

# Lecture 9 (section 1.6)

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Solving a system of LE using the inverse matrix

$\Rightarrow$  Consider:

$$\begin{cases} 3x - 4y = 3 \\ 4x - 5y = 5 \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$  representing above in a matrix form:

$$A \cdot \overline{X} = \overline{b}$$
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \overline{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}, \quad \overline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

■ Assume that  $A$  is invertible; then  $\exists A^{-1}$  such that  $A^{-1} \cdot A = I_2 \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1} \cdot (A \cdot \overline{X}) &= A^{-1} \cdot \overline{b} \\ (A^{-1} \cdot A) \cdot \overline{X} &= A^{-1} \cdot \overline{b} \\ I_2 \cdot \overline{X} &= A^{-1} \cdot \overline{b} \\ \overline{X} &= A^{-1} \cdot \overline{b} \end{aligned}$$

■ In our case:

$$\det(A) = 3 \cdot (-5) - (-4) \cdot 4 = -15 + 16 = 1 \neq 0$$

$A$  is invertible:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

■ Unique (by construction and because inverse is unique) solution:

$$\overline{X} = A^{-1} \cdot \overline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} x &= 5 \\ y &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

## Properties of invertible matrices

- If  $A$  &  $B$  are  $n \times n$  invertible matrices, then  $A \cdot B$  is also invertible and

$$(A \cdot B)^{-1} = B^{-1} \cdot A^{-1}$$

Proof:

$$(A \cdot B)^{-1} \cdot (A \cdot B) \stackrel{?}{=} B^{-1} \cdot \underbrace{A^{-1} \cdot A}_{I_n} \cdot B = B^{-1} \cdot I_n \cdot B = B^{-1} \cdot B = I_n$$

Similarly,

$$(A \cdot B) \cdot (A \cdot B)^{-1} \stackrel{?}{=} A \cdot \underbrace{B \cdot B^{-1}}_{I_n} \cdot A^{-1} = A \cdot I_n \cdot A^{-1} = A \cdot A^{-1} = I_n$$

Note, if  $B = A$ ,  $A^2 \stackrel{def}{=} A \cdot A$  is invertible; similarly:

$$A^k \stackrel{def}{=} \underbrace{A \cdot A \cdots A}_{k\text{-times}}, \quad (A^k)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^k$$

- If  $A$  is invertible,  $A^T$  is invertible and

$$(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$$

Recall,

$$(A \cdot B)^T = B^T \cdot A^T, \quad \text{so}$$

$$(A^T)^{-1} \cdot A^T \stackrel{?}{=} (A^{-1})^T \cdot A^T = (A \cdot A^{-1})^T = I_n^T = I_n$$

Similarly,

$$A^T \cdot (A^T)^{-1} \stackrel{?}{=} A^T \cdot (A^{-1})^T = (A^{-1} \cdot A)^T = I_n^T = I_n$$

$\Rightarrow$  Problem ①

Find the inverse of:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Follow the algorithm:

$$\left[ A \mid I_4 \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} r_2 \rightarrow r_2 - r_1 \\ r_3 \rightarrow r_3 - r_1 \\ r_4 \rightarrow r_4 - r_1 \end{array} \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 & 7 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} r_3 \rightarrow r_3 - r_2 \\ r_4 \rightarrow r_4 - r_2 \\ r_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \cdot r_2 \end{array} \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 7 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} r_4 \rightarrow r_4 - r_3 \\ r_3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{5} \cdot r_3 \end{array} \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} r_4 \rightarrow \frac{1}{7} \cdot r_4 \end{array} \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{7} & \frac{1}{7} \end{array} \right] = \left[ I_4 \mid A^{-1} \right] \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{7} & \frac{1}{7} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Problem (2)

Given

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

find an elementary operation  $E$  such that  $E \cdot A = B$

■ Long way: assuming  $A^{-1}$  exists,

$$(E \cdot A) \cdot A^{-1} = B \cdot A^{-1}$$

$$E \cdot \underbrace{(A \cdot A^{-1})}_{I_3} = B \cdot A^{-1}$$

$$E \cdot I_3 = B \cdot A^{-1}$$

$$E = B \cdot A^{-1}$$

■ Cheat: note that  $B$  is obtained from  $A$  by a single elementary operation  $r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3$ ; elementary matrix  $E_{1 \leftrightarrow 3}$  responsible for such an interchange is:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 3 & 4 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -7 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 8 & 1 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 8 & 1 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -7 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_A \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{I_3} \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_B \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{E_{1 \leftrightarrow 3}}$

$\Rightarrow$

$$E_{1 \leftrightarrow 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Check at home:

$$E_{1 \leftrightarrow 3} \cdot A = B$$