

Books, watches, notes or cell phones are not allowed. The only calculators allowed are the Sharp EL-531***. You must show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work.

Question 1.¹ (5 marks) Solve for the matrix X if $(D+XB)^{-1}XA = (ED)^{-1}$. Assume that all matrices are $n \times n$ and invertible as needed.

$$\begin{aligned} (D+XB)(D+XB)^{-1}XA &= (D+XB)(ED)^{-1} \\ I XA &= (D+XB)D^{-1}E^{-1} \\ XA &= DD^{-1}E^{-1} + XBD^{-1}E^{-1} \\ XA &= IE^{-1} + XBD^{-1}E^{-1} \\ XA - XBD^{-1}E^{-1} &= E^{-1} \\ X(A - BD^{-1}E^{-1}) &= E^{-1} \\ X(A - BD^{-1}E^{-1})(A - BD^{-1}E^{-1})^{-1} &= E^{-1}(A - BD^{-1}E^{-1})^{-1} \\ XI &= \text{"} \\ X &= \text{"} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2. (4 marks) Show that if A is a square matrix such that $A^k = 0$ for some positive integer k , then the matrix $I - A$ is invertible and $(I - A)^{-1} = I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1}$

Premise:

- A is square
- $A^k = 0$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

Conclusion:

- $I - A$ is invertible
- $(I - A)^{-1} = I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1}$

Let's show that $\exists B$ s.t.

① $(I - A)B = I$

② $B(I - A) = I$

Let $B = I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} (I - A)(I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1}) &= II + IA + IA^2 + \dots + IA^{k-1} - AI - AA^2 - \dots - A^k \\ &= I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1} - A - A^2 - \dots - A^k \\ &= I - A^k \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow = I$ by premise since $A^k = 0$

$$(I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1})(I - A)$$

$$= I + AI + A^2I + \dots + A^{k-1}I - IA - AA^2 - \dots - A^k$$

$$= I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1} - A - A^2 - \dots - A^k$$

$$= I - A^k$$

$= I$ by premise since $A^k = 0$

• $I - A$ is invertible and

$$(I - A)^{-1} = I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1}$$

Question 3. (3 marks) Determine whether the following statement is true or false. If the statement is false provide a counterexample. If the statement is true provide a proof of the statement.

The sum of two invertible matrices of the same size must be invertible.

False, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible since $ad - bc = 1(1) - 0(0) = 1 \neq 0$

$B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is " " " $ad - bc = (-1)(-1) - 0(0) = 1 \neq 0$

But $A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is not invertible $ad - bc = (0)(0) - (0)(0) = 0$

¹ based on a WeBWorK problem