

## Test 2

**Question 1.** (5 marks) Decide whether or not each of the following matrices are invertible. Explain why or why not. For each matrix that is invertible find the inverse.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & 9 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 2.** (9 marks)

a) If  $A$  is symmetric show that  $4A^2 - A^T A$  is symmetric.

b) Find the values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  for which the following matrix  $B$  is symmetric:

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & a & b \\ 6 & 9 & c^2 + 4c \\ -2 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 3.** (8 marks) Find  $\det A$  using cofactor expansion:

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

**Question 4.** (10 marks) Solve the following system using Cramer's rule:

$$\begin{aligned} 3x_1 - x_2 + x_3 &= 2 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 &= 1 \\ 5x_2 - 3x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 5.** (8 marks) Find the  $\det A$  by first reducing  $A$  to row-echelon form.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -6 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 6.** (8 marks) Given that  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  are  $2 \times 2$  matrices and that  $\det A = 3$ ,  $\det B = 5$ , and  $\det(4C) = 9$ , find:

(a)  $\det(AB^T)$

(b)  $\det((4A)^{-1}(3B))$

(c)  $\det(C)$

**Question 7.** (9 marks) Given vectors  $\vec{v} = (4, 1, 2)$ ,  $\vec{u} = (-1, 3, 2)$ ,  $\vec{w} = (-2, 0, -2)$  find:

(a)  $4\vec{v} - 2\vec{u}$

(b)  $-5(\vec{u} + 3\vec{w})$

(c)  $\|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\| - 2\|\vec{w}\|$

**Question 8.** (7 marks) Find the <sup>TERMINAL</sup> point of a vector  $\vec{u}$  with initial point  $P_1(-1, -2, 5)$  such that:

(a)  $\vec{u}$  has the same direction as  $\vec{v} = (0, 4, 3)$

(b)  $\vec{u}$  is oppositely directed to  $\vec{v} = (0, 4, 4)$ .

(c) Find the distance between  $P_1(-1, -2, 5)$  and  $P_3(2, 0, 1)$

**Bonus Question** (2 marks) Using the right-handed coordinate system draw the pyramid whose base has the points  $(0, 0, 0)$ ,  $(2, 0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 2, 0)$  and  $(2, 2, 0)$  and whose top point is  $(1, 1, 2)$ .

## TEST 2 SOLUTIONS

## LINEAR ALGEBRA 201-105-DW 04

A IS NOT INVERTABLE SINCE  $\det A = 0$

B IS NOT INVERTABLE SINCE  $c_3 = 3c_1$  ( $\det B = 0$ )

C IS INVERTABLE SINCE  $\det C = -9 \neq 0$

$$C^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2) a) WE WANT TO SHOW  $(4A^2 - ATA)^T = 4A^2 - ATA$

$$(4A^2 - ATA)^T = (4A^2)^T - (ATA)^T = 4(A^2)^T - (A^T)(A^T)^T$$

$$= 4(A^T)^2 - ATA = 4A^2 - ATA$$

AS REQUIRED  $\therefore 4A^2 - ATA$  IS SYMMETRIC

b)  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & a & b \\ 6 & 9 & c^2 + 4c \\ -2 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  IS SYMMETRIC WHEN

$$a = 6, b = -2, c^2 + 4c = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 + 4c + 4 = 0$$

$$(c+2)(c+2) = 0$$

$$\therefore c = -2$$

$$\boxed{a = 6, b = -2, c = -2}$$

$$3) \det A = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 8 & 3 & 7 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 0 + 0 - 3 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 0$$

$$= -3 \left( -(-1) \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= -3 \left( -(-4 - 6) + 2(2 - 6) \right) = -3(10 - 8)$$

$$= -6$$

4) THE SYSTEM CAN BE WRITTEN AS

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

AND SO

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det A = 3 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + 0$$

$$= 3(-3+5) - 2(3-5) = 6+4 = 10$$

$$\det A_1 = 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - (1) \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + 0$$

$$= 2(2) - (-2) = 6$$

$$\det A_2 = 0 + 0 - 3 \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = -3(3-4) = 3$$

$$\det A_3 = 0 - 5 \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 = -5(3-4) = 5$$

$$\therefore x_1 = \frac{\det A_1}{\det A} = \frac{6}{10} = \frac{3}{5}, \quad x_2 = \frac{\det A_2}{\det A} = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{\det A_3}{\det A} = \frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore (x_1, x_2, x_3) = \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{10}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -6 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 12 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow{R_1 \cdot (\frac{1}{2})} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -6 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - 3R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\xrightarrow{R_2 \cdot (-\frac{1}{6})} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 9R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \cdot (\frac{1}{6})} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = B
 \end{aligned}$$

OPERATIONS THAT AFFECT THE DETERMINANT:

$$R_1 \cdot (\frac{1}{2}), \quad R_2 \cdot (-\frac{1}{6}), \quad R_3 \cdot (\frac{1}{6})$$

$$\therefore (\frac{1}{2}) \cdot (-\frac{1}{6}) \cdot (\frac{1}{6}) \det A = \det B = 1$$

$$\therefore \det A = -72$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 6) a) \det(AB^T) &= \det A \det(B^T) = \det A \det B \\
 &= (3)(5) = 15
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 b) \det((4A)^{-1}(3B)) &= \det((4A)^{-1}) \det(3B) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\det(4A)} \cdot \det(3B) = \frac{1}{4^2 \det A} \cdot 3^2 \det B
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(16)(3)} \cdot 9(5) = \frac{15}{16}$$

$$c) \det(4C) = 9$$

$$4^2 \det C = 9$$

$$\det C = \frac{9}{16}$$

$$7a) 4\vec{v} - 2\vec{u} = 4(4, 1, 2) - 2(-1, 3, 2)$$

$$= (16, 4, 8) - (-2, 6, 4) = (18, -2, 4)$$

$$b) -5(\vec{u} + 3\vec{w}) = -5((-1, 3, 2) + 3(-2, 0, -2))$$

$$= -5(-7, 3, -4) = (35, -15, 20)$$

$$c) \|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\| - 2\|\vec{w}\| = \|(-1, 3, 2) - (4, 1, 2)\| - 2\|(-2, 0, -2)\|$$

$$= \|(-5, 2, 0)\| - 2\sqrt{(-2)^2 + 0^2 + (-2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (2)^2 + (0)^2} - 2\sqrt{4+4} = \sqrt{29} - 2\sqrt{8}$$

$$= \sqrt{29} - 4\sqrt{2}$$

8) TERMINAL POINT:  $P_2 = (x, y, z)$

$$a) (x - (-1), y - (-2), z - (5)) = (0, 2, 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1, y = 2, z = 8$$

$$\therefore P_2 = (-1, 2, 8)$$

b)  $-(0, 4, 4) = (0, -4, -4)$  IS OPPOSITELY DIRECTED TO  $(0, 4, 4)$

$$\therefore (x - (-1), y - (-2), z - (5)) = (0, -4, -4)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1, y = -6, z = 1$$

$$\therefore P_2 = (-1, -6, 1)$$

$$c) d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(2 - (-1))^2 + (0 - (-2))^2 + (1 - 5)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + (-4)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{29}$$

BONUS QUESTION:

