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**SPRING 2024 – SECTIONS L1, L3, L5**

**QUIZ 3 (1st Feb, 2024)**

**Max Marks: 10**

**Time: 8 minutes**

Q. Prove the following:

- (a) If  $A \underline{X} = B$  represents a system of “ $m$ ” equations in “ $m$ ” variables, then prove that the solution is unique if  $A$  is invertible.
- (b) Show that:  $(A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$



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**QUIZ 4 (1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2024)**

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**Time: 6 minutes**

Q. Find the value(s) of  $k$  for which the system below has (a) exactly one solution (b) no solution:

$$\begin{aligned} kx + y &= 1 \\ x + ky &= 1 \end{aligned}$$



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\* Part (a)  
Let  $\underline{x}_1$  &  $\underline{x}_2$  be two solutions  
such that  
$$A\underline{x}_1 = \underline{b} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$
$$A\underline{x}_2 = \underline{b} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$
  
On comparing (i) & (ii), we get  
$$A\underline{x}_1 = A\underline{x}_2 \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$
  
Further, we know that  $A^{-1}$  is invertible  
$$\Rightarrow A^{-1}(A\underline{x}_1) = A^{-1}(A\underline{x}_2)$$
$$\Rightarrow I\underline{x}_1 = I\underline{x}_2$$
$$\Rightarrow \underline{x}_1 = \underline{x}_2$$
  
which proves the required result!  
  
OR  
  
We know that  $A^{-1}$  is unique  
Therefore,  
$$A\underline{x} = \underline{b} \Rightarrow A^{-1}(A\underline{x}) = A^{-1}\underline{b}$$
$$\Rightarrow I\underline{x} = A^{-1}\underline{b} \Rightarrow \underline{x} = A^{-1}\underline{b} \text{ is unique.}$$

\* Part (b)  
We know that  
$$I = I$$
  
$$\Rightarrow (AA^{-1})^T = (I)^T$$
  
Applying transpose on both sides, we get  
$$\Rightarrow A^T(A^{-1})^T = I^T$$
  
$$\Rightarrow (A^T)^{-1} A^T (A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1} I$$
  
$$\Rightarrow I (A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$$
  
$$\Rightarrow (A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$$
  
which proves the required result!



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Question 01:

Since  $A$  has first column consisting of zeros only,  $A$  is not invertible.

Question 02:

SOLUTION: THE AUGMENTED MATRIX OF THE GIVEN SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS IS GIVEN BY

$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} k & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & k & 1 \end{array} \right]$ , LET US TRY TO FIND THE ECHELON FORM OF THIS MATRIX

$$\Rightarrow A \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & k & 1 \\ k & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & k & 1 \\ 0 & 1-k^2 & 1-k \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow \\ R_2 - kR_1 \end{array}$$

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(1) FOR EXACTLY ONE SOLUTION  
① MUST BE TRANSFORMED INTO THE  
ECHELON FORM BY MAKING THE  
ENTRY (2,2) ONE BY PERFORMING  
 $R_2 \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{1-k^2}$  TO GET

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & k & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{1+k} \end{array} \right] \text{ PROVIDED } \begin{array}{l} 1-k^2 \neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow k^2 \neq 1 \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow k \neq \pm 1 \rightarrow$  FOR ONE SOLUTION.

USING  $k = -1$  IN ① GIVES

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & k & 1 \\ 0 & 1-k^2 & 1-k \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & k & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{k=-1} \text{ SO WE}$$

HAVE NO SOLUTION FOR  $k = -1$   $\because$   
SECOND ROW GIVES  $0 = 2$  WHICH  
IS NOT POSSIBLE.



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**SPRING 2024 – SECTIONS L2, L4, L6**

**QUIZ 4 (1st Feb 2024)**

**Max Marks: 10**

**Time: 8 minutes**

Q. 1 Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the two elementary matrices  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  such that  $E_2 E_1 A = I$ . [4]

Q. 2 Let  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  be a homogenous system of  $n$  linear equations in  $n$  variables that has only the trivial solution. Show that if  $k$  is any positive integer, then the system  $A^k \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  also has only the trivial solution. [6]



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Question 01:

Solution:  $E_2 E_1 A = I$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = I_2$$

Question 02:

Since  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$  has only  $x = \mathbf{0}$  as a solution, Theorem 1.6.4 guarantees that  $A$  is invertible. By Theorem 1.4.8 (b),  $A^k$  is also invertible. In fact,

$$(A^k)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^k$$

Since the proof of Theorem 1.4.8 (b) was omitted, we note that

$$\underbrace{A^{-1}A^{-1}\cdots A^{-1}}_{\substack{k \\ \text{factors}}} \underbrace{AA\cdots A}_{\substack{k \\ \text{factors}}} = I$$

Because  $A^k$  is invertible, Theorem 1.6.4 allows us to conclude that  $A^k X = \mathbf{0}$  has only the trivial solution.