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Exercise 1 Find a row equivalent matrix in the standard form for the following matrix :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & -4 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & -2 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7/2 & 5/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Exercise 2 By using elementary row operations, find the inverse for the following matrix :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 8 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{One has} \quad \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 8 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \sim \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\sim \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 7 & -5 & 1 \end{array} \right) \sim \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 10 & -6 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -7 & 5 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

The inverse is
$$\underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 10 & -6 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -7 & 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix}}}$$

Exercise 3 In terms of the coefficients a_{ij} of a matrix $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$, write down the explicit conditions for A to be

1. diagonal : $a_{ij} = 0$ whenever $i \neq j$
2. upper-triangular : $a_{ij} = 0$ whenever $i > j$
3. skew-symmetric : $a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$ for any i, j .

Exercise 4 Consider the following matrices in $M_2(\mathbb{R})$: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and briefly answer the following questions:

1. Are these matrices linearly independent? Yes, one has

$$\lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = -\lambda_3 \\ \lambda_1 = -\lambda_3 \\ \lambda_2 = 0 \\ \lambda_2 = -\lambda_3 \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0$ is the only solution.

2. What is the dimension of $\text{Vect} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$? 3

3. What is the dimension of $M_2(\mathbb{R})$? 4

Exercise 5 For which values of the constant k is the following matrix invertible (don't compute explicitly the inverse but justify your answer)?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & k \\ 0 & 1 & k^2+1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & k-1 \\ 0 & 1 & k^2+1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & k-1 \\ 0 & 0 & k^2-k+2 \end{pmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow this upper-triangular matrix is always invertible since $k^2 - k + 2 = \left(k - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{7}{4} > 0$.

Indeed an upper-triangular matrix with no 0 on its diagonal is invertible, and thus the original matrix is now equivalent to an invertible matrix.

Exercise 6 We consider the set $C(\mathbb{R})$ of all continuous real functions on \mathbb{R} . Let $P : C(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow C(\mathbb{R})$ be the map sending any $f \in C(\mathbb{R})$ to $Pf \in C(\mathbb{R})$ with

$$[Pf](x) = \frac{1}{2}(f(x) + f(-x)) \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

1. Is P a linear map? (Justify your answer) **Yes, because**

$$\begin{aligned} [P(f+g)](x) &= \frac{1}{2}(f(x) + g(x)) + \frac{1}{2}(f(-x) + g(-x)) = \frac{1}{2}(f(x) + f(-x)) + \frac{1}{2}(g(x) + g(-x)) \\ &= (Pf)(x) + (Pg)(x). \end{aligned}$$

Since x is arbitrary, $P(f+g) = Pf + Pg$.

Similarly, $(P(\lambda f))(x) = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda f(x) + \lambda f(-x)) = \lambda \frac{1}{2}(f(x) + f(-x)) = \lambda(Pf)(x)$.

Since x is arbitrary, one gets $P(\lambda f) = \lambda Pf$.

2. What is $\text{Ker}(P)$?

$$f \in \text{Ker}(P) \Leftrightarrow (Pf)(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \Leftrightarrow f(x) = -f(-x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } \text{Ker}(P) &= \{ f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid f(x) = -f(-x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \} \\ &= \{ f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid f \text{ is an odd function} \} \end{aligned}$$

3. What is $\text{Ran}(P)$?

Observe that $(Pf)(x) = \frac{1}{2}(f(x) + f(-x)) = (Pf)(-x)$.

Thus Pf is an even function, which means that $\text{Ran}(P) \subseteq \{\text{even functions}\}$. To show that $\text{Ran}(P) = \{g \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid g \text{ is even}\}$, it is sufficient to observe that if g is even, then $Pg = g$. Thus, any even function is in the range of P .

4. What can you say about P^2 , with $P^2 f = P(Pf)$

By the previous observation, one gets

$$P^2 f = \underbrace{P(Pf)}_{\text{even}} = Pf \quad \Rightarrow \quad P^2 = P.$$