Assignment 3

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Abstract—This document explains the concepts of Matrix multiplication, Matrix Addition and Matrix Inverse by solving a problem.

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1 PROBLEM

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.0.1}$$

Show that $\mathbf{A}^2$ - $5\mathbf{A}$ + $7\mathbf{I}$ = 0. Hence find $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$.

2 EXPLANATION

Square of a matrix is the product of matrix with itself :

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{AA} \tag{2.0.1}$$

Product of a scalar with a matrix is the product of that scalar with every element of the matrix :

$$k\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ka & kb \\ kc & kd \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.2}$$

Inverse of a matrix $\mathbf{A}$ is defined as :

$$\mathbf{AA}^{-1} = \mathbf{I} \tag{2.0.3}$$

3 SOLUTION

$$\mathbf{A}^2 - 5\mathbf{A} + 7\mathbf{I} \tag{3.0.1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - 5\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + 7\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.2}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 15 & 5 \\ -5 & 10 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.3}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.4}$$

Thus, It is proved that $\mathbf{A}^2 - 5\mathbf{A} + 7\mathbf{I} = 0$

Multiplying above equation with $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ on both sides, We get :

$$\implies \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{A}^{-1} - 5\mathbf{AA}^{-1} + 7\mathbf{IA}^{-1} = 0 \tag{3.0.5}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{AAA}^{-1} - 5\mathbf{I} + 7\mathbf{A}^{-1} = 0 \tag{3.0.6}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{AI} - 5\mathbf{I} + 7\mathbf{A}^{-1} = 0 \tag{3.0.7}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{7}(5\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \tag{3.0.8}$$

Solving for $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$, we get :

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{7}\left(5\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}\right) \tag{3.0.9}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{7}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}\right) \tag{3.0.10}$$