

Problem 1. Consider the following system of linear equations:

$$3x - 2y = b_1$$

$$6x - 4y = b_2$$

- a) (3 pts) Determine the possible values of b_1 and b_2 that will make the system solvable.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 3 & -2 & b_1 \\ 6 & -4 & b_2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 3 & -2 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & b_2 - 2b_1 \end{array} \right]$$

for the system to be consistent, we need
 $b_2 - 2b_1 = 0$, we need $b_2 = 2b_1$.

- b) (2 pts) Solve the system above for $b_1 = 0$ and $b_2 = 0$.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 3 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Let $y = t$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$3x - 2y = 0$$

$$3x = 2y$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3}y$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3}t$$

Solution $\begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} t$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$

Problem 2. Consider the matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & b \\ a & a & b \\ a & a & a \end{pmatrix}$$

a) (4 pts) Determine the conditions that make A invertible.

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= a(a^2 - ab) - b(a^2 - ab) + b(a^2 - a^2) \\ &= a^3 - a^2b - a^2b + ab^2 = a^3 - 2a^2b + ab^2 \\ &= a(a^2 - 2ab + b^2) = a(a-b)^2 \end{aligned}$$

We need $|A| \neq 0 \therefore a \neq 0$ and $a-b \neq 0$
 $\sim a \neq 0$ and $a \neq b$

b) (6 pts) Find A^{-1} .

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a & b & b & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & a & b & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a & a & a & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R2-R1 \\ R3-R1}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a & b & b & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a-b & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a-b & a-b & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R3-R2} \\ &\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a & b & b & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a-b & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a-b & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R1 - \frac{b}{a-b}R2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a & 0 & b & \frac{a-b+b}{a-b} & \frac{-b}{a-b} & 0 \\ 0 & a-b & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a-b & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R1 - \frac{b}{a-b}R3} \\ &\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a & 0 & 0 & \frac{a}{a-b} & 0 & \frac{-b}{a-b} \\ 0 & a-b & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a-b & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\substack{R1/a \\ R2/(a-b) \\ R3/(a-b)}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{a-b} & 0 & \frac{-b}{a(a-b)} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-1}{a-b} & \frac{1}{a-b} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-1}{a-b} & \frac{1}{a-b} \end{array} \right) \\ &\therefore A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{a-b} & 0 & \frac{-b}{a(a-b)} \\ \frac{-1}{a-b} & \frac{1}{a-b} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-1}{a-b} & \frac{1}{a-b} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3. Consider the matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) (5 pts) What three elementary matrices put A into its upper triangular form.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_2} *$$

$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

b) (5 pts) Find the LU factorization of A .

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

$$\begin{aligned} L &= E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} E_3^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_L \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}}_U$$

Problem 4. Let the matrices $X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $Y = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

a) (3 pts) Compute X^{-1} .

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

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

b) (3 pts) Compute XYX^{-1} .

$$XYX^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 7 \\ -1 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -11 & 9 \\ -11 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -4 - 7 \\ 2 + 7 \\ -2 - 9 \\ 1 + 9 \end{array}$$

c) (3 pts) What is the relation between $\det(Y)$ and $\det(XYX^{-1})$? Justify your answer.

$$\det(Y) = -3 \times 2 - 5 \times 1 = -6 - 5 = -11$$

$$\det(XYX^{-1}) = -11 \times 10 - (-11 \times 9) = -11$$

$$\det(Y) = \det(XYX^{-1})$$

$$|XYX^{-1}| = |X| |Y| |X^{-1}| = |X| |Y| \frac{1}{|X|} = |Y|$$

Problem 4. (2 pts each) Assume that A is a 3×3 matrix with the property that $A^2 = A$. Determine whether the following statements about the matrix A are true or false. Justify your answer.

a) A is invertible. FALSE

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$A^2 = A$ but A is not invertible.

b) $\det(A) = 0$ FALSE

$$|A| = |A^2| = |A|^2 \Rightarrow |A|^2 - |A| = 0 \Rightarrow |A|(|A| - 1) = 0 \\ \therefore |A| = 0 \text{ or } 1.$$

c) $\det(A^5) = \det(A)$. TRUE

$$A^5 = A^2 \cdot A^2 \cdot A = A \cdot A \cdot A = A^2 \cdot A = A \cdot A = A^2 = A$$

$$\therefore \det(A^5) = \det(A) \text{ because } A^5 = A.$$