

Assignment 11

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Abstract—This document gives us information about invertibility conditions of a matrix.

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1 PROBLEM

Consider the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ over the field Q of rationals which of the following matrices are of the form $P^t A P$ for a suitable invertible matrix P over Q ? Here P^t denotes transpose of P .

- 1) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$
- 2) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$
- 3) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$
- 4) $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

2 EXPLANATION

A matrix is said to be invertible if its determinant is not equal to zero.

3 SOLUTION

Let P be an invertible matrix given by $P = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$

For P to be invertible

$$ad - bc \neq 0 \quad (3.0.1)$$

$$P^t A P = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.2)$$

$$P^t A P = \begin{pmatrix} 2ac & ad + bc \\ ad + bc & bd \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.3)$$

Suppose among the given options if option 1 is correct

$$P^t A P = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.4)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2ac & ad + bc \\ ad + bc & bd \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.5)$$

$$2ac = 2 \quad (3.0.6)$$

$$ad + bc = 0 \quad (3.0.7)$$

$$2bd = -2 \quad (3.0.8)$$

$$dc = -1 \quad (3.0.9)$$

$$ad + bc = 0 \quad (3.0.10)$$

$$bd = -1 \quad (3.0.11)$$

For invertibility of P , $\det(P)$ should not be zero

$$\det(P) = ad - bc \neq 0 \quad (3.0.12)$$

$$(ad - bc)^2 = (ad + bc)^2 - 4adbc \quad (3.0.13)$$

$$(ad - bc)^2 = 0^2 - 4(1)(-1) \quad (3.0.14)$$

$$(ad - bc)^2 = 4 \quad (3.0.15)$$

$$ad - bc \neq 0 \quad (3.0.16)$$

So matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ is the right option