

HOMEWORK 3 ON FINDING INVERSES & DETERMINANTS

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§2.4 # 8, 60, 67, 84 // §3.1 # 20, 22, 24, 26, 76 // §3.2 # 8, 66  
 FROM SPENCE, INSEL & FRIEDBERG'S ELEMENTARY LINEAR ALG. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.

§2.4 # 8] Suppose  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Determine if  $A^{-1}$  exists and if it does then calculate it. As I proved in notes we can reduce  $[A|I]$  to find  $A^{-1}$

$$[A|I] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[r_3 - r_1]{r_2 - 2r_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Continuing,

$$\xrightarrow[r_2 + r_3]{r_1 + 2r_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 3 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_1 + 3r_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -10 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Again continuing,

$$\xrightarrow[-r_3]{-r_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -10 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right] = [I|A^{-1}]$$

according to my notes, the text etc...

Let's check,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -10 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \therefore A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -10 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

§2.4 # 60] Given  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = -5$ ,  $2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = -3$ ,  $3x_1 + x_3 = 2$   
 Solve this system by "multiplication by inverse."

In matrix notation,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \iff Ax = b \text{ with } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Calculate the inverse of the coefficients matrix by our usual algorithm,

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[r_3 - 3r_1]{r_2 - 2r_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[r_3 - 3r_2]{r_1 + r_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{r_2 + r_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right]. \text{ Then } Ax = b \implies x = A^{-1}b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 3 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{-r_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

§2.4#67 Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that  $A^k = I_n$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .  
Show  $A^{-1}$  exists and find a formula for it.

It's easier to do part (b.) first since once we have a formula for  $A^{-1}$  that proves  $A$  is invertible.

By definition of  $A^k$  we have  $A^k = AA^{k-1}$ , but this gives us  $AA^{k-1} = I$ . By a prop. in the notes we also have  $A^{k-1}A = I$ . Therefore,  $A^{-1} = A^{k-1}$  by the definition of inverse.

§2.4#84 Let  $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Prove the following.

(a.)  $A$  is similar to  $A$ .

(b.) If  $A$  is similar to  $B$  then  $B$  is similar to  $A$ .

(c.) If  $A$  is similar to  $B$  and  $B$  is similar to  $C$  then  $A$  is sim. to  $C$ .

We define  $A \sim B$  iff  $\exists$  invertible  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that  $B = P^{-1}AP$ .

I use  $A \sim B$  as shorthand for "A similar to B"

(a.) Notice  $A = I^{-1}AI = IAI = A \therefore A \sim A$ .

(b.) Assume  $A \sim B$  then  $\exists P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  s.t.  $B = P^{-1}AP$

multiply by  $P$  on left and  $P^{-1}$  on right to obtain

$$PBP^{-1} = PP^{-1}APP^{-1} = IAI = A.$$

Notice  $Q = P^{-1}$  has  $Q^{-1} = (P^{-1})^{-1} = P$  thus we

can write  $PBP^{-1} = Q^{-1}BQ = A \therefore B \sim A$ .

(c.) Assume  $A \sim B$  and  $B \sim C$ , then  $\exists P, Q$  such that

$B = P^{-1}AP$  and  $C = Q^{-1}BQ$ . Consider that

$$C = Q^{-1}BQ = Q^{-1}(P^{-1}AP)Q \quad (\text{by } A \sim B)$$

$$= (PQ)^{-1}A(PQ) \quad \text{by socks-shoes prop. of inverse.}$$

Thus  $A \sim C$  by the similarity transform by  $PQ$ .

§ 3.1 # 20) Calculate the determinant of  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  via the co-factor expansion along the 4<sup>th</sup> row

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} &= -0 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ -2 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - 0 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= -5 - 2(-5) \\ &= \boxed{5} \end{aligned}$$

§ 3.1 # 22)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 8 \det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 8(-6 - 0) = \boxed{-48}$$

§ 3.1 # 24)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = -2(-1)^{3+3} \det \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = -2(-21) = \boxed{42}$$

§ 3.1 # 26)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 6 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 2(-1)^{2+2} \det \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 2(15 - 6) = \boxed{18}$$

§ 3.1 # 76) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  and  $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Verify  $\det(EA) = \det E \det A$

$$EA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+kc & b+kd \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $\det(EA) = (a+kc)d - (b+kd)c = (ad - bc) + k(cd - dc)$   
 or simply  $\det(EA) = ad - bc$ . Next note  $\det(E) = 1$  and  $\det(A) = ad - bc$ . It follows  $ad - bc = \det(EA) = \det(E)\det(A)$ .

§ 3.2 # 8 | Find determinant by expanding the cofactors along the 3<sup>rd</sup> column.

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & a \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = a(-1)^{2+3} \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + (-1)^{3+3} \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 0 - a$$

$$= \boxed{-a}$$

§ 3.2 # 66

$$\begin{aligned} -2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 &= -2 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 - x_3 &= 1 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 &= -1 \end{aligned} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Cramer's Rule says:

$$x_1 = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}} = \frac{-2(1+2) - 3(1-1) + 1(2+1)}{-2(1+2) - 3(3-1) + 1(6+1)} = \frac{-3}{-5}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}} = \frac{-2(1-1) + 2(3-1) + 1(-3+1)}{-5} = \frac{2}{-5}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}}{-5} = \frac{-2(-1-2) - 3(-3+1) - 2(6+1)}{-5}$$

$$= \frac{6 + 6 - 14}{-5}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &-2(1+2) - 3(3-1) + 1(6+1) \\ &-2(3) - 3(2) + 7 \\ &-12 + 7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{x_1 = 3/5, \quad x_2 = -2/5, \quad x_3 = -2/5}$$

Check answer:  $-2\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + 3\left(\frac{-2}{5}\right) + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{-10}{5} = -2.$