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Applied Linear Algebra

Assignment #3

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1. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Find A^{-1} . Then, solve the system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned}x - 2y &= 10, \\2x - y - z &= 8, \\-2y + z &= 7,\end{aligned}$$

using A^{-1} .

2. Consider the system of linear equations:

$$\begin{cases} kx + y + z = 1 \\ x + ky + z = 1 \\ x + y + kz = 1 \end{cases}$$

For what value(s) of k does this system have:

- (i) a unique solution?
- (ii) no solution?
- (iii) infinitely many solutions?

3. If a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots are in G.P. (Geometric Progression, i.e. $a_{i+1} = a_i \cdot q$), then prove that the

determinant of $\begin{vmatrix} a_{r+1} & a_{r+5} & a_{r+9} \\ a_{r+7} & a_{r+11} & a_{r+15} \\ a_{r+11} & a_{r+17} & a_{r+21} \end{vmatrix}$ is independent of r .

4. In a triangle ABC, if

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \sin A & 1 + \sin B & 1 + \sin C \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & \sin B + \sin^2 B & \sin C + \sin^2 C \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

prove that $\triangle ABC$ is an isosceles triangle.

5. a) Prove that $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T A)$.
 b) Show that if A is a 3×5 matrix, then $\det(A^T A) = 0$. Note: you cannot distribute the det, because A and A^T are not square matrices!

6. Suppose $Q^{-1} = Q^T$ (transpose equals inverse, thus $Q^T Q = I$).

- a) Show that the columns q_1, \dots, q_n are unit vectors: $\|q_i\|^2 = 1$.
 b) Show that every two columns of Q are perpendicular: $q_i^T q_j = 0$.
 c) Without computing the determinant, prove that

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & -b & -c & -d \\ b & a & d & -c \\ c & -d & a & b \\ d & c & -b & a \end{bmatrix} = 0 \iff a = b = c = d = 0.$$

7. Let M be an n by n matrix. Split M into $S + A$ where S is symmetric, i.e. $S = S^T$ and A is anti-symmetric, i.e. $A = -A^T$. Find formulas for S and A involving M and M^T . We want $M = S + A$.
 8. Let A be an $n \times n$ nonsingular matrix with integer entries. Prove that the inverse matrix A^{-1} contains only integer entries if and only if $\det(A) = \pm 1$.
 9. a) By an example show that $\det(A + B) = \det(A) + \det(B)$ is not necessarily correct.
 b) Let A, B and be two square matrices with real entries such that $(A+B)^{-1} = A^{-1} + B^{-1}$. Prove that $\det(A) = \det(B)$. Does the conclusion holds for complex entries?