

Q1: If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, then find the following:

(a) $\det(A)$ (2 marks)

(b) $BB^T + I_2$ (2 marks)

(c) $\text{tr}(A^2)$ (3 marks)

(d) $\text{adj}(A)$ **in details** (4 marks)

Q2: Find the inverse of the following matrix by using elementary row operations: (4 marks)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q3: Solve the following linear system By Gaussian elimination: (4 marks)

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

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

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

Q4: (a) Prove that if a square matrix A has a row of zeros, then $|A|=0$.

(1 mark)

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

(1 mark)

(c) If A is a 2×2 matrix such that $\det(A)=2$, then find $|2AA^T A^{-1}|$ (2 marks)

(d) Solve the following system by Cramer's rule:

$$x_1 + 2bx_2 - 3cx_3 = 1$$

$$x_1 + ax_2 + 3dx_3 = 1$$

$$x_1 + mx_2 + nx_3 = 1$$

Where the coefficient matrix of the system is invertible. (2 marks)

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Q1(a):

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{13}]{(-1)R_{12}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(-1)(-2) = 2$$

Q1(b):

$$\begin{aligned} BB^T + I_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 38 & 19 \\ 19 & 13 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 39 & 19 \\ 19 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Q1(c):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(A^2) &= \text{tr}(AA) = \text{tr} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \text{tr} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 4 + 2 + 3 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

Q1(d):

Adjoint A is equal to the transpose of the matrix of cofactors C from A , where

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & C_{23} \\ C_{31} & C_{32} & C_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Such that

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

$$C_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^3(-1) = 1$$

$$C_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^4(1) = 1$$

$$C_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^3(-2) = 2$$

$$C_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^4(-2) = -2$$

$$C_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^5(0) = 0$$

$$C_{31} = (-1)^{3+1} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^4(1) = 1$$

$$C_{32} = (-1)^{3+2} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^5(-1) = 1$$

$$C_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^6(-1) = -1$$

So

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

and then

$$\text{adj}(A) = C^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q2:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [A | I] &= \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{(-1)R_{12} \\ (-1)R_{13} \\ (-1)R_{14}}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\xrightarrow{(-2)R_{21}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 4 & 3 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-3)R_{31}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 6 & -2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\xrightarrow{(-4)R_{41}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 10 & -2 & -3 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] = [I | A^{-1}] \\
 &A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -2 & -3 & -4 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q3:

We will solve the system by reducing the augmented matrix of the system in the row echelon form (R.E.F.) and then solving the corresponding system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [A | b] &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 4 & -2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\xrightarrow{\substack{(-1)R_{12} \\ (-1)R_{13}}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-1)R_{23}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
 &\Rightarrow x_1 = 2 - 2x_2 + x_3, x_2 = -4x_3, x_3 = 1 \\
 &\Rightarrow x_2 = -4(1) = -4, x_1 = 2 - 2(-4) + 1 = 2 + 8 + 1 = 11
 \end{aligned}$$

Q4(a):

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:

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

Q4(b):

From a theorem, we have that

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

But A is symmetric, so

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

Hence

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

$$\text{Q4(c): } |2AA^T A^{-1}| = 2^2 |A| |A^T| |A^{-1}| = 4 |A| |A| |A|^{-1} = 4 |A| = 4(2) = 8$$

Q4(d): Observe that:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2b & -3c \\ 1 & a & 3d \\ 1 & m & n \end{bmatrix}, A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2b & -3c \\ 1 & a & 3d \\ 1 & m & n \end{bmatrix} = A, A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3c \\ 1 & 1 & 3d \\ 1 & 1 & n \end{bmatrix}, A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2b & 1 \\ 1 & a & 1 \\ 1 & m & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| \neq 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{|A_1|}{|A|} = 1, x_2 = \frac{|A_2|}{|A|} = \frac{0}{|A|} = 0, x_3 = \frac{|A_3|}{|A|} = \frac{0}{|A|} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1, x_2, x_3) = (1, 0, 0)$$