

## SOLVING A SYSTEM OF LINEAR EQUATIONS

- What is a system of linear equations?

$$\begin{array}{rcrcrcrcrcrl} x & + & y & + & z & = & 3 \\ x & - & y & + & 2z & = & 2 \\ 3x & - & 2y & + & z & = & 0 \end{array}$$

- Solution:  $(x, y, z) = (1, 1, 1)$

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

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

$\vdots$

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

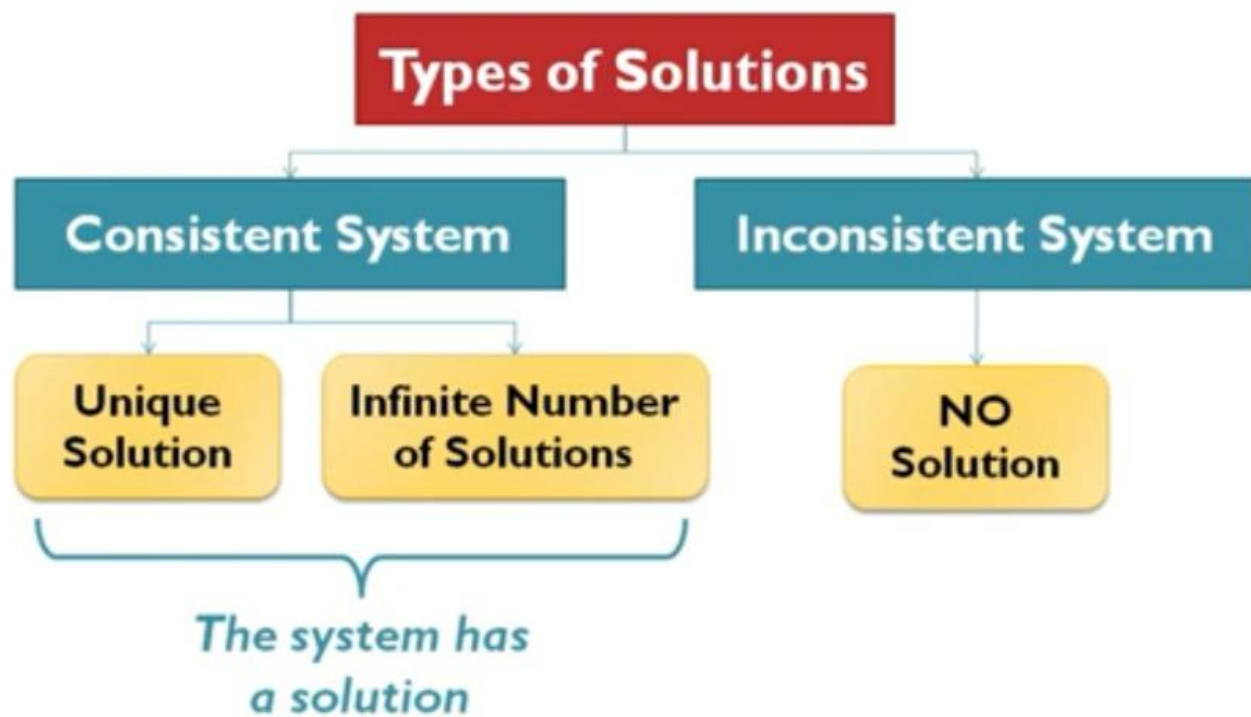
$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{A} \qquad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

**Coefficient Matrix**  
 $m \times n$

**Vector of Unknowns**  
 $n \times 1$

**Vector of Free Terms**  
 $m \times 1$

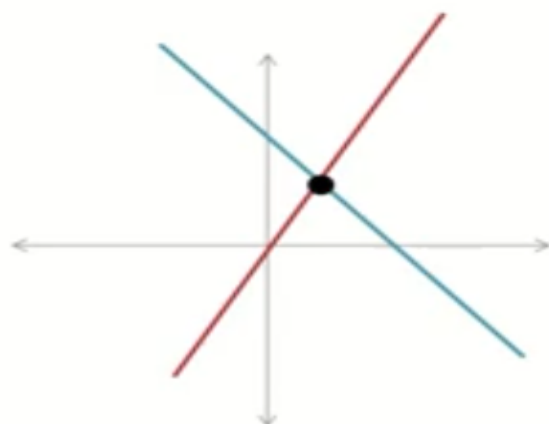


► **Unique Solution:**

$$x + y = 2$$

$$x - y = 0$$

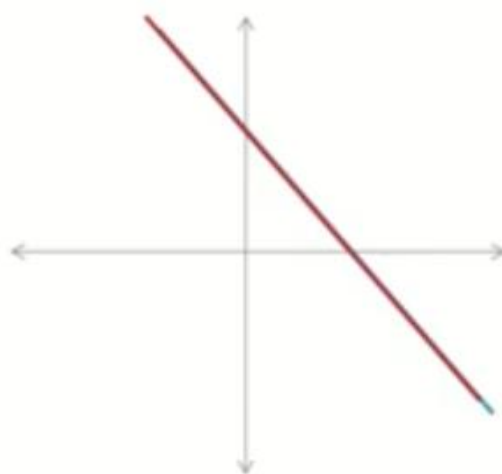
$$x = 1 \text{ and } y = 1$$



► **Infinite Number of Solutions:**

$$x + y = 2$$

$$2x + 2y = 4$$

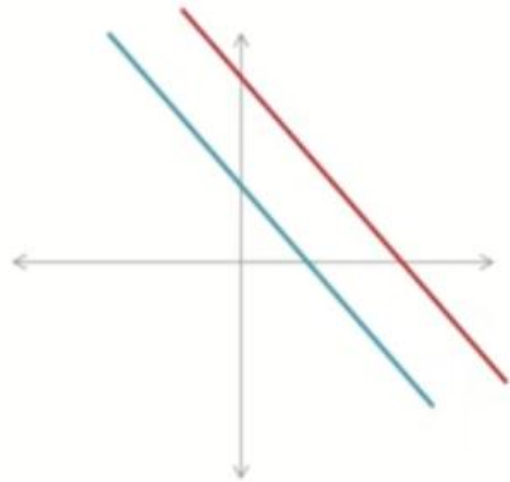


$$(1, 1), (2, 0), (-1, 3), (0.5, 1.5), \dots$$

► **NO Solution (Inconsistent System):**

$$x + y = 2$$

$$x + y = 1$$



**Impossible!**

► **The Augmented Matrix**

$$Ax = b$$

$$\text{aug}A = [A|b]$$

► **Elementary Row Operations:**

1. Interchange two rows
2. Multiply a row by a scalar
3. Add two rows (multiply by a scalar and add to another)

Gauss Elimination

- ▶ In the Gauss elimination method, we use **elementary row operations** to reduce the system to a simpler form

- ▶ **STEPS:**

1. Forward elimination
2. Backward substitution

- ▶ Simple Example:

**Forward Elimination**

$$x + y = 2$$

$$x - y = 0$$



$$\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{l} x + y = 2 \\ -2y = -2 \end{array}$$

**Backward Substitution**

$$y = 1$$

$$x = 2 - y = 1$$

► Example: 1:

$$\begin{aligned} x - 2y + z &= 0 \\ 2y - 8z &= 8 \\ -4x + 5y + 9z &= -9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{B}$$

Augmented Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 8 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \end{array} \right]$$

pivot

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{pivot}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{row1} \times 4 \text{ and add}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \end{array} \right]$$

(row1) × 4 and add

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Equivalent System}} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\div 2} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \end{array} \right]$$

(row2) × 3 and add

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{End of Forward Elimination}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

Backward Substitution

$$\begin{aligned} x - 2y + z &= 0 \rightarrow x = 29 \\ y - 4z &= 4 \rightarrow y = 16 \\ z &= 3 \end{aligned}$$



## ► The Echelon Form:

1. Leading entries move to the right
2. Elements below leading entries = 0
3. Leading entries = 1
4. Zero rows at the bottom

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

## ► Example 2:

$$\begin{aligned} x - 2y + z &= 0 \\ -4x + 5y + 9z &= -9 \\ 5x - 7y - 8z &= 9 \\ 2y - 8z &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \\ 5 & -7 & -8 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$



$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \\ 5 & -7 & -8 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

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$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 3 & -13 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 3 & -13 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

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$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$(row1) \times 4 + (row2)$$

$$(row1) \times -5 + (row3)$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{Just to make calculations easier} \\
 \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 \boxed{z=3} \quad \boxed{y=16} \quad \boxed{x=29}
 \end{array}$$

► **Example 3:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 x - 2y + z &= 0 \\
 -4x + 5y + 9z &= -9 \\
 5x - 7y - 8z &= 9
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \\ 5 & -7 & -8 & 9 \end{array} \right]$$





$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \\ 5 & -7 & -8 & 9 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 3 & -13 & 9 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Infinite Number of Solutions

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$z = t$   
 FREE VARIABLE

$$\begin{aligned} -3y + 13z &= -9 \\ -3y &= -9 - 13t \\ y &= 3 + \frac{13}{3}t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x - 2y + z &= 0 \\ x &= 2\left(3 + \frac{13}{3}t\right) - t \\ x &= 6 + \frac{23}{3}t \end{aligned}$$

Some possible solutions:

$z = t$		$z = 6$
$x = 6 + \frac{23}{3}t$	For example $\xrightarrow{t=6}$	$x = 6 + \frac{23}{3}(6) = 52$
$y = 3 + \frac{13}{3}t$	$\xrightarrow{t=0}$	$y = 3 + \frac{13}{3}(6) = 29$
		<hr/> $z = 0$ $x = 6$ $y = 3$

How to write the solution in vector form:

$$z = t \quad x = 6 + \frac{23}{3}t \quad y = 3 + \frac{13}{3}t$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 23/3 \\ 13/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}$$

► Example 4:

$$\begin{aligned}x - 2y + z &= 0 \\ -4x + 5y + 9z &= -9 \\ 5x - 7y - 8z &= 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \\ 5 & -7 & -8 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 9 & -9 \\ 5 & -7 & -8 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 3 & -13 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ & \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -8 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$



**NO  
SOLUTION**  
(Inconsistent System)

$$0 = -8 \quad ???$$

► The different types of solutions:

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} x & y & z & \\ \hline 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array}$$

**Unique  
Solution**

Unknowns = Pivots

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} x & y & z & \\ \hline 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

**Infinite Number  
of Solutions**

Unknowns > Pivots

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} x & y & z & \\ \hline 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -8 \end{array}$$

**NO  
Solution**

Pivot in Last col. of augA

## Rank and Types of Solutions

► **The Rank of a Matrix**

► **Definition:**

$$\rho(\mathbf{A})$$

► What you probably know already → The size of the largest non-zero sub-determinant

► What's new → **The number of pivots in the Echelon form**

We want to classify the types of solutions based on the relation between  $\rho(\mathbf{A})$  and  $\rho(\text{aug}\mathbf{A})$

**Unique  
Solution**

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} x & y & z & \\ \hline 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array}$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) = n$$

$$\rho(\text{aug}\mathbf{A}) = \rho(\mathbf{A})$$

**Infinite Number  
of Solutions**

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} x & y & z & \\ \hline 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) < n$$

**NO  
Solution**

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} x & y & z & \\ \hline 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 13 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -8 \end{array}$$

$$\rho(\text{aug}\mathbf{A}) \neq \rho(\mathbf{A})$$

## Types of Solutions

**Consistent System**

$$\rho(\text{aug}\mathbf{A}) = \rho(\mathbf{A})$$

**Unique  
Solution**

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) = n$$

**Infinite Number  
of Solutions**

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) < n$$

**Inconsistent System**

$$\rho(\text{aug}\mathbf{A}) \neq \rho(\mathbf{A})$$

**NO  
Solution**

$n \rightarrow$  number of unknowns

## Review Questions

- ▶ **Which of these statements are true?**
  - ▶ A system of four equations and three unknowns can never have a unique solution
  - ▶ If the augmented matrix of a system of linear equations has a zero row at the bottom then it has an infinite number of solutions
  - ▶ A system of linear equations has no solution if the rank of the augmented matrix is less than that of the coefficient matrix

## Gauss-Jordan Elimination, Matrix Inversion

### Gauss-Jordan Elimination

#### Gauss Elimination

1. Forward **Elimination**
2. Backward **Substitution**



**Echelon Form**  
(EF or Row-EF "REF")

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 3 \end{array} \right]$$



#### Gauss-Jordan Elimination

1. Forward **Elimination**
2. Backward **Elimination**



**Reduced Row-Echelon Form**  
(RREF)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 0 & 29 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 3 \end{array} \right]$$



► Remember this?

$$x - 2y + z = 0$$

$$2y - 8z = 8$$

$$-4x + 5y + 9z = -9$$

**Echelon form** →

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$



**Backward Elimination**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

$4R_3 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$   
and  
 $-R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

$2R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 29 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x = 29$$

$$y = 16$$

$$z = 3$$

## ► Reduced Row Echelon Form

- The reduced row-echelon form (RREF) is the same as the echelon form but with zeros below AND ABOVE the leading entries.
- 1. Leading entries move to the right
- 2. Elements **above and below** leading entries = 0
- 3. Leading entries = 1
- 4. Zero rows at the bottom

**RREF = EF + elements above leading entries = 0**

## ► Which of these is in the RREF?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times$$



▶ **NOTE: the RREF is “unique”** → لا تعني و لا علاقة لها ب Unique solution

- ▶ A system can have more than one EF  
but it has only **one** RREF

$$x + y = 2$$

$$x - y = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] &\sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{array} \right] \sim \boxed{\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]}^{\text{EF}} & \quad \boxed{\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]}^{\text{RREF}} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] &\sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right] \sim \boxed{\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]}^{\text{EF}} & \quad \boxed{\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]}^{\text{RREF}} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ **Example: Use the Gauss-Jordan method to solve the following system**

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

$$2x + 4y + 6z = 8$$

$$3x + 6y + 9z = 12$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 12 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 12 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -12 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -12 \end{array} \right] \\
&\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow x + 2y = -8 \\ \rightarrow x = -8 - 2y \\ \rightarrow z = 4 \end{array} \\
&\quad \text{y is a free variable}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x &= -8 - 2y = -8 - 2t \\
y &= t \\
z &= 4
\end{aligned}
\quad
\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Matrix Inversion

### ► Matrix Inverse

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{A}|} \text{adj}(\mathbf{A})$$

- Instead of using this definition, we will use the **Gauss-Jordan elimination** method

- ▶ How can we use the Gauss-Jordan method to find the inverse of a given matrix?

- ▶ Note that only **square matrices** have an inverse\*, so assume that **A** is a square matrix
- ▶ We know that:

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

- ▶ Now compare that to:

$$Ax = b$$

$$Ax = b$$

- ▶ To solve this:

$$\text{aug}A = [A|b]$$

- ▶ If it has a **unique** solution and **A** is **square**:

$$[A|b] \sim [I|x]$$

Like this one

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 29 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array}$$

$$Ax = b$$



$$[A|b] \sim [I|x]$$

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



$$[A|I] \sim [I|A^{-1}]$$

► Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to find the inverse<sup>R</sup> of :

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

$$[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{I}] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.2 & 0.6 & 0.2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0.2 & 0.6 & 0.2 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0.8 & -0.6 & -0.2 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & 0.3 & -0.1 & -0.2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.2 & 0.6 & 0.2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.2 & -0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0.3 & -0.1 & -0.2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.2 & 0.6 & 0.2 \end{array} \right]$$

I  $A^{-1}$

- Find out whether the given matrix is invertible, and use the Gauss-Jordan elimination to find the inverse if it is.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & -4 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -4 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 7 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -7 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 7 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{NO inverse}$$

► **NOTE:**

$$(\mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} = (\mathbf{A}^{-1})^T$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1})^T = \mathbf{I}^T$$

$$(\mathbf{A}^{-1})^T \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{I}$$

$$(\mathbf{A}^{-1})^T = (\mathbf{A}^T)^{-1}$$

## Homogeneous System of Equations

► **Homogeneous System**

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

- A homogeneous system has either:
  - **A Unique Solution** → **Zero Solution "Trivial Solution"**
  - **An Infinite Number of Solutions** (including the zero solution)

**Example:**  $x + y - z = 0$

$$x - 2y - 3z = 0$$

$$5x + y + z = 0$$

► **Example:** Solve the following system of equations:

$$x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$$

► **Homogeneous system**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad -2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad 1/3 \times R_2 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$x_3 = t \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$x_2 = x_3 \rightarrow x_2 = t$$

$$x_1 = x_2 - 3x_3 = t - 3t \rightarrow x_1 = -2t$$



$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

► **For a homogeneous system**

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$$

the **rank** of the coefficient matrix is always equal to that of the augmented matrix

$$\rho(\text{aug}\mathbf{A}) = \rho(\mathbf{A})$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) = n$$

**Unique Solution**  
**"ZERO solution"**

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) < n$$

**Infinite Number**  
**of Solutions**

## Vector Equation

- ▶ We learned how to write a system of linear equations as a matrix equation

$$a_{11}x + a_{12}y + a_{13}z = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x + a_{22}y + a_{23}z = b_2$$

$$a_{31}x + a_{32}y + a_{33}z = b_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Matrix Equation**

$$x \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ a_{31} \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ a_{32} \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} a_{13} \\ a_{23} \\ a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Vector Equation**

$$x\mathbf{a}_1 + y\mathbf{a}_2 + z\mathbf{a}_3 = \mathbf{b}$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 7$$

$$-2x_1 + 5x_2 = 4$$

$$-5x_1 + 6x_2 = -3$$

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$