

## Musterlösung Serie 12

1. For each of the following matrices, determine whether or not it is invertible, and if it is compute its inverse.

(a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & -3 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & -2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

*Lösung:*

- (a) This matrix is of rank 1 since the first row is equal to the second and to the third. Therefore it cannot be transformed into the identity using elementary row-operations and it isn't invertible.

(b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 4/5 & -1/5 & -1/5 & -1/5 \\ -1/5 & 4/5 & -1/5 & -1/5 \\ -1/5 & -1/5 & 4/5 & -1/5 \\ -1/5 & -1/5 & -1/5 & 4/5 \end{pmatrix}$

(d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 35/11 & -16/11 & 13/11 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 10/11 & -3/11 & 10/11 & -1 \\ -16/11 & 7/11 & -5/11 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

2. Show that a square matrix  $A$  is invertible if and only if its transpose  $A^T$  is invertible. Moreover, show that in that case we have  $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$ .

*Lösung:* We already know for all quadratic matrices  $A$  and  $B$  of the same size, the equation  $(A \cdot B)^T = B^T \cdot A^T$  is satisfied.

First, assume that  $A$  is invertible with inverse  $A^{-1}$ . Then:

$$A^T \cdot (A^{-1})^T = (A^{-1} \cdot A)^T = I^T = I,$$

$$(A^{-1})^T \cdot A^T = (A \cdot A^{-1})^T = I^T = I.$$

Therefore, the matrix  $A^T$  is invertible with inverse  $(A^{-1})^T$  and we have  $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$ .

Second, assume  $A^T$  is invertible. We proved in the lecture  $(A^T)^T = A$ . Going through the first case with  $A^T$  instead of  $A$  yields that  $(A^T)^T = A$  is invertible.

3. (a) Let  $V, W$  be two  $n$ -dimensional vector spaces over a field  $K$ . Let  $S \in \text{Hom}(V, W)$  and  $T \in \text{Hom}(W, V)$  such that  $T \circ S = \text{Id}_V$ . Show that  $S$  is invertible and  $T$  is the inverse of  $S$ .
- (b) Let  $A, B \in M_{n \times n}(K)$  such that  $A \cdot B = I_n$ . Show that  $A$  is invertible with inverse  $B$ .

*Lösung:*

- (a) Since  $S$  admits a left-sided inverse, it is injective. Since  $W$  is finite-dimensional, this implies that  $S$  is surjective. Since  $T$  admits a right-sided inverse, it is surjective. So, it is injective as  $V$  is finite-dimensional. This shows that both  $S$  and  $T$  are isomorphisms, and therefore that they are invertible. Note that for any  $w \in W$ , there exists a unique  $v \in V$  such that  $S(v) = w$ . Hence

$$S \circ T(w) = S \circ T(S(v)) = S(v) = w.$$

So,

$$T \circ S = \text{Id}_V \quad \text{and} \quad S \circ T = \text{Id}_W,$$

which implies that  $T$  is the inverse of  $S$  by definition.

- (b)  $A$ , respectively  $B$ , defines a linear map  $T_A : K_{\text{col}}^n \rightarrow K_{\text{col}}^n$ ,  $v \mapsto A \cdot v$ , respectively  $T_B : K_{\text{col}}^n \rightarrow K_{\text{col}}^n$ ,  $v \mapsto B \cdot v$ . Since  $A \cdot B = I_n$ , for any  $w \in K_{\text{col}}^n$  we have

$$T_A \circ T_B(w) = T_A(B \cdot w) = A \cdot (B \cdot w) = (A \cdot B) \cdot w = w.$$

So,  $T_A \circ T_B = \text{Id}_{K_{\text{col}}^n}$  and by (a), we obtain that  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  are invertible and are the inverse of each other. Equivalently

$$B \cdot A = A \cdot B = I_n,$$

so  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible with  $B = A^{-1}$ .

4. Consider  $n \times n$ -matrices  $A$  and  $B$  over  $K$ .

(a) Show: If  $A$  or  $B$  is invertible, then  $AB$  and  $BA$  are similar.

(b) Does this also hold true without the condition in (a)?

*Lösung:* (a) If  $A$  is invertible, then  $AB = A(BA)A^{-1}$  is similar to  $BA$ . Likewise, if  $B$  is invertible, then  $BA = B(AB)B^{-1}$  is similar to  $AB$ .

(b) For  $A := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  we have  $AB = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $BA = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . As the zeromatrix is only similar to itself, this is a counterexample.

5. Determine with the help of Gaussian elimination, for which values of  $\alpha$  the following matrix over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is invertible:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 & -2\alpha \\ -6 & 2 & 1 & \alpha^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

*Lösung:* Gaussian elimination yields the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & -5 & 6 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha^2 - \alpha \end{pmatrix},$$

which is invertible if and only if the original matrix is invertible. As a triangular matrix is invertible if and only if it has non-zero diagonal entries, it follows that the original matrix is invertible if and only if

$$\alpha^2 - \alpha = \alpha(\alpha - 1) \neq 0.$$

This is equivalent to  $\alpha \notin \{0, 1\}$ .

6. Prove the following:

**Theorem.** (*Bruhat-Decomposition*) For every invertible matrix  $A$  there exists a permutation matrix  $P$ , i.e. a matrix which has exactly one non-zero, which equals 1, in every column and every row, and invertible upper triangular matrices  $B$  and  $B'$ , such that

$$A = BPB'.$$

*Hint:* Choose an invertible upper triangular matrix  $U$ , such that the sum of the number of leading zeros in all rows of  $UA$  is maximal. Then find a permutation matrix  $Q$ , such that  $QUA$  is an invertible upper triangular matrix.

Multiplying a matrix  $A$  on the left by a permutation matrix  $P$  permutes the rows of  $A$ . For example, if  $P$  has a 1 at index  $(i, j)$ , the  $j$ -th line of  $A$  will become the  $i$ -th line of  $PA$ .

*Lösung:* For every invertible upper triangular matrix  $U$  we consider the sum of the number of leading zeros of all rows of  $UA$ . This sum is bounded by the number of entries of  $A$ , and hence we can choose an invertible upper triangular matrix  $U$  which minimises this sum.

*Claim.* The numbers of leading zeros of the rows of  $UA$  are pairwise different.

*Proof.* Assume that the claim is false for the  $i$ -th and  $j$ -th row with  $i < j$ . Then the first non-zero entry of these rows is in the same column. We subtract a suitable multiple of the  $j$ -th row from the  $i$ -th row. The  $i$ -th row of the resulting matrix has at least one leading zero more. This row operation corresponds to left multiplication with an invertible upper triangular matrix of the form  $T = I_m + \lambda E_{ij}$ . As the other rows are unchanged, the sum of the leading zeros of  $TUA$  is greater than the one of  $UA$ . As  $TU$  also is an invertible upper triangular matrix, this is a contradiction to the maximised choice of  $U$ .  $\square$

The claim yields that we can transform  $UA$  into an upper triangular matrix  $B'$  by left multiplication with a permutation matrix  $Q$ . In other words, we have  $QUA = B'$ . As  $Q$ ,  $U$  and  $A$  are invertible, so is  $B'$ . The inverse of a permutation matrix is again a permutation matrix and the inverse of an upper triangular matrix is again an upper triangular matrix. Hence with  $P := Q^{-1}$  and  $B := U^{-1}$  we get the equation  $A = BPB'$  of the desired form.

**Single Choice.** In each exercise, exactly one answer is correct.

1. Which assertion is not always satisfied?
  - (a) The base change matrix is the representation matrix of the identity map with respect to the according bases.
  - (b) Every finite dimensional vector space is isomorphic to  $K^n$  for some  $n \geq 0$ .
  - ✓(c) The rank of a linear map  $f : K^n \rightarrow K^m$  is at least  $\min\{n, m\}$ .
  - (d) The representation matrix of an isomorphism is invertible.

*Erklärung:* The rank of a linear map  $f : K^n \rightarrow K^m$  is at *most*  $\min\{n, m\}$ ; but can for example also be 0, thus (c) is false.

2. Consider  $\mathbb{C}$  as real two-dimensional vectorspace with the ordered basis  $\mathcal{B} := (1, i)$ . The matrix  $[\dots]_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}} := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is the representation matrix with respect to  $\mathcal{B}$  of the linear map  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ :

- (a) Complex conjugation  $z \mapsto \bar{z}$
- (b)  $z \mapsto \operatorname{Re}(z)$
- (c)  $z \mapsto \operatorname{Im}(z)$
- ✓(d)  $z \mapsto iz$

*Erklärung:* In the Basis  $\mathcal{B}$  an element  $a + ib \in \mathbb{C}$  is written as the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ . Under the matrix  $[\dots]_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}$ , it is mapped to  $\begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \end{pmatrix}$ , which corresponds to the element  $-b + ia = i(a + ib)$ .

3. The rank of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -3 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is

- (a) 0
- ✓(b) 1
- (c) 2
- (d) 3

*Erklärung:* The columns of the matrix are non-zero, but linearly dependent. The second column is  $-3$  times the first one. Thus, the rank is 1.

4. For every  $n \times m$ -Matrix  $A$  and every invertible  $n \times n$ -matrix  $B$ , we have

- (a)  $\text{rank}(BA) = \text{rank}(B) \cdot \text{rank}(A)$
- (b)  $\text{rank}(BA) = \text{rank}(B) + \text{rank}(A)$
- ✓(c)  $\text{rank}(BA) = \text{rank}(A)$
- (d)  $\text{rank}(BA) = \text{rank}(B)$

*Erklärung:* According to Lemma 3.4.2 of the lecture, the rank of a linear map does not change by left composition with an isomorphism. In the language of matrices this translates to (c).

### Multiple Choice Fragen.

1. Consider the following ordered bases of  $\mathbb{R}[x]_2$ :

$$\mathcal{B} = (1, x, x^2), \quad \mathcal{C} = (x^2, (x+1)^2, (x+2)^2)$$

Determine the base change matrix  $Q := [\text{Id}_{\mathbb{R}[x]_2}]_{\mathcal{C}}^{\mathcal{B}}$ .

(a)  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b)  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

(c)  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(d)  $Q = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 & 4 \\ -1 & 4 & -3 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

✓ (e)  $Q = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \\ -4 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(f)  $Q = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ -4 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

*Erklärung:* One solves the system of equations

$$p = ax^2 + b(x+1)^2 + c(x+2)^2 = (a+b+c)x^2 + (2b+4c)x + (b+4c)$$

for  $p = 1, x, x^2$  using comparison of coefficients. For  $p = 1$ , we get

$$b + 4c = 1$$

$$2b + 4c = 0$$

$$a + b + c = 0$$

The second equation yields  $c = -\frac{1}{2}b$  and substitution into the first one  $b = -1$ . Hence we get  $c = \frac{1}{2}$ . Substitution into the third equation implies and thus

$$[1]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

This already excludes all but one answers. Of course one could now also compute  $[x]_{\mathcal{C}}$ , and  $[x^2]_{\mathcal{C}}$ .

2. Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(K)$  and  $P \in \text{GL}_n(K)$ , denote

$$r := \text{rank}(A - I_n) \quad \text{and} \quad s := \text{rank}(PAP^{-1} - I_n).$$

Which of the following statements hold?

✓ (a)  $r = s$ ;

*Erklärung:* Note that

$$P(A - I_n)P^{-1} = PAP^{-1} - PI_nP^{-1} = PAP^{-1} - I_n.$$

Hence  $PAP^{-1} - I_n$  and  $A - I_n$  are equivalent matrices. As seen in the lectures, this implies  $r = s$ .

(b)  $r \neq s$ ;

(c)  $r > s$ ;

(d)  $r < s$ ;

✓ (e) if  $r < n$ ,  $\exists v \in V \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $Av = v$ .

*Erklärung:* As usual,  $A - I_n$  defines a linear map

$$\begin{aligned} T : K_{\text{col}}^n &\rightarrow K_{\text{col}}^n \\ v &\mapsto (A - I_n) \cdot v \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$n = \dim(K_{\text{col}}^n) = \dim(\ker(T)) + \text{rank}(T) = \dim(\ker(T)) + r.$$

If  $r < n$ ,  $\dim(\ker(T)) \geq 1$  so there exists some  $v \in \ker(T) \setminus \{0\}$ . Equivalently, there exists some non-zero  $v \in V$  such that

$$A \cdot v - I_n \cdot v = 0 \Leftrightarrow A \cdot v = v.$$