

## Homework 2 in 18.06 Due on Gradescope by Sunday night, February 19

1. What multiple  $\ell$  of equation 1 should be subtracted from equation 2 to remove  $c$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} ax + by &= f \\ cx + dy &= g. \end{aligned}$$

The first pivot is  $a$  (assumed nonzero). Elimination produces what formula for the second pivot? What is  $y$ ? The second pivot is missing when  $ad = bc$ : singular.

This is Problem 2.1.4 on page 46.

2. For which three numbers  $k$  does elimination break down? Which is fixed by a row exchange? Is the number of solutions 0 or 1 or  $\infty$ ? **Draw the 3 row pictures.**

3 pictures from  
3 particular  $k$ 's

$$\begin{aligned} kx + 3y &= 6 \\ 3x + ky &= -6. \end{aligned}$$

This is Problem 2.1.8 on page 46.

3. Which number  $d$  forces a row exchange, and what is the triangular system (not singular) for that  $d$ ? Which  $d$  makes this system singular (no third pivot)?

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 5y + z &= 0 \\ 4x + dy + z &= 2 \\ y - z &= 3. \end{aligned}$$

This is Problem 2.1.13 on page 47.

4. Write down the 3 by 3 matrices that produce these elimination steps:

- (a)  $E_{21}$  subtracts 5 times row 1 from row 2.
- (b)  $E_{32}$  subtracts  $-7$  times row 2 from row 3.
- (c)  $P$  exchanges rows 1 and 2, then rows 2 and 3.

This is Problem 2.2.1 on page 53.

5. Which three matrices  $E_{21}$ ,  $E_{31}$ ,  $E_{32}$  put  $A$  into triangular form  $U$ ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 6 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}A = EA = U.$$

Multiply those  $E$ 's to get one elimination matrix  $E$ . What is  $E^{-1} = L$ ?

Include  $\mathbf{b} = (1, 0, 0)$  as a fourth column to produce  $[A \ \mathbf{b}]$ . Carry out the elimination steps on this augmented matrix to solve  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .

These are problems 2.2.3 and 2.2.4 on pages 53-54.

6. Suppose  $A$  is invertible and you exchange its first two rows to reach  $B$ . Is the new matrix  $B$  invertible? How would you find  $B^{-1}$  from  $A^{-1}$ ?

This is Problem 2.2.18 on page 55.

7. (a) What 3 by 3 matrix  $E$  has the same effect as these three steps? Subtract row 1 from row 2, subtract row 1 from row 3, then subtract row 2 from row 3.
- (b) What single matrix  $L$  has the same effect as these three reverse steps? Add row 2 to row 3, add row 1 to row 3, then add row 1 to row 2.

This is Problem 2.2.25 on page 55.

8. (Recommended) Prove that  $A$  is invertible if  $a \neq 0$  and  $a \neq b$  (find the pivots or  $A^{-1}$ ). Then find three numbers  $c$  so that  $C$  is not invertible :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & b \\ a & a & b \\ a & a & a \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & c & c \\ c & c & c \\ 8 & 7 & c \end{bmatrix}.$$

This is Problem 2.2.34 on page 56.

9. What three elimination matrices  $E_{21}, E_{31}, E_{32}$  put  $A$  into its upper triangular form  $E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}A = U$ ? Multiply by  $E_{32}^{-1}$ ,  $E_{31}^{-1}$  and  $E_{21}^{-1}$  to factor  $A$  into  $L$  times  $U$  :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad L = E_{21}^{-1} E_{31}^{-1} E_{32}^{-1}.$$

This is Problem 2.3.5 on page 62.

10. (a) How many entries of  $S$  can be chosen independently, if  $S = S^T$  is 5 by 5?
- (b) How do  $L$  and  $D$  (still 5 by 5) give the same number of choices in  $LDL^T$ ?
- (c) How many entries can be chosen if  $A$  is *skew-symmetric*? ( $A^T = -A$ ).
- (d) Why does  $A^T A$  have no negative numbers on its diagonal?

This is Problem 2.4.17 on page 72.