

1.5 Elementary Matrices

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* Equivalent Systems: Given $m \times n$ linear system $\boxed{Ax = b}$.

$m \times n$ $n \times 1$ $m \times 1$

→ If M is $m \times m$ nonsingular matrix, then the linear system $\boxed{M A x = M b}$ is equivalent to * because

→ any solution of * is a solution of \heartsuit

→ any solution \hat{x} of \heartsuit is a solution of *

$$\text{because } \bar{M}^{-1}(M A \hat{x}) = \bar{M}^{-1}(M b)$$

$$A \hat{x} = b$$

→ To transform the system * to a simpler form that is easier to solve, we multiply * by a sequence of nonsingular matrices $E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1$: $E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 A x = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 b$

to get new system $\boxed{U x = c}$, where

- $U = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 A$ is an upper triangular matrix and
- $c = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 b$ is the constant vector

→ The new transformed system \heartsuit will be equivalent to * with $M = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1$ is nonsingular (since its product of nonsingular matrices).

Elementary Matrices are matrices that result by applying exactly one elementary row operation on the identity matrix I .

→ There are three types of elementary matrices corresponding to the three types of elementary row operations:

Type I An elementary matrix of type I is a matrix obtained by interchanging two rows of the identity I .

Expt $E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an elementary matrix of type I since it was obtained by interchanging the first two rows of I. If A is 3×3 matrix, then

$$E_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AE_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} & a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{22} & a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{31} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Type II An elementary matrix of type II is a matrix obtaining by multiplying a row of I by a nonzero constant.

Expt $E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ is an elementary matrix of type II.

If A is 3×3 matrix, then

$$E_2 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 5a_{31} & 5a_{32} & 5a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AE_2 = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & 5a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & 5a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & 5a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Type III An elementary matrix of type III is a matrix obtained from I by adding a multiple of one row to another row.
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Expt $E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an elementary matrix of type III.

$$E_3 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + 5a_{31} & a_{12} + 5a_{32} & a_{13} + 5a_{33} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AE_3 = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & 5a_{11} + a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & 5a_{21} + a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & 5a_{31} + a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

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proof

Th If E is an elementary matrix, then E is nonsingular and E^{-1} is an elementary matrix of the same type.

- In $E_{1p} \Rightarrow E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E_1^{-1} = E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E_1 E_1^{-1} = I$
- In $E_{1p}^2 \Rightarrow E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E_2^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix}$. Hence $E_2 E_2^{-1} = I$
- In $E_{1p}^3 \Rightarrow E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E_3^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Hence $E_3 E_3^{-1} = I$

Def The matrix B is **row equivalent** to a matrix A if \exists a finite sequence E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k of elementary matrices s.t

$$B = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 A$$

Notes ① IF A is row equivalent to B , then B is row equivalent to A .
 $A = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 B \Leftrightarrow B = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \dots E_k^{-1} A$

② If A is row equivalent to B and B is row equivalent to C , then A is row equivalent to C .

If $A = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 B$ and $B = F_m F_{m-1} \dots F_1 C$ Then

$$A = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 \underline{F_m F_{m-1} \dots F_1} C$$

Th* Let A be $n \times n$ matrix. The following are equivalent:

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 a) A is nonsingular b) $\boxed{Ax=0}^*$ has only the trivial solution 0

c) A is row equivalent to I .

Proof: a) \Rightarrow b) If A is nonsingular and y is a solution to $*$ then $y = Iy = (A^{-1}A)y = \bar{A}^{-1}(Ay) = \bar{A}^{-1}0 = 0$

b) \Rightarrow c) $Ax=0$ can be transformed to $Ux=0$ where U is in row echelon form and U is strictly triangular matrix with diagonal elements all 1 (Otherwise, the system will have infinitely many solution).

\Rightarrow Hence I is reduced row echelon form of A .
 $\Rightarrow A$ is row equivalent to I .

C \Rightarrow a If A is row equivalent to $I \Rightarrow \exists$ elementary matrices

$$E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k \text{ s.t } A = E_k E_{k-1} \cdots E_1 I$$

$$= E_k E_{k-1} \cdots E_1$$

since E_i is invertible $\Rightarrow \bar{A}^{-1} = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \cdots E_k^{-1}$ which is invertible too

Corollary The system $Ax=b$ of n linear equations and n unknowns has a unique solution iff A is nonsingular.

Proof Let A be nonsingular. if $Ax=b$ then

$$\bar{A}^{-1} A x = \bar{A}^{-1} b \Rightarrow x = \bar{A}^{-1} b \text{ is the unique solution.}$$

\rightarrow Assume $Ax=b$ has a unique solution \hat{x} and A is singular (by contradiction).

since A is singular it follows that $Ax=0$ has by Th* a solution $z \neq 0$. Hence, $y = \hat{x} + z$ is a second solution of $Ax=b$ since

$$Ay = A(\hat{x} + z) = A\hat{x} + Az = b + 0 = b \quad \checkmark$$

since $Ax=b$ has a unique solution \hat{x} .

So A is nonsingular.

Note If A is nonsingular $\Rightarrow A$ is row equivalent to I

STUDENTS-HUB.com \Rightarrow there exist elementary matrices E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k uploaded By: anonymous

$$\text{s.t } E_k E_{k-1} \cdots E_1 A = I \quad \text{Hence}$$

$$E_k E_{k-1} \cdots E_1 = A^{-1}$$

- This provides a way to find A^{-1}
- We augment A by I : $[A | I]$ then perform elementary row operations that transform A to I : $[I | A^{-1}]$.

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Ex Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & -3 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Find A^{-1}

$$\begin{array}{l} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & -3 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 8 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 + 2R_1 \\ R_3 + 3R_1}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & -3 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 & 3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & -3 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - \frac{6}{5}R_3 \\ R_1 - \frac{3}{5}R_3}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & -3 & 0 & -\frac{1}{5} & -\frac{2}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{6}{5} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ \xrightarrow{R_1 - 3R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{6}{5} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{6}{5} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

A^{-1}

Ex Solve the system $\begin{aligned} -x_1 - 3x_2 - 3x_3 &= 5 \\ 2x_1 + 6x_2 + x_3 &= 5 \\ 3x_1 + 8x_2 + 3x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$

$$Ax = b \Rightarrow x = A^{-1}b$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} -1 & -3 & -3 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 3 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 5 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \Leftrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} -1 & -3 & -3 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 3 \end{array} \right]^{-1} \left[\begin{array}{c} 5 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & -3 & 3 \\ -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{6}{5} & -1 \\ -\frac{2}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} & 0 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 5 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \Leftrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} -5 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{array} \right]$$

Diagonal and Triangular Matrices

- * The $n \times n$ matrix is upper triangular if $a_{ij} = 0$ for $i > j$
 - * The $n \times n$ matrix is lower triangular if $a_{ij} = 0$ for $i < j$
 - * The $n \times n$ matrix is triangular if it is either upper triangular or lower triangular.
- Ex $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ are triangular.
- upper lower

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- Note that ① triangular matrix may have zero on the diagonal.
- ② For the linear system $Ax=b$ to be in strict triangular form, the coefficient matrix A must be in upper triangular with nonzero diagonal entries.

- * The $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonal if $a_{ij}=0$ for $i \neq j$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ are all diagonals.

- * The diagonal matrix is both upper and lower triangular.

Triangular Factorization

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ using row operation III only

- We can find a unit lower triangular matrix L and an upper triangular matrix U s.t $LU = A$:

$$\begin{array}{l} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{l_{21} = \frac{1}{2} \\ l_{31} = \frac{4}{2} = 2}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - \boxed{\frac{1}{2}} R_1 \\ R_3 - 2R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{l_{32} = \frac{-9}{3} = -3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{using row operation III only} \end{array}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{"L is unit lower triangular since its diagonal is 1"}$$

$$LU = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = A$$

- The factorization of the matrix A into a product of a unit lower triangular matrix L and strictly upper triangular matrix U is called the LU factorization.
- In this factorization, we applied three row operations to the matrix A . Hence, we have three elementary matrices E_1, E_2, E_3 : of type III :

$$\cdot E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -l_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \bar{E}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
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$$E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -l_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \bar{E}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -l_{32} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \bar{E}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note that $E_3 E_2 E_1 A = U$

- Hence, $A = (E_3 E_2 E_1)^{-1} U$

$$A = \bar{E}_1^{-1} \bar{E}_2^{-1} \bar{E}_3^{-1} U = L U \quad \text{where } L = \bar{E}_1 \bar{E}_2 \bar{E}_3$$

since the elementary matrices are nonsingular we can multiply by their inverses.

Notes: If A is $n \times n$ matrix that can be reduced to strict upper triangular form using only row operation III, then A has LU factorization.