

System of Linear Equations

General Form:

$$(A) \begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{cases}$$

Variables $\rightarrow x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$

Coefficients $\rightarrow a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{mn}$

Constants $\rightarrow b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m$

(A) is a system of m -linear equations in n variables. Any n -tuple $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ which satisfies each of the equations in (A) is called a solution.

A system of linear equation has,

- 1) No solution, (or) \longrightarrow Inconsistent
 - 2) Exactly one solution, (or)
 - 3) Infinitely many solutions.
- } \longrightarrow Consistent.

Matrix Notation

The system (A) can be written as,

$$AX = B, \text{ where}$$

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

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

If $B = 0$, then the system is Homogeneous,

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

otherwise, i.e. if $B \neq 0$, then the system is Non-homogeneous.

Elementary Row Operations

1) Interchange two rows

$$\text{eg:- } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2) Multiply a row by a non-zero scalar

$$\text{eg:- } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow 2R_2 \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3) Replace one row by the sum of itself and a multiple of another row.

eg:- $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$R_1 \longrightarrow R_1 + 2R_2$$

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

Elimination method

$$\begin{aligned} i) \quad x_1 + 2x_2 &= 4 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$Ax = B \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Convert A into an upper triangular matrix.

$$R_2 \longrightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$$

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

Perform the same row operation on B.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 4$$

$$-5x_2 = -5 \Rightarrow x_2 = 1$$

$$x_1 + 2 \times 1 = 4 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2 //$$

Solution $X = \underline{\underline{\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}}$.

Echelon form

A rectangular matrix is in Echelon form if it has the following properties:

- 1) All ~~non~~ zero rows are below the non-zero rows.
- 2) Each leading entry of a row is in a column to the right of the leading entry of the row above it.
- 3) All entries in a column below a leading entries are zeros.

eg:- $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Rank of a matrix

The order of the largest submatrix with non-zero determinant.

The no. of non-zero rows in the

row-echelon form.

Eg :-

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

A is not in Echelon form.

$$R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Echelon form of } A.$$

No. of non-zero rows = 3 = rank(A)
= 3(A)

$$2) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A is not in Echelon form.

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & -10 & -4 \\ 0 & -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{4}{10} R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & -10 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{6}{10} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{rank}(A) = 3 //$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & -10 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{6}{10} \end{bmatrix}$$

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5) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 8 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\rho(A) = 2}}$$

Solution of Homogeneous and Non-homogeneous system

1) Homogeneous $AX = 0$:-

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix.
 \rightarrow Always consistent ($X=0$ is a solution)

1) Unique solution if and only if $\rho(A) = n = \text{no. of variables or no. of columns in } A$.

2) Infinite no. of solution if $\rho(A) < n$ ($\rho(A) \neq n$)

2) Non-homogeneous $AX = B$:-

1) If $\rho(A) = \rho(A|B) = n$, unique solution

2) If $\rho(A) = \rho(A|B) \neq n$, infinite no. of solution

3) If $\rho(A) \neq \rho(A|B)$, no solution (Inconsistent)

} Consistent

→ If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then,

$$\rho(A) \leq \min\{m, n\}.$$

→ If A is a square matrix ($n \times n$ matrix), then

$\rho(A) = n$ if and only if A is invertible (i.e.,

~~the~~ $\det(A) \neq 0$).

$$\det(A) = 0 \iff \rho(A) \neq n.$$

1) Solve $x + 3y = 1$

$$2x + 4y + 8z = 3$$

$$2x + 6y = 7$$

Matrix form:-

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$B \neq 0$, Non-homogeneous.

We have to check the $\rho(A)$ and $\rho(A|B)$.

$$A|B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 8 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r(A) = 2$$

$$r(A|B) = 3$$

$$r(A) \neq r(A|B)$$

No solution.

2)

$$x + 3y = 1$$

$$2x + 4y + 8z = 3$$

$$2x + 6y = 2$$

$$A|B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 8 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow r(A) = r(A|B) = 2.$$

Infinite no. of solutions.

$$x + 3y = 1 \Rightarrow x = 1 - 3y$$

$$-2y + 8z = 1 \Rightarrow 8z = 1 + 2y$$

$$z = \frac{1 + 2y}{8}$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 3y \\ y \\ \frac{1 + 2y}{8} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y = 1 \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ \frac{3}{8} \end{bmatrix}$$

is a solution.