

Solutions to Exercises to

**Programming Methods
in Scientific Computing**

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Chapter 3: Python, the Fundamentals

Exercise 3.2

We extend the given class `Polynomial` by functions for the derivative and antiderivative:

```
1 class Polynomial:
2     def __init__(self, coefficients):
3         self.coeff = coefficients
4
5     def __call__(self, x):
6         s = 0
7         for i in range(len(self.coeff)):
8             s += self.coeff[i]*x**i
9         return s
10
11    def __add__(self, other):
12        l = []
13        if len(self.coeff) > len(other.coeff):
14            l += self.coeff
15            for i in range(len(other.coeff)):
16                l[i] += other.coeff[i]
17        else:
18            l += other.coeff
19            for i in range(len(self.coeff)):
20                l[i] += self.coeff[i]
21        return Polynomial(l)
22
23    def __eq__(self, other):
24        return self.coeff == other.coeff
25
26    def derivative(self):
27        coeff = []
28        for i in range(1, len(self.coeff)):
29            coeff.append(i * self.coeff[i])
30        return Polynomial(coeff)
31
32    def antiderivative(self):
33        coeff = [0]
34        for i in range(len(self.coeff)):
35            coeff.append(self.coeff[i]/(i+1))
36        return Polynomial(coeff)
```

For the given polynomial $p(x) = 3x^2 + 2x + 1$ we get the following results:

```
1 >>> p = Polynomial([1,2,3])
2 >>> p.derivative().coeff
3 [2, 6]
4 >>> p.antiderivative().coeff
```

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5 | [0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0]
6 | >>> p.antiderivative().derivative().coeff
7 | [1.0, 2.0, 3.0]

```

Exercise 3.4

```

1 | class matrix():
2 |     def __init__(self, entries):
3 |         m = len(entries)
4 |         if m == 0:
5 |             raise ValueError("height must be positive")
6 |         n = len(entries[0])
7 |         if n == 0:
8 |             raise ValueError("width must be positive")
9 |         for i in range(1, m):
10 |             if len(entries[i]) != n:
11 |                 raise ValueError("rows must have the same width")
12 |         self.height = m
13 |         self.width = n
14 |         self.entries = entries
15 |
16 |     def __getitem__(self, i): # allows to get the rows via A[i]
17 |         return self.entries[i]
18 |
19 |     def __setitem__(self, i, k): # allows to set rows via A[i]
20 |         self.entries[i] = k
21 |
22 |     def __str__(self):
23 |         rows = ["["]*self.height
24 |         for j in range(self.width): # build the output columnwise
25 |             numbers = [] # numbers to appear in column j
26 |             maxlen = 0 # maximal length of a number in column j
27 |             for i in range(self.height):
28 |                 s = str(self[i][j])
29 |                 numbers.append(s)
30 |                 if len(s) > maxlen:
31 |                     maxlen = len(s)
32 |             for i in range(self.height):
33 |                 # pad the entries if they are too short
34 |                 rows[i] += numbers[i] + " "*(maxlen-len(numbers[i])) + " "
35 |         s = ""
36 |         for r in rows:
37 |             s += r[:-1] + "]\n" # remove white space at the end of ech line
38 |         s = s[:-1] # remove empty line at the end
39 |         return s
40 |
41 |     def __mul__(self, other):
42 |         if self.width != other.height:
43 |             raise TypeError('matrix dimensions do not match')
44 |         newentries = []
45 |         for i in range(self.height):
46 |             row = []
47 |             for j in range(other.width):

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48         s = self[i][0] * other[0][j]    # s has the right type
49         for k in range(1, self.width):
50             s += self[i][k] * other[k][j]
51         row.append(s)
52         newentries.append(row)
53     return matrix(newentries)
54
55     def __eq__(self, other):
56         if self.height != other.height or self.width != other.width:
57             return False
58         for i in range(self.height):
59             for j in range(self.width):
60                 if self[i][j] != other[i][j]:
61                     return False
62         return True

```

For the matrices

```

1     >>> A = matrix([[0,1],[1,0],[1,1]])
2     >>> B = matrix([[1,2,3,4],[5,6,7,8]])
3     >>> C = matrix([[1,0],[0,1],[1,0],[0,1]])
4     >>> A * (B * C) == (A * B) * C
5     True

```

Exercise 3.5

We first implement a class `Rational` to allow calculations with rational numbers with arbitrary precision.

```

1 class Rational():
2     def __init__(self, num, denum = 1): # default denominator is 1
3         if type(num) != int:
4             raise TypeError("numerator is no integer")
5         if type(denum) != int:
6             raise TypeError("denumerater is no integer")
7         if denum == 0:
8             raise ZeroDivisionError("denumerator is zero")
9         self.num = num
10        self.denum = denum
11
12    def __str__(self): # allows print(A) for a matrix A
13        return "{}/{ {}".format(self.num, self.denum)
14
15    def __add__(self, other):
16        return Rational( self.num * other.denum + self.denum * other.num,
17                          self.denum * other.denum )
18
19    def __sub__(self, other):
20        Rational( self.num * other.denum - self.denum * other.num, self.denum
21                  * other.num )
22
23    def __neg__(self):
24        return Rational( -self.num, self.denum )

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24 def __mul__(self, other):
25     return Rational( self.num * other.num, self.denum * other.denum )
26
27 def __truediv__(self, other):
28     if other.num == 0:
29         raise ZeroDivisionError("division by zero")
30     return Rational( self.num * other.denum, self.denum * other.num)
31
32 def inverse(self): # short hand notation
33     return Rational(1)/self
34
35 def __eq__(self, other):
36     if type(other) == int: # allows comparison to int, used for x == 0
37         return (self == Rational(other))
38     return (self.num * other.denum == self.denum * other.num)
39
40 def __float__(self):
41     return self.num / self.denum

```

Next we extend the previous matrix class.

```

1 class matrix():
2     def __init__(self, entries):
3         m = len(entries)
4         if m == 0:
5             raise ValueError("height must be positive")
6         n = len(entries[0])
7         if n == 0:
8             raise ValueError("width must be positive")
9         for i in range(1, m):
10            if len(entries[i]) != n:
11                raise ValueError("rows must have the same width")
12        self.height = m
13        self.width = n
14        self.entries = entries
15
16    def __getitem__(self, i): # allows to get the rows via A[i]
17        return self.entries[i]
18
19    def __setitem__(self, i, k): # allows to set rows via A[i]
20        self.entries[i] = k
21
22    def __str__(self):
23        rows = ["["]*self.height
24        for j in range(self.width): # build the output columnwise
25            numbers = [] # the numbers to appear in column j
26            maxlen = 0 # the maximal length of a number column j
27            for i in range(self.height):
28                s = str(self.entries[i][j])
29                numbers.append(s)
30                if len(s) > maxlen:
31                    maxlen = len(s)
32            for i in range(self.height):
33                # pad the entries if they are too short
34                rows[i] += numbers[i] + " "*(maxlen - len(numbers[i])) + " "
35        s = ""
36        for r in rows:

```

```

37         s += r[:-1] + "\n" # remove white space at the end of each line
38     s = s[:-1] # remove an empty line
39     return s
40
41     def __mul__(self, other):
42         if self.width != other.height:
43             raise TypeError('matrix dimensions do not match')
44         entries = [] # entries of the new matrix
45         for i in range(self.height):
46             row = []
47             for j in range(other.width):
48                 s = self[i][0] * other[0][j] # s has the right type
49                 for k in range(1, self.width):
50                     s += self[i][k] * other[k][j]
51             row.append(s)
52             entries.append(row)
53         return matrix(entries)
54
55     def __eq__(self, other):
56         if self.height != other.height or self.width != other.width:
57             return False
58         for i in range(self.height):
59             for j in range(self.width):
60                 if self[i][j] != other[i][j]:
61                     return False
62         return True
63
64     def map(self, f): # applies a function to all entries
65         for i in range(self.height):
66             for j in range(self.width):
67                 self[i][j] = f(self[i][j])
68
69     def swaprows(self, i, j): # swap rows i and j
70         if i > self.height or j > self.height:
71             raise ValueError("swap nonexistent rows")
72         l = self[i]
73         self[i] = self[j]
74         self[j] = l
75
76     def addrow(self, i, j, c=1): # add c times row j to row i
77         for k in range(self.width):
78             self[i][k] = self[i][k] + self[j][k] * c
79
80     def addcolumn(self, i, j, c=1): # add c times column j from column i
81         for k in range(self.height):
82             self[k][i] = self[k][i] + self[k][j] * c
83
84     def multrow(self, i, c): # multiply row i with c
85         for j in range(self.width):
86             self[i][j] *= c

```

We also define some auxiliary matrix functions:

```

1 def zeromatrix(height, width): # creates a zero matrix
2     entries = []
3     for i in range(height):
4         entries.append([0]*width)

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```

5     return matrix(entries)
6
7 def identitymatrix(size): # creates an identity matrix
8     E = zeromatrix(size, size)
9     for i in range(size):
10         E[i][i] = 1
11     return E
12
13 def copymatrix(A): # copies a matrix
14     B = zeromatrix(A.height, A.width)
15     for i in range(A.height):
16         for j in range(A.width):
17             B[i][j] = A[i][j]
18     return B

```

The LU decomposition of some matrices can be computed by the following naive algorithm:

```

1 def naive_lu(A):
2     if A.height != A.width:
3         raise ValueError("matrix is not square")
4     U = copymatrix(A) # circumvent pass by reference
5     n = U.height
6     L = identitymatrix(n)
7     U.map(Rational) # make all
8     L.map(Rational) # entries rational
9     # bring U in upper triangular form, change L such that LU = A
10    for j in range(n):
11        if U[j][j] == 0:
12            raise ValueError("algorithm does not work for this matrix")
13        for i in range(j+1,n):
14            L.addcolumn(j, i, U[i][j]/U[j][j]) # important: change L first
15            U.addrow(i, j, -U[i][j]/U[j][j])
16    return (L,U)

```

For the given matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 6 & 3 \\ 9 & 10 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

we get the following result:

```

1 >>> A = matrix([[3,2,1],[6,6,3],[9,10,6]])
2 >>> (L,U) = naive_lu(A)
3 >>> print(L)
4 [9/9  0/18  0/1]
5 [18/9 18/18 0/1]
6 [27/9 36/18 1/1]
7 >>> print(U)
8 [3/1  2/1  1/1  ]
9 [0/3  6/3  3/3  ]
10 [0/162 0/162 162/162]
11 >>> B = L*U
12 >>> B.map(float)
13 >>> print(B)
14 [3.0 2.0 1.0]

```

```

15 [6.0 6.0 3.0]
16 [9.0 10.0 6.0]

```

For the given matrix

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

(which has no LU decomposition) the program stops with an error:

```

1 >>> B = matrix([[0,1],[1,0]])
2 >>> (L,U) == naive_lu(B)
3 Traceback (most recent call last):
4   File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
5   File "<stdin>", line 12, in naive_lu
6 ValueError: algorithm does not work for this matrix

```

Exercise 3.7

We use the classes `Rational` and `matrix` as in Exercise 3.5, as well as the auxiliary functions. We can then use the Gauß algorithm:

```

1 # allowed input are integer matrices
2 def invert(A):
3     if A.height != A.width:
4         raise ValueError("matrix is not square")
5     B = copymatrix(A) # circumvent pass by reference
6     n = B.height
7     Inv = identitymatrix(n)
8     B.map(Rational) # make all
9     Inv.map(Rational) # entries rational
10    # bring B in lower triangular form
11    for j in range(n):
12        p = -1
13        for i in range(j,n):
14            if B[i][j] != 0:
15                p = i
16                break
17        if p == -1:
18            raise ZeroDivisionError("matrix is not invertible")
19        for i in range(p+1,n):
20            Inv.addrow(i, p, -B[i][j]/B[p][j]) # import: change inverse
21            # first
22            B.addrow(i, p, -B[i][j]/B[p][j])
23    # norm the diagonal entries
24    for i in range(n):
25        Inv.multrow(i, B[i][i].inverse())
26        B.multrow(i, B[i][i].inverse())
27    # bring B into identity form
28    for j in range(n):
29        for i in range(j):
30            Inv.addrow(i, j, -B[i][j])
31            B.addrow(i, j, -B[i][j])
32    return Inv

```


For the given matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 & -1 \\ -6 & 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

this results in the following output:

```
1 >>> A = matrix([[3,-1,2],[-3,4,-1],[-6,5,-2]])
2 >>> B = invert(A)
3 >>> A.map(Rational)
4 >>> A*B == identitymatrix(3)
5 True
6 >>> B.map(float)
7 >>> print(B)
8 [-0.3333333333333333 0.8888888888888888 -0.7777777777777778]
9 [0.0                0.6666666666666666 -0.3333333333333333]
10 [1.0                -1.0                1.0                1
```