

Questions

Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$.

1 If $E_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} d & e & f \\ a & b & c \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$, what is E_1 ?

2 If $E_2 A = \begin{bmatrix} 3a & 3b & 3c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$, what is E_2 ?

3 If $E_3 A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d+3a & e+3b & f+3c \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$, what is E_3 ?

- 1 If B is obtained from an $m \times n$ matrix A by an elementary row operation, then $B = EA$, where E is the matrix obtained from I_m by the same elementary row operation.
- 2 If E is an $n \times n$ elementary matrix, then E is invertible, and E^{-1} is the elementary matrix that transforms E back into I_n .
- 3 An $n \times n$ matrix A is invertible if and only if A is the product of elementary matrices.

Theorem

Suppose A is an $n \times n$ matrix. The following are equivalent.

- 1 A is invertible.
- 2 A is the product of elementary matrices.
- 3 The reduced row echelon form of A is I_n .
- 4 $\text{rank}(A) = n$.
- 5 $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only the solution $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.
- 6 $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for all $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
- 7 $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has exactly one solution for all $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
- 8 There is an $n \times n$ matrix C such that $CA = I_n$.
- 9 There is an $n \times n$ matrix D such that $AD = I_n$.
- 10 A^T is invertible.