

Lecture - 4

Class Note

Row - Echelon Matrix: A matrix  $A$  is said to be ~~row~~

row - echelon matrix if: -

- 1) All zero rows, if any belongs at the bottom of matrix.
- 2) As we pass from row to row downwards the number of zeros preceding the first non-zero element of a row increases.

Examples The following are all row - echelon - matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Rank of a matrix: Let  $A_{m \times n}$  be a given matrix

Then Rank of  $A$  = No of non-zero rows in row - echelon matrix

Example: Find the rank of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

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

$R_{12} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$R_3 \xrightarrow{+R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$R_{23} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{row - echelon matrix} = B$

$\therefore$  Rank of  $A$  = No of non-zero rows in  $B$   
 $= 3$



## Elementary matrices :

An  $n \times n$  matrix obtained by applying a single elementary row operation on identity matrix  $I_n$ , is said to be an elementary matrix of order  $n$ .

There are three types of elementary matrices,

type 1 : The elementary matrix obtained by applying  $R_{ij}$  on  $I_n$  is denoted by  $E_{ij}$

$$\text{Ex: } I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_{23}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = E_{23}$$

type 2 : The elementary matrix obtained by applying  $cR_i$  on  $I_n$  is denoted by  $E_i(c)$ .

$$\text{Ex: } I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{cR_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_2(c)$$

type 3 : The elementary matrix obtained by applying  $R_i + cR_j$  on  $I_n$  is denoted by  $E_{ij}(c)$

$$\text{Ex: } I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 + cR_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_{13}(c)$$

## Property of Elementary Matrix :

The elementary matrices are non-singular.

Furthermore, their inverse is also an elementary matrix.



Note: When we transform a matrix in row echelon form ~~using~~ we do it by applying several elementary row operations. Therefore this can be simulated by using elementary matrices. Rather than explaining how this is done in general, we illustrate the technique with a specific example.

Example: Write the matrix  $A_{3 \times 3}$  given below in row echelon form.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 1:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = A_1 \text{ say.}$

Now  $I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_{21}(-2)$   
 $= E_1$

Now  $E_1 A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = A_1$

$\therefore A_1 = E_1 A$

Step 2:  $A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = A_2$

Now  $I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_{31}(-1)$   
 $= E_2$

Now  $E_2 A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = A_2$

$\therefore A_2 = E_2 A_1 = E_2 E_1 A \quad (\because A_1 = E_1 A)$



Step 3%  $A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{5}P_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{9}{5} \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = A_3$

Now  $I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{5}P_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_2(-1/5) = E_3$

Now,  $E_3 A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = A_3$

$\therefore A_3 = E_3 A_2 = E_3 E_2 E_1 A \quad (\because A_2 = E_2 E_1 A)$

Step 4%  $A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 - 3R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = A_4$

Now  $I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 - 3R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_4 2(-3) = E_4$

Now,  $E_4 A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = A_4$

$\therefore A_4 = E_4 A_3 = E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 A \quad (\because A_3 = E_3 E_2 E_1 A)$



Step 5:  $A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 0 & -28/5 \end{pmatrix} = A_5$

Now  $I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_{32}(-2) = E_5$

$E_5 A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 0 & -28/5 \end{pmatrix} = A_5$

$\therefore A_5 = E_5 A_4 = E_5 E_4 E_2 E_1 A$

Step 6:  $A_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 0 & -28/5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{5}{28}R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = A_6$

Now  $I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{5}{28}R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{5}{28} \end{pmatrix} = E_{33}(-\frac{5}{28}) = E_6$

$\therefore E_6 A_5 = A_6$

$\Rightarrow A_6 = E_6 E_5 E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 A$

Step 7:  $A_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_2 - R_3 \times \frac{9}{5} \\ R_1 + R_3 \times \frac{2}{5} \end{matrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I_3 = A_7 (=I)$

$I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_2 - R_3 \times \frac{9}{5} \\ R_1 + R_3 \times \frac{2}{5} \end{matrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & -9/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E_{13}(2/5) E_{23}(-9/5) = E_7$

$\therefore E_7 A_6 = A_7 = I_3$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{E_7 E_6 E_5 E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 A = I} \quad (\text{Identity matrix})$



$$\therefore E_7 E_6 E_5 E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 A = I_n \text{ (Identity matrix)}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_7 E_6 E_5 E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 I_n = A^{-1} \quad (AA^{-1} = I_n)$$

Therefore: If a sequence of elementary row operations applied successively on  $A$  reduces  $A$  to  $I_n$ , the same sequence of operations applied successively on  $I_n$  will reduce to  $A^{-1}$ .

Gauss-Jordan method for finding inverse of a matrix  $A_n$

From the  $n \times 2n$  matrix  $(A_{n \times n} | I_n)$ .

Apply elementary row operation successively on the matrix  $(A_{n \times n} | I_n)$ , which will reduce

$A_{n \times n}$  to  $I_n$ . ~~and~~ Then  $I_n$  will be reduced.

by the operations to  $A^{-1}$ . So the matrix

$(A | I_n)$  will be reduced to  $(I_n | A^{-1})$

Example

Theorem: If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, the following are equivalent.

- (i)  $A$  is invertible
- (ii)  $A$  is row-equivalent to the  $n \times n$  ~~not~~ Identity matrix
- (iii)  $A$  is a product of elementary matrices.



Example: Using Gauss-Jordan method, find the inverse of matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 12 & 9 \\ 2 & 10 & 12 \\ 1 & 12 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Soln:  $(A | I_3) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 3 & 12 & 9 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 10 & 12 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 12 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1' \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}R_1} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 4 & 3 & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 10 & 12 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 12 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2' \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - R_1 \end{array} \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 4 & 3 & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & -1 & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2' \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 4 & 3 & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & -1 & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1' \rightarrow R_1 - 4R_2 \\ R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - 8R_2 \end{array} \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -9 & \frac{5}{3} & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -25 & \frac{7}{3} & -4 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3' \rightarrow -\frac{1}{25}R_3} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -9 & \frac{5}{3} & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{7}{75} & \frac{4}{25} & -\frac{1}{25} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1' \rightarrow R_1 + 9R_3 \\ R_2' \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_3 \end{array} \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{62}{75} & \frac{14}{25} & \frac{9}{25} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{75} & \frac{1}{50} & \frac{3}{25} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{7}{75} & \frac{4}{25} & -\frac{1}{25} \end{array} \right) = (I_3 | A^{-1})$$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{62}{75} & \frac{14}{25} & \frac{9}{25} \\ \frac{1}{75} & \frac{1}{50} & \frac{3}{25} \\ -\frac{7}{75} & \frac{4}{25} & -\frac{1}{25} \end{pmatrix}$$