

# AMATH 352

The textbook is Oliver and Shakiban  
Applied Linear Algebra

Motivation Linear algebra is arguably the most algorithmic subject in mathematics. The goal of this course is to obtain a fundamental understanding of the subject so that if we can reduce a harder problem to linear algebra then we know how to solve the full problem.

Example: Find a quadratic polynomial  $p(x)$  such that

$$p(1) = 0, \quad p'(1) = 0, \quad p'(0) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= ax^2 + bx + c \\ a - b + c &= 0 \\ a + b + c &= 0 \\ 2a + b + c &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{aligned} p(x) &= x^2 - 1 \\ \text{or} \\ p(x) &= a(x^2 - 1) \end{aligned}$$

The solutions of this problem can be characterized by linear algebra

The essence of linear algebra is solving linear systems and characterizing when they can be solved.

# CHAPTER 1 The solution of linear systems of equations<sup>2</sup>

A linear system of equations (a linear system) is a set of equations of the form

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 2y + z = 2 \\ 2x + 6y + z = 7 \\ x + y + 4z = 3 \end{array} \right. \quad (1)$$

where no variable is multiplying itself or another variable (no  $x^2$ ,  $x^2$ ,  $xyz$ , etc.)

We can add and subtract equations from one another without changing the solution. For example, if we multiply row 1 by -2 and add it to row 2 we find

$$-2r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 2y + z = 2 \\ 0 + 2y - z = 3 \\ x + y + 4z = 3 \end{array} \right.$$

$$-r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 2y + z = 2 \\ 0 + 2y - z = 3 \\ 0 - y + 3z = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

then eliminate  $y$  from the last equation

$$\frac{1}{2}r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 2y + z = 2 \\ 0 + 2y - z = 3 \\ 0 + 0 + \frac{5}{2}z = \frac{5}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

This linear system is now upper-triangular. It is solved with a process called backward substitution:

$$z = 1$$

$$2y - 1 = 3 \Rightarrow y = 2$$

$$x + 2(2) + 1 = 2 \Rightarrow x = -3.$$

## Matrices and vectors

We use this section to fix notation.

A matrix is a rectangular array of numbers

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1.1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1.2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

In general,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} = (a_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$$

is an  $m \times n$  matrix with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns.

A row vector is a  $1 \times n$  matrix and a column vector is an  $m \times 1$  matrix. A general linear system is given

by

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array} \right.$$

We call A the coefficient matrix.

Matrix arithmetic We have 3 basic operations with matrices.

- 1) matrix addition,
- 2) scalar multiplication, and
- 3) matrix multiplication

### Matrix addition

Matrix addition is defined elementwise for matrices of the same size.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

In general, if A & B are  $m \times n$  matrices then

$$A = (a_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}, \quad B = (b_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$$

and

$$A + B = (a_{ij} + b_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$$

### Scalar Multiplication

If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then

$$\alpha A = (\alpha a_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$$

$$(-3) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -6 \\ -9 & -12 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Matrix Multiplication

We first define a vector product between a  $1 \times n$  row vector and an  $n \times 1$  column vector.

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n.$$

$$(1 \ 2 \ 3) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -1 + 0 + 3 = 2$$

For general matrices,  $C = AB$  where  $A$  is  $m \times n$  and  $B$  is  $n \times p$  is defined using the vector product of rows of  $A$  and columns of  $B$

$$C = \left( a_{i1} b_{1j} + a_{i2} b_{2j} + \dots + a_{in} b_{nj} \right) \begin{matrix} 1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq p \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4/2 & 2/2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$3 \times 3$

$3 \times 2$

zeros

## Other notation

$$I = I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

↑ zeros      ↓ zeros

$n \times n$   
identity matrix.

# Basic Matrix Arithmetic

Matrix Addition :	$A + B = B + C$	Commutativity
	$(A+B)+C = A+(B+C)$	Associativity
	$A + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{zero matrix}}}{O} = O + A = A$	Additive identity
	$A + (-A) = O$	Additive inverse

Scalar Multiplication :	$c(dA) = d(cA)$	Commutativity
	$c(dA) = (cd)A$	Associativity
	$c(A+B) = cA + cB$	Distributive
	$1 A = A$	unit
	$O \cdot A = O$	zero

Matrix Multiplication :	$(AB)C = A(BC)$	Associativity
	$A(B+C) = AB + AC$	Distributive
	$(A+B)C = AC + BC$	
	$I A = A = AI$	Identity matrix
	$A O = O = O A$	zero matrix

But

$AB \neq BA$  for most  
matrices

Show that  $A, B$  must be square if  
 $AB$  and  $BA$  are both defined.

Exercise

# Regular Gaussian Elimination

We replace the system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array} \right.$$

first with a matrix equation

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

$$A = (a_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}, \vec{x} = (x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}, \vec{b} = (b_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}.$$

This is then encoded using an augmented matrix

$$(A \mid \vec{b}) = \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} & b_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{array} \right)$$

Example For the system

$$\begin{aligned} 10x + 2y &= 3 \\ 4x + y &= 1 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 10 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y + z &= 2 \\ 2x + 6y + z &= 7 \\ x + y + 4z &= 3 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

We now solve this last system using only the augmented matrix.

*1<sup>st</sup> pivot*

$$-2r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2 \quad \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & 8 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3 \quad \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3 \quad \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 & 5/2 \end{array} \right)$$

*2<sup>nd</sup> pivot      3<sup>rd</sup> pivot*

This algorithm (using just the addition of row) is called regular Gaussian elimination (RGE).

A matrix is called regular if RGE reduces it to upper-triangular form.

## Elementary matrices and the LU Factorization

Definition The elementary matrix  $E$  associated with an elementary row operation for  $m$ -rowed matrices is the matrix obtained by applying the row operation to the  $m \times m$  identity matrix  $I_m$ .

$$-2r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_1$$

$$E_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

To encode the other row operations performed on this matrix:

$$E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3 \quad \frac{1}{2} r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3$$

Then

$$E_3 E_2 E_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Claim:  $\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{M_3} E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{M_2} E_2 = I$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{M_1} E_3 = I$$

then

$$\underbrace{M_3 E_3}_{I} E_2 E_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = M_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$E_2 E_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = M_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\underbrace{M_2 E_2}_{I} E_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = M_2 M_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$E_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = M_2 M_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\underbrace{M_1 E_1}_{I} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = M_1 M_2 M_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = M_1 M_2 M_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Some magic!

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = L U$$

This is the LU factorization.

Definition A special lower-(upper) triangular matrix is an  $n \times n$  matrix that is lower- (upper-) triangular with ones on the diagonal.

The product of two (special) lower triangular matrices is also (special) lower triangular.

Theorem A matrix  $A$  is regular if and only if it can be factored

$$A = L U$$

where  $L$  is special lower triangular and  $U$  is upper triangular.

Now, we compute the LU factorization with simpler book keeping

Example Compute the LU factorization of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{-r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2, \quad -2r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & \frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{-3r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The LU factorization is regular Gaussian Elimination with book keeping

### Applications of the LU factorization

1) Forward and backward substitution

Solve  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & \frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}}_{\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

First solve  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & \frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$u = 1$   
 $u+v=0 \Rightarrow v=-1$   
 $2u+\frac{3}{2}v+w=0 \Rightarrow w=-\frac{1}{2}$

Then solve

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

$$z = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$-2y + 4z = -1 \Rightarrow y = 3/4$$

$$x + 2y - z = 1 \Rightarrow x = -3/8$$

## 2) Determinants!

### Permutations and Pivoting

Problem Compute the LU factorization of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We fail immediately.

To deal with this issue we add a new technique:  
the row interchange or row permutation.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{r_1 \leftrightarrow r_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Definition A square matrix is called non-singular if it can be reduced to an upper triangular matrix w/non-zero diagonal entries - the pivots - by swapping rows and adding multiples of rows.

Theorem The system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has a unique solution  $\vec{x}$  for every choice of  $\vec{b}$  if and only if  $A$  is non-singular <sup>14</sup>

Partial Pivoting In swapping rows in the previous example, we are left with some options:

$$r_1 \longleftrightarrow r_2 \\ \text{or} \\ r_1 \longleftrightarrow r_3.$$

You can check that both choices lead to a solution. So why does it matter? Computers do not do exact arithmetic (generally) and rounding errors can accumulate.

It turns out that a good strategy to eliminate rounding errors is to make the pivots as large as possible.

Example

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$r_2 \leftrightarrow r_3$ 

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 3/2 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

 $-\frac{1}{2}r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3$ 

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

### Generalizing the LU factorization

An elementary permutation matrix is found by applying a row interchange to the identity matrix

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

 $r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = P_1$$

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

 $r_2 \leftrightarrow r_3$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = P_2$$

So, let's find the full generalized LU factorization of

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

using partial pivoting.

$$P_1 P_1 = I$$

$$P_2 P_2 = I$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Apply  $P_1$ :

$$P_1 A = P_1 \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{P_1 P_1} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{P_1 R_1}$$

$$= P_1 P_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$P_1 A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_2 P_1 A = P_2 \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{P_2 P_2} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}}_{P_2 R_2}$$

$$= P_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} P_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

MAGIC!

$$\downarrow = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_2 P_1 A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$P_2 P_1$  = Take identity matrix, swap 1,3  
then 2,3 17

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let's do this another way:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Interchange  $r_1$  &  $r_3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ignore the 1's and swap rows. Nothing happens because it's all zeros

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

interchanging  $r_2$  &  $r_3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\swarrow$  swap

$\downarrow$  swap  
ignore the 1's and  
swap rows.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Transpose Let  $A = (a_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$ .

The transpose  $A^T$  of  $A$  is given by

$$A^T = (a_{ji})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq n \\ 1 \leq j \leq m}}$$

The rows of  $A$  become the columns of  $A^T$ :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

A key property:

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

Consider the matrix

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows that  $P$  is constructed by performing

$$\begin{array}{l} r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3 \\ \text{then} \\ r_2 \leftrightarrow r_3 \end{array} \quad \leftarrow$$

on the identity matrix. So

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_1 \qquad \qquad P_2$$

$$\uparrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow$$

both symmetric

Recall that  $P_1 P_1 = I = P_2 P_2$ . Then

$$P^T = P_2^T P_1^T = P_2 P_1$$

and

$$P^T P = P_2 \underbrace{P_1 P_1}_{I} P_2 = P_2 P_2 = I. \quad P^T \text{ is}$$

what is called the  $I$  inverse of  $P$ .

## The inverse of a matrix

We noted above that for

$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and by divine inspiration,}$$

I found that for  $M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$M_1 E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We now demonstrate that for every non-singular (square!) matrix  $A$  there exists  $A^{-1}$ , called the inverse matrix, such that

$$AA^{-1} = \underline{I} = A^{-1}A.$$

Suppose  $A$  is  $3 \times 3$ , write

$$A^{-1} = (\vec{\alpha}_1, \vec{\alpha}_2, \vec{\alpha}_3)$$

then

$$AA^{-1} = (A\vec{\alpha}_1, A\vec{\alpha}_2, A\vec{\alpha}_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This implies

$$A\vec{\alpha}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A\vec{\alpha}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A\vec{\alpha}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We need to solve 3 linear systems!

A good way to solve all three of these simultaneously  
is through a process called Gauss-Jordan elimination 21

Example Find the inverse of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 1 Augment

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Step 2 Gaussian elimination (w/ pivoting)

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Step 3 A new row operation: multiply rows to  
put 1's on the diagonal

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right)$$

Step 4 Eliminate upper-triangular elements

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

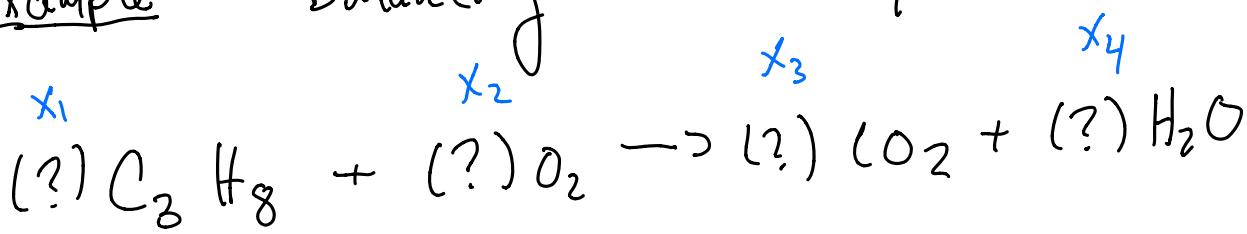
## General linear systems

Thus far we have focused on  
square matrices  $\leftrightarrow$  n equations  
n unknowns

and maybe augmented.

In many applications we have to consider  
m equations and  
n unknowns,  $m \neq n$ .

### Example Balancing Chemical Equations



propane

Matter is neither created nor lost in this reaction.

We have 3 elements C, H, O so we can represent each molecule as a vector

$$\text{C}_3\text{H}_8 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Conservation tells us

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$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Or

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 8 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



This is a homogeneous linear system

Let's do Gaussian elimination:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 8 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8/3 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8/3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$8/3 x_3 - 2 x_4 = 0$$

Suppose we know  $x_4$

$$x_3 = \frac{3}{4} x_4$$

$$2x_2 - 2x_3 - x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow 2x_2 = \frac{3}{2}x_4 + x_4$$

$$x_2 = \frac{5}{4} x_4$$

$$3x_1 - x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow 3x_1 = \frac{3}{4}x_4 \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{4}x_4$$

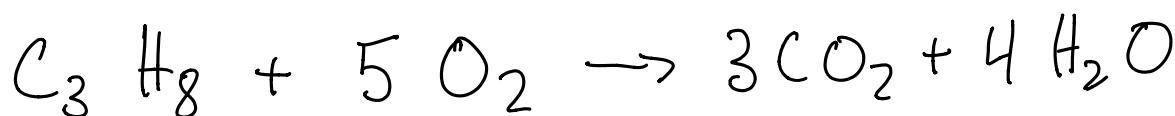
$$x_1 = \frac{1}{4}x_4$$

$$x_2 = \frac{5}{4}x_4$$

$$x_3 = \frac{3}{4}x_4$$

$x_4$  was never determined.

Choose  $x_4 = 4$ . Why?



This matrix is in row echelon form.

pivots

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 3 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8/3 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

pivot variables

$$\boxed{x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4}$$

free variables.

Example Put  $\left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right]$  in row echelon form

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

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

$$\boxed{x_1} \quad \boxed{x_2} \quad \boxed{x_3} \quad \boxed{x_4}$$

Row operation types :

- 1) Add a multiple of one row to another.
- 2) Swap rows
- 3) Multiply a row by a non-zero number

Fact Every matrix can be reduced to row echelon form using only operations of types 1 & 2.

Definition The rank of a matrix is the number of pivots.

Fact A square matrix is non-singular if and only if there is a pivot in every row.

Fact A system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  of  $m$  linear equations in  $n$  unknowns has either

- (i) exactly one solution,
- (ii) infinitely many solutions, or
- (iii) no solution

# Cholesky factorization

Consider the LU

factorization of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A = A^T!$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4/3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ positive!}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4/3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

L                    D                    L<sup>T</sup>

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{3}/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{4/3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{3}/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{4/3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2}/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2}/3 & \sqrt{4/3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2}/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2}/3 & \sqrt{4/3} \end{pmatrix}^T \quad \text{Cholesky decomposition.}$$

$\hat{L}$                      $\hat{U}^T$

Fact If  $A = A^T$  and  $A$  has an LU factorization with  $U_{ii} > 0$  for all  $i$ , then  $A$  has a Cholesky factorization.

## Determinants

Fact Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  then

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \text{ if } ad-bc=0.$$

The scalar quantity  $ad-bc$  is the determinant of  $A$  written

$$\det A = \det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = ad-bc.$$

Theorem Associated with every square matrix, there exists a uniquely defined scalar quantity, known as its determinant, that obeys the following axioms.

- (i) Adding a multiple of one row to another does not change the determinant (Type 1)
- (ii) Interchanging rows changes the sign of the determinant. (Type 2)
- (iii) Multiplying a row by any scalar (including zero) multiplies the determinant by the same scalar (Type 3)
- (iv) The determinant of an upper-triangular matrix  $U$  is the product of the diagonal entries.

$$\det U = U_{11} U_{22} \cdots U_{nn}.$$

Ex •  $\det I = 1$

•  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3$

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

•  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (\text{why?})$

Theorem IF  $A = L U$  is a regular matrix then

$$\det A = \det U = u_{11} u_{22} \cdots u_{nn}$$

More generally, if  $A$  is non-singular  $PA = LU$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= (\det P)(\det U) \\ &= (-1)^k u_{11} u_{22} \cdots u_{nn}. \end{aligned}$$

# of row interchanges

Lastly,  $A$  is non-singular if and only if

$$\det A \neq 0.$$

Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find  $\det A$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\det A$  $\det A$  $\det A$ 

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $-\det A$ 

$$\boxed{q = -\det A}$$

$$\underline{\det A = -q.}$$

Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find  $\det A$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

 $\det A$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

 $\frac{1}{2} \det A$ 

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

 $\frac{1}{2} \det A$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{det } A$$

$$q = -\frac{1}{2} \det A$$

$$\det A = -18.$$