

ACM104 Set I

1. Consider:

$$AB \stackrel{?}{=} \sum_{k=1}^p a_k b^k = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{12} & \dots & a_{11}b_{1p} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & \ddots & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ a_{p1}b_{11} & & a_{p1}b_{1p} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_{12}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{22} & \dots & a_{12}b_{2p} \\ a_{22}b_{21} & \ddots & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ a_{p2}b_{21} & & a_{p2}b_{2p} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + \begin{bmatrix} a_{1p}b_{p1} & a_{1p}b_{p2} & \dots & a_{1p}b_{pp} \\ a_{2p}b_{p1} & \ddots & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ a_{pp}b_{p1} & & a_{pp}b_{pp} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} + \dots + a_{1p}b_{p1}) & (a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} + \dots + a_{1p}b_{p2}) & \dots & (a_{11}b_{1p} + a_{12}b_{2p} + \dots + a_{1p}b_{pp}) \\ (a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} + \dots + a_{2p}b_{p1}) & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ (a_{p1}b_{11} + a_{p2}b_{21} + \dots + a_{pp}b_{p1}) & & & (a_{p1}b_{1p} + a_{p2}b_{2p} + \dots + a_{pp}b_{pp}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Each entry of  $AB$  is clearly equal to  $c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^p a_{ik}b_{kj}$ . Therefore it is true that this evaluation of  $AB$  is equivalent to multiplying the rows of  $A$  by the columns of  $B$ :

$$\boxed{AB = \sum_{k=1}^p a_k b^k}$$

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2.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & a \\ 0 & 0 & & \\ 0 & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & \ddots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $a$  is nonzero numbers

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & a \\ 0 & 0 & & \\ 0 & \ddots & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & a \\ 0 & 0 & & \\ 0 & \ddots & & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & & b \\ 0 & 0 & & \\ 0 & \ddots & & 0 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is true because  
for any  $B_{ij}$  on the  
diagonal above the central  
diagonal, the first  $i$  elements  
of  $A_j$  will be zero and the  
last  $n-i$  elements of  
 $A_j$  will be zero. Therefore  
 $B_{ij} = 0$  for all values  
 $j > i$  above the diagonal.

$$A^4 = B^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & & b \\ 0 & 0 & & \\ 0 & \ddots & & 0 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & & b \\ 0 & 0 & & \\ 0 & \ddots & & 0 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = C$$

Using the same logic as we used to get  $B$ , we can get  $C$ . Therefore, if we apply  $A$  to itself enough times, eventually the diagonal of 0s will reach the top right and the matrix will go to zero. Following this pattern, it is guaranteed that  $A^n = 0$ .

Therefore, any strictly upper triangular matrix is nilpotent.

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3. Hypothesis based on MATLAB:

$$P_n = I_n, \quad L_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & & 0 \\ -\frac{3}{2} & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & & & -\frac{3}{4} & 1 \\ & & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & & & -\frac{(n-1)}{n} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U_n = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & & \\ & \frac{3}{2} & -1 & & & 0 \\ & & 4 & -1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & -1 & \\ 0 & & & & \ddots & -1 \\ & & & & & \frac{n+1}{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof:

$$L_n U_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & & 0 \\ -\frac{3}{2} & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & -\frac{(n-1)}{n} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & & \\ & \frac{3}{2} & -1 & & & 0 \\ & & 4 & -1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & -1 & \\ 0 & & & & \ddots & \frac{n+1}{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & & \\ -1 & (\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}) & -1 & & & \\ -1 & (\frac{3}{2} + \frac{4}{2}) & & & & \\ & \ddots & & -1 & & \\ & & & & (-\frac{(n-1)}{n})(\frac{n}{n-1}) & \frac{(n-1)}{n} + \frac{(n+1)}{n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & & \\ -1 & 2 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & -1 & & \\ & & & & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{And } P_n A_n = A_n = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & & \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & & & \\ & \ddots & & -1 & & \\ & & & & -1 & \\ & & & & & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore  $P_n A_n = L_n U_n$  so the above choices for  $P_n$ ,  $L_n$ , and  $U_n$  are correct.

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4.a) We will prove that for a given permutation matrix  $P$ ,  $P^{-1} = P^T$ :

Consider:

$$P = P_1 P_2 P_3 \cdots P_k \quad \text{where } P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k \text{ are elementary matrices of type 2}$$

$$\rightarrow P^{-1} = (P_1 P_2 \cdots P_k)^{-1} = P_k^{-1} \cdots P_2^{-1} P_1^{-1} \quad (1)$$

A given elementary matrix of type 2,  $P_a$ , is of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & 0 & \cdots \\ & & & & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and it interchanges the  $i^{th}$  and  $j^{th}$  rows of the matrix it's applied to.

Therefore it follows that the matrix required to reverse this operation,  $P_a^{-1}$ , would interchange rows  $i$  and  $j$ . That is,  $\underline{P_a^{-1} = P_a}$

Also note that all elementary matrices of type 2 as described above are symmetric by definition:  $\underline{P_a^T = P_a}$

Therefore, continuing from equation (1):

$$P^{-1} = P_k^{-1} \cdots P_2^{-1} P_1^{-1}$$

$$\rightarrow P^{-1} = P_k \cdots P_2 P_1$$

$$\rightarrow P^{-1} = P_k^T \cdots P_2^T P_1^T$$

$$\rightarrow P^{-1} = (P_1 P_2 \cdots P_k)^T$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{P^{-1} = P^T}$$

Therefore all permutation matrices are orthogonal.

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b) No, orthogonal matrices are not necessarily permutation matrices.

We will prove this by counterexample:

Suppose all orthogonal matrices are permutation matrices.

Consider:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{check:}) \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\rightarrow A^{-1} = A^T$  so  $A$  is orthogonal.

however, we can tell by observation that  $A$  is not a permutation matrix.

Contradiction!

Therefore, orthogonal matrices are not necessarily permutation matrices.

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5. Let  $C \in M_{n,n}$  where  $c_{ij}$  is the element in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row and  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of  $C$ .

Now suppose  $A+B=C$ . We will show that  $A$  can be represented as a symmetric matrix and  $B$  can be represented as a skew-symmetric matrix:

$$a_{ij} + b_{ij} = c_{ij}$$

$$a_{ji} + b_{ji} = c_{ji}$$

Let  $a_{ij} = a_{ji} = \frac{c_{ij} + c_{ji}}{2}$   
 Note that because  $a_{ij}=a_{ji}$ ,  $A$  is symmetric.

So  $a_{ij}=a_{ji}$  = the midpoint of  $c_{ij}$  and  $c_{ji}$

Let  $b_{ij} = -b_{ji} = \frac{c_{ij} - c_{ji}}{2}$   
 Note that because  $b_{ij}=-b_{ji}$ ,  $B$  is skew-symmetric

Then:  $a_{ij} + b_{ij} = \frac{c_{ij} + c_{ji} + c_{ij} - c_{ji}}{2} = c_{ij}$  ✓

and  $a_{ji} + b_{ji} = \frac{c_{ij} + c_{ji} + c_{ji} - c_{ij}}{2} = c_{ji}$  ✓

Therefore, given a matrix  $C$ , we can construct matrices  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $A$  is symmetric and  $B$  is skew-symmetric and  $A+B=C$ .

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7.a)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ n+1 & n+2 & & 2n \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ n^2-n+1 & n^2-n+2 & \cdots & n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Subtract row 1 from all other rows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ n & n & \cdots & n \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ n^2-n & n^2-n & \cdots & n^2-n \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Rows below row 2 are multiples of n, use

row 2 to set all lower rows to 0:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ n & n & \cdots & n \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Divide row 2 by -n:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ -1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Add row 1 to row 2: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & n-1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, the number of pivots in A's echelon form is 2. Therefore, the  
rank of A is 2.

b) The nonzero components of  $\mathbf{x}$  are 0 and 0.01 (see attached code)