

MATH 2418: Linear Algebra

Assignment# 4

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Recommended Problems (do not turn in): Sec 2.3: 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 18, 21, 25, 27, 28.
Sec 2.4: 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17, 21, 26, 32.

1. Consider the linear system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} x + 6y + 2z = -13 \\ 12x + 6y + 18z = -6 \\ 6x + 37y + 12z = -80 \end{cases}$$

- (a) Write down its augmented matrix.

The given linear system can be written as $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 2 \\ 12 & 6 & 18 \\ 6 & 37 & 12 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -13 \\ -6 \\ -80 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the augmented matrix is

$$[A|\mathbf{b}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 2 & : & -13 \\ 12 & 6 & 18 & : & -6 \\ 6 & 37 & 12 & : & -80 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) Solve the linear system by reducing the coefficient matrix to an upper triangular matrix followed by back substitution.

Now, performing elimination on the augmented matrix $[A|\mathbf{b}]$, gives

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 2 & : & -13 \\ 12 & 6 & 18 & : & -6 \\ 6 & 37 & 12 & : & -80 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow[l_{21}=12]{R_2-12R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 2 & : & -13 \\ 0 & -66 & -6 & : & 150 \\ 6 & 37 & 12 & : & -80 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow[l_{31}=6]{R_3-6R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 2 & : & -13 \\ 0 & -66 & -6 & : & 150 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & : & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 2 & : & -13 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & : & -2 \\ 0 & -66 & -6 & : & 150 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow[l_{32}=-66]{R_3+66R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 2 & : & -13 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & : & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 & : & 18 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Back-substitution gives,

$$\begin{aligned}-6z &= 18 \Rightarrow z = -3, \\ y &= -2, \\ x + 6y + 2z &= -13 \Rightarrow x - 12 - 6 = -13 \Rightarrow x = 5.\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the solution is $\mathbf{x} = (5, -2, -3)$.

- (c) Write down each of the elementary matrices E_{ij} used in step(b).

Solution: The elimination matrices are

$$E_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -l_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -12 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$E_{31} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -l_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -6 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_{32} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -l_{31} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 66 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. Consider the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ with

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -5 \\ 10 & -2 & -48 \\ -3 & 10 & 15 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 50 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Write down each of the elementary matrices that reduce A to an upper triangular matrix U .
- (b) Write down the system $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$ which is equivalent to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.
- (c) Solve the system $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$ for \mathbf{x} .

Solution:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -5 \\ 10 & -2 & -48 \\ -3 & 10 & 15 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow{R_2 - 10R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -5 \\ 0 & 28 & 2 \\ -3 & 10 & 15 \end{bmatrix} &E_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -10 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_3 + 3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -5 \\ 0 & 28 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &E_{31} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_3 - \frac{1}{28}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -5 \\ 0 & 28 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{14} \end{bmatrix} &E_{32} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-1}{28} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(b) We have

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \implies E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}A\mathbf{x} = E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}\mathbf{b} \implies U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}.$$

Calculating,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-1}{28} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -10 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 50 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-1}{28} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 80 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-1}{28} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 80 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 80 \\ \frac{1}{7} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$ is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -5 \\ 0 & 28 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{14} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 80 \\ \frac{1}{7} \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c) Solving for x_3 ,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{-1}{14}x_3 &= \frac{1}{7} \\ \implies x_3 &= -2.\end{aligned}$$

Solving for x_2 ,

$$\begin{aligned}28x_2 + 2(-2) &= 80 \\ \implies x_2 &= \frac{84}{28} = 3.\end{aligned}$$

Solving for x_1 ,

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 - 3(3) - 5(-2) &= -3 \\ \implies x_1 &= -4.\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3. Compute the following products:

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & b & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & e & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & b & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & e & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(d) \begin{bmatrix} d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & b & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & e & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (a, 1, 2) \cdot (d, 0, 0) & (a, 1, 2) \cdot (2, e, 0) & (a, 1, 2) \cdot (3, 1, f) \\ (0, b, 3) \cdot (d, 0, 0) & (0, b, 3) \cdot (2, e, 0) & (0, b, 3) \cdot (3, 1, f) \\ (0, 0, c) \cdot (d, 0, 0) & (0, 0, c) \cdot (2, e, 0) & (0, 0, c) \cdot (3, 1, f) \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} ad & 2a + e & 3a + 1 + 2f \\ 0 & be & b + 3f \\ 0 & 0 & cf \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & b & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & e & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (a, 0, 0) \cdot (d, 2, 3) & (a, 0, 0) \cdot (0, e, 1) & (a, 0, 0) \cdot (0, 0, f) \\ (1, b, 0) \cdot (d, 2, 3) & (1, b, 0) \cdot (0, e, 1) & (1, b, 0) \cdot (0, 0, f) \\ (3, 2, c) \cdot (d, 2, 3) & (3, 2, c) \cdot (0, e, 1) & (3, 2, c) \cdot (0, 0, f) \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} ad & 0 & 0 \\ 2b + d & be & 0 \\ 3d + 4 + 3c & 2e + c & cf \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (4, 3, -1) \cdot (a, 0, 0) & (4, 3, -1) \cdot (0, b, 0) & (4, 3, -1) \cdot (0, 0, c) \\ (1, 3, 2) \cdot (a, 0, 0) & (1, 3, 2) \cdot (0, b, 0) & (1, 3, 2) \cdot (0, 0, c) \\ (1, -1, 1) \cdot (a, 0, 0) & (1, -1, 1) \cdot (0, b, 0) & (1, -1, 1) \cdot (0, 0, c) \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4a & 3b & -c \\ a & 3b & 2c \\ a & -b & c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(d) \begin{bmatrix} d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (d, 0, 0) \cdot (a, 0, 0) & (d, 0, 0) \cdot (0, b, 0) & (d, 0, 0) \cdot (0, 0, c) \\ (0, e, 0) \cdot (a, 0, 0) & (0, e, 0) \cdot (0, b, 0) & (0, e, 0) \cdot (0, 0, c) \\ (0, 0, f) \cdot (a, 0, 0) & (0, 0, f) \cdot (0, b, 0) & (0, 0, f) \cdot (0, 0, c) \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} ad & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & be & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & cf \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 5 \\ 6 & 9 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Without calculating the complete matrices AB and BA , compute (if possible) the following:

- (a) The entry $(AB)_{22}$ of AB .
- (b) The entry $(BA)_{22}$ of BA .
- (c) Column 2 of AB .
- (d) Row 3 of BA .

Solution:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (AB)_{22} \text{ of } AB &= (\text{row 2 of } A) \cdot (\text{column 2 of } B) \\
 &= [1 \quad 3 \quad 2] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= 5 + 27 + 6 \\
 &= 38
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (BA)_{22} \text{ of } BA &= (\text{row 2 of } B) \cdot (\text{column 2 of } A) \\
 &= [6 \quad 9] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= 12 + 27 \\
 &= 39
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Column 2 of } AB &= A \cdot (\text{column 2 of } B) \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 31 \\ 38 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Row 3 of } BA &= (\text{row 3 of } B) \cdot A \\
 &= [4 \quad 3] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= [11 \quad 17 \quad 10]
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Answer the following (you need to show your work).

- (a) Give a 2×2 matrix A such that $A^2 = 0$ but $A \neq 0$.

Solution: A simple example would be $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then

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

- (b) Give a 2×2 matrix B such that $B^2 = I$ but $B \neq \pm I$ (I is the identity matrix).

Solution: Let $B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then

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

- (c) Write down a pair of 2×2 non-zero matrices A and B such that $AB = 0$ (0 is the 2×2 zero matrix)

Solution: Consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -20 \end{bmatrix}$. Then

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -20 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d) Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ write down the elementary matrices E_1 , E_2 and E_3 such that

$$E_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, E_2 A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } E_3 A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution:

$E_1 A$ is obtained by interchanging Row 1 and Row 2 of matrix A. So we can have E_1 as the permutation matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

$E_2 A$ is obtained by applying the row operation $R_2 = R_2 - R_1$ on matrix A. So we can have E_2 as $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

$E_3 A$ is obtained by applying the row operation $R_1 = R_1 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$ on matrix A. So we can have E_3 as $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

6. Let $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) For any 4×3 matrix A , what is the column 3 of AB ? Write down all components in the column 3 of AB , and explain your answer.

The third column of AB is $A \cdot [\text{col 3 of } B] = A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (b) For any 3×2 matrix C , what is the row 2 of BC ? Write down all components in the row 2 of BC . Explain your answer.

The second row of BC is $(\text{row 2 of } B) \cdot C = [0 \quad 0 \quad 0] C = [0 \quad 0]$.

- (c) Is it possible to find a 3×3 matrix D such that $DB = I_3$, the 3×3 identity matrix? Explain your answer.

No, the column 3 of DB is $D \cdot [\text{col 3 of } B] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \text{the column 3 of the identity matrix } \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (d) Is it possible to find a 3×3 matrix F such that $BF = I_3$, the 3×3 identity matrix? Explain your answer.

No, the row 2 of BF is $(\text{row 2 of } B) \cdot F = [0 \quad 0 \quad 0] \neq \text{the row 2 of the identity matrix } [0 \quad 1 \quad 0]$.