

# VV255/MATH2550J Honors Calculus III

## Recitation Class 1

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# Linear System of Equations

**Definition.** A **linear system** of  $m$  equations in  $n$  unknowns  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in V$  is a set of equations

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

It can also be represented in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Definition.** If  $b_1 = b_2 = \dots = b_m = 0$ , then it is called a **homogeneous system**.  
otherwise, it is called an **inhomogeneous system**.

# Matrix Algebra

1. The sum of two matrices  $A_{n \times m}$  and  $B_{n \times m}$  is the matrix  $C_{n \times m}$  such that

$$c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}, \quad i = \overline{1, n}, \quad j = \overline{1, m}.$$

2. The scalar product  $\alpha A_{n \times m} = (\alpha a_{ij})$ ,  $i = \overline{1, n}$ ,  $j = \overline{1, m}$ .

3. The product of a row-matrix  $[a_1 \ \cdots \ a_n]$  and a column matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$  is

$$[a_1 \ \cdots \ a_n] \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = a_1 b_1 + \cdots + a_n b_n.$$

It is the **inner product** of vectors  $\bar{a} = (a_1, \cdots, a_n)$ ,  $\bar{b} = (b_1, \cdots, b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

# Matrix Algebra

4. The product of a matrix  $A_{n \times m}$  and a vector  $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is

$$\begin{aligned} A_{n \times m} \bar{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} \bar{w}_1 \\ \bar{w}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \bar{w}_n \end{bmatrix} \bar{x} = (\text{def}) \begin{bmatrix} (\bar{w}_1, \bar{x}) \\ (\bar{w}_2, \bar{x}) \\ \vdots \\ (\bar{w}_n, \bar{x}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (\text{prop}) (\bar{a}_1 \quad \bar{a}_2 \dots \bar{a}_m) \bar{x} = x_1 \bar{a}_1 + x_2 \bar{a}_2 + \dots + x_m \bar{a}_m \end{aligned}$$

5. The product of a matrix  $A_{n \times k}$  and a matrix  $B_{k \times m}$  is

$$AB = [\bar{A}\bar{b}_1 \quad \bar{A}\bar{b}_2 \quad \dots \quad \bar{A}\bar{b}_m]_{n \times m}.$$

6. Properties.

- ▶  $A + B = B + A$ .  $AB \neq BA$ !
- ▶  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ ,  $(A + B)C = AC + BC$ .

# Norm, Identity Matrix and Zero Matrix

**Definition.** Let  $\bar{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . The **norm** of  $\bar{v}$  is given by

$$\|\bar{v}\| = \sqrt{v \cdot v} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2}$$

**Definition.** **Identity matrix** and **zero matrix**

$$I_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad O_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Properties.**  $A + O = O + A = A$ ,  $AI = IA = A$ .

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**Proof.**

$$\text{tr}(AB) = \sum_{k=1}^m (AB)_{kk} = \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{l=1}^n a_{kl} b_{lk} = \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{l=1}^n b_{lk} a_{kl} = \sum_{l=1}^n (BA)_{ll} = \text{tr}(BA).$$

# Reduced Row-Echelom Form

**Definition.** A matrix is in **reduced row-echelom form** (rref) if it satisfies all of the following conditions:

- ▶ If a row has nonzero entries, then the first nonzero entry is a 1, called the **leading 1** in this row.
- ▶ If a column contains a leading 1, then all the other entries in that column are 0.
- ▶ If a row contains a leading 1, then each row above it contains a leading 1 further to the left. That means, rows of 0's, if any, appear at the bottom of the matrix.

**Definition.** The number of leading 1's in the rref of a matrix  $A$  is called the **rank** of  $A$ .



# Inverse Matrix

**Definition.** The **inverse** of  $A$  is  $A^{-1}$  only when

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

In this case, we call matrix  $A$  **invertible**.

**Theorems.**

- ▶ If matrix  $A$  is invertible, then  $|A| \neq 0$ .
- ▶ If  $|A| \neq 0$ , then  $A$  is invertible and  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|}A^*$ .

For now, you only need to know

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}.$$

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Solution 1.01

$$\begin{aligned} A &\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \text{rref } A &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{rank } A = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Thank you!

¿ Q & A ?