

MID TERM I EXAMINATION, SEM. I, 2025
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Q1. [4] 5

Solve the system of linear equations by Gaussian elimination method:

$$3x + 8y + 2z = -5$$

$$2x + 5y - 3z = 0$$

$$x + 2y - 2z = -1$$

Q2. [3+2=5]

Let

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

(i) Use elementary row operations to determine A^{-1} .

(ii) Use A^{-1} to compute $(A^T)^{-1}$.

Q3. [3+2=5]

(a) Find all values of x and y for which the following matrix A is symmetric.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & x+2y & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -2x-3y \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Let A and B be square matrices of the same size such that A is symmetric and invertible. Show that $BA^{-1}B^T$ is symmetric.

Q4. [2+2+2=6]

If

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

then show whether the given matrix is invertible, and if so, find adjoint of A . Also, find $\det(A^{-1})$.

Q5. [5] 4

Use Cramer's Rule to solve the following linear system

$$x + y = 1$$

$$x + 2y + z = -1$$

$$x + 3y - z = 2.$$

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Q1. [3+2=5]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 8 & 2 & -5 \\ 2 & 5 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow x = -1 - 2y + 2z$, $y = 2 - z$, $z = -1$. Hence by back substitution, we get $z = -1$, $y = 3$ and $x = -9$.

Q2. [3+2=5]

Considering the form $(A|I)$, we have the following

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1/8 & 1/8 & 3/8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 4/8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3/8 & -3/8 & -1/8 \end{pmatrix}$$

which is in the form $(I|A^{-1})$, where

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{8} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 3 & -3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T = \frac{1}{8} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & -3 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q3. [3+2=5]

(a) Due to symmetry, we must have $x + 2y = -1$ and $-2x - 3y = 4$. Solving for x and y one obtains $x = -5$ and $y = 2$.

(b) We have $(BA^{-1}B^T)^T = (B^T)^T(A^{-1})^TB^T = BA^{-1}B^T$, as A is symmetric.

Q 4. [1+2+2+1=6]

Since $\det(A) = -3$, A is invertible. The matrix of the cofactors is given by

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and hence

$$\text{adj}(A) = C^T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)} = -\frac{1}{3}.$$

Q 5. [1+1+1+1=4]

We have $|A| = -3$, $|A_1| = -4$, $|A_2| = 1$, $|A_3| = 5$. Hence applying Cramer's rule, we get $x = \frac{|A_1|}{|A|} = \frac{4}{3}$, $y = \frac{|A_2|}{|A|} = -\frac{1}{3}$, $z = \frac{|A_3|}{|A|} = -\frac{5}{3}$