

Linear algebra and analytical geometry II, Lab 1



Warm up

Rewrite the following system in the matrix form:

$$\begin{cases} 3x + 4y - 2z = 1 \\ 3y - 2z + x = -2 \\ 5x - 7z - 2y = 3 \end{cases}$$

Describe geometricaly (line, plane, or whole space) all linear combinations of:

- 1. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$
- 2. 0 and 2 3
- 3. $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & and \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$

Draw
$$v = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $w = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v + w$, $v - w$ in a single xy plane

Explain, why the system

$$\begin{cases} u+v+w=2\\ u+2v+3w=1\\ v+2w=0 \end{cases}$$

is singular?

What value should replace that last zero on the right side, to allow the equations to have solutions, and what is one of the solutions?

What does it mean, singular?

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Example 2. Singular (incurable)

$$\begin{cases} u+v+w = \\ 2u+2v+5w = \\ 4u+4v+8w = \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} u+v+w = \\ 3w = \\ 4w = \end{cases}$$

There is no exchange of equations that can avoid zero in the second pivot position. The equations themselves may be solvable or unsolvable. If the last two equations are 3w=6 and 4w=7, there is no solution. If those two equations happen to be consistent as in 3w=6 and 4w=8 then this singular case has an infinity of solutions. We know that w=2, but the first equation cannot decide both u and v.

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is singular?

What value should replace that last zero on the right side, to allow the equations to have solutions, and what is one of the solutions?

- 1. Choose a coefficient *b* that makes this system singluar.
- 2. Then choose a right-hand side *g* that makes it solvable.
- 3. Find two solutions in that singular case.

$$\begin{cases} 2x + by = 16 \\ 4x + 8y = g \end{cases}$$

Give 3x3 examples (not just the zero matrix):

- 1. a diagonal matrix: $a_{ij} = 0$, if $i \neq j$;
- 2. a symmetric matrix: $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ for all i and j;
- 3. an upper trianglular matrix: $a_{ij} = 0$, if i > j;
- 4. a skew-symmetric matrix: $a_{ij} = -a_{ji}$ for all i and j.

Make a rref of

$$\begin{cases} 2u + 3v + 0w = 0 \\ 4u + 5v + w = 3 \\ 2u - 1v - 3w = 5 \end{cases}$$

Reference material

• Lectures 1 – 3