000000  2000000000  8000000000  
-3000000000  6000000000  3000000000  12000000000  
-1000000000  2000000000  1000000000  4000000000
```

```
In[9]: B*A
```

```
Out[9]: # Put your solution here
```

```
1-element Array{Int64,1}:  
10
```

and see if you can see and tell us what is going on.
Let us add one more computation

```
In[10]: A*B
```

```
Out[10]: 4x4 Array{Int64,2}:  
-1  2  1  4  
-2  4  2  8  
-3  6  3  12  
-1  2  1  4
```

Notice that $(AB)^{10} = (AB) * 10^9$. This is because

$$(AB)^{10} = A(BA)^9B = A(10)^9B = AB(10)^9.$$

No computer would be needed.