

Introduction to Linear Algebra and Syllabus Rundown

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Important Dates for the course!!!

Midterm Exam - June 21st, 2024 (24-hour window, time limit: 1 hour, and 15 minutes)
Final Exam - July 12th, 2024 (3 hours and 40 minutes time limit)

Basic Terminology and notation

$a_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$ (Linear equation)
 a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, b (known constants)

System of linear equations

$$\begin{array}{r} a_{1,1}x_1 + a_{1,2}x_2 + \dots + a_{1,n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{2,1}x_1 + a_{2,2}x_2 + \dots + a_{2,n}x_n = b_2 \\ \hline a_{m,1}x_1 + a_{m,2}x_2 + \dots + a_{m,n}x_n = b_m \end{array}$$

The solution to this system of equations is (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) which satisfies every equation simultaneously.

Example #1

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x + y = -1 \\ x - 3y = 4 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 2(4 + 3y) + y = -1 \\ x = 4 + 3y \uparrow \end{array}$$

Below we will solve for the first system in the system of equation; $2x + y = -1 \equiv 2(4 + 3y) + y = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} 2(4 + 3y) + y &= -1 \\ 8 + 6y + y &= -1 \\ 7y &= -9 \\ y &= -\frac{9}{7} \end{aligned}$$

We then plug in y into our $x =$ system to solve for x .

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 4 + 3y \\ x &= 4 + 3\left(-\frac{9}{7}\right) \\ &= 4 - \frac{27}{7} \\ &= \frac{1}{7} \end{aligned}$$

Note! A *solution set* is the set of all solutions to a system

For this example, our solution set would be $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x - y = 3\}$

What is a matrix?

A matrix is a rectangular grid of numbers; it can also mean "womb" in Latin.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \dots & a_{2,n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n,1} & \dots & \dots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

a_{ij} means the element in the i th row and the j th column.

Matrix anatomy

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 8 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$a_{3,2} = 7$, while $a_{2,3} =$ not defined. The size of the matrix is size = 3×2 matrix.

The size of a matrix = $m \times n$
 $=$ num rows \times num columns

Proof of a matrix

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{1,1}x_1 + a_{1,2}x_2 + \dots + a_{1,n}x_n &= b_1 \\
 a_{2,1}x_1 + a_{2,2}x_2 + \dots + a_{2,n}x_n &= b_2 \\
 a_{m,1}x_1 + \dots + a_{m,n}x_n &= b_m
 \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \dots & a_{2,n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \dots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{coefficient matrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \dots & a_{1,n} & b_1 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ a_{m,1} & \dots & a_{m,n} & b_m \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{augmented matrix}$$

Elementary Row Operations (June 7th)

Example #1

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 -2(x + 3y = 1) \rightarrow -2x - 6y & = -2 \\
 2x + 5y = 1 & 2x + 5y = 1 \\
 x + 3 = 1 & -y = -1 \\
 x = -2 & y = 1
 \end{array}$$

Solution:

Solution coordinates: $(-2, 1)$

The matrices below are augmented matrices!

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

The solution matrices are known as **equivalent systems** which means *they share the same solution set*

Reduced Row Reduction

1. Swap the two rows
2. Multiply a row by a non-zero number
3. Replace a row by the sum of that row and a multiple of another row

This linear system is not allowed to be multiplied simultaneously

$$-3(2x + 7y = 15)$$

$$2(3x - 9y = 84)$$

The goal

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example #1

This is an augmented matrix (matrices)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow -R_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} R_1 - 3R_2$$

Multiply the row that is changing

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x = -2 \\ y = 1 \end{array}$$

Example #2 (Complex System)

$$\begin{array}{l} -4x - 5y - 6z = -3 \\ -2x - 3y - 3z = -2 \\ 5x + 7y + 8z = 5 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -5 & -6 & -3 \\ -2 & -3 & -3 & -2 \\ 5 & 7 & 8 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & ? \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & ? \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & ? \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & -5 & -6 & -3 \\ -2 & -3 & -3 & -2 \\ 5 & 7 & 8 & 5 \end{bmatrix} R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & -3 & -3 & -2 \\ 5 & 7 & 8 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} R_3 + 3R_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{This is}$$

$$x + 2y + 2z = 2$$

$$y + z = 2$$

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

(Row) Echelon Form of a Matrix

1. The leading number (1st non-zero number going left to right) of any row is to the right of the leading entries above it.
2. Everything in a column below a leading entry is zero.
3. Any row of zeros is below all non-zeros rows.

Example #1

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 8 & -7 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{IN echelon form!}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 8 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{NOT in echelon form!}$$

Reduced (Row) Echelon Form [Optimal]

Steps 1-3 from REF

1. Every leading entry is 1
2. Everything in a column above a leading entry is zero