

Lecture 03 : Jan 30.

Triangular factorization:

Recall the system of linear equations -

$$2u + v + w = 5 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$4u - 6v = -2 \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$-2u + 7v + 2w = 9 \quad \dots (iii)$$

which was written in matrix form as:

$$A x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} = b.$$

Recall the three elimination steps.

STEP I : Subtract twice of equation (i) from eqn (ii) & put in place of eqn (ii)

$$2u + v + w = 5 \quad \dots (I)$$

$$-8v - 2w = -12 \quad \dots (II)$$

$$-2u + 7v + 2w = 9 \quad \dots (III)$$

& the corresponding elimination matrix:

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{replaced by row 2} - 2 \times \text{row 1.}]{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ \text{row 2}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E$$

STEP II: After step I, add eqnⁿ (I) and III and put it in place of eqnⁿ (III) -

$$2u + v + w = 5$$

$$-8v - 2w = -12$$

$$8v + 3w = 14$$

& the corresponding elimination matrix is

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{This means row 3 replaced by row 3 + row 1}]{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = F$$

STEP III: After step II, add the 2nd eqⁿ and 3rd eqⁿ in step II and put it in place of 3rd eqⁿ.

$$2u + v + w = 5$$

$$-8v - 2w = -12$$

$$w = 2$$

& the corresponding elimination matrix is

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = G$$

Note that in Gaussian elimination, E acts on Ax , then F acts on EAx , and finally G acts on $FEAx$.

So let us look at the matrices GFE and $GFEA$.

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

$$GFE = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{lower triangular}$$

&

$$\begin{aligned}
 GFEA &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -8 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{upper triangular} \\
 &= U \text{ (say)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$Ux = GFEAx = GFEb$$

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

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -12 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = c \text{ — just the name.}$$

• If we now invert/reverse the steps III, II, I, then we would get back to the original system.

what is inverting/reversing Step III?

We have added 2nd eqⁿ to 3rd eqⁿ of STEP III

So the inverting it would be then subtracting
back the 2nd eqⁿ

In terms of elementary matrix it would
mean:

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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this we denote by G^{-1}

notation has a
meaning — we will
explain in next class.

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

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

now

$$E^{-1} F^{-1} G^{-1}$$

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

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

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = L \text{ (say).}$$

↳ lower triangular

Reversing the steps would mean

$$\underbrace{E^{-1} F^{-1} G^{-1}}_L \underbrace{(G F E A)}_U = A$$

$$\Rightarrow A = L U \begin{matrix} \nearrow \text{upper triangular} \\ \searrow \text{lower triangular} \end{matrix}$$

— known as LU-decomposition.

Note that every square matrix may not have LU decomposition.

(Thanks to Arkadip Paul for pointing this out)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \text{doesn't have LU-decomposition.}$$

- we will learn the proof a bit later.
- we will also discuss some cases when this decomposition is unique(!)

whenever it is possible to have the LU-decomposition, that is,

$$A = LU,$$

it is extremely useful to solve $Ax = b$.

In fact, given the eqnⁿ $Ax = b$,

and given that $A = LU$

we have $LUx = b$

$$\Leftrightarrow Ux = c \quad \text{whenever } Lc = b.$$

Solve $Lc = b$ - by forward substitution to get c .

Solve $Ux = c$ - by backward substitution to get x .

Remark:

One might think that we obtained LU decomposition while solving the equation, then how is it useful?

— is it a circular argument?

NO — because we have obtained LU-decomp. in one way, but this need not be the only way!

This is why we have written given an LU-decomp. of A it is useful.

So, we have seen a type of elimination in one example — what else can happen?

- Now, while performing elimination, if 0 appears in a pivot, then as we have said earlier, we would interchange rows to bring non-zero number in pivot position, and then continue with elimination as earlier.

Let us see an example:

Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\downarrow R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$$
$$U \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

This means
inter change
of row 2 and row 3

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This lead us to another kind of elementary matrix known as 'PERMUTATION MATRIX'