

Lecture 07

Solving Linear System II: Matrix Inverse and LU Decomposition

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Today's Lecture

Today ... Inverse and LU: solution of $Ax = b$ for “good” system
(No row exchange)

After this lecture, you should be able to

1. Derive elementary matrix
2. Apply definition of inverse and properties of inverse
3. When no row exchange, write GE as product of elementary matrices
4. When no row exchange, derive LU decomposition and matrix inverse

Strang's book: Sec 2.4, 2.5

Part 0 Review

[5 mins]

Review: Allowable Operations on **Rows**

Definition (Elementary Row Operations) (初等行变换)

(1) [**Multiplication**] Multiply a row by a **non-zero** scalar

$$A_i \rightarrow$$

(2) [**Addition**] Add to one row a scalar multiple of another

$$A_i \rightarrow$$

(3) [**Interchange**] Swap the positions of two rows

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_i \\ A_j \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

Recall: Add a Scaled Row

Claim: There exists a matrix $E_{\beta R_i + R_j}$ s.t.

applying $R_j \rightarrow \beta R_i + R_j$ (adding a Scaled Row to Another Row) to matrix A is equivalent to multiplying A by $R_j \rightarrow \beta R_i + R_j$

Proof: Consider the following matrix.

We can verify that $E_{\beta R_i + R_j} A$ is desired matrix after row operation. Done.

- (3) The elementary matrix corresponding to elementary row operation 3 ($R_j \rightarrow \beta R_i + R_j$) is (elementary matrix type III)

$$E_{\beta R_i + R_j} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & 1 & \\ & & \beta & & 1 & \\ & & & & & 1 & \ddots & \\ & & & & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

*i*th column *j*th column

*i*th row
*j*th row

Part I Elementary Matrix (2)

Strang's book Sec 2.3

—How to derive elementary matrix

[10 mins]

How to Derive E_{R_i, R_j} from scratch?

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \\ e & f \end{bmatrix} \xleftrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ c & d \\ a & b \end{bmatrix}$$

What A can achieve this?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \\ \\ \end{bmatrix} ?$$

Q: How to quickly write A s.t.
left-multiplying any matrix M
 \iff swapping 1st & 3rd row?

How to Derive E_{R_i, R_j} from scratch?

Assume “swapping rows” can be achieved by matrix multiplication.
Then what will it be like?

Trick: Apply it to **identity matrix!**

$$M \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \implies M =$$

Verify: Multiplying A by M indeed swaps rows of A .

Summarizing Logic of This Trick

What are we doing here?

Goal: Find A , s.t. $A \cdot M$ (where M is $n \times k$) (*)
 \Leftrightarrow applying $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$ to this matrix M .

Q1 How to compute such a matrix A ?

Answer: Apply $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$ to I_n , to get a matrix $A \triangleq \tilde{E}_{R_i R_j}$.

This is just a definition. We need to verify it satisfies the desired property.

Q2. Does the matrix achieve the desired goal (*)?

Q2 i.e. need to verify:

$\tilde{E}_{R_i R_j} M =$ the matrix obtained by swapping R_i and R_j .

How to Derive Three Elementary Matrices?

Assume “elementary row operations” can be achieved by matrix multiplication.

Then what will they be like?

Trick: Apply it to *identity matrix*!

Elementary Matrix

Exercise

Are the following matrices elementary?

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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Question: What does the last matrix do if we multiply it by any matrix (with matched dimensions)?

Part II Matrix Inverse

Strang's book: Sec 2.5

- Definition
- Solution to $Ax = b$

[15 mins]

Motivation

What are the **benefits** of using matrix/vector notation?

—Simpler;

—Can utilize “rules” of simpler objects

e.g. AB = sum of outer products (inner product “rule”)

Let’s come back to linear systems.

$$ax = b \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$$

What is the solution?

Question: Can we write the solution in a similar way?

Matrix Inverse

Definition (Inverse)

Suppose $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. If a matrix $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ satisfies

$$AB = BA = I_n,$$

then we say B is an inverse of A ; denoted as $B = A^{-1}$.

Definition (Invertible)

Suppose $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. If there exists B such that $B = A^{-1}$, then we say A is invertible.

Questions: Does the inverse always exist?

Invertible Matrix

Question: Does the inverse always exist?

No! Consider $n=1$; you can find a counter-example.

Definition (Singular, nonsingular)

Suppose $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$.

If A is invertible, then we say A is nonsingular.

If A is not invertible, then we say A is singular.

Example of Matrix Inverse

Example

(1) Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,

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

Example of Matrix Inverse

Example (2) Let

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

Suppose

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} w & x \\ y & z \end{bmatrix} = A^{-1},$$

then

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w & x \\ y & z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

But

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w & x \\ y & z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2w + y & 2x + z \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

In this case,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is not invertible.}$$

Uniqueness of Matrix Inverse

Theorem (Matrix inverse is unique) Suppose the square matrix A has an inverse. Then A^{-1} is unique.

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Proof. Let B, C be the inverse of A , thus, $AB = BA = I, AC = CA = I$.
Then $B = BI = BAC = IC = C$

Wording:

Previously: If $AB = BA = I_n$, then we say B is **an** inverse of A .

Now: If $AB = BA = I_n$, then we say B is **the** inverse of A .

Because of the uniqueness of inverse!

Invertible Matrix for Solutions of Linear Systems

Consider a linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$

What is x if A is invertible?

Theorem If A is invertible, then the linear system has a unique solution $x = A^{-1}b$.

Proof:



Specify requirements

Proof requires two things:

First, prove $A^{-1}b$ is a solution.

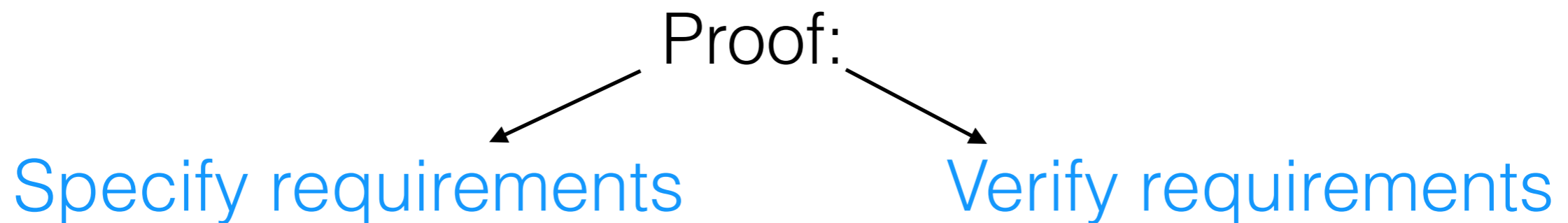
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Verify two things:

Plug in: $A(A^{-1}b) = b$.

$Ay = b \Rightarrow A^{-1}Ay = A^{-1}b$
 $\Rightarrow y = A^{-1}b$.

Part III Properties of Inverse

Strang's book Sec 2.5

Triangular matrices, products

[15 mins]

Matrix Inverse of Special Matrices

Property 9.1 (Inverse of Diagonal Matrix)

- 1) A diagonal matrix is invertible iff
- 2) The inverse of the diagonal matrix (if exists) is

Matrix Inverse of Special Matrices

Property 9.2 (Inverse of Triangular Matrix)

- 1) A triangular matrix is invertible iff
- 2) The inverse of an upper triangular matrix
(if exists) is _____ matrix.
- 3) The inverse of a lower triangular matrix
(if exists) is _____ matrix.

Will be useful later this lecture!

Properties of Inverse: Inverse of Products

Theorem (Matrix Inverse of Matrices Product) Suppose A and B are invertible matrices of size n , then AB is invertible and

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}.$$

Inverse Exercise

Exercise

A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k are real invertible matrices.

Question: What is $(A_1 A_2 \dots A_k)^{-1}$?

Will be useful later this lecture!

Part IV GE Sequence and LU Decomposition: Overview

Strang's book Sec 2.6

[30 mins]

2 by 2 Example

Augmented matrix: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 12 \\ 2 & 4 & 38 \end{bmatrix}$

Gaussian elimination:

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Express as matrix multiplication (just 1st step):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_{-3R_1+R_2}A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \triangleq U.$$

2 by 2 Example

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Denote $E_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then $E_{21}A = U$.

From $E_{21}A = U$, can we get an expression of A ?

2 by 2 Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = U.$$

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Define $L = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, then

$$A = LU.$$

Here, L is _____ matrix, and U is _____ matrix.

3 by 3 Example

Coefficient matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gaussian elimination:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow -2R_1 + R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & \boxed{3} & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow -(-3)R_2 + R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & \boxed{3} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Express as matrix multiplication:

$$E_2 E_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_3(E_2 E_1 A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = U$$

3 by 3 Example: Expression of A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_3(E_2E_1A) = U.$$

Denote $M = E_3E_2E_1$, then $MA = U$.

From $MA = U$, can we get an expression of A?

Define $L = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, then

$$A = LU.$$

Here, L is _____matrix, and U is _____matrix.

3 by 3 Example: Verify L is Lower Triangular

Denote $M = E_3E_2E_1$, $L = M^{-1} = E_1^{-1}E_2^{-1}E_3^{-1}$.

Claim 1: L is a lower triangular matrix.

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Fact 1: E_3, E_2, E_1 are lower triangular matrices (Type-III elementary)

Fact 2: $E_3^{-1}, E_2^{-1}, E_1^{-1}$ are lower triangular matrices.

Mentioned in Slide “Shapes of Elementary Matrices?” In Part I.

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Fact 1: E_3, E_2, E_1 are lower triangular matrices (Type-I elementary)

Fact 2: $E_3^{-1}, E_2^{-1}, E_1^{-1}$ are lower triangular matrices.

Property of inverse of triangular matrices.

Fact 3: Product of lower triangular matrices is lower triangular.

Homework 2 (though proved for upper triangular matrices).

n by n **Good Case**: LU Decomposition

Coefficient matrix A ; square matrix.

Gaussian elimination (GE) (forward part; assume no row exchange)

$$A \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_2 \dots \rightarrow U$$

U is upper triangular.

Express GE as matrix multiplication:

$$E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 A = U.$$

Express matrix A as matrix product:

$$A = (E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1)^{-1} U.$$

Denote $L = (E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1)^{-1}$; it is lower triangular.

since only involves Type-I (eliminating down) and Type-II elementary matrices

Then

$$A = LU.$$

Q&A

What are we doing here?

First, GE is just a bunch of matrix multiplications

$$A \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_2 \dots \rightarrow U$$

Second, multiply.

you can multiply matrices together
(Grouping them)

Third, shape.

it is a lower triangular matrix! (Wow!)

Claim of LU Decomposition: If No Row Exchange

Claim: Suppose A is a square matrix.

If there is **no row exchange** in the process of GE, then the matrix A can be decomposed as

$$A = LU,$$

where

- L is lower triangular;
- U is upper triangular.

Question: What if there are row exchanges?

Solve Linear Systems Million Times

—What if you need to solve $Ax = b_k$ for $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 10^{10}$?

Method 1:

Directly use GE to solve $Ax = b_k$.

Drawback: apply E_k, E_{k-1}, \dots, E_1 for each system.
Computers **memorize or apply all operations.**

Method 2 (saving LU)

Compute. Compute L and U once.

Store. Store L and U.

Solve. Solve $Ax = b$ by solving $Ly = b$ and $Ux = y$

Premise: Solving Triangular System is Easy

Solving upper triangular system is easy:

Solving lower triangular system is also easy:

Concluding Section



Summary Today Write Your Own Summary

One sentence summary:

We learned

Detailed summary:



Summary Today Instructor's summary

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