

Quiz 7, Linear

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1. (3 points) The set $M_{2 \times 2}$ is the vector space of all two-by-two matrices with the standard operations of addition and scalar multiplication. Determine if the subset H of all matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$ is a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$.

• Zero vector: let $a=b=d=0$, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is in H . ✓

• Addition: $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} s & t \\ 0 & v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+s & b+t \\ 0 & d+v \end{bmatrix}$ is in H ✓

• Scalar Mult:

$c \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ca & cb \\ 0 & cd \end{bmatrix}$ is in H ✓

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2. (4 points) Although a matrix A is not necessarily square, the matrices $A^T A$ and AA^T are always square. Justify that in general $\det(A^T A) \neq (\det AA^T)$ by doing the following: Let

$A = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$. Choose easy values for a, b , and c and then calculate $\det(A^T A)$ and $\det(AA^T)$.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T A = [1 \ 0 \ 2] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = [1^2 + 0^2 + 2^2] = [5]$$

$$\det(A^T A) = 5$$

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$$AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot [1 \ 0 \ 2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\det(AA^T) = 0$ because it has a row of zeros.

So $\det(A^T A) \neq \det(AA^T)$

3. (3 points) Find an explicit description of $\text{Nul } A$ by listing vectors that span the null space if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -3 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_4 = 0$$

$$x_3 - 7x_4 = 0$$

$$x_5 = 0$$

$$x_2 = x_2$$

$$x_4 = x_4$$

$$x_1 = 3x_2 - 2x_4$$

$$x_2 = x_2 + 0$$

$$x_3 = 0 + 7x_4$$

$$x_4 = 0 + x_4$$

$$x_5 = 0 + 0$$

$$x = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 7 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 7 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ span the null space.