

Step-1

Consider the matrix equation $AB = C$

The objective is to find a formula for A^{-1} .

Step-2

Multiplying $AB = C$ with A^{-1} both sides on left side gives,

$$A^{-1}AB = A^{-1}C$$

$$A^{-1}AB = A^{-1}C \quad (\text{Since } A^{-1}A = I)$$

$$IB = A^{-1}C$$

$$B = A^{-1}C \quad (\text{Since } IB = B)$$

Again, multiplying with C^{-1} on right sides gives

$$BC^{-1} = A^{-1}CC^{-1}$$

$$BC^{-1} = A^{-1}(I) \quad (\text{Since } CC^{-1} = I)$$

$$BC^{-1} = A^{-1}$$

Hence the formula for A^{-1} is $\boxed{A^{-1} = BC^{-1}}$

Step-3

Consider the matrix equation $PA = LU$

The objective is to find a formula for A^{-1} .

Step-4

Multiplying right side of $PA = LU$ with A^{-1} on both sides obtain,

$$PAA^{-1} = LUA^{-1}$$

$$PI = LUA^{-1} \quad \text{Since } AA^{-1} = I$$

$$P = LUA^{-1}$$

Multiplying left side of $P = LUA^{-1}$ with $U^{-1}L^{-1}$ on both sides obtain,

$$U^{-1}L^{-1}P = U^{-1}L^{-1}LU A^{-1}$$

$$U^{-1}L^{-1}P = U^{-1}(L^{-1}L)UA^{-1}$$

$$U^{-1}L^{-1}P = U^{-1}IU A^{-1} \quad \text{Since } L^{-1}L = I$$

$$U^{-1}L^{-1}P = U^{-1}UA^{-1} \quad \text{Since } IU = U$$

$$U^{-1}L^{-1}P = IA^{-1} \quad \text{Since } U^{-1}U = I$$

$$U^{-1}L^{-1}P = A^{-1}$$

$$A^{-1} = U^{-1}L^{-1}P$$

Hence, the formula for A^{-1} is $\boxed{A^{-1} = U^{-1}L^{-1}P}$.