

1) (20 points) For the matrix: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -k & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & k & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 & k-1 \end{pmatrix}$.

a) (14 points) Find the determinant of A .

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -k & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & k & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 & k-1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & -k-1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k+1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k-1-2 \end{vmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{we did:} \\ R_2 = R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 = R_3 - R_1 \\ R_4 = R_4 - 2R_1 \end{array}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & -k-1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k+1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k-5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1 \cdot (-k-1) (k+1) (k-5)$$

$$= -(k+1)^2 (k-5)$$

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b) (6 points) Find the value(s) of k for which A is invertible.

A is invertible $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$

$$-(k+1)^2 (k-5) \neq 0$$

$$k = -1 \text{ or } k = 5$$

$$k+1 = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \boxed{k = -1}$$

$$k-5 = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \boxed{k = 5}$$

2) (14 points)

a) Show that Cramer's rule can be applied to solve the following system:

$$x + y + z = 2$$

$$x - y + z = 0$$

$$x - y - z = -2$$

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

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$\det A = 4 \neq 0$, then Cramer's rule can be applied

$$= (1 \cdot (-1) \cdot (-1) - (-1) \cdot (1)) - ((-1) \cdot (1) - (1) \cdot (1)) + ((1) \cdot (-1) - (-1) \cdot (1))$$

$$= 1 + 1 - (-1 - 1) + (-1) + 1 = 4 \neq 0$$

b) Solve only for x .

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A_1) = 2 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} + (-2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(1 + 1) + (-2)(1 + 1)$$

$$= 4 + (-4) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{\det(A_1)}{\det(A)} = \frac{0}{4} = 0$$

3) (10 points) Without directly evaluating, show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & 3 & b+c+d \\ b & 3 & a+c+d \\ c & 3 & b+a+d \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & b+c+d \\ 3 & a+c+d \\ 3 & b+a+d \end{vmatrix} = 3 \begin{vmatrix} a & 1 & b+c+d \\ b & 1 & a+c+d \\ c & 1 & b+a+d \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3 \left[-1 [b(b+a+d) - c(a+c+d)] + 1 [a(b+a+d) - c(b+c+d)] - 1 [a(a+c+d) - b(b+c+d)] \right]$$

$$= 3 \left(-b^2 - ab - bd + ac + c^2 + cd + ab + a^2 - ad - cb - c^2 - cd - a^2 - ac - ad + b^2 + bc + bd \right)$$

$$= (3) \cdot 0 = 0$$

- 4) (36 points) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. Prove each of the following.
- a) If A is upper triangular, then $|A| = a_{11}a_{22} \dots a_{nn}$ by using the combinatorial approach.

A is upper triangular $\Leftrightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow |A| = a_{11} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11} \cdot a_{22} \cdot a_{33}$$

and so does if it is $n \times n$

$$|A| = a_{11} \cdot a_{22} \cdot a_{33} \dots a_{nn}$$

- b) If A is invertible, then $\det(\text{adj}(A)) = [\det(A)]^{n-1}$.

A invertible $\Leftrightarrow \det A \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} \cdot \text{adj}(A)$

$$\text{adj}(A) = \det A \cdot A^{-1}$$

$$\det(\text{adj}(A)) = \det(\det A \cdot A^{-1}) = \det(\det A) \cdot \det(A^{-1})$$

$$= |\det A|^n \cdot \frac{1}{|\det A|}$$

$$\det(\text{adj}(A)) = |\det A|^{n-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \det(\text{adj}(A)) = [\det(A)]^{n-1}$$

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

- c) If $A^2 = A$, then $|A| = 0$ or $|A| = 1$.

$$A^2 = A \Leftrightarrow \det(A^2) = \det(A)$$

$$\det(A \cdot A) = \det(A)$$

$$\det(A) \cdot \det(A) = \det(A)$$

$$|A| \cdot |A| - |A| = 0$$

$$|A|(|A| - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|A| = 0} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{|A| = 1}$$

d) If A is invertible, then A^4 cannot be equal to the zero matrix.

A is invertible $\Rightarrow \det A \neq 0$

$$\det A^4 = |A \cdot A \cdot A \cdot A| = |A| \cdot |A| \cdot |A| \cdot |A| \neq 0 \quad \checkmark$$

so ~~det A~~ so A^4 cannot be equal to the zero matrix because a zero matrix has a determinant equal to 0.

e) If $|A| = 1$ and all entries in A are integers, then all entries in A^{-1} are integers.

Since if $|A| = 1$ and all entries in A are integers, then all entries in A^{-1} are integers because the cofactors of A will be integers and the $\text{adj}(A)$ will have all entries integers and $\det(A)$ is an integer $\checkmark$
and $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \cdot \text{adj}(A)$ in which all entries of $\text{adj}(A)$ are integers.

f) If B is an $n \times n$ matrix, then $|AB| = |A||B|$.

$$|AB| = |A| \cdot |B| \quad \checkmark$$

2 cases :

① if A is not invertible, then $\det A = 0$ and then $\det(A) \cdot \det(B) = 0 \Rightarrow \det(A) = \det(B) = 0$ and $\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$
 $|AB| = |A| \cdot |B|$

② if A is invertible, then $\det A \neq 0$ $\checkmark$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= E_1 \cdot E_2 \cdot \dots \cdot E_k \\ \det(AB) &= \det(E_1 \cdot E_2 \cdot E_3 \cdot \dots \cdot E_k \cdot B) \\ &= \det E_1 \cdot \det E_2 \cdot \dots \cdot \det E_k \cdot |B| \\ &= |E_1| \cdot |E_2| \cdot \dots \cdot |E_k| \cdot |B| \end{aligned}$$

5) (20 points) Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$, the set of all pairs of real numbers, with the operations:

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2 + 1)$$

$$k \circ (x, y) = (kx, y)$$

Check all 10 axioms that must hold for V to be a vector space, and determine which axioms are true and which are false. Then determine whether or not V is a vector space.

AXIOM 1: $u + v = (x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2 + 1)$
 true ✓
 it is a vector space.

AXIOM 2: $u + v \stackrel{?}{=} v + u$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2 + 1) \\ &= (x_2 + x_1, y_2 + y_1 + 1) = (x_2, y_2) + (x_1, y_1) \end{aligned}$$

 true ✓
 vector space.

AXIOM 3: $u + (v + w) \stackrel{?}{=} (u + v) + w$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x_1, y_1) + ((x_2, y_2) + (x_3, y_3)) = (x_1, y_1) + (x_2 + x_3, y_2 + y_3 + 1) \\ &= (x_1 + x_2 + x_3, y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + 2) \\ &= ((x_1 + x_2), y_1 + y_2 + 1) + (x_3, y_3) = (x_1 + x_2 + x_3, y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + 2) \end{aligned}$$

 true ✓
 vector space.

AXIOM 4 0 vector

Let $0(x_2, y_2)$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 + u &= u \\ (x_2, y_2) + (x_1, y_1) &= (x_1, y_1) \\ (x_2 + x_1, y_2 + y_1 + 1) &= (x_1, y_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = 0$$

$$y_2 + 1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow y_2 = -1 \quad \checkmark \Rightarrow 0(0, -1)$$

$$(0, -1) + (x_1, y_1) = (0 + x_1, y_1 - 1 + 1) = (x_1, y_1)$$

AXIOM 5: Let $-u = (-x_1, -y_1)$

$$-u + u = 0 \Rightarrow (x_2, y_2) + (x_1, y_1) = (0, -1)$$

$$(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2 + 1) = (0, -1)$$

$$x_1 + x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = -x_1$$

$$y_1 + y_2 + 1 = -1 \Rightarrow y_2 = -2 - y_1$$

$$\Rightarrow -u(-x_1, -2 - y_1)$$

$$-u + u = (-x_1, -2 - y_1) + (x_1, y_1) = (-x_1 + x_1, -2 - y_1 + y_1 + 1) = (0, -1) \rightarrow \text{Zero Vector}$$

true Vector Space

AXIOM 6: $Ku = K(x_1, y_1) = (Kx_1, y_1)$

✓ true Vector Space.

AXIOM 7: $K(u + v)$

$$\begin{aligned} & K(u + v) \\ &= K((x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2)) \\ &= K((x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2 + 1)) \\ &= (Kx_1 + Kx_2, y_1 + y_2 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & Ku + Kv \\ &= K(x_1, y_1) + K(x_2, y_2) \\ &= (Kx_1, y_1) + (Kx_2, y_2) \\ &= (Kx_1 + Kx_2, y_1 + y_2 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

true

Vector space.

AXIOM 8: $(K + m)u$

$$\begin{aligned} & (K + m)u \\ &= (K + m)(x_1, y_1) \\ &= ((K + m)x_1, y_1) \\ &= (Kx_1 + mx_1, y_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & Ku + mu \\ &= K(x_1, y_1) + m(x_1, y_1) \\ &= (Kx_1, y_1) + (mx_1, y_1) \\ &= (Kx_1 + mx_1, 2y_1 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

False

It fails

Not Vector Space

AXIOM 9: $K(mu)$

$$\begin{aligned} & K(mu) \\ &= K(m(x_1, y_1)) \\ &= K(mx_1, y_1) \end{aligned}$$

true Vector Space

AXIOM 10 : $1 \cdot u = u$
 $1 \cdot (x_1, y_1) = (x_1, y_1)$

true

Vector Space

Is it or not a vector space?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$2(1) + 1(-1) + (-2)(-2) = 2 - 1 + 4 = 5$