

# Linear Algebra

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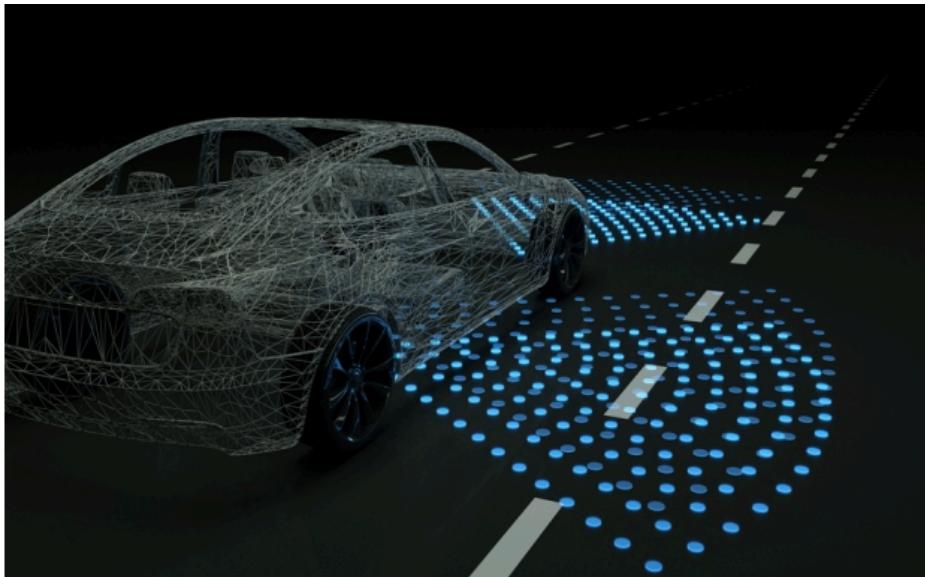
# Latest development in machine learning



DriveSeg dataset developed by MIT and Toyota

20,100 video frames

12 classes of road objects



Simulation before testing on road

a photorealistic world with infinite steering possibilities, helping the cars learn to navigate a host of worse-case scenarios before cruising down real streets

# Vectors

- A simple example of vector, an element of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

$a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$a + b = c \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- Adding two vectors

- Multiplying  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  by  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  results in a scaled vector:

$$\lambda a \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

## 2.1 Systems of Linear Equations

- Examples

$$-x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 = 3 \quad (1)$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 = 2 \quad (2)$$

$$2x_2 + 5x_3 = 1 \quad (3)$$

3 unknowns

$x_1, x_2, x_3$

Does it have solution? no.

$$0 + 2x_2 + 5x_3 = 5 \quad (4)$$

## 2.1 Systems of Linear Equations

- Examples

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + x_2 &= 1 & (1) \\x_1 - x_2 &= 3 & (2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x_1, x_2 \\(2, -1)\end{aligned}$$

Does it have solution?

Yes, unique

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + x_2 + \cancel{x_3}^2 &= 0 & (1) \\x_1 + x_2 + \cancel{2x_3}^{\underline{2}} &= 2 & (2) \\3x_3 &= 6 & (3)\end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{x_1 + x_2 = -2}$$

$$\boxed{x_3 = 2}$$

Does it have solution?

Yes. infinitely ~~number~~  
many

## 2.2 Matrices

- A rectangular scheme consisting of  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix},$$

*i<sup>th</sup> row    j<sup>th</sup> col*

$a_{ij}$   $\in \mathbb{R}$ .

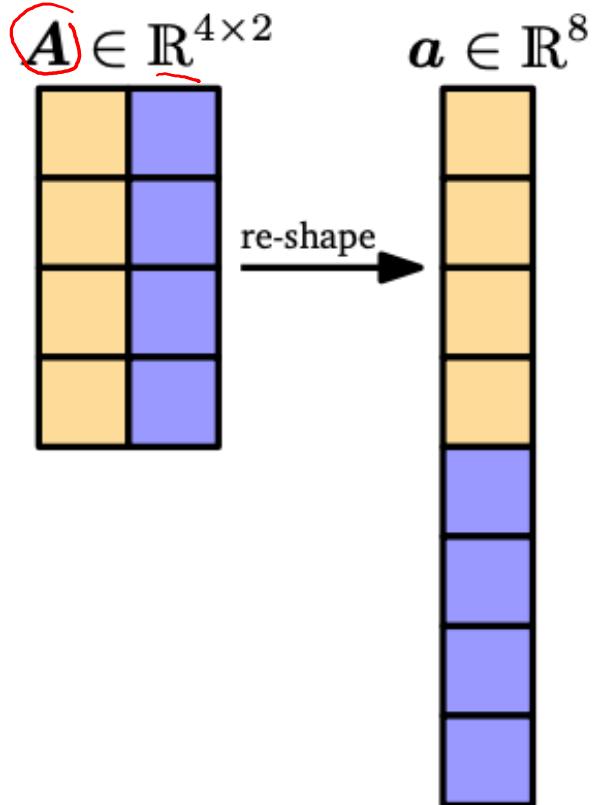
*row col*

- By convention  $(1, n)$ -matrices are called rows and  $(m, 1)$ -matrices are called columns. These special matrices are also called row/column vectors.

## 2.2 Matrices

- $\underline{\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}}$  is the set of all real-valued  $(m, n)$ -matrices.

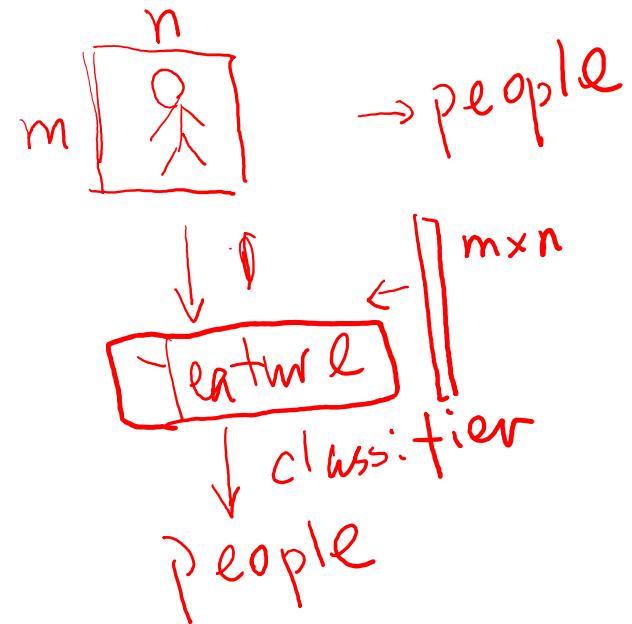
space



rows cols

$\mathbb{R}^3$

$\mathbb{R}^n$



# Matrix - example

[0, 255]

RGB image 5466



3244

640 Gray scale image



427

5466x3244x3

— —

Binary image 400

{0, 1}



400x255

255

640x427

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	TREATMENT					
	A		B			
	N	Mean	SD	N	Mean	SD
LENGTH	3	176.500	5.9083	50	175.640	5.5467
WEIGHT	3	77.680	10.6492	50	76.400	8.4540
Body Mass Index	50	24.918	3.0644	50	24.763	2.4787

3x6

6

## 2.2.1 Matrix Addition

- The sum of two matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is defined as the element-wise sum,

$$A + B := \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

- Example

For  $\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$ ,  $\underline{B} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$ , we obtain

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$$

## 2.2.1 Matrix Multiplication

- Example

For  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 3}$ , we obtain

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 8 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 14 \\ 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

## 2.2.1 Matrix Multiplication

- For matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$ , the element  $c_{ij}$  of the product  $C = AB \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$  is defined as

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^n a_{il} b_{lj}, \quad c_{ij} \neq a_{ij} b_{ij}$$

$i = 1, \dots, m. \ j = 1, \dots, k$

- To compute element  $c_{ij}$  we multiply the elements of the  $i$ th row of  $A$  with the  $j$ th column of  $B$  and sum them up.

$$A \underset{m}{\underset{\circ}{\underset{i}{\underset{n}{[}}}} \underset{n}{\underset{\circ}{\underset{j}{\underset{k}{[}}}} = C \underset{m}{\underset{\circ}{\underset{i}{\underset{k}{[}}}}$$

## 2.2.1 Matrix Addition and Multiplication

- One property that is unique to matrices is the dimension property. This property has two parts:

$$A \underset{n \times k}{\underset{\curvearrowright}{\text{---}}} B \underset{k \times m}{\underset{\curvearrowleft}{\text{---}}} = C \underset{n \times m}{\underset{\curvearrowright}{\text{---}}}$$
$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Identity Matrix

$$I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underset{I_n}{=} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 0 & 1 & & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

## 2.2.1 Matrix Addition and Multiplication

- Properties of matrices

- Associativity

$$\forall \underline{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \underline{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}, \underline{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}: (AB)C = A(BC)$$

- Distributivity

$$\forall \underline{A}, \underline{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \underline{C}, \underline{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}: (A+B)C = AC + BC$$

$$A(C+D) = AC + AD$$

- Multiplication with the identity matrix:

$$\forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, I_n A = A I_n = A$$

## 2.2.2 Inverse and Transpose

- **Inverse:** consider a square matrix  $\underline{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Let matrix  $\underline{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  have the property that  $\underline{AB} = \underline{I}_n = \underline{BA}$ .  $\underline{B}$  is called the inverse of  $\underline{A}$  and denoted by  $\underline{A}^{-1}$ .

$$B = A^T$$
$$\underline{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \underline{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I_2$$

The matrices are inverse to each other, because

$$\underline{AB} = I_2 = \underline{BA}$$

$$\underline{BA} = I_2$$

## 2.2.2 Inverse and Transpose

- Transpose: For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , the matrix  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  with  $b_{ij} = a_{ji}$  is called the transpose of  $A$ . We write  $B = A^T$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad A$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T$$

$$B = A^T$$

$$(AB) \cdot (B^{-1} A^{-1}) \stackrel{?}{=} I ?$$

$$= A [I] A^{-1} = AA^{-1} = I$$

- Important properties of inverses and transposes:

$$(A + B)^{-1} \neq A^{-1} + B^{-1}$$

$$(A^T)^T = A \quad \frac{1}{a+b} \neq \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$$

$$(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$$

$$AA^{-1} = I = A^{-1}A$$

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

definition of

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

matrix multiplication

## 2.2.2 Inverse and Transpose

- **Symmetric:** A matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric if  $\underline{\underline{A}} = \underline{\underline{A^T}}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{\underline{A = A^T}}$$

- The sum of symmetric matrices  $\underline{\underline{A}}, \underline{\underline{B}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is always symmetric

$$\begin{aligned} A + B &\stackrel{?}{=} (A + B)^T \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- The product of two symmetric matrices is generally not symmetric

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2.2.3 Multiplication by a Scalar

- A scalar  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$
- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Then  $\underbrace{\lambda A}_K$ , where  $k_{ij} = \underline{\lambda a_{ij}}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda = 1.5$$

$$\lambda A = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & 0 & 4.5 \\ 3 & 0 & -1.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2.2.3 Multiplication by a Scalar

- For  $\lambda, \varphi \in \mathbb{R}$ , there following properties hold:
- **Associativity**

$$(\lambda\varphi)\mathbf{C} = \lambda(\varphi\mathbf{C}), \quad \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$$\underline{\lambda} \underline{(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{C})} = \underline{(\lambda\mathbf{B})} \underline{\mathbf{C}} = \underline{\mathbf{B}} \underline{(\lambda\mathbf{C})} = \underline{(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{C})} \underline{\lambda}, \quad \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$$

- **Transpose**

$$\underline{(\lambda\mathbf{C})^T} = \underline{\mathbf{C}^T} \underline{\lambda^T} = \underline{\mathbf{C}^T} \underline{\lambda} = \underline{\lambda} \underline{\mathbf{C}^T}, \quad \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

- **Distributivity**

$$\underline{(\lambda + \varphi)} \underline{\mathbf{C}} = \underline{\lambda} \underline{\mathbf{C}} + \underline{\varphi} \underline{\mathbf{C}}, \quad \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$$\underline{\lambda} \underline{(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C})} = \underline{\lambda} \underline{\mathbf{B}} + \underline{\lambda} \underline{\mathbf{C}}, \quad \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

## 2.2.4 Compact Representations of Systems of Linear Equations

- Consider the system of linear equations,

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 = 1 & & x_1, x_2, x_3 \\ 4x_1 - 2x_2 - 7x_3 = 8 & \hline & \\ 9x_1 + 5x_2 - 3x_3 = 2 & & \end{array}$$

- Using matrix multiplication, we can write it into a compact form

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 4 & -2 & -7 \\ 9 & 5 & -3 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{array} \right]$$

## 2.3 Solving Systems of Linear Equations

- Now we have a general form of an equation system

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

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$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m$$

### 2.3.1 Particular and General Solution

Step 1. Find a particular solution to  $\underline{Ax = b}$

Step 2. Find all solutions to  $\underline{Ax = 0}$

Step 3. Combine the solutions from steps 1. and 2. to the general solution

We use Gaussian elimination to solve the equation system

## 2.3.2 Elementary Transformations

- Elementary transformations keep the solution set the same, but transform the equation system into a simpler form.

- Elementary transformations include:

- Exchange of two equations

- Multiplication of an equation (row) with a constant  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$

- Addition of two equations (rows)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \xrightarrow{5} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \xrightarrow{3} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{Eq}_1 + \text{Eq}_2} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{Eq}_1} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{Eq}_3} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

# Row-echelon form (REF) and reduced row-echelon form (RREF)

The image shows two handwritten matrices side-by-side. The left matrix, labeled 'REF' in a red oval at the bottom, is in Row Echelon Form. It has a leading 1 in the first column of the first row, which is circled in red. Below it, there are three rows of zeros. The second row has a leading 1 in the second column, circled in red. The third row has a leading 1 in the third column, circled in red. The fourth row has a leading 1 in the fourth column, circled in red. The fifth row has a leading 1 in the fifth column, circled in red. The right matrix, labeled 'RREF' in a red oval at the bottom, is in Reduced Row Echelon Form. It has a leading 1 in the first column of the first row, circled in red. The second row has a leading 1 in the second column, circled in red. The third row has a leading 1 in the third column, circled in red. The fourth row has a leading 1 in the fourth column, circled in red. The fifth row has a leading 1 in the fifth column, circled in red. All other entries in the matrix are either zeros or asterisks (\*).

$$\text{REF}$$
$$\text{RREF}$$

From Lorenzo A. Sadun's teaching video

- All rows with 0s only are at the bottom
- A pivot is always strictly to the right of the pivot of the row above it

- Row Echelon Form
- Every pivot is 1
- The pivot is the only non-zero entry in its column

pivots

# Gaussian Elimination - example

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} x_1 & + & x_2 & - & x_3 & = & 9 \\ & & x_2 & + & 3x_3 & = & 3 \\ -x_1 & & & - & 2x_3 & = & 2 \end{array}$$

augmented matrix

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 \end{array} \right] \quad \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

augmented matrix

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

REF

# Gaussian Elimination - example

- Seek all solutions to the following system of equations

$$\begin{array}{rcllll} 2x_1 & + & 3x_2 & - & 2x_3 & + & 5x_4 = 1 \\ x_1 & + & 2x_2 & - & x_3 & + & 3x_4 = 2 \\ -x_1 & - & 2x_2 & + & x_3 & - & x_4 = 4 \end{array}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{rrrr|c} 2 & 3 & -2 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_1 \\ R_3 + R_1 \end{array}} \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 \cdot 2 \\ R_3 \cdot (-1) \end{array}} \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{REF}}$$

# How to find the general solution to $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$

Step 1. Find a particular solution to

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

Step 2. Find all solutions to  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

Step 3. Combine the solutions from  
steps 1. and 2. to the general solution

# Finding a particular solution to $Ax = b$

Let free variables be 0, calculate the value of basic variables

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

$x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4$

$x_3$ : free  
 $x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_4$ : basic

$$2x_4 = b$$

$$-x_2 - x_4 = -3$$

$$-x_2 - 3 = -3$$

$$x_1 + 0 - x_3 + 9 = 2$$

$$\begin{matrix} x_1 - x_3 = -7 \\ \Delta \end{matrix}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}}$$

Find all solutions to  $\underline{Ax = 0}$

Let one free variables be 1, and the rest free variables be 0, calculate the value of basic variables

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & b \end{array} \right]$$

③  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Ax = b \\ x \in \mathbb{R}^4 : x = \left[ \begin{array}{c} -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{array} \right] + \lambda \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right], \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right\}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 -2x_1 & + & 4x_2 & - & 2x_3 \\
 4x_1 & - & 8x_2 & + & 3x_3 \\
 x_1 & - & 2x_2 & + & x_3 \\
 x_1 & - & 2x_2 & &
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$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c}
 -2 & 4 & -2 & -1 & 4 & -3 \\
 4 & -8 & 3 & -3 & 1 & 2 \\
 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 6 \\
 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 & 4 & a
 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{R}_2 - R_1 \cdot 4, \text{R}_3 + 2R_1, \text{R}_4 - R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c}
 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\
 \textcircled{4} & -8 & 3 & -3 & 1 & 2 \\
 \textcircled{-2} & 4 & -2 & -1 & 4 & -3 \\
 \textcircled{1} & -2 & 0 & -3 & 4 & a
 \end{array} \right]$$
  

$$\xrightarrow{\text{R}_1 - R_2, \text{R}_3 - 3R_2, \text{R}_4 - 2R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c}
 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -3 & 2 & \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{-3} & 6 & -3 \\
 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & 3 & a
 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{R}_4 - R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c}
 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -3 & 2 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{-3} & 6 & -3 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 6 & a-2
 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{R}_4 - R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c}
 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -3 & 2 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 6 & -3 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a+1
 \end{array} \right] \text{REF}$$
  

$$0 = a+1 \quad a = -1 \quad \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c}
 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -3 & 2 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 6 & -3 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a+1
 \end{array} \right]$$



# Finding a particular solution to $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

Let free variables be 0, calculate the value of basic variables

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{REF}$$

$x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4 \quad x_5$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{matrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{matrix}$$

$$x_4 - 2x_5 = 1$$

$$\underline{x_3 - x_4 + 3x_5 = -2}$$

$$x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 - x_4 + x_5 = 0$$

0    -1    1    0

# Find all solutions to $\underline{Ax = 0}$

- Let one free variables be 1, and the rest free variables be 0, calculate the value of basic variables

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$x_2$        $x_5$

$$x_1 \left[ \begin{array}{c|ccccc} 2 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & x_3 \\ 0 & x_4 \\ 0 & x_5 \end{array} \right] +$$

$x_3 - x_4 + 3x_5 = 0$

$$x_2 \left[ \begin{array}{c|ccccc} 2 & x_1 \\ 0 & x_2 \\ -1 & x_3 \\ 2 & x_4 \\ 1 & x_5 \end{array} \right]$$

$x_1$        $x_2$        $x_3$        $x_4$        $x_5$

# How to find the general solution to $Ax = b$

- Step 3. Combine the solutions from steps 1. and 2. to the general solution

Step 1:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 2:

$$\left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^5 : \mathbf{x} = \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

General solution:

$$\left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^5 : \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

# Proof



- Given  $\underline{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with  $m < n$ , then  $\underline{Ax = 0}$  has infinitely many solutions
- Proof
- This system always has at least one solution since homogeneous
  - Consider  $A\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$  always holds  $\underline{x = 0}$
- Matrix  $\underline{A}$  brought in reduced echelon form contains at most  $\underline{m}$  pivots.

For example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 5}$$

$\mathbb{R}^{\text{row}}$   
 $m \times n$   
 $m < n$

- There will have  $\underline{n-m \geq 1}$  non-pivot columns, or free variables. It means we can find at least one solution  $\mathbf{x}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Then,  $\lambda \mathbf{x}^*$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  are solutions to  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$ .

# Proof

- A system of linear equations  $\underline{Ax = b}$  either has no solutions, a unique solution or infinitely many solutions

- Proof

- Let's assume the system  $\underline{Ax = b}$  has two solutions  $\underline{p}$  and  $\underline{q}$ .
- We have

$$\underline{Ap} = \underline{b}$$

$$\underline{Aq} = \underline{b}$$

v different

$$\underline{v} = \underline{p} + t(\underline{q} - \underline{p}), \underline{t} \in \mathbb{R}$$

from  $p$   $q$

- We have

$$\underline{Av} = \underline{A}(\underline{p} + t(\underline{q} - \underline{p})) = \underline{Ap} + t(\underline{Aq} - \underline{Ap}) = \underline{b} + t(\underline{b} - \underline{b}) = \underline{b}$$

- We thus have infinitely many solutions (by varying  $t$ )

# Calculating the Inverse with Gaussian Elimination

- To compute the inverse  $\underline{\underline{A^{-1}}}$  of  $\underline{\underline{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,
- We need to find a matrix  $\underline{\underline{X}}$  that satisfies  $\underline{\underline{AX}} = \underline{\underline{I_n}}$ .
- Then,  $\underline{\underline{X}} = \underline{\underline{A^{-1}}}$ .
- We can write this down as a set of simultaneous linear equations  $\underline{\underline{AX}} = \underline{\underline{I_n}}$ , where we solve for  $\underline{\underline{X}} = [\underline{x_1} | \dots | \underline{x_n}]$
- We use the augmented matrix notation, and use **Gaussian Elimination**.

$$\underline{\underline{[A | I_n]}} \rightsquigarrow \dots \rightsquigarrow \underline{\underline{[I_n | A^{-1}]}}$$

# Calculating the Inverse with Gaussian Elimination

$$[A \mid I_n] \rightsquigarrow \dots \rightsquigarrow [I_n \mid A^{-1}]$$

# Calculating the Inverse with Gaussian Elimination

- Example: determine the inverse of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$$

- First, write down the augmented matrix

$$\underbrace{A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]}_{A \quad I_n}$$

# Calculating the Inverse with Gaussian Elimination

- Use Gaussian elimination to bring it into reduced row-echelon form

RREF  $\rightarrow$

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightsquigarrow \dots \rightsquigarrow A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$A^{-1}$

- The desired inverse is given as its right-hand side

$$A^{-1} = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} -1 & 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

# Calculating Reduced Row-echelon form - example

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -2 & 4 & -2 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & 10 & 7 & R_2 + R_1 \\ -4 & 4 & -8 & 4 & R_3 + 2R_1 \\ 4 & -1 & 14 & 6 & R_4 - 2R_1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -2 & 4 & -2 & 7 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 & 10 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -2 & 4 & -2 & 7 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -2 & 4 & -2 & 7 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{REF} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 + R_3} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 3R_3}$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 + R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{RREF}$$

matrix inverse

not  
inversible

$$I_4 \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]_{4 \times 4}$$

# Check your understanding

- Which of the following are correct?

True

(A) A vector, when multiplied by a scalar, becomes another vector.

True

(B) For a system of linear equations with  $n$  variables, it is possible that none of them are free variables.

unique solution.

False

(C) For a system of linear equations with  $\underline{n}$  variables, the maximum number of pivots in the REF is  $\underline{n - 1}$ .

$n$

(D) A matrix, when added by an identity matrix, stays as is.

False

(E) We can use matrix transpose in Gaussian Elimination.

(F) Two arbitrary matrices can be multiplied

False

(G) Two arbitrary matrices can be added.

False

(H) An image with black borders is not a matrix.

False



# Check your understanding

- Let A, B, C be 2x2 matrices.
- Which of the following are equivalent to  $A(B+C)$ ?
  - $AB+AC$  ✓
  - $BA+CA$  ✗
  - $A(C+B)$  ✓
  - $(B+C)A$  ✗
- Which of the following expressions are equivalent to  $I_2(A \bullet B)$ ?
  - $AB$  ✓
  - $BA$  ✗
  - $(AB)I_2$  ✓
  - $(BA)I_2$  ✗