

# 5.13.44

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**Question:** Let

$$\mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{P}_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{X} = \sum_{k=1}^6 \mathbf{P}_k \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_k^{\top}.$$

Where  $\mathbf{P}_k^{\top}$  denotes the transpose of matrix  $\mathbf{P}_k$ . Then which of the following options is/are correct?

- 1)  $\mathbf{X}$  is a symmetric matrix
- 2) The sum of diagonal elements of  $\mathbf{X}$  is 18
- 3)  $\mathbf{X} - 30\mathbf{I}$  is an invertible matrix
- 4) If  $\mathbf{X} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $\alpha$  is 30

**Solution:**

From the question,  $\mathbf{P}_1^{\top} = \mathbf{P}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_2^{\top} = \mathbf{P}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_3^{\top} = \mathbf{P}_3$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_4^{\top} = \mathbf{P}_5$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_5^{\top} = \mathbf{P}_4$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_6^{\top} = \mathbf{P}_6$  and Let

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1)$$

and  $\mathbf{Q}^{\top} = \mathbf{Q}$

Now,

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_1^{\top}) + (\mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_2^{\top}) + (\mathbf{P}_3 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_3^{\top}) + (\mathbf{P}_4 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_4^{\top}) + (\mathbf{P}_5 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_5^{\top}) + (\mathbf{P}_6 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_6^{\top}) \quad (4.2)$$

So,

$$\mathbf{X}^{\top} = (\mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_1^{\top})^{\top} + (\mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_2^{\top})^{\top} + (\mathbf{P}_3 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_3^{\top})^{\top} + (\mathbf{P}_4 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_4^{\top})^{\top} + (\mathbf{P}_5 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_5^{\top})^{\top} + (\mathbf{P}_6 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_6^{\top})^{\top} \quad (4.3)$$

$$= \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_1^{\top} + \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_2^{\top} + \mathbf{P}_3 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_3^{\top} + \mathbf{P}_4 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_4^{\top} + \mathbf{P}_5 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_5^{\top} + \mathbf{P}_6 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_6^{\top} \quad (4.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{X}^\top = \mathbf{X} \quad (4.5)$$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{X}$  is a symmetric matrix.

The sum of diagonal entries of  $\mathbf{X} = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{X})$ :

$$\text{Tr}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^6 \text{Tr}(\mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_i^\top) = \sum_{i=1}^6 \text{Tr}(\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_i^\top \mathbf{P}_i) \quad (4.6)$$

$$(\because \text{Tr}(ABC) = \text{Tr}(BCA))$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^6 \text{Tr}(\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{I}) \quad (4.7)$$

( $\because \mathbf{P}_i$ 's are orthogonal matrices)

$$= \sum_{i=1}^6 \text{Tr}(\mathbf{Q}) \quad (4.8)$$

$$= 6 \text{Tr}(\mathbf{Q}) \quad (4.9)$$

$$= 6 \times 3 \quad (4.10)$$

$$= 18 \quad (4.11)$$

Now , let

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then} \quad (4.12)$$

$$\mathbf{X} \mathbf{R} = \sum_{k=1}^6 \mathbf{P}_k \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_k^\top \mathbf{R} = \sum_{k=1}^6 \mathbf{P}_k \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{P}_k^\top \mathbf{R} \quad (4.13)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^6 \mathbf{P}_k (\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{R}) \quad [\because \mathbf{P}_k^\top \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}] \quad (4.14)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^6 \mathbf{P}_k \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.15)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^6 \mathbf{P}_k \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.16)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.17)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{XR} = \begin{pmatrix} 30 \\ 30 \\ 30 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.18)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{XR} = 30\mathbf{R} \quad (4.19)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{X} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 30 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.20)$$

Thus , the value of  $\alpha = 30$ .

From (4.19),

$$(\mathbf{X} - 30\mathbf{I})\mathbf{R} = 0 \Rightarrow |\mathbf{X} - 30\mathbf{I}| = 0 \quad (4.21)$$

$$\text{So, } (\mathbf{X} - 30\mathbf{I}) \text{ is not invertible} \quad (4.22)$$

Hence, options (a), (b) and (d) are correct.