

Linear Algebra – Math 205 Lecture – 4, Exercise Set (SPRIG 2023)

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Exercise Set 1.5 Solution

Question 02

Find a row operation that will restore the given elementary matrix to an identity matrix.

(a)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Multiplying Row 1 by 3 and adding to the Row 2.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} (R_2 + 3 * R_1) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Solution: Multiplying Row 3 by $\frac{1}{3}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} (\frac{1}{3} * R_3) \to \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Row Interchange by $R_1 \leftrightarrows R_4$.

(d)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{7} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Multiplying Row 3 by 7 and adding to the Row 1.

Question 03

Consider the matrices

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

Find elementary matrices E_1, E_2, E_3 , and E_4 such that

(a) $E_1A = B$ Solution: If we interchange Rows 1 and 3 of A, then we obtain B. Therefore, E_1 must be the matrix obtained from I_3 by interchanging Rows 1 and 3 of I_3 , i.e.,

$$E_1 = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

(b) $E_2B = A$ Solution: If we interchange Rows 1 and 3 of B, then we obtain A.

$$E_2 = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

(c) $E_3 A = C$

Solution: If we multiply Row 1 by -2 and add to Row 3 in A, then we obtain C.

$$E_3 = \left[\begin{array}{rrr} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

(d) $E_4C = A$

Solution: If we multiply Row 1 by 2 and add to Row 3 in C, then we obtain A.

$$E_4 = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Question 09

Find the inverse of each of the following 4×4 matrices, where k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4 and k are all nonzero.

(a)
$$\begin{bmatrix} k_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Using $[A|I] \rightarrow [I|A^{-1}]$

$$\frac{1}{k_{1}} * R_{1} \begin{vmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_{1}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & k_{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & k_{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & k_{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{vmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{k_{2}} * R_{2} \begin{bmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_{1}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_{2}} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & k_{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & k_{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{k_{3}} * R_{3} \begin{bmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_{1}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_{1}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_{2}} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_{3}} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & k_{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\frac{1}{k_4} * R_4 \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_2} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_3} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_4}
\end{array} \right]$$

Hence
$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{k_1} & 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{k_2} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_3} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{k_4} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & k_1 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & k_3 & 0 & 0 \\ k_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Using $[A|I] \rightarrow [I|A^{-1}]$

Question 10

Consider the matrix

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

(a) Find elementary matrices E_1 and E_2 such that $E_2E_1A = I$. Solution: $E_2E_1A = I$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{array}\right] = I_2$$

(b) Write A^{-1} as a product of two elementary matrices. Solution: $E_2E_1A = (E_2E_1)A = A^{-1}A = I$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{5}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array}\right]$$

(c) Write A as a product of two elementary matrices. Solution: $E_2E_1A = I \longrightarrow A = E_1^{-1}E_2^{-1}I = E_1^{-1}E_2^{-1}$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 1 \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{array}\right]$$

Question 16

Show that

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 & c & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 & e & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & f & 0 & g \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & h & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

is not invertible for any values of the entries.

Solution:

One can see the third row is zero but the corresponding row of identity matrix is not zero. Hence it is inconsistent for any values of a, b, c, d, e, f, g, and h.