

Homework #8

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(1)[3 Pts] Let A be a  $3 \times 4$  matrix, B be a  $4 \times 4$  matrix, and C be a  $4 \times 5$  matrix.

- (a) Give the size of AB, if the operation is well defined.
- (b) Give the size of AC, if the operation is well defined.
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*All operations are well defined.*

*(a) AB is a  $3 \times 4$  matrix; (b) AC is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix; (a) ABC is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix.*

(2)[4 Pts] Consider the following matrices and find the inverse, if it exists. If it does not exist, explain why.

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (b) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (c) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

*(a) NOT INVERTIBLE since the first row is linearly dependent with the third row, then the determinant is 0.*

*(b) NOT INVERTIBLE since the third row is the sum of the first and second row, hence it is linearly dependent with the other two rows and the determinant is 0.*

*(c) NOT INVERTIBLE since the matrix is not square*

*(d) INVERTIBLE since determinant is non-zero. We compute the inverse:*

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1/2 \end{array} \right)$$

*This shows that the inverse matrix is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix}$*

(3)[3Pts] Determine the values of the parameter  $k$  such that the following matrix is invertible

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & k & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & k & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (c) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & k & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

*(a) We compute the determinant, finding  $\text{determinant} = 2(2) + (1 - k) = 5 - k$ . Hence the matrix is invertible if  $k \neq 5$ .*

*(b) ALWAYS INVERTIBLE since the determinant of the matrix is  $(2)(1)(3) = 6 \neq 0$ , independently of  $k$ .*

*(c) NEVER INVERTIBLE since the second row is linearly dependent with the third row, then the determinant is 0, independently of  $k$ .*

(4)[3 Pts] Use Cramer's rule to give the value of  $y$  for the solution set to the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} -x + 3y + 2z &= -1 \\ -4x + y + 2z &= -1 \\ -x + y + z &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $A$  be the matrix of coefficient of the system.

We find that  $\det A = 1$  and that  $\det A_2 = -9$ .

Hence, using Cramer's rule  $y = \frac{\det A_2}{\det A} = -9$

(5)[3Pts] Consider the vectors

$$v_1 = (1, -1, -3), v_2 = (1, 1, -4), v_3 = (0, 2, -1), v_4 = (2, 0, -7)$$

(a) Is the set  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$  dependent or independent?

(b) If the set  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is dependent, what is the maximum number of independent vectors?

(c) Is the set  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  dependent or independent?

(a) The set  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$  is dependent since it consists of 4 vectors in  $R^3$

(b) Row reduce:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -7 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence there are at most 2 independent vectors.

(c) The set is dependent since, by part (b), there are only 2 independent vectors in the set.

(6)[4Pts] Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Characteristic polynomial:

$$= \lambda^2 + 3\lambda - 4$$

Characteristic equation:

$$\lambda^2 + 3\lambda - 4 = 0$$

Eigenvalues:

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \quad \lambda_2 = -4$$

To find eigenvectors, need to solve  $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$ .

For  $\lambda_1 = 1$ , we obtain the system

$$\begin{aligned} -2x_1 + 2x_2 &= 0 \\ 3x_1 - 3x_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which gives the eigenvector  $v_1 = (1, 1)$ .

For  $\lambda_2 = -4$ , we obtain the system

$$\begin{aligned} 3x_1 + 2x_2 &= 0 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which gives the eigenvector  $v_2 = (-2/3, 1)$ .