

Test 2

This test is graded out of 40 marks. No books, notes, graphing calculators or cell phones are allowed. You must show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work. If you need more space for your answer use the back of the page.

Question 1. Given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 9 & 1 & 1 & 9 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 9 & 1 & 1 & 4 & 9 & 2 & 7 & 7 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 & 1 & 1 & 4 & 9 & 2 & 7 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 1 & 1 & 4 & 9 & 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 1 & 1 & 4 & 9 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 1 & 4 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 12 & 2 & 2 & 8 & 18 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} b & 2a-3b \\ d & 2c-3d \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 14 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a. (2 marks) Evaluate $\det(A)$.

$$\det(A) = 0 \quad \text{since } R_2 = 2R_1.$$

- b. (2 marks) True or false: $Ax = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution, justify?

False, by the thm TFAE (or Equivalence)
since $\det A = 0$

- c. (2 marks) Evaluate $\det(D)$.

$$D \sim R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 14 & -8 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = E \quad (-1)\det D = \det E \\ (-1)\det D = -16 \quad \det D = 16$$

- c. (2 marks) Determine the conditions on the b_i 's, if any, in order to guarantee that the system

$$D \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{There are no conditions on the } b_i \text{'s since} \\ \det D \neq 0 \text{ and by the thm. TFAE (or} \\ \text{Equivalence) the system is consistent} \\ \forall b.$$

- d. (4 marks) If $\det(C) = 5$ then determine $\det(B)$.

$$B \sim C_1 \leftrightarrow C_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} b & a \\ d & c \end{bmatrix} \sim 2C_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} b & 2a \\ d & 2c \end{bmatrix} \sim -3C_1 + C_2 \rightarrow C_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} b & 2a-3b \\ d & 2c-3d \end{bmatrix} = C$$

$$(2)(-1)\det B = \det C$$

$$\det B = \frac{5}{-2}$$

Question 2. Given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 7 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and a 4×4 matrix B such that $\det(B) = 101$.

a. (4 marks) Evaluate $\det(A)$.

$$\begin{aligned} &= a_{11}C_{11} + a_{12}C_{12} + a_{13}C_{13} + a_{14}C_{14} \\ &= 0C_{11} + C_{12} + 2C_{13} + 0C_{14} \\ &= C_{12} + 2C_{13} \\ &= (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 2(-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -1 [a_{31}C_{31} + a_{32}C_{32} + a_{33}C_{33}] + 2 [a_{31}C_{31} + a_{32}C_{32} + a_{33}C_{33}] \\ &= -[0C_{31} + 8C_{32} + 0C_{33}] + 2[0C_{31} + 7C_{32} + 0C_{33}] \\ &= -8C_{32} + 14C_{32} \\ &= +8 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - 14 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -6 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = -6 [3(6) - 4(5)] = -6 [-2] = 12 \end{aligned}$$

b. (4 marks) Evaluate $\det(2A^2B^3)$.

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2^4 \det(A^2B^3) \\ &= 2^4 \det(A^2) \det(B^3) \\ &= 16 (\det(A))^2 (\det(B))^3 \\ &= 16 (12)^2 (101)^3 \end{aligned}$$

c. (4 marks) Evaluate $\det(\text{adj}((3A^{-1})^T))$.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\det(3A^{-1})^T)^{4-1} \\ &= (\det(3A^{-1}))^3 \\ &= (3^4 \det A^{-1})^3 \\ &= (3^4)^3 \left(\frac{1}{\det A}\right)^3 \\ &= \frac{3^{12}}{(\det A)^3} = \frac{3^{12}}{(12)^3} = \frac{3^{12}}{3^3 4^3} = \frac{3^9}{4^3} \end{aligned}$$

Question 3. (5 marks) Find the inverse of A by using the adjoint of A .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A) = 1(0)(0) + 0(1)(0) + 1(0)(2) - 1(0)(0) - 2(1)(1) - 0(0)(0) = -2$$

$$C_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -2$$

$$C_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2$$

$$C_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -2$$

$$C_{31} = (-1)^{3+1} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_{32} = (-1)^{3+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

$$C_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} \text{adj}(A)$$

$$= \frac{1}{-2} [\text{matrix of cof}]^T$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

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

Question 4. A square matrix A is called *skew-symmetric* if $A^T = -A$.

a. (3 marks) Prove: If A is an invertible skew-symmetric matrix, then A^{-1} is skew-symmetric.

Premise: A is skew symmetric

$$A^T = -A$$

Conclusion: $(A^{-1})^T = -A^{-1}$

$$\text{LHS} = (A^{-1})^T$$

$$= (A^T)^{-1}$$

$$= (-A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{-1} A^{-1} = -A^{-1} = \text{RHS}$$

c. (2 marks) Prove: If A is an $n \times n$ skew-symmetric matrix where n is odd, then $\det(A) = 0$.

Premise: A is skew symmetric

$$A^T = -A$$

$$\therefore \det A = 0$$

Conclusion: $\det A = 0$

$$A^T = -A$$

$$\det(A^T) = \det(-A)$$

$$\det A = (-1)^n \det A$$

$$\det A = -\det A \text{ since } n \text{ is odd}$$

Question 5. (6 marks) Determine for which value(s) of λ , if any, the following system can be solved using Cramer's Rule.

$$\begin{array}{lcl} x - 2y + z - 2w = 5 \\ 3x - 4y + 3w = 6 \\ 5y - \lambda w = 7 \\ 2x - \lambda y - 2z = 8 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -4 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & -\lambda \\ 2 & -\lambda & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{array} \right]$$

$A \quad x = b$

Can use Cramer's Rule if $\det(A) \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= -3R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \left| \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & 9 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & -\lambda \\ 0 & -\lambda+4 & -4 & 4 \end{array} \right| \\ &= a_{11}C_{11} + a_{21}C_{21} + a_{31}C_{31} + a_{41}C_{41} \\ &= 1C_{11} + 0C_{21} + 0C_{31} + 0C_{41} \\ &= C_{11} \\ &= (-1)^{1+1} \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & -3 & 9 \\ 5 & 0 & -\lambda \\ -\lambda+4 & -4 & 4 \end{array} \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a_{21}C_{21} + a_{31}C_{31} + a_{41}C_{41} \\ &= 5C_{21} + 0C_{31} + (-\lambda)C_{41} \\ &= 5(-1)^{2+1} \left| \begin{array}{cc} -3 & 9 \\ -4 & 4 \end{array} \right| + 0 + (-\lambda)(-1)^{2+3} \left| \begin{array}{cc} 2 & -3 \\ -\lambda+4 & -4 \end{array} \right| \\ &= -5[-12 + 36] + \lambda[-8 - 3\lambda + 12] \\ &= -5[24] + \lambda[3\lambda + 4] \\ &= -3\lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 120 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda \neq \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{(4)^2 - 4(-3)(-120)}}{2(3)} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{-1424}}{6}$$

→ no λ such that $\det(A) = 0$

Bonus Question. (3 marks)

Show that

$$\det(A) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \text{tr}(A) & 1 \\ \text{tr}(A^2) & \text{tr}(A) \end{vmatrix}$$

for every 2×2 matrix A .

∴ Cramer's Rule works $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

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for every 2×2 matrix A .

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ then $A^2 = AA = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{tr}(A) = a + d$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(A^2) &= a^2 + bc + bc + d^2 \\ &= a^2 + 2bc + d^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$|A| = ad - bc$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \text{tr}A & 1 \\ \text{tr}A^2 & \text{tr}A \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \left[(\text{tr}A)^2 - \text{tr}A^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[(a+d)^2 - (a^2 + 2bc + d^2) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[a^2 + 2ad + d^2 - a^2 - 2bc - d^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [2ad - 2bc] = ad - bc = |A| \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$