

Q1: (a) Find the inverse of $F = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ in two different ways. Then find the inverse of $(2\sqrt{2}F)$. (8 marks)

Answer: The first way:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [F | I] &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_{13}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\xrightarrow{\substack{-2R_{12} \\ -3R_{13}}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{1R_{21} \\ -1R_{23}}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\xrightarrow{\substack{1R_{31} \\ 1R_{32}}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-1R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right] = [I | F^{-1}]
 \end{aligned}$$

The second way:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det(F) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 2 = 1 \\
 \text{adj}(F) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 F^{-1} &= \frac{1}{|F|} \text{adj}(F) = \text{adj}(F) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(2\sqrt{2}F)^{-1} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} F^{-1} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q2: Solve the following linear system By Cramer's Rule: (5 marks)

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 = 4$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 3x_3 = 2$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 = 4$$

Answer:

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} -2R_{21} \\ -1R_{23} \end{matrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 & -4 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 2(2) = 4$$

$$\det(A_1) = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} -2R_{21} \\ -2R_{23} \end{matrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = (-2) \begin{vmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -2(-10) = 20$$

$$\det(A_2) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} -2R_{21} \\ -1R_{23} \end{matrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & -4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -4(2) = -8$$

$$\det(A_3) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} -2R_{21} \\ -1R_{23} \end{matrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (2) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 2(2) = 4$$

So

$$x_1 = \frac{|A_1|}{|A|} = \frac{20}{4} = 5$$

$$x_2 = \frac{|A_2|}{|A|} = \frac{-8}{4} = -2$$

$$x_3 = \frac{|A_3|}{|A|} = \frac{4}{4} = 1$$

Q3: Let $V=\{0\}$ and define addition and scalar multiplication as follows:

$0+0=0$ and $k0=0$ for all scalars k . Show that V is a vector space. (5 marks)

Answer: Since $0+0=0 \in V$ and $k0=0 \in V$ for all scalars k , V is closed under addition and scalar multiplication. Now, for all $u, v, w \in V$ and $k, m \in \mathbb{R}$, we have:

- 1- $u+v=0+0=v+u$
- 2- $(u+v)+w=(0+0)+0=0+0=0+(0+0)=u+(v+w)$
- 3- $u+0=0+0=0+u=0=u$
- 4- $-u=0$ as $u+(-u)=0+0=0$
- 5- $k(u+v)=k(0+0)=k0=0=0+0=k0+k0=ku+kv$
- 6- $(k+m)u=(k+m)0=0=0+0=k0+m0=ku+mu$
- 7- $K(mu)=k(m0)=k0=0=(km)0=(km)u$
- 8- $1u=1(0)=0$.

Q4: In the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 , show that the vector $(2,3,4)$ is a linear combination of the vectors $(1,2,3)$ and $(1,0,-1)$. (3 marks)

Answer: Assume $(2,3,4)=a(1,2,3)+b(1,0,-1)$, where a and b are constants. So

$$\begin{aligned}
(2,3,4) &= (a,2a,3a) + (b,0,-b) = (a+b,2a,3a-b) \\
\Rightarrow a+b &= 2 \\
2a &= 3 \\
3a-b &= 4 \\
\Rightarrow a &= \frac{3}{2}, b = \frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $(2,3,4)$ is a linear combination of the vectors $(1,2,3)$ and $(1,0,-1)$.

Q5: Use the Wronskian to show that the vectors: $1, x$ and $\sin(x)$ are linearly independent in the vector space $C^\infty(-\infty, \infty)$. (2 marks)

Answer: As

$$\begin{aligned}
W(x) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & \sin(x) \\ 0 & 1 & \cos(x) \\ 0 & 0 & -\sin(x) \end{vmatrix} = -\sin(x) \\
W\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) &= -\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -1 \neq 0
\end{aligned}$$

So the vectors $1, x$ and $\sin(x)$ are linearly independent.

Q6: (a) Prove that if a square matrix A has a row of zeros, then $|A|=0$. (1 mark)

Answer: Suppose A is of order n and the row of zeros is the row number i .

Computing the determinant using the cofactor expansion, we get that:

$$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} C_{ij} = \sum_{j=1}^n 0 C_{ij} = 0$$

(b) Show that if A is a symmetric matrix, then A^2 is symmetric. (1 mark)

Answer: $(A^2)^T = (AA)^T = A^T A^T = AA = A^2$,

or

Since A is symmetric and commutes with itself, then $AA = A^2$ is symmetric.

(c) Prove that if A is an invertible symmetric matrix, then A^{-1} is symmetric.

(1 mark)

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

(d) If A is an invertible matrix of size 3×3 and $|A|=2$, then find $|2((A^T)^2)^{-1}|$.

(2 marks)

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| 2 \left((A^T)^2 \right)^{-1} \right| &= 2^3 \left| \left((A^T)^2 \right)^{-1} \right| = 8 \times \frac{1}{\left| (A^T)^2 \right|} \\ &= \frac{8}{|A^T|^2} = \frac{8}{|A|^2} = \frac{8}{2^2} = \frac{8}{4} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

(e) Prove that the solution set W of a homogeneous linear system $Ax = \mathbf{0}$ of m equations in n unknowns is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . (2 marks)

Answer: 1- Since $A\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$, so $\mathbf{0} \in W \neq \emptyset$.

2- If $x, y \in W$, then they are solutions of the system. So:

$A(x+y) = Ax + Ay = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$ and $x+y \in W$.

3- If $x \in W$, $k \in \mathbb{R}$, then $A(kx) = k(Ax) = k\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$ and $kx \in W$.

1, 2 and 3 implies that W a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .