

Matrices and Systems of Equations

18. Let  $A$  be a nonsingular  $n \times n$  matrix. Use mathematical induction to prove that  $A^n$  is nonsingular and

$$(A^n)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^n$$

for  $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ .

19. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Show that if  $A^2 = O$ , then  $I - A$  is nonsingular and  $(I - A)^{-1} = I + A$ .

20. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Show that if  $A^{k+1} = O$ , then  $I - A$  is nonsingular and

$$(I - A)^{-1} = I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^k$$

21. Given

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

show that  $R$  is nonsingular and  $R^{-1} = R^T$ .

22. An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is said to be an *involution* if  $A^2 = I$ . Show that if  $G$  is any matrix of the form

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

then  $G$  is an involution.

23. Let  $\mathbf{u}$  be a unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (i.e.,  $\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{u} = 1$ ) and let  $H = I - 2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T$ . Show that  $H$  is an involution.

24. A matrix  $A$  is said to be *idempotent* if  $A^2 = A$ . Show that each of the following matrices are idempotent:

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$       (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$

25. Let  $A$  be an idempotent matrix.

- (a) Show that  $I - A$  is also idempotent.  
 (b) Show that  $I + A$  is nonsingular and  $(I + A)^{-1} = I - \frac{1}{2}A$ .

26. Let  $D$  be an  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix whose diagonal entries are either 0 or 1.

- (a) Show that  $D$  is idempotent.  
 (b) Show that if  $X$  is a nonsingular matrix and  $A = XDX^{-1}$ , then  $A$  is idempotent.

27. Let  $A$  be an involution matrix, and let

$$B = \frac{1}{2}(I + A) \quad \text{and} \quad C = \frac{1}{2}(I - A)$$

Show that  $B$  and  $C$  are both idempotent and  $BC = O$ .

28. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Show that  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  are both symmetric.

29. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be symmetric  $n \times n$  matrices. Prove that  $AB = BA$  if and only if  $AB$  is also symmetric.

30. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix and let

$$B = A + A^T \quad \text{and} \quad C = A - A^T$$

- (a) Show that  $B$  is symmetric and  $C$  is skew symmetric.  
 (b) Show that every  $n \times n$  matrix can be represented as a sum of a symmetric matrix and a skew-symmetric matrix.

31. In Application 1, how many married women and how many single women will there be after 3 years?

32. Consider the matrix

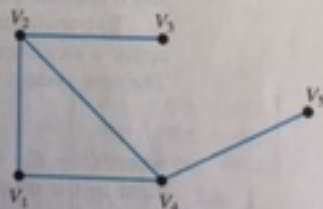
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Draw a graph that has  $A$  as its adjacency matrix. Be sure to label the vertices of the graph.

- (b) By inspecting the graph, determine the number of walks of length 2 from  $V_2$  to  $V_3$  and from  $V_2$  to  $V_5$ .

- (c) Compute the second row of  $A^3$ , and use it to determine the number of walks of length 3 from  $V_2$  to  $V_3$  and from  $V_2$  to  $V_5$ .

33. Consider the graph



- (a) Determine the adjacency matrix  $A$  of the graph.

- (b) Compute  $A^2$ . What do the entries in the first row of  $A^2$  tell you about walks of length 2 that start from  $V_1$ ?

- (c) Compute  $A^3$ . How many walks of length 3 are there from  $V_2$  to  $V_4$ ? How many walks of length less than or equal to 3 are there from  $V_2$  to  $V_4$ ?