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1.5 – Elementary Matrices and a Method for Finding A^{-1}

Definition: Matrices A and B are said to be **row equivalent** if either (hence each) can be obtained from the other by a sequence of elementary row operations.

— useful for developing theory

Definition: A matrix E is called an **elementary matrix** if it can be obtained from an identity matrix by performing a single elementary row operation.

Theorem 1.5.1 Row Operations by Matrix Multiplication

If the elementary matrix E results from performing a certain row operation on I_m and if A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the product EA is the matrix that results when this same row operation is performed on A .

#6 An elementary matrix E and a matrix A are given. Identify the row operation corresponding to E and verify that the product EA results from applying the row operation to A .

a) $E = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 5 & -1 \\ 3 & -6 & -6 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$

b) $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -4 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & -1 & 5 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

c. $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 \rightarrow -6R_1$

b) $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 4R_1$

a) $A: R_1 \rightarrow -6R_1$ yields $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 12 & -30 & 6 \\ 3 & -6 & -6 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$

$EA = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 5 & -1 \\ 3 & -6 & -6 & -6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 12 & -30 & 6 \\ 3 & -6 & -6 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$

$$b) EA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -4 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & -1 & 5 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -4 & -4 \\ -7 & 1 & -1 & 21 & 19 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -4 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & -1 & 5 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} R_2 \Rightarrow R_2 - 4R_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -4 & -4 \\ -7 & 1 & -1 & 21 & 19 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thm 1.5.1

Elem. Row ops:

- add scalar mult. of one row to another
- mult. a row by a nonzero scalar
- interchange two rows

pf: The case in which E results from

multiplying the i th row of I by k .

$$\text{Let } \vec{e}_1 = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0], \vec{e}_2 = [0 \ 1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0],$$

$$\vec{e}_m = [0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 1], \quad k\vec{e}_i = [0 \ 0 \ \dots \ k \ \dots \ 0]$$

$$EA = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{e}_1 & A \\ \vec{e}_2 & A \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ k\vec{e}_i & A \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \vec{e}_m & A \end{bmatrix}$$

, which results in
multiplying the i th row
of A by k . ✓

$I \xrightarrow[\text{ops}]{\text{one elem. row}} E$

#7 Use the following matrices and find an elementary matrix E that satisfies the stated equation.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & -7 & -1 \\ 8 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & -7 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & -7 & -1 \\ 2 & -7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 5 \\ -6 & 21 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, F = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 5 \\ 8 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c. EA = C$$

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

~~$$AE = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & -7 & -1 \\ 8 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$~~

$$\text{Check: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & -7 & -1 \\ 8 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & -7 & -1 \\ 2 & -7 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

Theorem 1.5.2 Every elementary matrix is invertible, and the inverse is also an elementary matrix.

pf: Let E be the elementary matrix that results from performing a single row operation on I and let E' be the matrix that results from performing the inverse

operation on I . Then $EE' = I$ and $E'E = I \Rightarrow E' = E^{-1}$.

Theorem 1.5.3 Equivalent Statements

If A is an $n \times n$ matrix, then the following statements are equivalent, that is, all are true or all false.

- a) A is invertible.
- b) $Ax = \vec{0}$ has only the trivial solution.
- c) The reduced row echelon form of A is I_n .
- d) A is expressible as a product of elementary matrices.

pf: $a \Rightarrow b$ A invertible $\Rightarrow \exists A^{-1} \Rightarrow AA^{-1} = I$

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow A^{-1}A\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{0} \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

If $\vec{x}'$ is any other solution, then (1.4.2d)

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \text{ and } A\vec{x}' = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow A\vec{x} - A\vec{x}' = \vec{0} \Rightarrow A(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') = \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{x} - \vec{x}' = A^{-1}\vec{0} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{x}'. \checkmark$$

$b \Rightarrow c$ $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only the trivial solution

so the system contains no free variables.

By Thm 1.2.1, rref has n nonzero rows. By Thm 1.4.3, rref is I_n . $\checkmark$

$c \Rightarrow d$ rref of A is I_n , so I_n can be obtained from A by a series of elem. row operations. We can

express $I_n = (E_r \cdots E_2 E_1)A$ by Thm 1.5.1.
 E_i is invertible. $A = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \cdots E_r^{-1} I$,
 a product of elem. matrices. ✓
 $d \Rightarrow a$ The matrix product $E_r \cdots E_2 E_1$
 in the previous step is A^{-1} .
 so A is invertible ✓

Use the inversion algorithm to find the inverse of the matrix (if the inverse exists).

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

The inversion algorithm is based on the $c \Rightarrow d$
 proof above. Since $I_n = E_r \cdots E_2 E_1 A$,
 we have $A^{-1} = (E_r \cdots E_2 E_1) I_n$
 Thus the elementary row operations that
 reduce A to I will yield A^{-1}

When applied to I . Thus: $[A|I] \rightarrow [I|A^{-1}]$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 6 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 7 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 6 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -6 & -6 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 7 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -7 & -6 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 6 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 6R_3 \\ R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 6 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 & 0 & 6 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 6 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 6R_2$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 6 & -6 \\ 0 & -6 & 0 & 6 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 7/2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

So $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 7/2 & 0 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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k_i are all nonzero.

a.

b.

#27 Show that the matrices A and B are row equivalent by finding a sequence of elementary row operations that produces B from A , and then use that result to find a matrix C such that $CA = B$.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

To obtain B from A :

corresponding
Elementary matrix

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = B$$

$$E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

we have $E_3 E_2 E_1 A = B$

$$\text{So } C = E_3 E_2 E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

#23 Express the matrix and its inverse as products of elementary matrices.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Want $A = E_1 E_2 \dots E_n$ and $A^{-1} = E_1' E_2' \dots E_n'$

Reduce A to I_2 , keeping track of the ops.

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + \frac{2}{3}R_1$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{2}{-2} \quad \frac{2}{2/3} \\ \hline 0 \quad 8/3 \end{array}$$

Corresponding
Elem. Matrix

Inverse

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 8/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_1^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - \frac{3}{8}R_2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \quad 1 \\ \frac{0}{-3} \quad \frac{-1}{0} \\ \hline -3 \quad 0 \end{array}$$

$$E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3/8 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_2^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3/8 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 8/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{3}R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 8/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_3^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow \frac{3}{8}R_2$$

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

$$E_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/8 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_4^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 8/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1) A = I \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3/8 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} E_3^{-1} E_4^{-1} \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3/8 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 8/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

#33 Prove that if B is obtained from A by performing a sequence of elementary row operations, then there is a second sequence of elementary row operations, which when applied to B recovers A .

Let $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$ be the elementary matrices that represent the sequence of row operations that reduce A to B .

Then $E_n \cdots E_2 E_1 A = B$.

Each E_i is invertible, so

$$A = (E_n \cdots E_2 E_1)^{-1} B = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \cdots E_n^{-1} B$$

Thus there is a sequence of elementary row operations, represented by E_i^{-1} that reduces B to A . ✓