

# **LINEAR ALGEBRA. VASILY KRYLOV. RECITATION 2: SOLUTIONS.**

My name is Vasily Krylov. If you have any questions or comments about these solutions, please feel free to ask me by email (krvas@mit.edu) or during my office hours (Thursday 5p.m. - 7 p.m. Room 2-361).

## 1. PROBLEM 1

Solve equation  $A\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{b}$  for the following  $A$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  (use elimination):

(a)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 7 & 5 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 20 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution of part (a):**  $\mathbf{v} = (2, 1, 1)$ .

*Proof.* We have  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 20 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Now  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

It remains to solve the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} 2x + 3y + z = 8 \\ y + 3z = 4 \\ 8z = 8. \end{cases}$$

We conclude that the solution is

$$\mathbf{v} = (x, y, z) = (2, 1, 1).$$

□

**Solution of part (b):**  $\mathbf{v} = (1, 2, 3)$ .

*Proof.* We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

It remains to solve the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} -2x - y + z = -1 \\ 5y - 2z = 4 \\ z = 3 \end{cases}$$

We conclude that

$$\mathbf{v} = (x, y, z) = (1, 2, 3).$$

□

## 2. PROBLEM 2

Which number  $b$  leads later to a row exchange? Which  $b$  leads to a missing pivot? In that singular case find a nonzero solution  $x, y, z$ .

$$\begin{cases} x + by = 0 \\ x - 2y - z = 0 \\ y + z = 0 \end{cases}$$

**Solution:**  $b = -2$  leads to a row exchange,  $b = -1$  leads to a missing pivot, in that case solutions are of the form  $(a, a, -a)$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Proof.* Consider the corresponding matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & b & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b & 0 \\ 0 & -2-b & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We see that  $b = -2$  leads to a row exchange, in this case we have

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

and the only solution of our equation is  $x = y = z = 0$ .

Let us now find  $b$  that leads to a missing pivot. We can assume that  $b = -2$  so can

multiply by  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2+b} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2+b} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b & 0 \\ 0 & -2-b & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b & 0 \\ 0 & -2-b & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - \frac{1}{2+b} \end{bmatrix}.$$

We see that missing pivot appears iff  $1 - \frac{1}{2+b} = 0$  i.e.  $b = -1$ .

Substituting  $b = -1$  we see that It remains to find any solution of the equation

$$\begin{cases} x - y = 0 \\ -y - z = 0 \end{cases}$$

One solution is  $x = y = 1, z = -1$ . Any other solution has the form  $(a, a, -a)$  for some  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .  $\square$

### 3. PROBLEM 3

Find  $LU$  decomposition for the following matrices.

$$(a) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 6 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(b) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution of part (a).**

*Proof.* We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 6 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We conclude that

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

so

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$\square$

**Solution of part (b).**

We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We conclude that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

so

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We conclude that

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix}.$$