

# DSC210 HW1

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## Question 1: Property of triangular matrices

*Given:*  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are two lower triangular matrices of size  $n \times n$ .

**Solution:**

### 1. Proof for $L_1 L_2$ being a lower triangular matrix:

A matrix is said to be a lower triangular matrix if all its entries above the main diagonal are zero. Let's denote the entry in the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column of a matrix  $M$  as  $M_{ij}$ .

Given that both  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are lower triangular matrices, we have:

For  $i < j$ :

$$L_{1_{ij}} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad L_{2_{ij}} = 0$$

Now, for the product matrix  $L_1 L_2$ , the entry at  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column is given by:

$$(L_1 L_2)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n L_{1_{ik}} \times L_{2_{kj}}$$

For  $i < j$ , since  $L_{1_{ik}}$  is zero for all  $k \geq i$  and  $L_{2_{kj}}$  is zero for all  $k \leq j$ , the sum becomes zero. Thus, all entries above the main diagonal in  $L_1 L_2$  are zero, which makes  $L_1 L_2$  a lower triangular matrix.

### 2. Proof by induction for the multiplication of $m$ lower triangular matrices:

**Base Step:** We have already shown that the product of two lower triangular matrices  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  is a lower triangular matrix.

**Inductive Step:** Assume the statement is true for  $k$  matrices, i.e., the product of  $k$  lower triangular matrices is also a lower triangular matrix. We need to prove it for  $k + 1$  matrices.

Let the product of the first  $k$  matrices be denoted by  $L'$ . From the inductive hypothesis,  $L'$  is a lower triangular matrix. Now, the product of  $k + 1$  matrices is  $L' \times L_{k+1}$ . Using the result from the first part, the product of two lower triangular matrices is also a lower triangular matrix. Thus,  $L' \times L_{k+1}$  is also a lower triangular matrix.

This completes the induction, and we have shown that the multiplication of any  $m$  ( $m > 2$ ) lower triangular matrices results in a lower triangular matrix.

## Question 2: Matrix operations

*Given:* Let  $B$  be a  $4 \times 4$  matrix undergoing the specified operations to yield matrix  $D$ .

**Solution:**

(a) **Express each operation as a matrix and the final matrix  $D$  as a product of 8 matrices.**

(i) **Double column 1:** The elementary matrix for this operation is:

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(ii) **Halve row 3:** The elementary matrix for this operation is:

$$E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(iii) **Add row 3 to row 1:** The elementary matrix for this operation is:

$$E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(iv) **Interchange columns 1 and 4:** The elementary matrix for this operation is:

$$E_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(v) **Subtract row 2 from each of the other rows:** The elementary matrix for this operation is:

$$E_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(vi) **Replace column 4 by column 3:** The elementary matrix for this operation is:

$$E_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(vii) **Delete column 1:** To represent this, we use an auxiliary  $4 \times 3$  matrix  $E_{7a}$ :

$$E_{7a} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, the matrix  $D$  is represented as:

$$D = E_{7a}E_6E_5E_4E_3E_2E_1B$$

(b) **Write the final result again as a product of  $ABC$**

We group the matrices as:

$$A = E_{7a}$$

$$B = E_6 \times E_5 \times E_4$$

$$C = E_3 \times E_2 \times E_1$$

Thus, matrix  $D$  is represented as:

$$D = A \times B \times C$$

Where:

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

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

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Question 3: Matrix properties

*Given:* A matrix  $A$  is both triangular and unitary.

**Solution:**

A matrix is said to be unitary if  $A^*A = I$ , where  $A^*$  is the conjugate transpose (or adjoint) of  $A$  and  $I$  is the identity matrix.

Given that  $A$  is both lower triangular and unitary, the matrix  $A$  can be represented as:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

The conjugate transpose  $A^*$  is:

$$A^* = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{a}_{11} & \bar{a}_{21} & \cdots & \bar{a}_{n1} \\ 0 & \bar{a}_{22} & \cdots & \bar{a}_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \bar{a}_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Given  $A^*A = I$ , the (1,1)-entry of  $A^*A$  is:

$$\bar{a}_{11}a_{11} + 0 + \dots + 0 = |\bar{a}_{11}|^2$$

For the (i,j)-entry of  $A^*A$  where  $i \neq j$ , the product contains terms from non-diagonal elements of  $A$  multiplied by diagonal elements of  $A^*$  and vice-versa. As  $A$  is lower triangular, these terms are zero for  $i < j$ .

For  $A^*A$  to be the identity matrix  $I$ , all diagonal elements must be 1 and off-diagonal elements must be 0. This implies:

1. All diagonal elements of  $A$  have a magnitude of 1, i.e.,  $|a_{ii}| = 1$  for all  $i$ .
2. All off-diagonal elements of  $A$  are 0.

Thus, if  $A$  is both lower triangular and unitary, it must be a diagonal matrix with diagonal entries of magnitude 1.

**Question 4:  $p$ -norm inequalities**

Given  $x$  is a real  $m$ -vector, we have to verify the following inequalities:

- (a)  $\|x\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_2$  (b)  $\|x\|_2 \leq \sqrt{m} \cdot \|x\|_\infty$

**Solution:**

- (a) **Proof of  $\|x\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_2$**

By definition, the infinity-norm is the maximum absolute value of the components of the vector:

$$\|x\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|$$

The 2-norm of  $x$  is:

$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_m^2}$$

Since each term  $x_i^2$  is non-negative and  $|x_i| \leq \|x\|_\infty$  for all  $i$ , we have:

$$x_i^2 \leq \|x\|_\infty^2$$

Summing over all  $i$ :

$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_m^2 \leq m \cdot \|x\|_\infty^2$$

Taking the square root of both sides:

$$\sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_m^2} \leq \sqrt{m} \cdot \|x\|_\infty$$

However, since  $\sqrt{m} \geq 1$  (because  $m$  is positive),

$$\|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_\infty$$

For equality to hold, all components of  $x$  must be equal. For example, consider  $x = [1, 1, \dots, 1]$ .

- (b) **Proof of  $\|x\|_2 \leq \sqrt{m} \cdot \|x\|_\infty$**

From the above proof, we already derived that:

$$\|x\|_2 \leq \sqrt{m} \cdot \|x\|_\infty$$

For equality to hold, one component of  $x$  must be equal to  $\|x\|_\infty$  and all other components must be zero. For example, consider  $x = [0, 0, \dots, 0, \|x\|_\infty, 0, \dots, 0]$ .