

Chapter 4: Matrices and Systems of Linear Equations

4.3 Inverse of a Matrix

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Learning Outcomes

(a) Compute the inverse of a non singular matrix using :

(i) Adjoin Matrix

(ii) Elementary row operations.

**Up to 3x3 matrices.*

Inverse Matrices

The inverse matrix can be obtained by

(i) Formula

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{Adj } A \quad \text{where} \quad \text{Adj } (A) = (C_{ij})^T$$

Step 1: Find determinant.

Step 2: Find cofactor of each element.

Step 3: Find adjoint matrix.

Step 4: Apply the formula of inverse matrix.

(ii) Elementary row operation (ERO)

Step 1: Form the augmented matrix $(A|I)$.

Step 2: Use elementary row operation to transform $(A|I)$ into $(I|A^{-1})$.

Inverse Matrices

Elementary Row Operations (ERO)

- ERO are manipulations that can be performed on the **row of a matrix**.
- There are **three basic elementary row operations**.

(i) Interchange any two rows ($R_i^* = R_j$)

Example: $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1^* = R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

(ii) Multiply row R_i by a non-zero scalar, k ($R_i^* = kR_i$)

Example: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2^* = \frac{1}{3}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(iii) Add k times row R_i to row R_j ($R_j^* = kR_i + R_j$)

Example: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2^* = (-3)R_1 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

Example (Formula)

(1) Find A^{-1} ; given $A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ by using adjoint matrix.

(2) Find the inverse of matrix $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$
by using adjoint matrix.

Solution (Formula)

$$(1) \quad |A| = (6)(2) - (-1)(8) \\ = 12 + 8 \\ = 20$$

$$C_A = \begin{bmatrix} +a_{22} & -a_{21} \\ -a_{12} & +a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -8 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Adj } A = C_A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -8 & 6 \end{bmatrix}^T \\ = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -8 \\ 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} + & - \\ - & + \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_{11} = (+)a_{22}$$

Deleting 1st row
1st column, so
getting a_{22}

Solution (Formula)

(1) Continue...

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1} &= \frac{1}{|A|} \text{Adj } A \\ &= \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -8 \\ 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{10} & -\frac{2}{5} \\ \frac{1}{20} & \frac{3}{10} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Solution (Formula)

(2) Firstly, find the determinant of the matrix.

Choose 1st row

$$\begin{aligned} |B| &= (+)(1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - (-)(1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + (+)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3 - 1 - 1 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} + & - & + \\ - & + & - \\ + & - & + \end{pmatrix}$$

Then, find the cofactor of each element.

$$C_B = \begin{bmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} & - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} & + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution (Formula)

(2) Continue...

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

$$Adj B = C_B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

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

$$B^{-1} = \frac{1}{|B|} Adj B$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1)} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Self-check

(1) Find A^{-1} ; given $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ by using adjoint matrix.

(2) Find the inverse of matrix $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$
by using adjoint matrix.

Answer Self-check

$$(1) \quad A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ -6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(2) \quad B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -4 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example (ERO)

(1) Find A^{-1} ; given $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$. Use elementary row operations.

(2) Find the inverse of matrix $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 9 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$
by using elementary row operations.

Solution (ERO)

(1) **Step 1: Form the augmented matrix**

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -4 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad (A|I)$$

Step 2: Use ERO operation

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -4 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$\downarrow R_2^* = (-2)R_1 + R_2$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -10 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Solution (ERO)

(1) Continue...

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -10 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$R_2^* = \frac{1}{-10} R_2$$

In the form of $(I|A^{-1})$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{5} & -\frac{1}{10} \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1^* = (-3)R_2 + R_1} \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{5} & \frac{3}{10} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{5} & -\frac{1}{10} \end{array} \right)$$

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

Solution (ERO)

(2) **Step 1: Form the augmented matrix**

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 9 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad (B|I)$$

Step 2: Use ERO operation

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 9 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$R_2^* = (-3)R_1 + R_2$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Solution (ERO)

(2) Continue...

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_3^* = (-1)R_1 + R_3$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -7 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_2^* = (-1)R_2$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -7 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Solution (ERO)

(2) Continue...

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -7 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_3^* = R_2 + R_3$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_3^* = (-1)R_3$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

Solution (ERO)

(2) Continue...

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_2^* = (-6)R_3 + R_2$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 15 & -7 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_1^* = (-5)R_3 + R_1$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 11 & -5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 15 & -7 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

Solution (ERO)

(2) Continue...

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 11 & -5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 15 & -7 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_1^* = (-2)R_2 + R_1$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -19 & 9 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 15 & -7 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

In the form of $(I|B^{-1})$

$$\therefore B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -19 & 9 & -7 \\ 15 & -7 & 6 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Self-check

(1) Find A^{-1} ; given $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$. Use elementary row operations.

(2) Find the inverse of matrix $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ by using elementary row operations.

Answer Self-check

$$(1) \quad A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(2) \quad B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & -1 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \\ -4 & -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Summary

Inverse Matrices

Formula

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{Adj } A$$

Elementary Row Operations (ERO)

Key Terms

- Inverse matrix
- Elementary row operations
- Adjoint matrix
- Augmented matrix
- Determinant
- Cofactor