

1. (8 pts) a) Given a vector  $\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$  find  $A$  so that  $A\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ x_3 - x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n - x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$ . (Describe the form and state the dimensions of the matrix  $A$ )

We have  $A\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$  with  $A$  the indicated  $(n-1) \times n$  matrix.

b) Express the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ x_3 - x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n - x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$  as a linear combination

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ x_3 - x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n - x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \dots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{find the vectors } \bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \dots, \bar{u}_n)$$

We have  $\begin{bmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ x_3 - x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_n - x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \dots + x_{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + x_n \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

c) What is the connection between part a) and part b)?  
 The vectors  $\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \dots, \bar{u}_n$  are the columns of the matrix  $A$  in part a)

2. (12 pts) Using Gaussian elimination along with back substitution on the augmented matrix, solve the linear system

$$A\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$[A:\bar{b}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 5/2 & -5/2 \end{bmatrix} = [U:\bar{b}']$$

$$z = -1,$$

$$2y - z = 5, y = 2$$

$$x - y + z = -1, x = 2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) Without doing any further calculations, write the  $LDU$  decomposition of the matrix  $A$ .

The multipliers, in order, were  $l_{21} = 3$ ,  $l_{31} = -2$ ,  $l_{32} = -1/2$  so

$$LDU = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{5}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{the } U \text{ here has had its pivots}$$

normalized to 1 by division, the pivots go into  $D$ )

b) What sequence of elimination matrices  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  multiplying  $A$  on the left in turn, takes us from  $A$  to  $U$  in part a) (so that  $E_k E_{k-1} \cdots E_1 A = U$ )

Noting the multipliers used above, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{5}{2} \end{bmatrix} = U$$

3. (8 pts) If  $A$  is a  $4 \times 4$  matrix,

a) What matrix  $E$ , upon the multiplication  $EA$ , has the effect on  $A$  of subtracting 3 times row 2 of  $A$  from row 4 of  $A$ ?

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

b) What is the effect on  $A$  if we perform the operation  $AE$  using the same matrix  $E$  from part a)

$AE$  has the effect on  $A$  of subtracting 3 times column 4 of  $A$  from column 2 of  $A$

c) Without doing any calculations, what is  $E^{-1}$  ?

$$E^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ since adding back in } 3 \cdot \text{row 2} \text{ takes us back to the identity.}$$

4. (12 pts) Using Gauss-Jordan elimination, in the space below find the inverse of the

matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and check your answer. Then, considering only those

calculations, answer the questions that follow:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [A:I] &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

i) When we go from  $A$  via Gaussian elimination to the upper triangular matrix  $U$ , what single matrix  $M$ , multiplying on the left, would turn  $A$  into  $U$ ? Why? What is the relationship of this  $M$  to  $L$  from the  $LU$  decomposition.

The right side of the augmented matrix keeps track of the cumulative multiplications:

$$M[A:I] = [MA:M] = [U:M] \text{ so } M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Now } MA = U \text{ so } A = M^{-1}U \text{ and}$$

$$M = L^{-1}.$$

ii) Changing  $a_{23}$  to what value would cause  $A^{-1}$  not to exist?

If  $a_{23} = -2$  we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A \text{ is}$$

singular.

5. (8 pts) If we know that  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , solve

$$A\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Hint: first multiply both sides of  $A\bar{x} = \bar{b}$  on the left by  $P$ , do not calculate  $A$  !)

We have  $PA = LU$ . Now if  $A\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  we have  $PA\bar{x} = P \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$LU\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider  $L\bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ; We have  $\bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  so

$$U\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x} = \bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$