

2. (5 for each) Let $A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $B := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Find each of the following items. If an item does not exist, say "DNE".

(a) AB and BA .

$$AB \text{ DNE}$$

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) $\det(A)$ and $\det(B)$.

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} - \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -0 \cdot + 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} - 0$$

$$= 1(-1 - 0)$$

$$= -1$$

$$\det B = \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \text{ DNE b/c } B \text{ is not a square matrix}$$

(c) How many solutions to the linear system $Ax = 0$ are there? How many solutions to the linear system $Bx = 0$ are there? Explain in details your answer for full credit.

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 + R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-x_3 = 0 \rightarrow x_3 = 0 \rightarrow \text{a unique solution } \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_2 = 0 \\ x_1 + x_2 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow x_1 = 0$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$(1 \ 0 \ -1 \ | \ 0) \rightarrow (0 \ -1 \ 0 \ | \ 0)$$

$x_3 = \text{free variable}$  infinitely many solutions

$$\boxed{Ax = 0}$$

b/c $0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is a solution.

a unique solution, that is $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

6) $A^2 = 4I$.

(a) Verify A is invertible and

$$\boxed{A^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} A}$$

Review: B is the inverse of A if

$$AB = I$$

We need to check that:

$$A \cdot \frac{1}{4} A = I$$

$$\underline{\text{LHS}} = \frac{1}{4} A^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot 4I$$

$$= I$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

(verified)



So $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} A$ and A is invertible.

* Another way to show A to be invertible is using

the determinants

$$A^2 = 4I$$

$$\det(A^2) = \det(4I) = \det\begin{pmatrix} 4 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A \cdot A) = 4^n$$

$$\det A \cdot \det A = 4^n$$

$$(\det A)^2 = 4^n$$

$$\det A = \pm 2^n \neq 0$$

A is invertible

(b) $A - I$ is nonsingular and $(A - I)^{-1} = \frac{1}{3}(A + I)$

We need to check :

$$(A - I) \frac{1}{3}(A + I) = I$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{1}{3} (A - I)(A + I)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (A^2 + A \cdot I - I \cdot A - I \cdot I)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (\underline{4I} + \underbrace{A - A} - \underline{I})$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (3I)$$

$$= I$$

$$= \text{RHS} \quad (\text{verified})$$

$$(x-y)(x+y)$$

$$= x^2 - y^2$$

(difference of squares)

So $(A - I)^{-1} = \frac{1}{3}(A + I)$ and $A - I$ is invertible.

$$(A - I)^{-1} = \frac{1}{3}(A + I)$$

$$\underbrace{(A - I)(A - I)^{-1}}_I = \underbrace{(A - I) \frac{1}{3}(A + I)}_I$$

7. (7.5 pts for each) Determine whether the following sets are subspaces:

(a) $X = \{f \in C^1(0, 1) \mid f(x) - 2f'(x) = 0\}$, where $C^1(0, 1)$ is the set of all continuously differentiable functions in $(0, 1)$.

Addition: Pick any f and g in X :

$$f(x) - 2f'(x) = 0$$
$$g(x) - 2g'(x) = 0$$

$$(f+g)(x) - 2(f+g)'(x) = 0$$

Satisfies

So $f+g \in X$. Addition ^(sum rule) is closed.

Scalar Multiplication: Pick any $f \in X$ and any scalar

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\alpha (f(x) - 2f'(x)) = 0$$
$$(\alpha f)(x) - 2(\alpha f)'(x) = 0$$

$\rightarrow \alpha f \in X$. So scalar multiplication is closed.

X is a subspace.

$$(b) \quad Y = \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \mid \det A = 0\}$$

$$\det(A+B) \neq \det A + \det B$$

\det is not a linear function.

Find a counter-example:

Pick some $A \in Y$:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in Y$$

$B \in Y$:

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in Y$$

but $A+B \notin Y$

$$A+B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A+B) &= 0 - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 0 - 1 \cdot (-1) + 1 \cdot 1 \\ &= 2 \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in Y, \det A = 0$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \in Y, \det B = 0 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = 0$$

(triangular matrices)

$$A+B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \notin Y, \det(A+B) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = 6 \neq 0$$

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(c) (5 pts) Using (b) above, solve the system $Ax = b$ with $b = (1, 2, 3, 4)^T$.

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Ax &= b \\ x &= \frac{b}{a} \end{aligned}$$

From (b), we are able to find A^{-1} .

$$A^{-1}(Ax = b)$$

$$\underbrace{A^{-1}A}_I x = A^{-1}b$$

$$x = A^{-1}b$$

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4. Consider the linear system: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 6 & a^2 & | & a \end{bmatrix}$

(a) (5 pts) Find all values of a such that the above system has a unique solution.

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 6 & a^2 & a \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & a^2 & a \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 - 4 & a - 2 \end{array} \right)$$

* Case 1: $a^2 - 4 \neq 0$, $a \neq \pm 2$

From R_3 : $(a^2 - 4)x_3 = a - 2 \rightarrow x_3 = \frac{a - 2}{a^2 - 4}$
no free variable \rightarrow unique solution.

(b) (5 pts) Find all values of a such that the above system has infinitely many solutions. Find all these solutions in this case.

* Case 2: $a^2 - 4 = 0 \begin{cases} a = 2 \\ a = -2 \end{cases}$

$$0x_3 = a - 2 \rightarrow \boxed{a = 2}$$

. $a = 2$, $x_3 = \text{free variable} \rightarrow$ infinitely many solutions

. $a = -2$, $0 = -4$ (no solution).

8. (10 points) Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Explain why $A^T A$ and $A A^T$ are possible.

$A_{m \times n} \cdot (A^T)_{n \times m}$ is an $m \times m$ matrix

$(A^T)_{n \times m} A_{m \times n}$ is an $n \times n$ matrix