

**ASE2910 Applied Linear Algebra / AUS2910 Fundamental Math for AI**  
**Homework #4**

1) *Lower triangular matrices.* Let  $A$  be a lower triangular  $n \times n$  matrix. Verify the following properties.

- a) If  $B$  is a lower triangular  $n \times n$  matrix, then the product  $AB$  is lower triangular.
- b) The matrix  $A^k$  is lower triangular for all positive integers  $k$ .
- c) If  $A$  is invertible, then  $A^k$  is lower triangular for all integers  $k$  (positive or negative).

2) *QR factorization of matrix with orthonormal columns.* Suppose the columns of a matrix  $A$  are orthonormal, and we (attempt) to compute its  $QR$  factorization  $A = QR$ . Which of the following must be true?

- a) The  $QR$  factorization will fail.
- b)  $R = I$
- c)  $R = A$
- d)  $Q = I$
- e)  $Q = A$

3) *Matrix identities.* Check that the following identities regarding matrix inverses hold. You can assume that  $X, Y, Z$  are matrices in appropriate sizes, and  $a, b$  are vectors in appropriate sizes. You can also assume that the appearing inverses exist.

a)

$$Z(I + Z)^{-1} = I - (I + Z)^{-1}$$

b)

$$(I + XY)^{-1} = I - X(I + YX)^{-1}Y$$

c)

$$Y(I + XY)^{-1} = (I + YX)^{-1}Y$$

d)

$$(I + XZ^{-1}Y)^{-1} = I - X(Z + YX)^{-1}Y$$

e)

$$(X + ab^T)^{-1} = X^{-1} - \frac{1}{1 + b^T X^{-1} a} X^{-1} ab^T X^{-1}$$

4) *VMLS Exercises.*

- a) **11.6** *Inverse of a block upper triangular matrix.*
- b) **11.12** *Combinations of invertible matrices.*
- c) **11.14** *Middle inverse.*
- d) **11.15** *Invertibility of population dynamics matrix.*