

problems for week 2 pracs.

Q1 Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} p & 0 \\ q & r \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

When does  $AB=BA$ ? When does  $BC=CB$ ?

When does  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ ?

Sol:

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} p & p \\ q & q+r \end{bmatrix}, BA = \begin{bmatrix} p+q & r \\ q & r \end{bmatrix}$$

So,  $AB=BA$  if and only if

$$q=0 \text{ and } r=p$$

$$BC = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, CB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (by chance)}$$

By chance,  $BC=CB$ .

One always have  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ .

Q2. Use Gauss-Jordan method to compute  $A^{-1}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[A \ e_1 \ e_2 \ e_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ start}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} (R_2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{2} R_1 + R_2)$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} (R_3 \leftarrow \frac{2}{3} R_2 + R_3)$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{3}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} (R_2 \leftarrow \frac{3}{4} R_3 + R_2)$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{3}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} (R_1 \leftarrow \frac{2}{3} R_2 + R_1)$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} R_1 \leftarrow \frac{1}{2} R_1 \\ R_2 \leftarrow \frac{2}{3} R_2 \\ R_3 \leftarrow \frac{3}{4} R_3 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

Q3. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  find  $A^{-1}$

Sol.

$$[A, e_1, \dots, e_4] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} \text{Swap } R_1, R_4 \\ \text{Swap } R_2, R_3 \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} R_1 \leftarrow \frac{1}{5} R_1 \\ R_2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{4} R_2 \\ R_3 \leftarrow \frac{1}{3} R_3 \\ R_4 \leftarrow \frac{1}{2} R_4 \end{cases} *$$

~~Q4~~ (Inverse of block matrices)

Let  $W = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ B & C \end{bmatrix}$ , where

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  are both invertible.

Find  $W^{-1}$

Sol.

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 & I_{n \times n} & 0 \\ B & C & 0 & I_{m \times m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & A^{-1} & 0 \\ C^{-1}B & I & 0 & C^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A^{-1}R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ C^{-1}R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note:  $A^{-1}R_1$ , not  $R_1 A^{-1}$ .

row operations only!

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & A^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & I & -C^{-1}BA^{-1} & C^{-1} \end{bmatrix} (R_2 - C^{-1}BA^{-1}R_1 \rightarrow R_2)$$

$$\text{So, } W^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{-1} & 0 \\ -C^{-1}BA^{-1} & C^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Q5. Find the determinants

$$a = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Sol. Expand  $a$  according to the first row:

$$a = 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 + 1 = 3.$$

Expand  $b$  according to the first row

$$b = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= a + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = a + 2 = 5.$$

Q6. Show that

$$A_n := \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ & -1 & 2 & \ddots \\ 0 & & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ & & & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & & \\ & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 & \\ 0 & & \ddots & -\frac{n-1}{n} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -\frac{1}{2} & & 0 \\ & \frac{3}{2} & -1 & \\ & & \frac{4}{3} & \ddots & -1 \\ 0 & & & \frac{n+1}{n} \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, find  $\det(A_n)$

Sol. For any  $i, j = 2, \dots, n$ , the  $(i, j)$  entry of

RHS is

$$(0, \dots, 0, -\frac{i-1}{i}, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ \frac{j+1}{j} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow (j-1) \\ \leftarrow (j) \end{matrix}$$

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ (i-1) & (i) \end{matrix}$

$$= \begin{cases} -1 & i = j-1 \text{ or } i = j+1 \\ 2 & i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The first row of RHS is  $(2, -1, 0, \dots, 0)$

The first column of RHS is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This verifies the equation

$$\Rightarrow \det(A_n) = 2 \times \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{4}{3} \times \dots \times \frac{n+1}{n} = n+1 \quad *$$

Q7. Let  $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be column vectors.

Write  $A = [a_1, \dots, a_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $B = [b_1, \dots, b_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

Show that  $AB^T = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i^T$

proof.  $(AB^T)_{rs} = \sum_{l=1}^n A_{rl} B_{sl}$

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i^T \right)_{rs} = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ri} B_{si} = (AB^T)_{rs} \quad *$$