

Matrix Theory (EE5609)

Assignment-9

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Abstract—This document contains the few operations on given matrix.

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<https://github.com/EE20RESCH11008/Matrix-Theory/tree/master/Assignment-9>

1 PROBLEM

Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & d \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.1)$$

be a 3×3 matrix where a,b,c,d are integers. Then, we must have:

1. If $a \neq 0$, there is a polynomial $p \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ such that $p(\mathbf{A})$ is the inverse of \mathbf{A} .

2. For each polynomial $q \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$, the matrix

$$q(\mathbf{A}) = \begin{pmatrix} q(a) & q(b) & q(c) \\ 0 & q(a) & q(d) \\ 0 & 0 & q(a) \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.2)$$

3. If $\mathbf{A}^n = \mathbf{0}$ for some positive integer n, then $\mathbf{A}^3 = \mathbf{0}$

4. \mathbf{A} commutes with every matrix of the form $\begin{pmatrix} a' & 0 & c' \\ 0 & a' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a' \end{pmatrix}$

2 SOLUTION

2.1

Given $p(\mathbf{A})$ is the inverse of \mathbf{A} .

$$\Rightarrow p(\mathbf{A}).\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} \quad (2.1.1)$$

The characteristic equation is:

$$|\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}| = 0 \quad (2.1.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} a - \lambda & b & c \\ 0 & a - \lambda & d \\ 0 & 0 & a - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (2.1.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 a + 3\lambda a^2 - a^3 = 0 \quad (2.1.4)$$

By Cayley-Hamilton theorem,

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^3 - 3a\mathbf{A}^2 + 3a^2\mathbf{A} = a^3\mathbf{I} \quad (2.1.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\mathbf{A}^2}{a^3} - \frac{3\mathbf{A}}{a^2} + \frac{3}{a} \right) . \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} \quad (2.1.6)$$

From (2.1.1) and (2.1.6),

$$p(\mathbf{A}) = \frac{\mathbf{A}^2}{a^3} - \frac{3\mathbf{A}}{a^2} + \frac{3}{a} \quad (2.1.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{x}^2}{a^3} - \frac{3\mathbf{x}}{a^2} + \frac{3}{a} \quad (2.1.8)$$

Hence, if $a \neq 0$, then the polynomial $p \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ exist such that $p(\mathbf{A})$ is the inverse of \mathbf{A} .

2.2

Let, $q(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$

$$\Rightarrow q(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{A}^2 \quad (2.2.1)$$

From (1.0.2) and (2.2.1),

$$\Rightarrow q(\mathbf{A}) = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ 0 & a^2 & d^2 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.2.2)$$

From (1.0.1),

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & d \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & d \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & 2ab & ac + bd + ca \\ 0 & a^2 & 2ad \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.2.3)$$

From (2.2.2) and (2.2.3),

$$\boxed{q(\mathbf{A}) \neq \mathbf{A}^2} \quad (2.2.4)$$

Hence the given $q(\mathbf{A})$ matrix is not valid.

2.3

Given,

$$\mathbf{A}^n = 0; \text{ some positive integer of } n \quad (2.3.1)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A} \text{ is Nilpotent Matrix.} \quad (2.3.2)$$

From (1.0.1) and (2.3.2),

\mathbf{A} is Nilpotent Matrix with order 3.

$$\boxed{\implies \mathbf{A}^3 = 0} \quad (2.3.3)$$

Hence, it is a valid option.

2.4

Let,

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a' & 0 & c' \\ 0 & a' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a' \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.1)$$

From (1.0.1) and (2.4.1),

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & d \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a' & 0 & c' \\ 0 & a' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} aa' & a'b & ac' + ca' \\ 0 & aa' & a'd \\ 0 & 0 & aa' \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.2)$$

Now,

$$\mathbf{BA} = \begin{pmatrix} a' & 0 & c' \\ 0 & a' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & d \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} aa' & a'b & ac' + ca' \\ 0 & aa' & a'd \\ 0 & 0 & aa' \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.4.3)$$

From (2.4.2) and (2.4.3),

$$\boxed{\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}} \quad (2.4.4)$$

Hence, it is valid option.

Finally, from (2.1.8) (2.2.4) (2.3.3) and (2.4.4),

$$\boxed{\text{Ans : 1, 3, 4}} \quad (2.4.5)$$