

**2.3.2. Exercise: Existence of reduced row-echelon form row-equivalent to given matrix, (and the uniqueness question).**

1. (a) Prove the statement (#):

(#) Let  $A, B$  be  $(p \times q)$ -matrices. Suppose  $B$  is resultant from the application of some row-operation  $\rho$  on  $A$ . Then  $[ B \mid M[\rho] ] = M[\rho][ A \mid I_p ]$ .

(b) Prove the statement (‡):

(‡) Suppose  $A$  is a  $(p \times q)$ -matrix. Then there exist some  $(p \times q)$ -matrices  $A^\sharp, A'$  and some  $(p \times p)$ -matrices  $G, H$  such that the statements (1), (2), (3), (4) hold simultaneously:

(1)  $A^\sharp$  is a row-echelon form.

(2)  $A'$  is a reduced row-echelon form.

(3)  $G, H$  are products of some row-operation matrices.

(4) The equalities  $[ A^\sharp \mid G ] = G[ A \mid I_p ]$ ,  $[ A' \mid H ] = H[ A \mid I_p ]$  hold.

2. For each part below, consider the given matrix, which is denoted by  $C$  here.

- Apply Gaussian elimination to obtain some reduced row-echelon form  $C'$  which is row-equivalent to  $C$ .
- Obtain some equality of the form  $C' = HC$ .

(a)  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b)  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 & 7 \\ -1 & 3 & -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(c)  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 & -4 \\ 2 & 7 & -12 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(d)  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & -7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(e)  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & -1 & -3 & 3 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(f)  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 7 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 & -1 & 9 \\ 1 & -1 & -5 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

3. Let  $A, A^\sharp, A'$  be  $(p \times q)$ -matrices.

Suppose

- $A^\sharp$  is a row-echelon form which is row-equivalent to  $A$  under some sequence of row operations

$$A \xrightarrow{\rho_1} \xrightarrow{\rho_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\rho_m} A^\sharp$$

- $A'$  is a reduced row-echelon form which is row-equivalent to  $A^\sharp$  under some sequence of row operations

$$A^\sharp \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} \xrightarrow{\sigma_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\sigma_n} A'$$

Write  $J = M[\rho_m] \cdots M[\rho_2]M[\rho_1]$  and  $K = M[\sigma_n] \cdots M[\sigma_2]M[\sigma_1]$ . (Note that  $A^\sharp = JA$  and  $A' = KA^\sharp$ .)

Suppose the rank of  $A^\sharp$ , and that of  $A'$ , are both  $p$ . (So all rows of  $A^\sharp$  are non-zero rows, and all rows of  $A'$  are non-zero rows.)

(a) Let  $B$  be the  $(p \times 2q)$ -matrix given by  $B = [ A \mid A ]$ .

Give, in terms of  $A^\sharp, A'$ , some row-echelon form  $B^\sharp$  and some reduced row-echelon form  $B'$  which are row-equivalent to  $B$ .

Give some appropriate equalities which relate  $B, B^\sharp, B'$ , and  $J, K$ .

(b) Let  $C$  be the  $(2p \times q)$ -matrix given by  $C = \left[ \begin{array}{c} A \\ A \end{array} \right]$ .

Give, in terms of  $A^\sharp, A'$ , some row-echelon form  $C^\sharp$  and some reduced row-echelon form  $C'$  which are row-equivalent to  $C$ .

Give some appropriate equalities which relate  $C, C^\sharp, C'$ , and  $J, K$ .

(c) Let  $D$  be the  $(2p \times 2q)$ -matrix given by  $D = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} A & \mathcal{O}_{p \times q} \\ \hline \mathcal{O}_{p \times q} & A \end{array} \right]$ .

Give, in terms of  $A^\sharp, A'$ , some row-echelon form  $D^\sharp$  and some reduced row-echelon form  $D'$  which are row-equivalent to  $D$ .

Give some appropriate equalities which relate  $D, D^\sharp, D'$ , and  $J, K$ .

(d) Let  $E$  be the  $(2p \times 2q)$ -matrix given by  $E = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} A & A \\ \hline \mathcal{O}_{p \times q} & A \end{array} \right]$ .

Give, in terms of  $A^\sharp, A'$ , some row-echelon form  $E^\sharp$  and some reduced row-echelon form  $E'$  which are row-equivalent to  $E$ .

Give some appropriate equalities which relate  $E, E^\sharp, E'$ , and  $J, K$ .