

# LINEAR ALGEBRA – HOMEWORK 5

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**Textbook Problems.** These problems will not be graded, but you must submit solutions to receive full credit for the homework.

**Problem 2.5.6.**

- (a) If  $A$  is invertible and  $AB = AC$ , prove quickly that  $B = C$ .
- (b) If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , find two *different* matrices  $B$  and  $C$  such that  $AB = AC$ .

**Problem 2.5.11.**

- (a) Find invertible matrices  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $A + B$  is not invertible.
- (b) Find non-invertible matrices  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $A + B$  is invertible.

**Problem 2.5.21.** There are sixteen  $2 \times 2$  matrices whose entries are 1's and 0's. How many of them are invertible?

**Problem 2.5.25.** Find  $A^{-1}$  and  $B^{-1}$  (if they exist) by elimination on  $[A \ I]$  and  $[B \ I]$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Problem 2.5.31.** This matrix has a remarkable inverse. Find  $A^{-1}$  by elimination on  $[A \ I]$ . Extend to a  $5 \times 5$  “alternating matrix” and guess its inverse; then multiply to confirm.

$$\text{Invert } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and solve } A\mathbf{x} = (1, 1, 1, 1).$$

**Problem 2.5.39.**  $A$  is a  $4 \times 4$  matrix with 1's on the diagonal and  $-a$ ,  $-b$ ,  $-c$  on the diagonal above. Find  $A^{-1}$  for this bidiagonal matrix.

**Problem 2.6.6.** What elimination matrices  $E_{21}$  and  $E_{32}$  put  $A$  into upper triangular form,  $E_{32}E_{21}A = U$ ? Multiply by  $E_{32}^{-1}$  and  $E_{21}^{-1}$  to factor  $A$  into  $LU = E_{21}^{-1}E_{32}^{-1}U$ :

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

**Problem 2.6.8.** This problem shows how the elimination matrix inverses  $E_{ij}^{-1}$  multiply to give  $L$ . You see this best when  $A$  is already lower triangular with 1's on the diagonal. Then  $U = I$ .

$$A = L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ b & c & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The elimination matrices  $E_{21}$ ,  $E_{31}$ ,  $E_{32}$  contain  $-a$  then  $-b$  then  $-c$ .

(a) Multiply  $E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}$  to find the single matrix  $E$  that produces  $EA = I$ .

(b) Multiply  $E_{21}^{-1}E_{31}^{-1}E_{32}^{-1}$  to bring back  $L$ .

The multipliers  $a, b, c$  are mixed up in  $E$  but perfect in  $L$ !

**Problem 2.6.13.** Compute  $L$  and  $U$  for the symmetric matrix  $A$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a & a \\ a & b & b & b \\ a & b & c & c \\ a & b & c & d \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find four conditions on  $a, b, c, d$  to guarantee that systems  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  will have unique solutions.

**Problem 2.6.16.** Solve  $L\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{b}$  to find  $\mathbf{c}$ . Then solve  $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$  to find  $\mathbf{x}$ . What was  $A$ ?

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

### Graded Problems.

**Problem 1.** Find the inverse to the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Use  $A^{-1}$  to solve the system of linear equations  $A\mathbf{x} = (1, 0, 0, 1)$ .

**Problem 2.** Find the  $LU$  decomposition of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then solve the system  $A\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, 3, 4)$  for  $\mathbf{x}$  by solving the two triangular systems  $L\mathbf{y} = (1, 2, 3, 4)$  and  $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$ .