## STAT5030 Assignment1 Solution

- 1. It suffices to prove the null space of  $\boldsymbol{x}$  and  $\boldsymbol{x}^{\top}\boldsymbol{x}$  (as linear transformation) are equal, that is for any vector  $\boldsymbol{v}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{v}=0$  if and only if  $\boldsymbol{v}^{\top}\boldsymbol{x}^{\top}\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{v}=\|\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{v}\|_{2}^{2}=0$ .
- 2. (a) If P = -Q, then  $PXX^{\top}P^{\top} = QXX^{\top}Q^{\top}$ .
  - (b) If  $PXX^{\top} = QXX^{\top}$ , by question 1,  $(P Q)^{\top}$  is in the null space of  $XX^{\top}$  as well as the null space of  $X^{\top}$ , thus PX = QX.
- 3. Note

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^- & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{21}A_{11}^-A_{12} \end{bmatrix}.$$

By the definition of generalized inverse, it suffices to verify  $A_{21}A_{11}^-A_{12} = A_{22}$ . Since the row rank of  $[A_{11}, A_{12}]$  and A are both r, then there exists a  $(n-r)\times r$ -matrix P such that  $P[A_{11}, A_{12}] = [A_{21}, A_{22}]$ . And it can be found that  $P = A_{21}A_{11}^-$ , and  $PA_{12} = A_{22}$ .

- 4. (a) Find the Moore-Penrose inverse.
  - (b) Find a generalized inverse different from Moore-penrose inverse.
- 5. (a) Since  $(x^{\top}x)^{-}$ ,  $I_n$  and J are symmetric, then A, B, C and D are symmetric. And by the definition of matrix x, J and generalized inverse matrices, it is not hard to verify A, B, C and D are idempotent.

(b) 
$$\operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{A}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{A}) = \operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{x}) = k;$$
  
 $\operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{B}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{B}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{I_n} - \boldsymbol{A}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{I_n}) - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{A}) = n - k;$   
 $\operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{C}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{C}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{A} - \frac{1}{n}\boldsymbol{J}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{A}) - \operatorname{tr}(\frac{1}{n}\boldsymbol{J}) = k - 1;$   
 $\operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{D}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{D}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{I_n} - \frac{1}{n}\boldsymbol{J}) = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{I_n}) - \operatorname{tr}(\frac{1}{n}\boldsymbol{J}) = n - 1;$ 

6. (a) A symmetric generalized inverse for  $\mathbf{A}$  could be

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) A nonsymmetric generalized inverse for  $\boldsymbol{A}$  could be

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1/2 & -1/2 & -1 \\ -1/2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{array}\right].$$

- 7. If x is a vector such that Ax = c, then [A, c] = A[I, x] and  $\operatorname{rank}(A) \leq \operatorname{rank}([A, c]) = \operatorname{rank}(A[I, x]) \leq \operatorname{rank}(A)$ . If  $\operatorname{rank}(A) = \operatorname{rank}([A, c])$ , then the vector c can be linearly represented by the column vectors of A, that is there exists a vector x such that Ax = c.
- 8. If x is a vector such that Ax = c, then  $AA^-c = AA^-Ax = Ax = c$  by the definition of  $A^-$ . If  $AA^-c = c$  holds for any generalized inverse  $A^-$  of A, let  $x = A^-c$ , then x is a solution to the system of equations Ax = c.
- 9. By the definition of generalized inverse of A, we have  $AA^-A = A$ , which is  $A(A^-A I_p) = 0$ . If A is  $n \times p$  of rank p < n, then the column vectors of A have full rank, and the system of equations Ax = 0 has only zero solution, implying  $A^-A I_p = 0$ .
- 10. Let X be  $m \times n$ ,  $X^-$  is the corresponding generalized inverse, and r(X) = k > 0. Then:
  - (a)  $r(X^-) \ge r(XX^-X) = r(X) = k$ .
  - (b)  $X^-X$  and  $XX^-$  are idempotent.
  - (c)  $k = r(X) \ge r(X^{-}X) = r(XX^{-}) \ge r(XX^{-}X) = k$ .
  - (d)  $X^{-}X = I$  if and only if r(X) = n. (See Question 9)
  - (e)  $tr(X^{-}X) = tr(XX^{-}) = r(XX^{-}) = r(X) = k$ .
  - (f)  $X^-$  is any G-inverse of X, then  $(XX^-X)^\top = X^\top$  implying  $(X^-)^\top$  is a G-inverse of  $X^\top$ .
- 11. For  $K = X(X^{\top}X)^{-}X^{\top}$ , then:
  - (a)  $K = K^{\top}$  by question 10 (f),  $K = K^2$  (Symmetric Idempotent).
  - (b)  $r(X) \ge r(K) \ge r(X^{\mathsf{T}}KX) = r(X^{\mathsf{T}}X) = r(X) = r$ .
  - (c) It can be verified that  $(KX X)^{\top}(KX X) = 0$ .
  - (d)  $(X^{\top}X)^{-}X^{\top}$  is a G-inverse of X for any G-inverse of  $X^{\top}X$  by 11 (c).
- 12. (a) Let  $A_1^+$  and  $A_2^+$  be two Moore-Penrose inverse of A. By the definition and properties of Moore-Penrose inverse,  $AA_1^+ = (AA_2^+A)A_1^+ = (AA_2^+)(AA_1^+) = (AA_2^+)^\top (AA_1^+)^\top = (A_2^+)^\top A^\top (A_1^+)^\top A^\top = (A_2^+)^\top (AA_1^+A)^\top = (A_2^+)^\top A^\top = (AA_2^+)^\top = AA_2^+$ . And  $A_1^+A = A_2^+A$  by the similar argument. Then  $A_1^+ = A_1^+AA_1^+ = A_1^+AA_2^+ = A_2^+AA_2^+ = A_2^+$ .
  - (b)  $r(A^+) \le r(A^+AA^+) \le r(A) = r(AA^+A) \le r(A^+)$ .
  - (c) If A is symmetric idempotent, it is easy to verify that A itself satisfy the definition of Moore-Penrose inverse. By the uniqueness,  $A^+ = A$ .