

# Matrices and Systems of Equations

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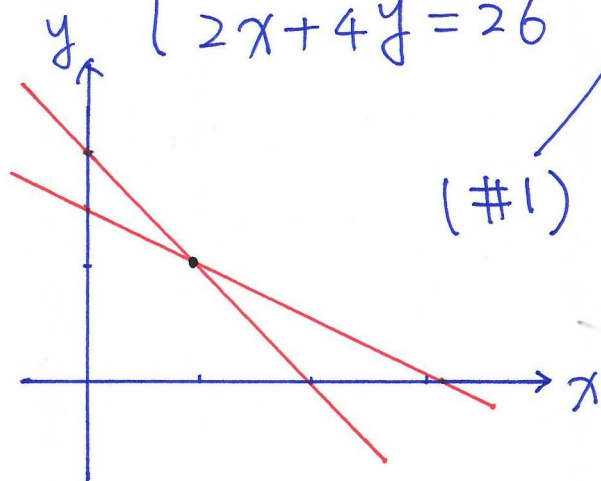
## Systems of linear equations

(线性联立方程式)

↗ “一次”多项式

· 「雞兔同籠」問題:

$$\begin{cases} x+y=8 \\ 2x+4y=26 \end{cases}$$



(#1)

· General form:

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

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

⋮

$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \quad (\star n)$$

Given:  $a_{ij}, b_i$   $i=1, 2, \dots, m$   
unknowns:  $x_j$   $j=1, 2, \dots, n$

$n$  unknowns,  $m$  equations

\* equation  $\rightarrow$  condition

· A solution to  $(\star)$  is a  $n$ -tuple (ordered seq. of  $n$  numbers):  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  that satisfies  $(\star 1), (\star 2), \dots, (\star n)$

- A system of linear equations can be

consistent or inconsistent.



↳ no solution exists

at least one solution exists



some  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  that satisfies (4)

↳ can be one and only one or many

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unique

- Let's try to solve (#1):

Recall (from 國中):

代入消去法

(乘除)加減消去法

Here we focus on this ↗



$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{A} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x+y=8 \\ 2x+4y=26 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\times -2} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -2x-2y=-16 \\ 2x+4y=26 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\text{copy}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -2x-2y=-16 \\ 0x+2y=10 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\times \frac{1}{2}} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{D} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -2x-2y=-16 \\ 0x+1y=5 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\text{copy}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -2x-2y=-16 \\ 0x+2y=10 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\times 2} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -2x-2y=-16 \\ 0x+2y=10 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\text{copy}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -2x+0y=-6 \\ 0x+2y=10 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\times \frac{1}{2}} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{G} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1x+0y=3 \\ 0x+1y=5 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x=3 \\ y=5 \end{array} \right. *$$

~~×~~  $\textcircled{A}, \textcircled{B}, \textcircled{C}, \textcircled{D}, \textcircled{E}, \textcircled{F}, \textcircled{G}$  are equivalent systems (of linear equations)

↓  
have the same set of solutions

- Obviously, it is much easier to find the solution from  $\textcircled{G}$  than from  $\textcircled{A}$ .
- We would like to reduce  $\textcircled{G}$  to  $\textcircled{A}$ , if possible, via some operations.

Q: What kind of operations are allowed? P.006

Ans: Those operations can be classified into **3** classes:

Type 1. Interchange two eqs. in ( $\star$ )

Type 2. Multiply an equation by a nonzero number

Type 3. Add a nonzero of an equation to another equation

• " $\textcircled{A} + \textcircled{B}$ "  $\in$  Type 3 ;  $\textcircled{C} \in$  Type 2 ;

" $\textcircled{D} + \textcircled{E}$ "  $\in$  Type 3 ;  $\textcircled{F}$  : two Type-2 ops

• An example of Type-1:  $\begin{cases} x+y=8 \\ 2x+4y=26 \end{cases} \equiv \begin{cases} 2x+4y=26 \\ x+y=8 \end{cases}$

A complex system (of 2. eqs)  $\xrightarrow[\text{(type 1, 2, 3)}]{\text{elementary ops}}$  A simple system (of 2. eqs)



- In the reduction(s) from (A) to (G), x and y (unknowns) can be seen <sup>as</sup> nothing but place holders.
- It is the coeffs (to x and y) and the numbers on the RHS (of eqs.) that are the main thing.
- (A)  $\leadsto$  (G) can be seen/regarded as ( $\xrightarrow{\quad}$ ):

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{A} \\ \square \cdot x + \square \cdot y = \square \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 8 \\ 2 & 4 & 26 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{B} \\ \square \cdot x + \square \cdot y = \square \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & -2 & -16 \\ 2 & 4 & 26 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{C} \\ \square \cdot x + \square \cdot y = \square \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & -2 & -16 \\ 0 & 2 & 10 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{D} \\ \square \cdot x + \square \cdot y = \square \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & -2 & -16 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{E} \\ \square \cdot x + \square \cdot y = \square \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & -2 & -16 \\ 0 & 2 & 10 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{F} \\ \square \cdot x + \square \cdot y = \square \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 2 & 10 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad \square \cdot x + \square \cdot y = \square$$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow$  rectangular array of numbers

• Some terminologies:

matrix

$\nwarrow$

$\underline{\underline{A}} =$

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & j & \dots & n \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ i \\ \vdots \\ m \end{matrix} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1j} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2j} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & a_{ij} & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mj} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

matrix

the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row

the  $(i,j)^{\text{th}}$  element

the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column

size of  $\underline{\underline{A}}$ :  $m \times n$  ( $m$  rows,  $n$  columns)

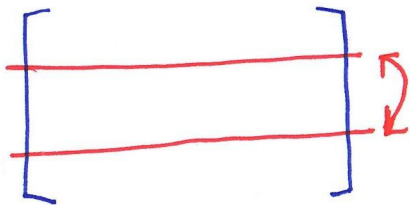
• If  $m = n$ ,  $\underline{\underline{A}}$  is a square matrix.

- elementary ops for system of l. eqs

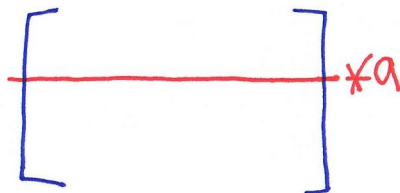
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• elementary row operations (ero's) for matrices

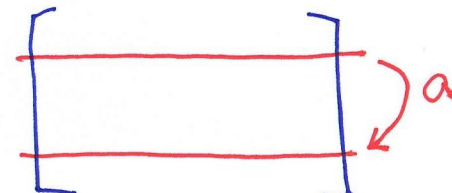
Type I



Type II



Type III



- Q: With ero's, we try to reduce a complex matrix (in some sense) to a simple matrix (, so that the solution to the corresponding system of l. eqs is immediately obtained). But, what is the "simple" matrix?

Ans: ref or rref