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In this HW, you can transform any matrix into REF/RREF by using a machine.

1. (2 points) Let

$$A(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ \lambda & 4 & 10 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & 17 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Mat}_4(\mathbb{R}).$$

Then, for every $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, find $\text{rk}(A(\lambda))$.

[**hint:** since $\text{rk}_c(A) = \text{rk}_r(A)$ for every matrix A (see Theorem 17.1), due to Definitions 16.5 and 16.6, permutations of the rows/columns of a matrix do not change its rank; try to "move" λ in the right-bottom corner of the matrix; then transform the new matrix into a matrix in row echelon form]

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$$1) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ \lambda & 4 & 10 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & 17 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 & 17 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 10 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 & 4/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 13/5 & -1/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 10 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 & 4/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 13/5 & -1/5 \\ 0 & 4 & 52/5 & \lambda - 4/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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hence : if $\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \text{rk}(A) = 2$
 otherwise $\text{rk}(A) = 3 \leftarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 & 4/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 13/5 & -1/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. (2 points per item) Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 & 7 \\ 2 & -4 & 1 & 8 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Mat}_4(\mathbb{R}).$$

Then

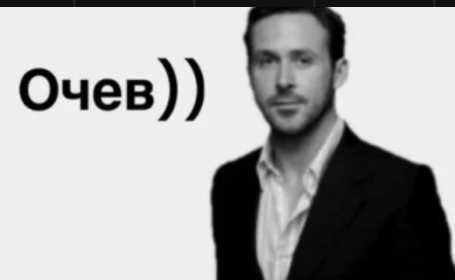
(a) find the smallest $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and matrices $C \in \text{Mat}(4, k, \mathbb{R})$ and $F \in \text{Mat}(k, 4, \mathbb{R})$ such that the equality $A = CF$ holds true (note that C and F are *not* unique; such k is called the *factorization rank* of A);

[**hint:** see Problem 3 from Seminar 17; also, an algorithm on page 17.4 may be useful; it is not a part of this problem, but it is highly advisable to verify that your matrices C and F indeed satisfy the equality $A = CF$]

(b) find the smallest $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and matrices A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k such that $\text{rk}(A_i) = 1$, for every $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$, and the equality $A = A_1 + A_2 + \dots + A_k$ holds true (note that A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k are *not* unique; such k is called the *decomposition rank* of A).

[**hint:** see Problem 4 from Seminar 17]

$$a) A = CF$$

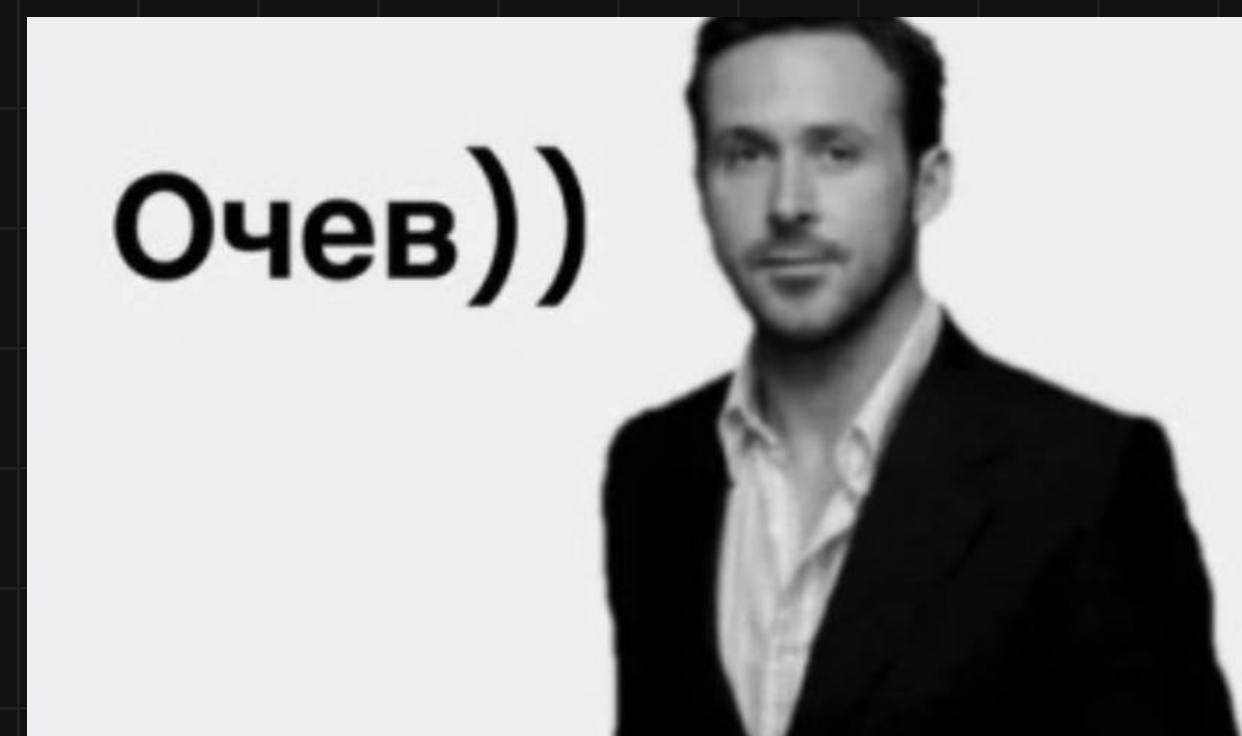


$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \tilde{A}_1 + \tilde{A}_2 \quad \wedge \quad \text{rk}(\tilde{A}_1) = \text{rk}(\tilde{A}_2) = 1$$

$$b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -4 & 0 & 6 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \tilde{A}_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \tilde{A}_2$$



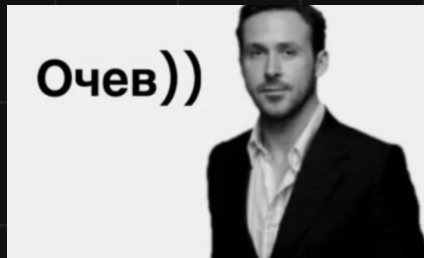
3. Let A be a square matrix of size n over a field of reals. Then, following the instructions, find $\text{rk}(\text{adj}(A))$, where $\text{adj}(A)$ is the adjugate of A (see Definition 8.2).

Instructions:

- (a) consider three cases: $\text{rk}(A) = n$, $\text{rk}(A) = n - 1$, and $\text{rk}(A) \leq n - 2$;
- (b) (1 point) if $\text{rk}(A) = n$ then use Item 7 of Theorem 17.2, Statement 8.1, and Theorem 7.3;
- (c) (1 point) if $\text{rk}(A) \leq n - 2$ then use Theorem I (see below) and Definition 8.2;
- (d) (2 points) if $\text{rk}(A) = n - 1$ then: 1) use Item 7 of Theorem 17.2 and Statement 8.1 to find B in the equality $A \cdot \text{adj}(A) = B$; 2) use Item 9 of Theorem 17.2, the result of the previous step, and the fact that $\text{rk}(A) = n - 1$ to obtain an inequality of the form $\text{rk}(\text{adj}(A)) \leq ?$; 3) use Theorem I, Definition 8.2, and the fact that $\text{rk}(A) = n - 1$ to obtain an inequality of the form $\text{rk}(\text{adj}(A)) \geq ?$.

b) if $\text{rk}(A) = n$: from Th 17.2: Let $\text{adj}(A) = B$
 if $\text{rk}(A) = n \Rightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$. also note that $AB = \det(A)I_n$;
 since $\det(A) \neq 0$ we obtain that B has full rank (n).

c) If $\text{rk}(A) \leq n - 2 \Rightarrow \det(A) = 0 \Rightarrow B = O_n$
 since in general $I_n \cdot \det(A) = A \cdot \text{adj}(A) \rightarrow I_n \cdot 0 = A \cdot \text{adj}(A) \Leftrightarrow A \cdot \text{adj}(A) = O_n \Rightarrow$
 $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A = O_n \\ \text{adj}(A) = O_n \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{adj}(A) = O_n$
 and, as follows $\text{rk}(B) = 0$, since
 $\text{rk}(O_n) = 0$; and even more $\text{rk}(B) = 0$
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 $B = O_n$
 (since if $A = O_n$ it's clear that $\text{adj}(A) = O_n$ as well.)

d) If $\text{rk}(A) = n - 1 \Rightarrow \det(A) = 0$
 then using the identity $A \cdot B = \det(A) \cdot I_n$ we obtain that $A \cdot B = O_n$ (since $\det(A) = 0$)
 and from it, it follows that all columns of B belong
 to the $\ker(A)$, which is one-dimensional $\Rightarrow \text{rk}(B) = 1$.
 (Just in case, $\dim(\ker(A)) = 1$ follows from nature of kernel, if we
 "lost" one dim the $\ker(A) = 1$ and so on, it's , if not, call me to
 defend my HW.
 (or if something else is not obv.)

Another way to prove b):

if $\text{rk}(A) = n$ then A is invertable and $\text{adj}(A) \cdot A = \det(A) \cdot I_n$ shows that

$\text{adj}(A) = \frac{1}{\det(A)} A^{-1}$ is also invertable $\Rightarrow \text{rk}(\text{adj}(A)) = n$.

