

## DUE WEEK 1 AND 2

Reference: 1. L. N. Trefethen and D. Bau: Numerical Linear Algebra, SIAM, 1997

**Reading:** Review what you learned from your Linear Algebra classes.

1. (a) Let  $M$  be the matrix of data points

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 9 \\ 4 & 16 \end{bmatrix}.$$

What are  $M^T M$  and  $M M^T$ ?

- (b) Prove that if  $A$  is any matrix, then  $A^T A$  and  $A A^T$  are *symmetric*. (Recall that a matrix  $M$  is symmetric if  $M = M^T$ .)
2. (1.4-Trefethen & Bau) Let  $f_1, \dots, f_8$  be a set of functions defined on the interval  $[1, 8]$  with the property that for any numbers  $d_1, \dots, d_8$ , there exists a set of coefficients  $c_1, \dots, c_8$  such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^8 c_j f_j(i) = d_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, 8.$$

- (a) Show that  $d_1, \dots, d_8$  determine  $c_1, \dots, c_8$  uniquely.
- (b) Let  $A$  be the  $8 \times 8$  matrix representing the linear mapping from data  $d_1, \dots, d_8$  to coefficients  $c_1, \dots, c_8$ . What is the  $i, j$  entry of  $A^{-1}$ ?
3. (1.3-Trefethen & Bau) We say that a square or rectangular matrix  $R$  with entries  $r_{ij}$  is *upper-triangular* if  $r_{ij} = 0$  for  $i > j$ . Show that if  $R$  is a nonsingular  $m \times m$  upper-triangular matrix, then  $R^{-1}$  is also upper-triangular. (Note that the analogous result also holds for lower-triangular matrices.)
4. Recall that a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $m \geq n$ , is said to have full rank if its columns are linearly independent, i.e., for  $\mathbf{a}_j$  the  $j$ th column of  $A$ ,  $c_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{a}_n = \mathbf{0} \implies c_1 = \dots = c_n = 0$ . Show that  $A$  has full rank if and only if no two distinct vectors are mapped to the same vector.