

1. (10 points) Below are six statements about $n \times n$ **invertible** matrices A and B . Circle TRUE or FALSE. Provide a counterexample for each *false* statement. (You **do not need** to justify the *true* statements.) Each part is worth 2 points.

(a) TRUE FALSE $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$.

(b) TRUE FALSE $\det((AB)^T) = \det A \det B$.

$$\begin{aligned} \det((AB)^T) &= \det(B^T A^T) = \det B^T \cdot \det A^T \\ &= \det B \cdot \det A = \det A \cdot \det B \end{aligned}$$

(c) TRUE FALSE $A + B$ must be nonsingular.

$$n=1 \quad A = (1), \quad B = (-1), \quad A + B = (0)$$

(d) TRUE FALSE $\text{rank}(AB) = n$.

$$\begin{aligned} A, B \text{ invertible} &\Rightarrow AB \text{ invertible} \\ &\Rightarrow \text{rank}(AB) = n \end{aligned}$$

(e) TRUE FALSE $\ker A = \{0\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} A\vec{x} = \vec{0} &\text{ has a unique solution,} \\ \text{b/c } A &\text{ is nonsingular (invertible).} \end{aligned}$$

2. (15 points) Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & a & -1 \\ a & 1 & a \end{pmatrix},$$

for an arbitrary number $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

(a) (8 points) For what values of a is A regular? For these values of a , write down an LU factorization of A . Why doesn't your formula make sense for other values of a ?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & a & -1 \\ a & 1 & a \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{-(1)+(2) \\ -a(1)+(3)}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & a & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{-\frac{1}{a}(2)+(3) \\ a \neq 0}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & a & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{a} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, A is regular, iff $a \neq 0$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ a & 1 & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & a & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{a} \end{pmatrix}$$

This formula does not make sense for $a=0$, because it ~~contains~~ would contain division by 0.

(b) (7 points) For what values of a is A nonsingular but not regular? For each of these values of a , write down a permuted LU factorization of A .

For $a=0$ A is not regular by (a).

For $a=0$ ~~$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{swap}(2,3)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$~~

as above in (a)

$$A \downarrow \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{swap}(2,3)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(row-reduced form)

nonsingular,
b/c diagonal entries
are all non zero

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

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3. (10 points) For a given $n \geq 2$, let $\mathcal{P}^{(n)}$ be the vector space of all polynomial functions of degree less than or equal to n , with addition and scalar multiplication defined in the standard way.
- (a) (5 points) Let V be the set of polynomials $p(x)$ in $\mathcal{P}^{(n)}$ such that $p(2) = 0$. For example, $x - 2 \in V$, whereas $x^2 + 1$ is not. Is V a vector subspace of $\mathcal{P}^{(n)}$? Justify your answer.

$$p_1, p_2 \in V \Rightarrow \overset{(p_1+p_2)(2)}{=} p_1(2) + p_2(2) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$p \in V, c \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow (cp)(2) = c \cdot p(2) = c \cdot 0 = 0$$

V is a subspace

- (b) (5 points) Let W be the subset of $\mathcal{P}^{(n)}$ consisting of all polynomials of even degree and the zero polynomial. For instance, $1 + x + x^2$ is in W , whereas $1 + x$ is not. Is W a vector subspace of $\mathcal{P}^{(n)}$? Justify your answer.

No: $(1 + z + z^2) + (1 + z - z^2) = 2 + 2z$ is of odd degree

4. (15 points) Let A be a 4×5 matrix. Suppose another student, with whom you are working on the fundamental subspaces of A , claims to have found bases for the image and cokernel of A , namely

$$\text{img } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

and

$$\text{coker } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Looking closer at these answers, you can tell that some things do not match.

- (a) (7 points) Find **two** reasons why the other student is wrong, i.e., identify **two** features of these bases that exclude them from being bases of the image and cokernel of one and the same matrix.

(1) $\dim \text{img } A = \text{rank } A = r = 2$ $A^{m \times n}, m=4, n=5$
 $\dim \text{coker } A = m - r = 4 - 2 \neq 3$ (Fund. Thm. of Linear Algebra)

(2) If $\vec{z} \in \text{coker } A$, then $A^T \vec{z} = \vec{0}$, i.e., (every column of A)^T $\cdot \vec{z} = 0$. Then every ~~linear combination~~ vector from the column space of A ~~img~~ $\text{img } A$ of A multiplies by \vec{z} to ~~the~~ $\vec{0}$.

But $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \neq 0$

- (b) (8 points) After taking up the problem yourself, you find that the original basis for the cokernel is correct, but the previously calculated image is wrong. Find a correct basis for the image. *Hint:* Figure out the expected dimension of $\text{img } A$ first.

If $\dim \text{coker } A = m - r = 3$, then

$r = 4 - 3 = 1$ and $\dim \text{img } A = r = 1$.

Thus, all vectors of $\text{img } A$ are scalar multiples of each other. ~~For~~ By above, they all multiply to 0 with all vectors, ~~including~~ vector from $\text{coker } A$.

Thus, we are solving the system $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ or equivalently

Or just write that $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ + $\vec{v} \in \text{coker } A$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_4 = 0 \\ x_3 \text{ free} \\ x_3 = 1 \\ x_2 + x_3 = 0 \end{array}$$

$x_2 = -1, 2x_1 - 2 = 0, x_1 = 1$
 Answer: $\{(1, -1, 1, 0)\}$

5. (10 points)

(a) (8 points) Is the following matrix positive definite?

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1) K^T = K$$

~~(2)~~

$$(2) \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{(1)+(2)} \\ \xrightarrow{-3(1)+(3)} \end{matrix} K \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-(2)+(3)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$K = LDL^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & +1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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The diagonal entries of D are 1, 2, 1 > 0.
Thus K is positive definite.

(b) (2 points) Does the expression $\langle x, y \rangle = x^T K y$ define an inner product on \mathbb{R}^3 ? Why or why not?

$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \vec{x}^T K \vec{y}$ defines an inner product, iff $K > 0$. Thus, $\vec{x}^T K \vec{y}$ defines an inner product on \mathbb{R}^3 .