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last time:

→ Theorem on matrix inverses.

Recall three of the statements in this theorem:

(b) $\underline{A} \underline{x} = \underline{0} \Rightarrow \underline{x} = \underline{0}$.

(c) $\text{ref}(\underline{A}) = \underline{U}$ has no zeros on the diagonal.

(d) $\underline{A} \underline{x} = \underline{b}$ has a solution for any $\underline{b}$.

Ex: Suppose $\underline{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$.

To compute $\text{ref}(\underline{A})$, multiply the ~~1st row~~ ^{1st row} by -3 , add to ~~2nd row~~ ^{2nd row}, and put result in 2nd row:

$$\text{ref}(\underline{A}) = \underline{U} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that $\text{ref}(\underline{A})$ has a zero on the diagonal, so what can go wrong?

$$\leadsto \begin{cases} x - 2y = 1 \\ 3x - 6y = 11 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

Performing the same row operation,

$$\leadsto \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

The last equation is $0y = 8$, which has no solutions.

i.e. (b) fails to hold true

$$\leadsto \begin{cases} x - 2y = 1 \\ 3x - 6y = 3 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Performing the same row operation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x - 2y = 1 \\ 0y = 0, \end{cases}$$

i.e. y is a free variable and we have so many solutions. (has to do with uniqueness)

Next topic:

LU Factorization.

To build an LU Factorization of a matrix $\underline{A}$, we generate a sequence of unit lower triangular matrices: $\underline{L}_1, \underline{L}_2, \dots, \underline{L}_k$ so

that $\underline{L}_k \underline{L}_{k-1} \dots \underline{L}_2 \underline{L}_1 \underline{A} = \underline{U}$,

where $\underline{U}$ is upper triangular.

Here, we assume that we do not need to perform any row switches.

Next, we invert the unit lower triangular matrices:

$$\underline{A} = \underline{L}_1^{-1} \underline{L}_2^{-1} \dots \underline{L}_{k-1}^{-1} \underline{L}_k^{-1} \underline{U},$$

and the claim is that this is the LU factorization of $\underline{A}$, with the lower triangular matrix equal to

$$\underline{L}_1^{-1} \underline{L}_2^{-1} \dots \underline{L}_{k-1}^{-1} \underline{L}_k^{-1}.$$