

Math 341: Homework 6

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§1 A

Find the rank of the following matrices.

- a. 2 show work later
- b. 3
- c. 2
- d. 1
- e. 3
- f. 3
- g. 1

§2 B

Prove that any elementary row [column] operation of type 1 can be obtained by a succession of three elementary row [column] operations of type 3 followed by one elementary row [column] operation of type 2

Proof. Row operation type 1 on row i and row j can be done by the following:

1. Row operation type 3: Add -1 times row i to row j
2. Row operation type 3: Add row j to row i
3. Row operation type 3: Add -1 times row i to row j
4. Row operation type 2: Multiply row j by -1

Without loss of generality, same could be done for a elementary column operation of type 1. \square

§3 C

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Prove that there exists a sequence of elementary row operations of types 1 and 3 that transforms A into an upper triangular matrix.

Proof. Iterate through each column, let this variable be c . If $A_{c,c}$ equals 0, go through all the elements in that column below $A_{c,c}$ and find the first non zero element. Perform a type 1 row operation on row c and the row the non zero element was found. If there is no non zero element, do nothing and go to the next column.

If $A_{c,c}$ does not equal 0, perform a type 3 row operation on each row below $A_{c,c}$. Multiply $-\frac{A_{r,c}}{A_{c,c}}$ by the c th row to the r th row, where r is every row below c . \square

§4 D

Complete the proof of the corollary to Theorem 3.4 by showing that elementary column operations preserve rank.

Proof. If B is obtained from a matrix A by an elementary column operation, then there exists an elementary matrix E such that $B = AE$. By Theorem 3.2 (p. 150), E is invertible, and hence $\text{rank}(B) = \text{rank}(A)$ by Theorem 3.4. \square

§5 E

Let B and B' is an $m \times n$ matrix submatrix of B . Prove that $\text{rank}(B) = r$, then $\text{rank}(B') = r - 1$

Proof. By Theorem 3.5, we know that $\text{rank}(B) = \dim(R(L_B))$, where $R(L_B) = \text{span}(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_{n+1})$ and B_i is the i th column of B . In other words, the rank is the number of linearly independent rows/columns in a matrix. Notice that B' has one less linear independent row/column than B . It follows that rank of B' would be 1 less than the rank of B . Therefore, $\text{rank}(B') = r - 1$. Consider the matrix

$$M = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 0 & B' \end{array} \right]$$

M has the same number of linearly independent columns to that of B' , so $\text{rank}(M) = \text{rank}(B')$. Now consider the matrix below.

$$B = \left[\begin{array}{c|ccc} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & B' & \end{array} \right]$$

B has one more linearly independent row to that of M .

Then $\text{rank}(B) = \text{rank}(M) + 1 = \text{rank}(B') + 1$.

Therefore, if $\text{rank}(B) = r$, then $\text{rank}(M) = \text{rank}(B') = r - 1$. \square

§6 F

Let B' and D' be $m \times n$ matrices, and let B and D be $(m+1) \times (n+1)$ matrices respectively. Prove that if B' can be transformed into D' by an elementary row [column] operation, then B can be transformed into D by an elementary row [column] operation.

Proof. If B' can be transformed into D' by elementary row operations, there must exist an elementary matrix E such that $D' = EB'$ by theorem 3.1. Now consider the matrix below.

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{c|ccc} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & E & \\ 0 & & & \end{array} \right]$$

A is also an elementary matrix. We can observe that $D = AB$, thus B can be transformed to D by elementary row operations. Without loss of generality, there exist a matrix F such that $D' = B'F$ where F is the elementary column matrix. So, $D = BF$ where B is like the A matrix but with F instead of E . Therefore, B can be transformed to D by elementary column operations. \square

§7 G

- a. Find a 5×5 matrix M with rank 2 such that $AM = O$ where O is the 4×5 zero matrix.

Proof. By solving $Ax = 0$, we get this system of equation:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_3 + 2x_4 + x_5 = 0 \\ -x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 = 0 \\ -2x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 - x_4 + 3x_5 = 0 \\ 3x_1 - x_2 - 5x_3 + x_4 - 6x_5 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solving this system of equations by computing reduced row echelon form, we get that x_1, x_2, x_4 are the pivot variables and x_3, x_5 are the free variables. So solutions are in the form $(x_3 + 3x_5, -2x_3 + x_5, x_3, -2x_5, x_5)$. From this, we are able to construct a basis for $Ax=0$, $(1, -2, 1, 0, 0), (3, 1, 0, -2, 1)$. Define

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

It is obvious that this matrix has rank 2 and is 5×5 . Because the column is a basis for $Ax = 0$, the resulting matrix will be O . \square

- b. Suppose that B is a 5×5 matrix such that $AB = O$. Prove that $\text{rank}(B) \leq 2$

Proof. Since $AB = O$, we know that the columns of B is a solution to $Ax = 0$, which is a subset of the nullspace of L_A . From the rank nullity theorem, we know that $\dim(\mathbb{R}^5) = \text{rank}(L_A) + \text{nullity}(L_A)$.

$\text{nullity}(L_A) = \dim(\mathbb{R}^5) - \text{rank}(L_A) = 5 - 3 = 2$. So, $\text{rank}(B)$ cannot be greater than 2. Therefore, $\text{rank}(B) \leq 2$. \square

§8 H

For each of the following linear transformations T , determine whether T is invertible, and compute T^{-1} if it exists.

- a. $T : P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_2(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T(f(x)) = f''(x) + 2f'(x) - f(x)$

Proof.

We want to projection to be on the xy -plane along the z -axis. Let the projection be $(x, y, 0)$.

To minimize the distance, we must choose x and y such that

$$(a - x)^2 + (b - y)^2 + (c - 0)^2$$

is minimum. Since the equation above is a difference of squares, $x = a$ and $b = y$ will give us the minimum value. Therefore, the projection on the xy -plane will be $(a, b, 0)$, which is T . \square

- b. Find a formula for $T(a, b, c)$, where T represents the projection on the z -axis along the xy -plane.

Proof.

We want to projection to be on the z -axis along the xy -plane. Let the projection be $(0, 0, z)$. To minimize the distance, we must choose z such that

$$(a - 0)^2 + (b - 0)^2 + (c - z)^2$$

is minimum. $z = c$ will give us the minimum value. Therefore, the equation for T will be $T(a, b, c) = (0, 0, c)$. \square

- c. If $T(a, b, c) = (a - c, b, 0)$, show that T is the projection on the xy -plane along the line $L = \{(a, 0, a) : a \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Proof.

We want to projection to be on the xy -plane along the line L . Let the projection be $(x, y, 0)$. A vector that is on L is $(1, 0, 1)$. To minimize the distance, we must choose λ such that

$$(a, b, c) + \lambda(1, 0, 1) = (x, y, 0)$$

is minimum. Writing the equation above as a system:

$$a + \lambda = x$$

$$b = y$$

$$c + \lambda = 0$$

Solving this system gives us, $x = a - c, y = b$

Therefore, the projection on the xy -plane along the line L will be $(a - c, b, 0)$. \square

§9 I

Express the invertible matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ as a product of elementary matrices

Proof. \square

§10 J

Suppose that A and B are matrices having n rows. Prove that $M(A|B) = (MA|MB)$ for any $m \times n$ matrix