

# Linear System

W1

## § A system of linear equations

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

$m$  linear equations

$n$  variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$

$a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{mn}$  and  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m$  are real constants

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{standard form} \\ \begin{aligned} x + y + z + w &= 1 \\ 2x - y + 3z + 5w &= 2 \\ x + 2y + 7z + 0w &= 5 \\ 0x - 6y + 2z + 9w &= 0 \\ 5x + 2y - 4z + 7w &= 8 \end{aligned} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{matrix equation form}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 7 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -6 & 2 & 9 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & -4 & 7 & 8 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{vector equation form}} \left[ \begin{array}{c|ccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 5 & 2 & \\ 1 & 2 & 7 & 0 & 5 & \\ 0 & -6 & 2 & 9 & 0 & \\ 5 & 2 & -4 & 7 & 8 & \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

efficient matrix  
variable matrix  
constant matrix

## Elementary Row Operations (EROs)

(1) Multiply a row by a non-zero constant

(2) Interchange two rows

(3) Add a multiple of one row to another row

$$\begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Multiply first row by 3}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ \downarrow \text{Add 2 times of first row to second row} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 4 & 6 & 1 & 19 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Interchange second and third rows} \\ \text{only second row is changed}}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$cR_i, c \neq 0$   
 $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$   
 $R_i + cR_j, c \in \mathbb{R}$

if order doesn't matter,

can stack e.r.o.

e.g.  $\left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{2R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$

Consider the linear system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ , where  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $4 \times 4$  matrix and  $\mathbf{b}$  is  $4 \times 1$ . Suppose that

the reduced row echelon form of  $(\mathbf{A} | \mathbf{b})$  is  $(\mathbf{R} | \mathbf{d})$ , where  $\mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) (4 points) Assuming that  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  has infinitely many solutions, write down all the possible forms of  $\mathbf{R}$ . You may use \* to denote an unknown number.

**Solution:** The last row of  $\mathbf{R}$  must be zero and  $\mathbf{R}$  must have exactly one non-pivot column. The possibilities are:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) & \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & * & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \\ \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & * & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & * & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) & \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & * \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

When solving for RREF w k non-zero rows/non-pivot columns,

do not consider only the last k columns.

No. of possibilities = n choose (n-k)

## Augmented Matrix

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 7 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -6 & 2 & 9 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & -4 & 7 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

e.g.  $\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} a & b & b \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 - aR_2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & b-a & b-a \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{can be 0} \\ b=a \Rightarrow \text{infinite} \\ b \neq a \Rightarrow \text{unique}}}$

# Linear Systems

$xy$ -plane

$$\begin{aligned} l_1: a_1x + b_1y &= c_1 \\ l_2: a_2x + b_2y &= c_2 \end{aligned}$$

no solution

inconsistent system

parallel lines



$\geq 1$  solution

consistent system

exactly 1 soln  
intersecting lines



infinitely many solns  
same line

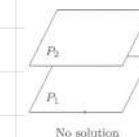


$xyz$ -space

$$\begin{aligned} p_1: a_1x + b_1y + c_1z &= d_1, & 2 \text{ eqns} \\ p_2: a_2x + b_2y + c_2z &= d_2, & 3 \text{ vars} \end{aligned}$$

no soln

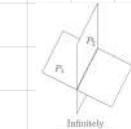
parallel planes



No solution

infinitely many solns

- same plane
- intersect at a line



- REF has a row with non-zero last entry but zero elsewhere.
- the last column of REF is a pivot column.

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{e.g. } \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

- every column of REF is a pivot column, except the last column
- no. of variables in LS = no. of non-zero rows in REF

e.g.  $\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right)$

$\xrightarrow{\text{3 rows}}$

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

$\xrightarrow{\text{4 rows}}$

- there is a non-pivot column in the REF other than the last column.
- no. of variables in LS > no. of non-zero rows in REF

e.g.  $\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$

$\xrightarrow{\text{3 rows}}$

$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$

$\xrightarrow{\text{4 rows}}$

REF	Solutions	Geometrical Interpretation
3 leading entries	0 parameter	Intersect at 1 point
2 leading entries	1 parameter	Intersect at a line
1 leading entry	2 parameters	Intersect at a plane
0 leading entry	3 parameters	NA

no need be sq matrices

A  $m \times n$  are row-equivalent  $\Leftrightarrow PA = B$ ,  $P^{-1}B$   
note pre-multiply

$AP = B$  means column-equiv.

## Row Equivalence

Def. 2 augmented matrices are row equivalent (to each other) if one can be obtained from the other by a series of EROs

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{R1} \leftrightarrow \text{R2}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -4 & 4 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{R3} \rightarrow \text{R3} - 3\text{R1}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 6 & -9 & 3 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{R3} \rightarrow \text{R3} - 6\text{R2}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -15 & 9 \end{array} \right)$$

Any 2 of the augmented matrices are row equivalent

(a) Substituting  $(x, y) = (1, 2)$  and  $(2, -1)$  into the equation  $ax + by = c$ , we have a system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} a + 2b - c = 0 \\ 2a - b - c = 0 \end{cases}$$

which implies  $a = \frac{1}{3}c$  and  $b = \frac{1}{3}c$ . In set notation, the line is

$$\{(x, y) \mid 3x + y = 5\} \text{ (implicit)} \quad \text{and} \quad \{(\frac{5-t}{3}, t) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\} \text{ (explicit).}$$

(b) Substituting  $(x, y, z) = (0, 1, -1), (1, -1, 0)$  and  $(0, 2, 0)$  into the equation  $ax + by + cz = d$ , we have a system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} b - c - d = 0 \\ a - b - d = 0 \\ 2b - d = 0 \end{cases}$$

which implies  $a = \frac{1}{2}d$ ,  $b = \frac{1}{2}d$  and  $c = -\frac{1}{2}d$ . In set notation, the plane is

$$\{(x, y, z) \mid 3x + y - z = 2\} \text{ (implicit)} \quad \text{and} \quad \{(\frac{2-t}{3}, s, t) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\} \text{ (explicit).}$$

(c) In explicit form, the line is

$$\{(1, -1, 0) + t(-1, 2, -1) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{(1 - t, -1 + 2t, -t) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

To find the implicit form, we need to find two non-parallel planes containing the two points  $(0, 1, -1)$  and  $(1, -1, 0)$ . The intersection of the two planes will give us the required line. Substituting  $(0, 1, -1)$  and  $(1, -1, 0)$  into  $ax + by + cz = d$  we have a system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} b - c - d = 0 \\ a - b - d = 0 \end{cases}$$

We obtain  $a = c + 2d$  and  $b = c + d$ . There are infinitely many such planes. For example, we can write the line implicitly as

$$\{(x, y, z) \mid x + y + z = 0 \text{ and } 2x + y = 1\}.$$

$\rightarrow$  sub  $c=0, d=1$   
 $c=1, d=0$

Express each of the following by the set notation in both implicit and explicit form:

(a) the line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  passing through the points  $(1, 2)$  and  $(2, -1)$ .

(b) the plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  containing the points  $(0, 1, -1), (1, -1, 0)$  and  $(0, 2, 0)$ .

(c) the line in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  passing through the points  $(0, 1, -1)$  and  $(1, -1, 0)$ .

$$\begin{cases} 3x + 2y - z = 0 \\ x - 3y + 2z = 1 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x = \frac{1}{11}(2+7t) \\ y = \frac{1}{11}(-3-5t) \\ z = t \end{cases} \text{ where } t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{So } V \cap W = \left\{ \left( \frac{2+7t}{11}, \frac{-3-5t}{11}, t \right) \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

## Row-Echelon Form (REF)

→ many variations

satisfies the following 2 properties:

- (1) If there are any rows that consist entirely of zeros, then they are grouped together at the bottom of the matrix.
- (2) In any 2 successive non-zero rows, the 1st non-zero number in the lower row occurs farther away to the right than the 1st non-zero number in the higher row.

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} * & * & \dots & * & * \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ * & * & \dots & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{nonzero rows} \\ \text{zero rows (if any)} \end{array}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|ccccc|c} 0 & 0 & \otimes & * & \dots & * & \dots & * \\ 0 & \dots & \otimes & * & \dots & * & \dots & \dots \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{two successive rows} \\ \text{leading entries} \end{array}$$

Combining properties 1 and 2:

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|ccccc|cc} 0 & \otimes & \dots & * & \dots & * & \dots & * & \dots & * \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \otimes & \dots & * & \dots & * & \dots & * \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & \otimes & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{nonzero rows} \\ \text{zero rows (if any)} \\ \text{pivot columns} \\ \text{leading entries aka pivot points} \\ \text{everyth below the staircase is zero} \end{array}$$

This is a row-echelon form (REF)

No. of pivot columns = no. of leading entries  
= no. of non-zero rows.

→ unique

**Reduced Row-Echelon Form (RREF)** satisfies the following properties in addition to (1) & (2):

- (3) The leading entry of every non-zero row is 1.
- (4) In each pivot column, except the pivot point, all other entries are zeros.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccccc|ccccc} 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & * & 0 & \dots & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & * & \vdots & \dots & * & * \\ 0 & \vdots & \dots & 0 & \ddots & 0 & \dots & * & * \\ 0 & \vdots & \dots & \vdots & 0 & 1 & \dots & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Using REF/RREF to get solutions

- § More variables than equations → infinitely many solutions.
- § Non-pivot columns → free parameters s & t

### Theorem 2.2.11.1-3

Similar to ordinary numbers multiplication

1.  $A(BC) = (AB)C$  Associative Law
2.  $A(B_1 + B_2) = AB_1 + AB_2$  (Distributive Law)  
 $(C_1 + C_2)A = C_1A + C_2A$
3.  $c(AB) = (cA)B = A(cB)$  c is a scalar

e.g.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccccc|ccccc} & x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 & x_5 & & & & \\ \left( \begin{array}{ccccc|ccccc} 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & -2 & 2 & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 & & & & \end{array} \right) & \Rightarrow & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 - 2x_5 = 2 \\ x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 3 \\ 2x_5 = 4 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{General solution:} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = s \\ x_2 = 2 + \frac{1}{2}s \\ x_3 = 1 - t \\ x_4 = t \\ x_5 = 2 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

non-pivot columns

∴ infinitely many sol<sup>n</sup>

e.g. zero system

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{General solution:} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = r \\ x_2 = s \\ x_3 = t \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

∴ This system has infinitely many sol<sup>n</sup>s.

Modification in GE

Example → avoid rounding off errors

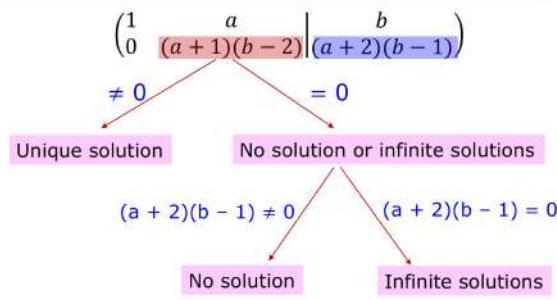
Standard

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 4 & 3 & \dots & \dots \\ 1 & -2 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 4 & 3 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & -11/4 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \end{array} \right)$$

Variation

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & -2 & \dots & \dots \\ 4 & 3 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & -2 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 11 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \end{array} \right)$$

## Linear Systems with "unknown" terms



$\hookrightarrow \text{① } aR_i \Rightarrow \text{don't know if } a=0$   
 $\text{② } aR_i \Rightarrow$   
 $\text{③ } \text{consider cases too early}$

One solution:  $(a+1)(b-2) \neq 0$

$$(a+1) \neq 0 \text{ AND } (b-2) \neq 0$$

$$a \neq -1 \text{ AND } b \neq 2$$

Infinite solutions:  $(a+1)(b-2) = 0, (a+2)(b-1) = 0$

$$(a+1) = 0 \text{ OR } (b-2) = 0 \quad (a+2) = 0 \text{ OR } (b-1) = 0$$

$$a = -1 \text{ OR } b = 2 \quad \text{AND} \quad a = -2 \text{ OR } b = 1$$

Simplify as

$$a = -1 \text{ AND } b = 1 \quad \text{OR} \quad b = 2 \text{ AND } a = -2$$

No solution:  $(a+1)(b-2) = 0, (a+2)(b-1) \neq 0$

$$(a+1) = 0 \text{ OR } (b-2) = 0 \quad (a+2) \neq 0 \text{ AND } (b-1) \neq 0$$

$$a = -1 \text{ OR } b = 2 \quad \text{AND} \quad a \neq -2 \text{ AND } b \neq 1$$

Simplify as

$$a = -1 \text{ AND } b \neq 1 \quad \text{OR} \quad b = 2 \text{ AND } a \neq -2$$

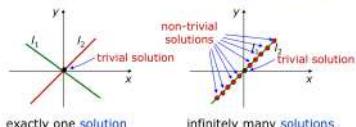


**Homogeneous System**  
(always consistent)

Trivial sol<sup>n</sup>  
(zero sol<sup>n</sup>)  
always exists

$$\begin{cases} a_1x + b_1y = 0 \\ a_2x + b_2y = 0 \end{cases} \quad (I_1) \quad (I_2)$$

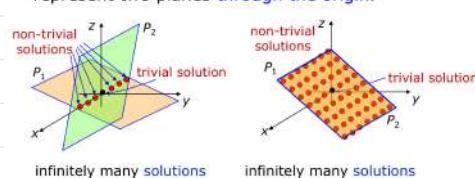
represent two straight lines through the origin.



Non-trivial sol<sup>n</sup>s  
(w parameters)  
- may not exist  
- if exist → infinitely many sol<sup>n</sup>s

$$\begin{cases} a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = 0 \\ a_2x + b_2y + c_2z = 0 \end{cases} \quad (P_1) \quad (P_2)$$

represent two planes through the origin.



$$\begin{aligned} & a_1c_1 + a_2c_2 + \dots + a_nc_n = 0 \\ & a_1(t_1c_1) + a_2(t_2c_2) + \dots + a_n(t_nc_n) \\ & = t(a_1c_1 + a_2c_2 + \dots + a_nc_n) \\ & = 0 \\ & \therefore (t_1c_1, t_2c_2, \dots, t_nc_n) \text{ is also} \\ & \text{a sol}^n \text{ for } t \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

## Summary

- a LS with the zero solution is called a homogeneous system.
- a homogeneous system is always consistent, as it always has the trivial solution.
- if a homogeneous system has a non-trivial solution, then it has infinitely many solution.
- a homogeneous system with more variables than equations has infinitely many solution.
- a homogeneous system with more equations than variables has one or many solution.

(Not in Lecture Slides)

For  $Ax=b$ , general solution of  $x$ :

↗ particular sol<sup>n</sup> for  $Ax=b$

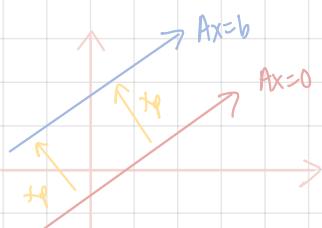
$$x = x_0 + x_p$$

↓  
general sol<sup>n</sup> of  $Ax=0$   
then 1 or infinite sol<sup>n</sup>

$x$  has exactly one sol<sup>n</sup>  $\Rightarrow x_0$  is the trivial sol<sup>n</sup>

$$\Rightarrow N(A) = \{0\} \Rightarrow A \text{ is invertible}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = A^{-1}b$$



## Homogeneous System

- all the constant terms are zero.

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = 0 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = 0 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = 0 \end{cases}$$

- only in homogeneous systems do we talk about trivial (the zero solution) and non-trivial solutions.

e.g. Given a quadratic surface in eq  $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = d$  passes through  $(1, 1, -1)$ ,  $(1, 3, 3)$  and  $(-2, 0, -2)$ , find a formula for the quadratic surface. ( $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ )

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c = d \\ a + 9b + 9c = d \\ 4a + 4b = d \end{cases} \quad \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

↓

Homogeneous System

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c - d = 0 \\ a + 9b + 9c - d = 0 \\ 4a + 4b - d = 0 \end{cases}$$

General Sol:

$$\begin{cases} a = t \\ b = \frac{3}{4}t \\ c = -\frac{3}{4}t \\ d = t \end{cases}$$

Particular Sol:

$$(Trivial) t=0 : a=b=c=d=0$$

$$(Non-trivial) t=4 : a=4$$

$$b=3$$

$$c=-3$$

$$d=4$$

## Matrix

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

$$A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n} = (a_{ij})_{i=1}^m j=1^n$$

Sub-matrix = Block matrix

- rows: m

- columns: n

- size:  $m \times n$

- entries:  $a_{ij}$  or  $a_{ij}$

## Square Matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

↳ diagonal entries

- A is an  $n \times n$  matrix

-  $A = (a_{ij})$  is a square matrix of order n

- diagonal entries:  $i=j$  ↗ restricted to sq matrices for MATLAB

MATLAB

## Types of square matrices

Diagonal matrix	all non-diagonal entries are zero	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$	$a_{ij} = 0$ whenever $i \neq j$
Scalar matrix	diagonal matrix with all diagonal entries the same	$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$	$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ c & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$
Identity matrix $I_n$	diagonal matrix with all diagonal entries equal 1	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$

$= \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$

$= \text{diag}(c, c, \dots, c) = cI$

Zero matrix $\mathbf{0}_{m \times n}$	all entries equal to zero can be non-square	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	$a_{ij} = 0$ for all $i, j$
Symmetric matrix	$k^{\text{th}}$ row "equal" $k^{\text{th}}$ column for all $k$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$	$a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ for all $i, j$
Upper triangular matrix	all entries below diagonals are zero	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$	$a_{ij} = 0$ for all $i > j$
Lower triangular matrix	all entries above diagonals are zero	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$	$a_{ij} = 0$ for all $i < j$

Let  $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} = (b_{ij})_{m \times n}$  and  $c$  a real constant.

Matrix Equality	$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$	$\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$ have same size and same corresponding entries	$a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for all $i, j$
Matrix Addition	$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$	addition of corresponding entries of $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$	$(a_{ij} + b_{ij})_{m \times n}$
Matrix subtraction	$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$	subtraction of corresponding entries of $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$	$(a_{ij} - b_{ij})_{m \times n}$
Scalar multiplication	$c\mathbf{A}$	multiply every entry of $\mathbf{A}$ by scalar $c$	$(ca_{ij})_{m \times n}$
Negative of matrix	$-\mathbf{A}$	attach negative sign to every entry of $\mathbf{A}$	$(-a_{ij})_{m \times n}$
Matrix Transpose	$\mathbf{A}^T$ (or $\mathbf{A}^t$ )	interchanging the rows and columns of $\mathbf{A}$	$\mathbf{A}^T = (a_{ji})_{n \times m}$

Strictly upper  $a_{ij} = 0 \forall i > j$  (i.e. diag also)

strictly lower  $a_{ij} = 0 \forall i < j$

A & B are of the same size  
any size

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Properties

- (i) commutative :  $A+B=B+A$
- (ii) Associative :  $A+(B+C)=(A+B)+C=A+B+C$
- (iii) Distributive :  $a(A+B)=aA+aB$
- (iv) Additive identity :  $0_{m \times n} + A = A$
- (v) Additive inverse :  $A + (-A) = 0_{m \times n}$
- (vi) Scalar Addition :  $(ab)A = aA+bA$
- (vii) Scalar Multiplication :  $(ab)A = a(bA) = b(aA)$
- (viii) If  $aA = 0_{m \times n}$ , then  $a=0$  or  $A=0_{m \times n}$

### Matrix Multiplication Properties $A: m \times n$

NOT commutative :  $AB \neq BA$

- (i) Associative :  $(AB)C = A(BC) = ABC$
- (ii) Distributive :  $(A+B)C = AC+BC$   
 $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + AB + BA + B^2$

- (iii) Scalar multiplication  
is commutative :  $c(AB) = cA(B) = A(cB)$

- (iv) Multiplicative identity :  $I_m A = A = A I_n$

- (v) Zero Matrix :  $0_{m \times q} = 0_{m \times q}$   
 $0_{p \times m} A = 0_{p \times n}$

- (vi) Zero divisor :  $AB = 0$  does NOT imply  $A = 0$  or  $B = 0$

- can only multiply two matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  ( $\mathbf{AB}$ ) when no. of columns of  $\mathbf{A}$  = no. of rows of  $\mathbf{B}$

(To prove, check size and corresponding entries)

### Matrix Transpose

- A square matrix is symmetric iff  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^T$

### Matrix Transpose Properties

- (i)  $(\mathbf{A}^T)^T = \mathbf{A}$
- (ii)  $(\mathbf{A}+\mathbf{B})^T = \mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{B}^T$
- (iii)  $(c\mathbf{A})^T = c\mathbf{A}^T$
- (iv)  $(\mathbf{AB})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$

### Exercise 2 Q24

- T (a) If  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are two diagonal matrices of the same size, then  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$ .
- T (b) If  $\mathbf{A}$  is a square matrix, then  $\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T)$  is symmetric.
- F (c) For all matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^2 = \mathbf{A}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2 + 2\mathbf{AB}$ .
- T (d) If  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are symmetric matrices of the same size, then  $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$  is symmetric.
- F (e) If  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are symmetric matrices of the same size, then  $\mathbf{AB}$  is symmetric.
- F (f) If  $\mathbf{A}$  is a square matrix such that  $\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- T (g) If  $\mathbf{A}$  is a matrix such that  $\mathbf{AA}^T = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0}$ .

Suppose  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}$  are square matrices of the same size.

1.  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$
2. If  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0}$  or  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}$
3. If  $\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0}$
4. If  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$ , then  $\mathbf{CA} = \mathbf{BC}$
5. If  $\mathbf{AC} = \mathbf{BC}$ , then  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$
6.  $(\mathbf{AB})^n = \mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{B}^n$

All are false

### Powers of a Matrix

A: square matrix

n: non-negative integer

$n$  times

- $\mathbf{A}^n = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}\dots\mathbf{A}$   $n \geq 1$
- $\mathbf{A}^0 = \mathbf{I}$
- $\mathbf{A}^r \mathbf{A}^s = \mathbf{A}^{r+s}$
- $(\mathbf{AB})^n \neq \mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{B}^n$  :  $(\mathbf{AB})(\mathbf{AB})\dots(\mathbf{AB}) \neq (\mathbf{AA}\dots\mathbf{A})(\mathbf{BB}\dots\mathbf{B})$

If  $\mathbf{A}$  is invertible,

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

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

## Expressing LS in matrix equation form

- A solution of the LS is represented by an  $(n \times 1)$  column matrix.

-  $\mathbf{u}$  is a solution of  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  iff  $\mathbf{Au} = \mathbf{b}$

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

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

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{stacking} \\ \mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 7 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{AB} = (\mathbf{Ab}_1 \quad \mathbf{Ab}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{Ab}_n) \\ \text{splitting} \end{array}$$

## Matrix Multiplication

Let  $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij})_{m \times p}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = (b_{ij})_{p \times n}$  be two matrices.

The product  $\mathbf{AB}$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix

its  $(i, j)$ -entry is

$$a_{11}b_{1j} + a_{12}b_{2j} + \dots + a_{ip}b_{pj} = \sum_{k=1}^p a_{ik}b_{kj} \quad \text{summation notation}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1p} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mp} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{p1} & b_{p2} & \dots & b_{pn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{AB}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 14 & 19 & 24 \\ -9 & -12 & -15 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_3 \quad \mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{b}_3$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_m \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{b}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{b}_n \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1\mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_1\mathbf{b}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{a}_1\mathbf{b}_n \\ \mathbf{a}_2\mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2\mathbf{b}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{a}_2\mathbf{b}_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_m\mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{a}_m\mathbf{b}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{a}_m\mathbf{b}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1\mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{a}_2\mathbf{B} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_m\mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{AB} = (\mathbf{Ab}_1 \quad \mathbf{Ab}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{Ab}_n)$$

## Zipping of Matrices

Zipped along the rows

$$\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij})_{m \times p} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{1st row of } \mathbf{A} \\ \text{2nd row of } \mathbf{A} \\ \vdots \\ \text{mth row of } \mathbf{A} \end{array}$$

Zipped along the columns

$$\mathbf{B} = (b_{ij})_{p \times n} = (b_1 \quad b_2 \quad \dots \quad b_n)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{1st} \\ \text{2nd} \\ \vdots \\ \text{nth} \end{array}$$

$a_i$  is a  $(1 \times p)$  row matrix

$$a_1 = (a_{11} \quad a_{12} \quad \dots \quad a_{1p})$$

$$a_2 = (a_{21} \quad a_{22} \quad \dots \quad a_{2p})$$

$\vdots$

$$a_m = (a_{m1} \quad a_{m2} \quad \dots \quad a_{mp})$$

$b_i$  is a  $(p \times 1)$  column matrix

$$b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} \\ b_{21} \\ \vdots \\ b_{p1} \end{pmatrix} \quad b_2 = \begin{pmatrix} b_{12} \\ b_{22} \\ \vdots \\ b_{p2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \dots \quad b_n = \begin{pmatrix} b_{1n} \\ b_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ b_{pn} \end{pmatrix}$$

To show that  $\mathbf{A}$  is invertible and  $\mathbf{B}$  is the inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$ , by Definition 2.3.2, we need to check  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$ .

(By Theorem 2.4.12 in the next section, we shall see that we only need to check one of the two conditions:  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$  or  $\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$ .)

## Invertible Matrix

(denoted as  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ )

A: square matrix of order  $n$ .

$\mathbf{A}$  is invertible if there exists a square matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  of order  $n$  such that  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$ .

$\mathbf{B}$  is called an inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

A square matrix is singular (non-invertible) if it has no inverse.

## Theorem 2.3.5. (uniqueness of inverses):

If  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  are inverses of a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , then  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}$ .

i.e. every invertible matrix has exactly one inverse.

## Cancellation Law for Matrices (invertible)

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be an invertible matrix.

$$\mathbf{AB}_1 = \mathbf{AB}_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{B}_1 = \mathbf{B}_2 \quad C_1\mathbf{A} = C_2\mathbf{A} \rightarrow C_1 = C_2$$

If  $\mathbf{A}$  is not invertible, then the Cancellation Law may not hold.

## Theorem 2.4.12

Theorem 2.4.12 Let  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}$  be square matrices of the same size. If  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$ , then  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}$  are both invertible,

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{B}, \quad \mathbf{B}^{-1} = \mathbf{A} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}.$$



Properties of Inverses

Only square matrices can be invertible

$\Rightarrow \text{rref} = \mathbf{I}$

$\Rightarrow$  unique solution

$\Rightarrow$  no. of eqns = no. of variables

$\Rightarrow$  no. of rows = no. of cols

$\Rightarrow$  square matrix

## Theorem 2.3.9.

A, B: invertible matrices of the same size

c: non-zero scalar

1.  $cA$  is invertible and  $(cA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{c}A^{-1}$ .
2.  $A^T$  is invertible and  $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$ .  $A$  inv  $\Leftrightarrow A^T$  inv
3.  $A^{-1}$  is invertible and  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ .
4.  $AB$  is invertible and  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ .

(Remark 2.3.10)

By Part 4, if  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  are invertible matrices, then  $A_1A_2 \dots A_k$  is invertible and  $(A_1A_2 \dots A_k)^{-1} = A_k^{-1} \dots A_2^{-1}A_1^{-1}$ .

product of inv matrices are inv.

$$A^{-n} = (A^{-1})^n = (A^n)^{-1}$$

$$= \underbrace{A^{-1}A^{-1} \dots A^{-1}}_{n \text{ times}}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

- A is invertible iff  $ad - cd \neq 0$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{ad - bc} & \frac{-b}{ad - bc} \\ \frac{-c}{ad - bc} & \frac{a}{ad - bc} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Elementary Matrices

Def. A square matrix that can be obtained from an identity matrix by performing a single e.r.o. In  $\xrightarrow{\text{E.R.O.}} E$   
Every elementary matrix is of one of the 3 types below (invertible and their inverses are elementary matrices)

### (1) Multiply a row by a constant

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix.

Let  $E$  be a square matrix of order  $m$ :

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & c & \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow i\text{th row}$$

$EA$  : multiplying the  $i$ th row of  $A$  by  $c$ .  $|c| \neq 0$

If  $k \neq 0$ , the matrix  $E$  is invertible and

$$E^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & \frac{1}{k} & \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow i\text{th row}$$

$$\frac{1}{k}R_i$$

corresponds to the row operation of multiplying the  $i$ th row of a matrix by  $\frac{1}{k}$ .

### (2) Interchanging 2 rows

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix.

Let  $E$  be a square matrix of order  $m$ :

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & 0 & \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow i\text{th row}$$

$EA$  : interchanging the  $i$ th and  $j$ th rows of  $A$ .  $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$

$$E^{-1} = E$$

post-multiply elementary matrix = elementary column operation

Pre-multiply  $EA$

Post-multiply

$$E : R_i + aR_j \longleftrightarrow E : C_j + aC_i$$

$$E : CR_i \longleftrightarrow E : CC_i$$

$$E : R_i \leftrightarrow R_j \longleftrightarrow E : C_i \leftrightarrow C_j$$

$$(i,i) \rightarrow (j,i) \\ (j,j) \rightarrow (i,j)$$

### (3) Adding a multiple of one row to another

In general, let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ & & & k & & \\ & & & & 1 & \\ 0 & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow j\text{th row}$$

$$\text{or } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ & & & k & & \\ & & & & 1 & \\ 0 & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow j\text{th row}$$

Above diagonal if  $i > j$

$EA$  : adding  $c$  times of  $i$ th row to  $j$ th row of  $A$ .  $R_j + cR_i$

$$E^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ & & & -k & & \\ & & & & 1 & \\ 0 & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow j\text{th row}$$

$$\text{or } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ & & & k & & \\ & & & & 1 & \\ 0 & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow j\text{th row}$$

$$(j,j)-\text{entry} = k \text{ (or } c\text{)}$$

$E^{-1}A$  : adding  $-c$  times of  $i$ th row to  $j$ th row of  $A$ .  $R_j - cR_i$

$\Rightarrow$  In  $E$  :  $j$ th row  $- c \cdot i$ th row  $\Rightarrow$  get  $I_n \Rightarrow$  prove inverse

## Discussion 2.4.15 Elementary Column Operations (e.c.o.) (used less frequently)

Perform e.c.o. C to a matrix A is the same as post-multiply a certain square matrix E to A.

(1) Multiply a column by a constant

(2) Interchange two columns

(3) Add a multiple of a column to another column

$$C_j + k C_i$$

post-multiplying an elementary matrix to a matrix A is equivalent to do an elementary column operation on A.

resulting matrix = AE where E is the first elem. matrix ↑

resulting matrix = AE " "

= AE " "

2nd " "

3rd " "

## Row Equivalence and Elementary Matrices

If A & B are row equivalent (B can be obtained from A by performing a series of e.r.o. and vice versa),

B can be obtained from A by pre-multiplying A with a series of elementary matrices and vice versa.

**Example** (Take note of the order of the elementary inverses added)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{R}_1 \leftrightarrow \text{R}_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{R}_2 + 2\text{R}_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**A**  $\xrightarrow{\text{r}} \text{B} \Leftrightarrow \text{B} = \text{EA}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{E}_3 - 4\text{R}_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{2}\text{R}_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**E<sub>1</sub>E<sub>2</sub>E<sub>3</sub>A**

**E<sub>4</sub>E<sub>3</sub>E<sub>2</sub>E<sub>1</sub>A**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

**E<sub>4</sub>E<sub>3</sub>E<sub>2</sub>E<sub>1</sub>A = B**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**A = E<sub>1</sub><sup>-1</sup>E<sub>2</sub><sup>-1</sup>E<sub>3</sub><sup>-1</sup>E<sub>4</sub><sup>-1</sup>B = (E<sub>1</sub>E<sub>2</sub>E<sub>3</sub>E<sub>4</sub>)<sup>-1</sup>B**

if P is invertible,  $P = E_n \dots E_1$ , where  $E_i$  are elementary matrices



to be continued

Map of LA

**A** is an nxn matrix

<b>A</b> is invertible	chapter 2	<b>A</b> is not invertible
$\det A \neq 0$	chapter 2	$\det A = 0$
rref of A is identity matrix	chapter 1	rref of A has a zero row
$AX = 0$ has only the trivial solution	chapter 1	$AX = 0$ has non-trivial solutions
$AX = B$ has a unique solution	chapter 1	$AX = B$ has no solution or infinitely many solutions
rows (columns) of A are linearly independent	chapter 3	rows (columns) of A are linearly dependent
row (column) space of A = $R^n$	chapter 4	row (column) space of A $\neq R^n$
$\text{rank}(A) = n$	chapter 4	$\text{rank}(A) < n$
$\text{nullity}(A) = 0$	chapter 4	$\text{nullity}(A) > 0$
0 is not an eigenvalue of A	chapter 6	0 is an eigenvalue of A

## Checking Invertibility

By RREF:

- RREF = I  $\rightarrow$  invertible

- RREF  $\neq$  I  $\rightarrow$  not invertible

By REF (usual method)

- has no zero row/Col  $\rightarrow$  invertible

- has zero rows/Col  $\rightarrow$  not invertible

By determinant (when det is easy to get)

-  $\det \neq 0 \rightarrow$  invertible

-  $\det = 0 \rightarrow$  not invertible

**A** invertible  $\Rightarrow$  RREF **B** = **I**  $\Rightarrow \det(\mathbf{B}) = 1 \Rightarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$

**A** not invertible  $\Rightarrow$  RREF **B** has zero row

$\Rightarrow \det(\mathbf{B}) = 0 \Rightarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) = 0$

at least one zero row  $R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \\ \vdots & & & \end{pmatrix}$

$RB = \begin{pmatrix} 0B & & & \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \\ \vdots & & & \end{pmatrix} \neq I \Rightarrow R \text{ not inv}$

$\Rightarrow R(E_k \dots E_1)A \text{ not inv.} \Rightarrow A \text{ not inv}$

no zero row  $\Rightarrow$  all pivot col  $\Rightarrow R = I$

$\Leftrightarrow (E_k \dots E_1)A = I \Leftrightarrow A = (E_k \dots E_1)^{-1}$

$\Leftrightarrow A^{-1} = E_k \dots E_1 \quad = E_1^{-1} \dots E_k^{-1}$

## Finding Inverse Matrix

For larger size

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{G.J.E.}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -40 & 16 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 13 & -5 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 & -2 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$(A | I) \xrightarrow{\text{Gauss-Jordan Elimination}} (I | A^{-1})$$

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{GJE}} I$$

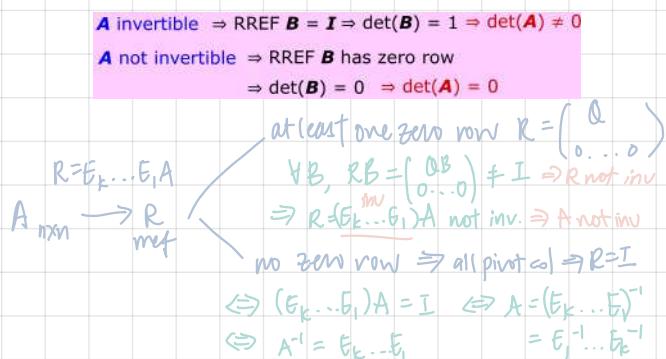
$$I \xrightarrow{\text{GJE}} A^{-1}$$

$$E_k \dots E_2 E_1 A = I \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E_k \dots E_2 E_1 I = A^{-1}$$

For smaller size

Theorem 2.5.25 Let A be a square matrix. If A is invertible, then

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A).$$



### Theorem 24.7. \*\*\*

Let  $A$  be a square matrix, the following statements are equivalent:

(1)  $A$  is invertible.  $\Rightarrow A$  has a right & left inv

(2) The linear system  $Ax = 0$  has only the trivial solution.  $\Rightarrow Ax = b$  has only one solution

(3) The RREF of  $A$  is an identity matrix (I).

(4)  $A$  can be expressed as a product of elementary matrices.

(Product of invertible matrices is invertible by Thm 2.3.9.)

(Product of a singular and an invertible matrices is singular)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 260 \\ 60 \\ 240 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The inverse of the data matrix is  $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} & -4 & -\frac{5}{2} \\ -2 & -7 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$  and hence

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} & -4 & -\frac{5}{2} \\ -2 & -7 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 260 \\ 60 \\ 240 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 30 \\ 20 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### Theorem 24.12

**Theorem 2.4.12** Let  $A, B$  be square matrices of the same size. If  $AB = I$ , then  $A, B$  are both invertible,

$$A^{-1} = B, \quad B^{-1} = A \quad \text{and} \quad BA = I.$$

### Determinant (Square matrix)

**Definition 2.5.2** Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Let  $M_{ij}$  be an  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  matrix obtained from  $A$  by deleting the  $i$ th row and the  $j$ th column. Then the *determinant* of  $A$  is defined as

$$\det(A) = \begin{cases} a_{11} & \text{if } n = 1 \\ a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + \dots + a_{1n}A_{1n} & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

where

$$a_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(M_{ij}).$$

The number  $a_{ij}$  is called the  $(i, j)$ -cofactor of  $A$ .

The way we defined "determinant" above is known as the *cofactor expansion* (see also Theorem 2.5.6).

**Notation 2.5.3** For an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$ ,  $\det(A)$  is usually written as

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_{11} &= \det(M_{11}) & A_{13} &= \det(M_{13}) \\ A_{12} &= -\det(M_{12}) & A_{14} &= -\det(M_{14}) \end{aligned} \quad \text{etc... cofactors of } A$$

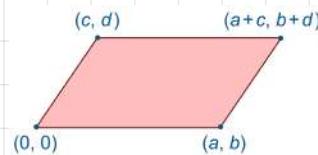
Determinant alone cannot prove inconsistency of a system  $Ax = b$

### Theorem 24.14

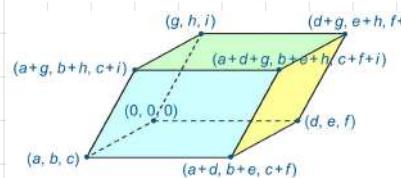
**A is singular  $\rightarrow$**

**both  $AB$  and  $BA$  are singular**

**At least one zero-row**



The area of the parallelogram is  $ad - bc = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$ .



The volume of the parallelepiped is  $aei + bfg + cdh - ceg - afh - bdi = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}$ .

### Theorem 2.5.6 (Cofactors Expansions)

$\det(A)$  can be expressed as a cofactor expansion using any row or column of  $A$ .

$$\det(A) = \underbrace{\bar{a}_{11}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along row 1}} \underbrace{A_{11}}_{(-1)^{1+1}\det(M_{11})} + \underbrace{\bar{a}_{12}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along row 1}} \underbrace{A_{12}}_{(-1)^{1+2}\det(M_{12})} + \dots + \underbrace{\bar{a}_{1n}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along row 1}} \underbrace{A_{1n}}_{(-1)^{1+n}\det(M_{1n})}$$

$$A_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(M_{ij}) \quad (i, j)\text{-cofactor of } A$$

$$\det(A) = \underbrace{\bar{a}_{i1}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along row i}} \underbrace{A_{i1}}_{(-1)^{i+1}\det(M_{i1})} + \underbrace{\bar{a}_{i2}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along row i}} \underbrace{A_{i2}}_{(-1)^{i+2}\det(M_{i2})} + \dots + \underbrace{\bar{a}_{in}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along row i}} \underbrace{A_{in}}_{(-1)^{i+n}\det(M_{in})}$$

for any  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\det(A) = \underbrace{\bar{a}_{1j}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along column i}} \underbrace{A_{1j}}_{(-1)^{1+j}\det(M_{1j})} + \underbrace{\bar{a}_{2j}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along column i}} \underbrace{A_{2j}}_{(-1)^{2+j}\det(M_{2j})} + \dots + \underbrace{\bar{a}_{nj}}_{\text{cofactor expansion along column i}} \underbrace{A_{nj}}_{(-1)^{n+j}\det(M_{nj})}$$

**Example 2.5.7** We use Example 2.5.4.2 to illustrate Theorem 2.5.6. If we expand  $B$  along the second row,

$$\text{Let } B = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -2 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(B) = -4 \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 34.$$

If we expand  $B$  along the third column,

$$\det(B) = 4 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 34.$$

$(i, j)$ -wfactor:  $A_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(M_{ij})$

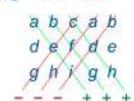
$$\begin{pmatrix} \det(M_{11}) & -\det(M_{12}) & \det(M_{13}) \\ -\det(M_{21}) & \det(M_{22}) & -\det(M_{23}) \\ \det(M_{31}) & -\det(M_{32}) & \det(M_{33}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$(i, j)$ -matrix minor :  $M_{ij}$  obtained from  $A$  by deleting the  $i$ th row  $k$ th column

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $\det(A) = aei + bfg + cdh - ceg - afh - bdi$ .

The formula can be easily remembered by using diagram on the right:



**Warning:** The method shown here cannot be generalized to higher order.

### Theorem 2.5.8 (Triangular Matrix)

If  $A$  is a triangular matrix (diagonal matrix), then the determinant of  $A$  is equal to the product of the diagonal entries of  $A$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 & 3.5 & 14 \\ 0 & 5 & -26 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1) \times 5 \times 2 = -10$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 99 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & -4.5 & 10 \end{vmatrix} = (-2) \times 0 \times 10 = 0$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Only  $B$  &  $C$  have the same determinant.

### Theorem 2.5.10 (Transpose)

If  $A$  is a square matrix, then  $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$ .

### Theorem 2.5.12 (identical rows/cols)

- (1) The determinant of a square matrix with 2 identical rows is zero.
- (2) The determinant of a square matrix with 2 identical columns is zero.

### Theorem 2.5.15 (determinant and e.r.o.)

E.R.O	Determinant
$A \xrightarrow{kR_i} B$	$\det(B) = k \det(A)$
$A \xrightarrow{R_i \leftrightarrow R_j} B$	$\det(B) = -\det(A)$
$A \xrightarrow{R_i + kR_j} B$	$\det(B) = \det(A)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} E : nxn \text{ elementary matrix} \\ EA = B \\ \Rightarrow \det(EA) = \det(E) \det(A) = \det(B) \\ \det(E_k \cdots E_2 E_1) = \det(E_k) \cdots \det(E_2) \det(E_1) \end{array} \right\}$$

$A$  : nxn square matrix     $E$  : nxn elementary matrix

Elementary column operation	Determinant
$A \xrightarrow{kC_i} B$	$\det(B) = k \det(A)$
$A \xrightarrow{C_i \leftrightarrow C_j} B$	$\det(B) = -\det(A)$
$A \xrightarrow{C_i + kC_j} B$	$\det(B) = \det(A)$

$$\det(AE) = \det(A)\det(E)$$

$$A \xrightarrow{R_3 + \frac{2}{9}R_1} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \xrightarrow{4R_2} B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 8 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Find  $\det(A)$ .

$$5 \cdot (-2) \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \det(B) = 1 \cdot (-1) \cdot 4 \cdot \det(A)$$

$$\text{Thus } -\frac{10}{3} = -4 \det(A) \text{ and hence } \det(A) = \frac{5}{6}.$$

### Theorem 2.5.19

A square matrix  $A$  is invertible iff  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

### Theorem 2.5.22

$A, B$ : square matrices of order  $n$

c: a scalar

1.  $\det(cA) = c^n \det(A)$     $\det(cA) \neq c \det(A)$
2.  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$    Multiplicative property
3.  $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$
4.  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$    if  $A$  is invertible
5.  $\det(A + B) \neq \det(A) + \det(B)$

## Adjoint

Let  $A$  be a square matrix of order  $n$ .

The adjoint of  $A$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix.

$$\text{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & A_{n2} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21} & \dots & A_{n1} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{1n} & A_{2n} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $A_{ij}$  is the  $(i, j)$ -cofactor of  $A$ .

$$(-1)^{i+j} \det(M_{ij})$$

## Example

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{adj}(B) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Theorem 2.5.25

$A$ : square matrix

$$\text{If } A \text{ is invertible, then } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A)$$

For any square matrix:

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

## Theorem 2.5.27 (Cramer's Rule)

Suppose  $Ax = b$  is a linear system where  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  invertible matrix.

Let  $A_i$  be the matrix obtained from  $A$  by replacing the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $A$  by  $b$ .

Then the system has a unique solution

$$x = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{pmatrix} \det(A_1) \\ \det(A_2) \\ \vdots \\ \det(A_n) \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= \frac{\det(A_1)}{\det(A)} \\ x_2 &= \frac{\det(A_2)}{\det(A)} \\ &\vdots \\ x_n &= \frac{\det(A_n)}{\det(A)} \end{aligned}$$

## $n$ -vector ( $n$ -tuples)

An  $n$ -vector or ordered  $n$ -tuple of real numbers has the form

$$(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_i, \dots, u_n)$$

where  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are real numbers.

The number  $u_i$  in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  position of an  $n$ -vector is called the  $i^{\text{th}}$  component or the  $i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate of the  $n$ -vector.

## Theorem 3.1.6

Let  $u, v, w$  be  $n$ -vectors and  $c, d$  real numbers.

1.  $u + v = v + u$ .
2.  $u + (v + w) = (u + v) + w$ .
3.  $u + 0 = u = 0 + u$ .
4.  $u + (-u) = 0$ .
5.  $c(du) = (cd)u$ .
6.  $c(u + v) = cu + cv$ .
7.  $(c + d)u = cu + du$ .
8.  $1u = u$ .

## Example

What is Cramer's rule?

### Example 2.5.28

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cramer's rule says:} \\ X &= \frac{\det(A_1)}{\det(A)} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{132}{60} = 2.2 \\ Y &= \frac{\det(A_2)}{\det(A)} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{-24}{60} = -0.4 \\ Z &= \frac{\det(A_3)}{\det(A)} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{-36}{60} = -0.6 \end{aligned}$$

this gives the unique solution of the system

## Euclidean $n$ -space

Def. the set of all  $n$ -vectors of real numbers

Denoted by  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$u \in \mathbb{R}^n \iff u \text{ is an } n\text{-vector} \iff u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$$

Euclidean 2-space  $\mathbb{R}^2$

all the 2-vectors (as points) in xy-plane

Euclidean 3-space  $\mathbb{R}^3$

all the 3-vectors (as points) in xyz-space

For a finite set  $S$ , we denote the number of elements of  $S$  by  $|S|$

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \mid u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

## Example

$$\begin{aligned} \text{general solution:} & \begin{cases} x + y + z = 0 \\ x - y + 2z = 1 \end{cases} \quad x = 2, y = -1, z = -1 \\ \text{solution set} & \subset \text{subset of } \mathbb{R}^3 \quad (2, -1, -1) \text{ a 3-vector} \\ \text{Explicit form} & \{ (0.5 - 1.5t, -0.5 + 0.5t, t) \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \} \\ \text{Implicit form} & \{ (x, y, z) \mid x + y + z = 0 \text{ and } x - y + 2z = 1 \} \end{aligned}$$

Set notation for subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Implicit form

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{general } n\text{-tuple} \\ (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \end{array} \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{conditions satisfied by} \\ u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \end{array} \right\}$$

e.g.  $S = \{(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) \mid u_1 = 0 \text{ and } u_2 = u_4\}$

Explicit form

Not always possible to express in explicit form

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n\text{-tuples with} \\ \text{explicit form} \end{array} \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{range of parameters} \\ \text{appearing on the left} \end{array} \right\}$$

e.g.  $S = \{(0, a, b, a) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Don't write  $\{a, b \in \mathbb{R} \mid (0, a, b, a)\}$

defined by  
 (i) a point  $(a, b, c)$  on the line, and  
 (ii) an arrow  $(u, v, w)$  parallel to the line

Explicit form:  
 $(a, b, c) + t(u, v, w)$

Set notations for lines and planes

Lines in xy-plane

Implicit form:  $\{(x, y) \mid ax + by = c\}$

Explicit form:  $\left\{ \left( \frac{c - bt}{a}, t \right) \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

Planes in xyz-space

Implicit form:  $\{(x, y, z) \mid ax + by + cz = d\}$

Explicit form:  $\left\{ \left( \frac{d - bs - ct}{a}, s, t \right) \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

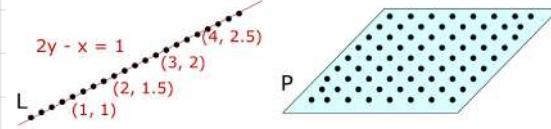
Lines in xyz-space

Implicit form:  $\{(x, y, z) \mid \text{eqn of two planes}\}$  Does not exist

Explicit form:  $\{\text{general solution} \mid 1 \text{ parameter}\}$

A line(plane) in the xy-plane (xyz-space) can be regarded as a collection of points.

a collection of vectors



L is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

P is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

## W5

### Linear Combination

**Definition 3.2.1** Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . For any real numbers  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$ , the vector

$$c_1u_1 + c_2u_2 + \dots + c_ku_k$$

is called a *linear combination* of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$ .

**Example**  $u_1 = (2, 1, 0)$   $u_2 = (-3, 0, 1)$   
 $c_1 = 1, c_2 = 1$   
 $1(2, 1, 0) + 1(-3, 0, 1) = (-1, 1, 1)$   
 a specific linear combination  
 $C_1 = s, C_2 = t$   
 $s(2, 1, 0) + t(-3, 0, 1)$  general linear combination with parameters s and t

### Checking for Linear Combinations

LS has solution  $\rightarrow v$  is a linear combi of other vectors

$$v = (3, 3, 4, 0)$$

$$(3, 3, 4, 0) = a(2, 1, 3, 1) + b(1, -1, 2, 2) + c(3, 0, 5, 1)$$

$$\begin{cases} 2a + b + 3c = 3 \\ a - b = 3 \\ 3a + 2b + 5c = 4 \\ a + 2b + c = 0 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & | & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 & | & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \\ R_3 - 3R_1 \\ R_4 - R_1 \end{matrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -3 & -3 & | & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

LS has no solution  $\rightarrow$  not a linear combi

$$v = (3, 3, 4, 1)$$

$$(3, 3, 4, 1) = a(2, 1, 3, 1) + b(1, -1, 2, 2) + c(3, 0, 5, 1)$$

$$\begin{cases} 2a + b + 3c = 3 \\ a - b = 3 \\ 3a + 2b + 5c = 4 \\ a + 2b + c = 1 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & | & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 & | & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \\ R_3 - 3R_1 \\ R_4 - R_1 \end{matrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -3 & -3 & | & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{span}(S) = \text{span}\{(1, 0, 0, -1), (0, 1, 1, 0)\}$$

$$= \{a(1, 0, 0, -1) + b(0, 1, 1, 0) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$= \{(a, b, b, -a) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

explicit form

### Standard Basis Vectors

Every vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

Directional vectors of the x-axis, y-axis, z-axis

is a linear combination of the following vectors

$$e_1 = (1, 0, 0), e_2 = (0, 1, 0), e_3 = (0, 0, 1)$$

Take a general 3-vector  $(x, y, z)$

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y, z) &= (x, 0, 0) + (0, y, 0) + (0, 0, z) \\ &= x(1, 0, 0) + y(0, 1, 0) + z(0, 0, 1) \\ &= xe_1 + ye_2 + ze_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{e.g. } (1, 2, 5) = 1e_1 + 2e_2 + 5e_3$$

### Linear Span

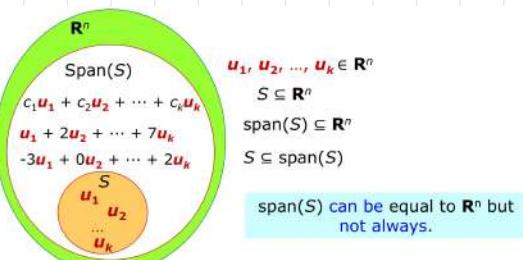
**Definition 3.2.3** Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then the set of all linear combinations of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$ ,

$$\{c_1u_1 + c_2u_2 + \dots + c_ku_k \mid c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}\},$$

is called the *linear span* of  $S$  (or the *linear span* of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$ ) and is denoted by  $\text{span}(S)$  (or  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$ ).

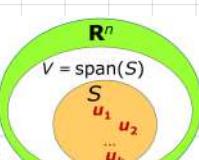
"Linear span" is always used w.r.t. a set of vectors

denoted by  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$



The word "Span"

$$S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$



$$\text{Let } V = \text{span}(S) = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$$

- V is a linear span of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$
- V is a linear span of S
- V is spanned by  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$
- V is spanned by S
- $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  spans V
- S spans V

If V is a linear combination of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$ ,  $v \in \text{span}(S)$ .

If w is not a linear combination of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$ ,  $w \notin \text{span}(S)$ .

$$\text{span}\{\} = \{0\} = \text{span}\{0\}$$

## Checking if a linear span = $\mathbb{R}^n$

$S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$  column form

Check  $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  AND  $\mathbb{R}^n \subseteq \text{span}(S)$

- $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is automatic (nothing to check)

- To check  $\mathbb{R}^n \subseteq \text{span}(S)$

- Take a general vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$   $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$
- Check  $(s_1 \ s_2 \ \dots \ s_k | x)$  is consistent

It is enough to check:  
REF of  $(s_1 \ s_2 \ \dots \ s_k | x)$  has no zero row

Consider the linear system

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1k} & x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2k} & y \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nk} & z \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} * & * & \cdots & * & * \\ 0 & * & \cdots & * & * \\ \vdots & \ddots & * & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & * & * \end{array} \right) \text{REF}$$

$R$  has no zero row  
 $\Rightarrow$  system is always consistent  
 $\Rightarrow \text{span}\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\} = \mathbb{R}^n$

If  $k < n$ , then  $\text{span}\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\} \neq \mathbb{R}^n$

If  $k \geq n$ ,  $\text{span}\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$  may or may not be equal to  $\mathbb{R}^n$

general vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$R$  has a zero row  
 $\Rightarrow$  system may be inconsistent  
 $\Rightarrow \text{span}\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\} \neq \mathbb{R}^n$

If the zero row = non-zero constant

Case 1: infinitely many solutions

Case 2: no solution

## Theorem 3.2.7

Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

If  $k < n$ , then  $S$  cannot span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  $\text{span}(S) \neq \mathbb{R}^n$

More rows than columns

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1k} & x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2k} & y \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nk} & z \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{E.R.}} \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} * & * & \cdots & * & * \\ 0 & * & \cdots & * & * \\ \vdots & \ddots & * & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & * & * \end{array} \right) \text{REF}$$

The REF  $R$  of  $A$  must have a zero row,  
so the system may be inconsistent,  
and  $\text{span}(S) \neq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

## Example

$\text{span}\{u\} \neq \mathbb{R}^2$  since  $k = 1 < n = 2$

$\text{span}\{u\} \neq \mathbb{R}^3$  since  $k = 1 < n = 3$

$\text{span}\{u_1, u_2\} \neq \mathbb{R}^3$  since  $k = 2 < n = 3$

Suppose  $\text{span}\{u, v, w\} = \mathbb{R}^3$ .

Determine which sets below span  $\mathbb{R}^3$  as well.

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= \{u, v\} & \text{2 vectors consistent} \\ S_2 &= \{u - v, v - w, w - u\} & \text{Linear family} \\ S_4 &= \{u, u + v, u + v + w\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_4 &= \{u, u + v, u + v + w\} & \text{show } S_4 \subseteq \text{span}\{u, v, w\} \text{ since } S_4 \supseteq \text{span}\{u, v, w\} \\ v &= (u + v) - u & \text{alr is} \\ w &= (u + v + w) - (u + v) & S_4 \text{ can be expressed as} \\ \Rightarrow u, v, w \in \text{span}(S_4) & & \text{LC of } u, v, w. \\ \Rightarrow \text{span}\{u, v, w\} \subseteq \text{span}(S_4) & & \text{So } \text{span}(S_4) = \mathbb{R}^3. \\ \text{ie. } u, v, w \in \text{span}(S_4) & & \end{aligned}$$

$\subseteq$

## Theorem 3.2.9

Theorem 3.2.9 Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

1.  $\mathbf{0} \in \text{span}(S)$ .

2. For any  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \in \text{span}(S)$  and  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \cdots + c_rv_r \in \text{span}(S).$$

## Consequent of theorem

### - Closure Property under Vector Addition:

if  $u$  and  $v \in \text{span}(S)$ , then  $(u + v) \in \text{span}(S)$ . Closure property under vector addition

### - Closure Property under Scalar Multiplication:

if  $u \in \text{span}(S)$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $cu \in \text{span}(S)$ .

## Theorem 3.2.10

Let  $S_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  and  $S_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$  be subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Every linear combination of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  belongs to  $\text{span}(S_2)$

Then

$$\text{span}(S_1) \subseteq \text{span}(S_2)$$

if and only if

each  $u_i$  is a linear combination of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$ .

Every  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  belongs to  $\text{span}(S_2)$

## Checking $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \text{span}(T)$

$$S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$$

$$T = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\}$$

$$(t_1 \ t_2 \ \dots \ t_m | s_1 | s_2 | \dots | s_n)$$

Every vector of S is a linear combination of vectors in T.

Check that this multiple-augmented matrix is consistent:

- REF has no pivot columns among the augmented columns

## Checking $\text{span}(S) = \text{span}(T)$

$$S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\} \quad T = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \text{ column form}$$

Check  $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \text{span}(T)$  AND  $\text{span}(T) \subseteq \text{span}(S)$

Every vector of S is a linear combination of vectors in T

$$(t_1 \ t_2 \ \dots \ t_m | s_1 | s_2 | \dots | s_n)$$

And every vector of T is a linear combination of vectors in S

$$(s_1 \ s_2 \ \dots \ s_n | t_1 | t_2 | \dots | t_m)$$

Check that both multiple-augmented matrices are consistent

## Checking $\text{span}(S) \neq \text{span}(T)$

$$S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\} \quad T = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \text{ column form}$$

Check  $\text{span}(S) \not\subseteq \text{span}(T)$  OR  $\text{span}(T) \not\subseteq \text{span}(S)$

Some vector of S is not a linear combination of vectors in T

$$(t_1 \ t_2 \ \dots \ t_m | s_1 | s_2 | \dots | s_n)$$

Or some vector of T is not a linear combination of vectors in S

$$(s_1 \ s_2 \ \dots \ s_n | t_1 | t_2 | \dots | t_m)$$

Check that at least one of the multiple-augmented matrices is inconsistent

## Theorem 3.2.12

**Theorem 3.2.12** Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $u_k$  is a linear combination of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{k-1}$ , then

$$\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{k-1}\} = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{k-1}, u_k\}.$$

$u_k$  is the "redundant" vector in  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{k-1}, u_k\}$

### Example 3.2.11.1

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= (1, 0, 1) & v_1 &= (1, 2, 3) \\ u_2 &= (1, 1, 2) & v_2 &= (2, -1, 1) \\ u_3 &= (-1, 2, 1) & v_3 &= (-1, 2, 1) \end{aligned}$$

We can solve the three systems simultaneously:

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ \hline v_1 & v_2 & u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Gauss-Jordan} \\ \text{Elimination}}} \begin{array}{c|cc|cc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

All the three systems are consistent.

This shows each  $u_i$  can be written as  $av_1 + bv_2$  for some real number  $a$  and  $b$ ,

So  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \subseteq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}$ . **Theorem 3.2.9.2**

By solve the three systems, we get:

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{5}v_1 + \frac{2}{5}v_2 \quad u_2 = \frac{2}{5}v_1 + \frac{1}{5}v_2 \quad u_3 = \frac{3}{5}v_1 - \frac{4}{5}v_2$$

Show that  $\text{Span}(S) = W$ , a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

If  $\dim(W) = m$  and S has m vectors,

• Check S is linearly independent

• Check each  $s_i \in W$

▪ This will imply S is a basis for W

▪ This will imply  $\text{span}(S) = W$

2. Let  $u_1 = (1, 0, 0, 1)$ ,  $u_2 = (0, 1, -1, 2)$ ,  $u_3 = (2, 1, -1, 4)$  and  $v_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1)$ ,  $v_2 = (-1, 1, -1, 1)$ ,  $v_3 = (-1, 1, 1, -1)$ . Show that

$$\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \subseteq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$$

but

$$\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \neq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}.$$

**Solution** To show that each  $u_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , is a linear combination of  $v_1, v_2, v_3$ , we follow the same procedure as the previous example and solve the three linear systems together (what are the three systems?):

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|cc} 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Gaussian} \\ \text{Elimination}}} \left( \begin{array}{cccc|cc} 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right).$$

Since all three systems are consistent, all  $u_i$  are linear combinations of  $v_1, v_2, v_3$ . So

$$\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \subseteq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|cc} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Gaussian} \\ \text{Elimination}}} \left( \begin{array}{cccc|cc} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right).$$

Since not all three systems are consistent, some  $v_i$ 's are not linear combinations of  $u_1, u_2, u_3$ . So  $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} \not\subseteq \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  and hence

$$\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \neq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}.$$

## Geometrical Meaning of a Linear Span

Objects	Geometrical	Span	Set notation
Line through origin		$\text{span}\{u\}$	$\{tu \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$
Line not through origin		$x + \text{span}\{u\}$	$\{x + tu \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$
Plane through origin		$\text{span}\{u, v\}$	$\{tu + sv \mid t, s \in \mathbb{R}\}$
Plane not through origin		$x + \text{span}\{u, v\}$	$\{x + tu + sv \mid t, s \in \mathbb{R}\}$

A linear span of 3 non-coplanar vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is the entire  $\mathbb{R}^3$  space.

Take  $x, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

The set  $Q = \{x + w \mid w \in \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}\}$  is called a **k-plane** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

where k is the "dimension" of  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}$  which will be studied in Section 3.6.

## Subspaces

### Definition 3.3.2

Let  $V$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  no condition

$V$  is called a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  provided ... condition applies

there is a set  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $V = \text{span}(S)$  condition of subspace

i.e.  $V$  can be expressed in linear span form.

Every subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Not every subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Any subset that is not a subspace is non-subspace.

1.  $\{\mathbf{0}\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . zero space

Take  $S = \{\mathbf{0}\}$

$\{\mathbf{0}\} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{0}\}$  Trivial subspace

2.  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Take  $S$  to be standard basis vectors for  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 0, 0), \mathbf{v}_2 = (0, 1, 0), \mathbf{v}_3 = (0, 0, 1)$$

$$\mathbb{R}^3 = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$$

Refer to Example 3.2.2

$\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Take  $S$  to be standard basis vectors for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0), \mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1, \dots, 0), \dots, \mathbf{e}_n = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$$

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \text{span}\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$$

## Checking Subspaces

Scan be expressed as a linear span

$\rightarrow S$  is a subspace

To show that  $V$  is closed under linear combinations



S is not a subspace if one of the conditions below occurs:

- the zero vector is not in  $S$
- $v \in S$  and a scalar  $c$  such that  $cv \notin S$  (give examples of  $c$  &  $v$ )
- $u, v \in S$  but  $(u + v) \notin S$  (give examples of  $u$  &  $v$ )

point of reference  
case of identification

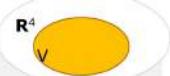
### Subspaces (Example 1)

$$V = \{(a, b, a+b, 0) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Is  $V$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ? Can we write  $V = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots\}$ ?

general vector:  $(a, b, a+b, 0) = a(1, 0, 1, 0) + b(0, 1, 1, 0)$

So  $V = \text{span}\{(1, 0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1, 0)\} \Rightarrow V$  is a subspace



$$W = \{(a, b, a+b, 1) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Is  $W$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ?  $\Rightarrow W$  is not a subspace

$$(1, 1, 2, 1) \in W, (1, 0, 1, 1) \in W$$

$$\text{but } (1, 1, 2, 1) + (1, 0, 1, 1) = (2, 1, 3, 2) \notin W$$

closure property under addition  
not satisfied



$$V_3 = \{(1, a) \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$(1, a) = (1, 0) + (0, a) = (1, 0) + a(0, 1)$$

not a general linear combination

$V_3$  is not a linear span of "any" set of vectors

"So"  $V_3$  is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

There is an easier way: Use theorem 3.2.9.1

$$(0, 0) \notin V_3 = \{(1, a) \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

If a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  does not contain the zero vector  $\mathbf{0}$ , then it is not a linear span.

$S$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$T$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Two types of subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Subspaces

- Can be written as linear span
- $S = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$
- Satisfy closure properties

Non-subspaces

- Cannot be written as linear span
- $T \neq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$
- Violate closure properties

Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

$$\textcircled{1} \{0\} (\text{span}\{0\})$$

\textcircled{2} any lines passing through the origin  
( $\text{span}\{u\}$  for non-zero  $u \in \mathbb{R}^2$ )

$$\textcircled{3} \mathbb{R}^2 (\text{spanned by 2 non-parallel vectors } u \text{ & } v)$$

e.g.  $\text{span}\{(0, 1), (1, 0)\}$

$\mathbb{R}^3$

Subspaces

- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{0}\}$   
just one point (origin)
- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1\}$   
a line that passes through origin
- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$   
a plane that contains the origin
- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$   
the entire 3D space

Non-subspaces

- A point that is not the origin
- Line or plane that does not contain the origin
- A (space) curve or a bounded surface (e.g. paraboloid)
- A rectangular block
- etc

To show a subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace:

- Express  $S$  as a linear span
- Show that  $S$  is the solution set of a homogeneous system
- (For  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ) show that  $S$  represents a line or plane through origin.

To show a subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is not a subspace:

- Show that the zero vector is not in  $S$
- Find  $u, v \in S$  such that  $u + v \notin S$
- Find  $v \in S$  and a scalar  $c$  such that  $cv \notin S$
- (For  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ) show that  $S$  is not a line or plane through origin.

closed under  
linear  
combinations

### Theorem 3.3.6

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

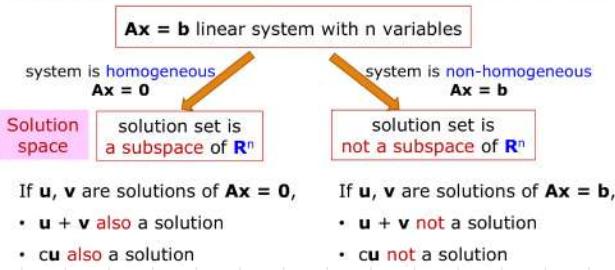
The solution set of a homogeneous linear system in  $n$  variables is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

The solution set of every homogeneous LS can be written as a linear span

We call it the **solution space** of the system.

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \text{ where } \mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{0}$$

The solution set of non-homogeneous LS is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .



### Example

Homogeneous system

$$\begin{cases} x - 2y + 3z = 0 \\ 2x - 4y + 6z = 0 \\ 3x - 6y + 9z = 0 \end{cases}$$

general solution

$$\begin{cases} x = 2s - 3t \\ y = s \\ z = t \end{cases}$$

subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$\text{linear span form} \quad \text{span}\{(2, 1, 0), (-3, 0, 1)\} = \{(2s - 3t, s, t) \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$s(2, 1, 0) + t(-3, 0, 1)$$

general linear combination

**Remark 3.3.8** Let  $V$  be a non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $V$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if and only if

$$\text{for all } \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V \text{ and } c, d \in \mathbb{R}, \quad c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} \in V.$$

## W6

### Linear Independence

**Definition 3.4.2** Let  $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Consider the equation

$$c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k\mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{0}, \quad (3.3)$$

where  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  are variables. Note that  $c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0, \dots, c_k = 0$  satisfies Equation (3.3) and hence is a solution to Equation (3.3). This solution is called the *trivial solution*. (See also Definition 1.5.1.)

1.  $S$  is called a *linearly independent set* and  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$  are said to be *linearly independent* if Equation (3.3) has only the trivial solution.
2.  $S$  is called a *linearly dependent set* and  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$  are said to be *linearly dependent* if Equation (3.3) has non-trivial solutions, i.e. there exist real numbers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k$ , not all of them are zero, such that  $a_1\mathbf{u}_1 + a_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + a_k\mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{0}$ .

### Theorem 3.4.4

**Theorem 3.4.4** Let  $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  where  $k \geq 2$ . Then

1.  $S$  is linearly dependent if and only if at least one vector  $\mathbf{u}_i$  in  $S$  can be written as a linear combination of other vectors in  $S$ , i.e.

(Redundant vector)  $\mathbf{u}_i = a_1\mathbf{u}_1 + a_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + a_{i-1}\mathbf{u}_{i-1} + a_{i+1}\mathbf{u}_{i+1} + \dots + a_k\mathbf{u}_k$

for some real numbers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_k$ ; and

2.  $S$  is linearly independent if and only if no vector in  $S$  can be written as a linear combination of other vectors in  $S$ . (No redundant vector)

**Linearly independent set:**

§ no redundant vectors in the set

**Linearly dependent set:**

§ redundant vectors in the set

§ If  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\mathbf{c}$  can be non-zero. So  $S = \{\mathbf{u}\}$  is linearly dependent.

§ If  $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\mathbf{c}$  must be zero. So  $S = \{\mathbf{u}\}$  is linearly independent.

Let  $S = \{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$  be a set with two vectors.

§ If  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are scalar multiples of each other,  $S$  is linearly dependent.

§ If  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are not scalar multiples of each other,  $S$  is linearly independent.

Let  $S$  be a finite subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

§ If  $\mathbf{0} \in S$ , then  $S$  is linearly dependent.

Empty set is linearly independent.

## Checking Linear Independence

- Standard method

Form the equation  $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$

Homogeneous system

- If  $c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0, \dots, c_n = 0$  is the unique solution, then they are linearly independent.
- If there are non-trivial solutions, then they are linearly dependent.
- Redundancy (Not always easy to find the redundant vector)
  - If some  $\mathbf{v}_i$  is a linear combination of the others, then they are linearly dependent.
  - If every  $\mathbf{v}_i$  is not a linear combination of the others, then they are linearly independent.

Determine whether the vectors

$(1, -2, 3), (5, 6, -1), (3, 2, 1)$

are linearly independent.

Set up the vector equation:

$$C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + C_3 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

augmented matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 6 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

REF

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 16 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

There are infinitely many solutions for  $C_1, C_2, C_3$ .

i.e. There exist non-trivial solutions.

So  $(1, -2, 3), (5, 6, -1), (3, 2, 1)$  are linearly dependent.

## Theorem 34.7

Let  $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

If  $k > n$ , then  $S$  is linearly dependent.

If  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $S$  has more than  $n$  elements, then  $S$  is linearly dependent.

- more variables than equations

( $\geq 1$  non-pivot column  $\rightarrow$  free param)

- the system has non-trivial solutions

-  $S$  is linearly dependent.

## Theorem 34.10 (Extending a linearly indep set)

$\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$  are linearly independent

$\mathbf{u}_{k+1}$  is not redundant

If  $\mathbf{u}_{k+1}$  is not a linear combination of  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$  then  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k, \mathbf{u}_{k+1}$  are linearly independent.

## Linear Span v.s. Linear Independence

If  $S$  is linearly independent, then

-  $\mathbf{u} \notin \text{span}(S) \Leftrightarrow S \cup \{\mathbf{u}\}$  is linearly independent.

-  $\mathbf{u} \in \text{span}(S) \Leftrightarrow S \cup \{\mathbf{u}\}$  is linearly dependent

Let  $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

$\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$  is linearly independent  $\Leftrightarrow \text{span}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \mathbb{R}^2$

Let  $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

$\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\}$  is linearly independent  $\Leftrightarrow \text{span}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbb{R}^3$

- Use the column vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$  to form matrix  $\mathbf{A}$

Check whether every column in the r.e.f. of  $\mathbf{A}$  is a pivot column.

- Use the row vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$  to form matrix  $\mathbf{A}$

Check whether every row in the r.e.f. of  $\mathbf{A}$  is non-zero.

Special Methods: (only work under certain circumstances)

- The column vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  form a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ .

$\text{If } \det(\mathbf{A}) = 0, \text{ then they are linearly dependent.}$

$\text{If } \det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0, \text{ then they are linearly independent.}$

- There are only two vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$  in the set.

$\text{If } \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 \text{ are scalar multiple of each other, then they are linearly dependent.}$

$\text{If } \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 \text{ are not scalar multiple of each other, then they are linearly independent.}$

The more vectors you have, the more likely for them to be linearly dependent

- Suppose  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

$\text{If } n > m, \text{ then they are linearly dependent.}$

$\text{If } n \leq m, \text{ it can be linearly independent or dependent.}$

- If  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is orthogonal and non-zero, then the set is linearly independent.

Determine whether the vectors

$(1, 0, 0, 1), (0, 2, 1, 0), (1, -1, 1, 1)$

are linearly independent.

Set up the vector equation:

$$C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

REF

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Convert into augmented matrix

There is only one solution  $C_1 = 0, C_2 = 0, C_3 = 0$ .

So the vectors are linearly independent.

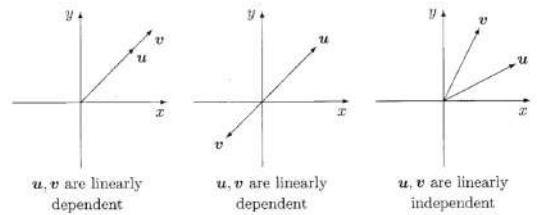
$a(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}) + c(\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0} \Leftrightarrow (a+c)\mathbf{u} + (-a+b)\mathbf{v} + (-b+c)\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$ . Since  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$  are linearly independent, we have

$$\begin{cases} a + c = 0 \\ -a + b = 0 \\ -b + c = 0 \end{cases}$$

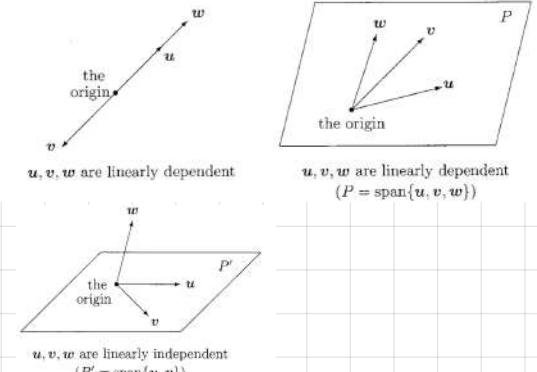
The system has only the trivial solution  $a = 0, b = 0, c = 0$ . Thus  $S_3$  is linearly independent.

## Geometrical Representation

- In  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (or  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ), two vectors  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}$  are linearly dependent if and only if they lie on the same line (when they are placed with their initial points at the origin).



- In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , three vectors  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$  are linearly dependent if and only if they lie on the same line or the same plane (when they are placed with their initial points at the origin).



## Linear Span v.s. Linear Independence

$\rightarrow S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$   $\leftarrow$

### Linear independence VS Span

Given that:  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

To Show:

$S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  spans  $\mathbb{R}^n$

same as:  $\text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^n$

$$c_1u_1 + c_2u_2 + \dots + c_ku_k = v \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

$v$  is any general vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

check whether the system is always consistent

yes

no

spans

does not span

To Show:

$S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  is lin. indep.

$$c_1u_1 + c_2u_2 + \dots + c_ku_k = 0 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$0$  is the zero vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

check whether the system has non-trivial solution

yes

no

lin.dep

lin.indep

## Vector Space

A set  $V$  is called a **vector space** if:

- either  $V = \mathbb{R}^n$
- or  $V$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(any span is automatically a subspace)

e.g. The following subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are also the vector spaces

- $\mathbb{R}^3$
- $\{0\}$
- $\text{span}\{(1,2,3)\}$
- $\text{span}\{(1,2,3), (2,1,4)\}$
- $\text{sol'n space of a LS in 3 vars}$

## Basis

Definition 3.5.4 Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  be a subset of a vector space  $V$ . Then  $S$  is called a **basis** (plural bases) for  $V$  if

- $S$  is linearly independent and no redundant vectors in  $S$
- $S$  spans  $V$ .  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\} = V$

1. A basis for  $V$  gives a "coordinate system" for  $V$ .

2. A basis for " $\mathbb{R}^n$ " is not a basis for "subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ "

largest linearly indep set

(1) A basis for a vector space  $V$  contains the smallest

possible number of vectors that can span  $V$

(2) The empty set  $\emptyset$  is the basis for the zero space,  $\{0\}$

(3) All vector space (except the zero space) has infinitely many different bases.

e.g. The following set are all bases of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

- $\{(1,0,0), (0,1,0), (0,0,1)\}$  | same dim
- $\{(2,0,0), (0,2,0), (0,0,2)\}$  | same dim
- $\{(1,2,1), (2,1,0), (3,3,4)\}$  | same dim

$\{0\} = \text{span}\{0\} \rightarrow$  linearly dep

$\rightarrow$  not basis for the zero space

Standard basis vectors for  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0, 0), \mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1, 0), \mathbf{e}_3 = (0, 0, 1)$$

-  $\text{span}\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\} = \mathbb{R}^3$  building block

-  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$  is linearly independent

No redundant vectors

$S = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$  is called a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$S$  is a smallest possible subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

so that every vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear combination of the elements in  $S$ .

If  $S$  is a set of vectors that spans  $V$  but  $S$  is not a basis, every vector in  $V$  be represented in more than one way.

- redundant vectors present

-  $\geq 1$  way to express the vector (w or w/o the redundant vector)

$$\text{e.g. Plane } x = y \quad x = s \begin{cases} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{cases} + t \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{cases}$$

basis =  $\{(1,1,0), (0,0,1)\}$

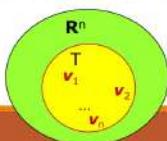
dim = 2

## T is not a basis for V

### Bases for $\mathbb{R}^n$ VS Bases for its subspaces

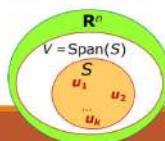
#### Bases for $\mathbb{R}^n$

- The basis T is the **smallest set** of "building blocks" for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- T is **linearly independent** and  $\text{span}(T) = \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Every vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be expressed as a **linear combination** of T in a **unique way**.



#### Bases for subspace V

- The basis S is the **smallest set** of "building blocks" for V.
- S is **linearly independent** and  $\text{span}(S) = V$ .
- Every vector in V can be expressed as a **linear combination** of S in a **unique way**.



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#### Example

Show that  $S = \{(1, 2, 1), (2, 9, 0), (3, 3, 4)\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

- (i) S is linearly independent:

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 9 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gaussian Elimination  $\Rightarrow c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0$  and  $c_3 = 0$

The system only has the trivial solution.  
So S is linearly independent.

- (ii)  $\text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^3$ :

Let  $(x, y, z)$  be any (general) vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 9 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

Gaussian Elimination  $\Rightarrow$  system is consistent for (details skipped) any values of  $x, y, z$ .

So  $\text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^3$ .

By (i) and (ii), we conclude S is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Is  $S = \{(1, 1, 1, 1), (0, 0, 1, 2), (-1, 0, 0, 1)\}$  a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ?

A basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  must have n elements

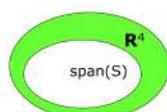
- $\rightarrow$  S is linearly independent

$\text{span}(S) \neq \mathbb{R}^4$  ( $|S| < 4$ )

So S is not a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

$\text{span}(S)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$

- $\rightarrow$  S is a basis for this subspace  $\text{span}(S)$



$V = \{(a, a+b, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

Show that  $S = \{(1, 3, 2), (1, 2, 1)\}$  is a basis for V

Check S is linearly independent

(1, 3, 2) and (1, 2, 1) are not scalar multiples of each other

Check  $\text{span}(S) = V$   $V = \text{span}\{(1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1)\}$

$\text{span}\{(1, 3, 2), (1, 2, 1)\} = \text{span}\{(1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1)\}$  (\*)

To show (\*), refer: Example 3.2.11

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

step 3

Vector Spaces

## Checking basis

To show S is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

- Check S has n vectors (non-redundant)
- Check S is linearly independent

To show S is a basis for a subspace V of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

- Check S is linearly independent
- Check  $\text{span}(S) = V$

## Basis for Solution Space

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{homogeneous} \\ \text{system} \\ \text{Gaussian} \\ \text{Elimination} \end{array} \quad \downarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{general} \\ \text{solution} \\ \text{separate} \\ \text{parameters} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2v + 2w - x + z = 0 \\ -v - w + 2x - 3y + z = 0 \\ x + y + z = 0 \\ v + w - 2x - z = 0 \end{array} \right. \\ \left( \begin{array}{l} v \\ w \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{l} -s-t \\ s \\ -t \\ 0 \\ t \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

implicit form

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{linear combination of} \\ \text{linearly independent vectors} \end{array} \quad \downarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{basis for} \\ \text{solution space} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

explicit form

$$\{u_1, u_2\} \quad \text{linear span form}$$

solution space =  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$

Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  be a basis for some vector space V.

Is  $T = \{u_1, u_1 + u_2, u_1 + u_2 + u_3\}$  also a basis for V?

Every vector in T belongs to  $\text{span}(S)$ . So  $\text{span}(T) \subseteq \text{span}(S)$ .

$u_1 \in \text{span}(T)$

$u_2 = (u_1 + u_2) - u_1 \in \text{span}(T)$

$u_3 = (u_1 + u_2 + u_3) - (u_1 + u_2) \in \text{span}(T)$

Every vector in S belongs to  $\text{span}(T)$ . So  $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \text{span}(T)$ .

So  $\text{span}(T) = \text{span}(S) = V$

Consider a  $u_1 + b(u_1 + u_2) + c(u_1 + u_2 + u_3) = 0$  (\*)

Does (\*) have non-trivial scalars for a, b, c?

Rewrite (\*):  $(a+b+c)u_1 + (b+c)u_2 + cu_3 = 0$  (\*\*)

(\*\*) has only trivial scalars for a+b+c, b+c, c

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a + b + c = 0 \\ b + c = 0 \\ c = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{Solve: } a = b = c = 0$$

So (\*) has only trivial scalars for a, b, c

So T is linearly independent.

CANNOT conclude that since  $\text{span}(S) = \text{span}(T)$  and the

number of vectors in S and in T are equal, T is also a basis

- Both  $\text{span}(S)$  and  $\text{span}(T)$  contain infinitely many vectors.

- We cannot compare "infinity" like finite numbers.

- There is also no guarantee that T is linearly independent by having the same span for S and T.

### Theorem 3.5.7 (unique expression in terms of basis)

Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  be a basis for a vector space  $V$ .

Then every vector  $v \in V$  can be expressed in the form

$$v = c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + \dots + c_k u_k$$

in exactly one way, where  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  are real numbers.

unique set of

$$c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$$

Consequence of linear independence of  $S$

### Coordinate Vectors

**Definition 3.5.8** Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  be a basis for a vector space  $V$  and  $v$  a vector in  $V$ . By Theorem 3.5.7,  $v$  is expressed uniquely as a linear combination

$$v = c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + \dots + c_k u_k.$$

The coefficients  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  are called the *coordinates* of  $v$  relative to the basis  $S$ .

The vector

$$(v)_S = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k \quad \text{ordered basis}$$

is called the *coordinate vector* of  $v$  relative to the basis  $S$ . (Here we assume the vectors of  $S$  are in a fixed order so that  $u_1$  is the first vector,  $u_2$  is the second vector, etc.)

for consistency:  $(\cdot)_S$  : row vector;  $[\cdot]_S$  : column vector

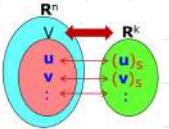
### Theorem 3.5.11

**Theorem 3.5.11** Let  $S$  be a basis for a vector space  $V$  where  $|S| = k$ . Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  be vectors in  $V$ . Then

1.  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  are linearly dependent (respectively, independent) vectors in  $V$  if and only if  $(v_1)_S, (v_2)_S, \dots, (v_r)_S$  are linearly dependent (respectively, independent) vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ ; and
2.  $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\} = V$  if and only if  $\text{span}\{(v_1)_S, (v_2)_S, \dots, (v_r)_S\} = \mathbb{R}^k$ .

Let  $S$  be a basis for a vector space  $V$ .

1. For any  $u, v \in V$ ,  $u = v$  if and only if  $(u)_S = (v)_S$ .



2. For any  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \in V$  and  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  

$$(c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_r v_r)_S = c_1 (v_1)_S + c_2 (v_2)_S + \dots + c_r (v_r)_S.$$

coordinate vector of linear combination  
= linear combination of coordinate vectors

If  $S = \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\Leftrightarrow k=n$  and  $A = (u_1 \dots u_k)$  is invertible

$S \text{ spans } \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow k \leq n$  & REF has no zero row  
 $\Rightarrow$  square matrix  $\Rightarrow$  inv

$S$  linearly indep  $\Rightarrow k \leq n$  & REF has no non-pivot

$S = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$  is linearly indep  $\Leftrightarrow S \text{ spans } \mathbb{R}^n$

### Theorem 3.6.1 (no. of vectors in subset v.s. basis)

Let  $V$  be a vector space which has a basis with  $k$  vectors. Then,

- (1) any subset of  $V$  with more than  $k$  vectors is always linearly dependent.
- (2) any subset of  $V$  with less than  $k$  vectors cannot span  $V$ .

(Relate to Thm 3.4.7 and Thm 3.2.7)

$> k$ : too many vectors to be a basis

$< k$ : too few vectors to be a basis

\$ All bases for a vector space have  
the same no. of vectors.

30. (All vectors in this question are written as column vectors.) Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $P$  a square matrix of order  $n$ .

- (a) Show that if  $Pu_1, Pu_2, \dots, Pu_k$  are linearly independent, then  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  are linearly independent.
- (b) Suppose  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  are linearly independent.
  - (i) Show that if  $P$  is invertible, then  $Pu_1, Pu_2, \dots, Pu_k$  are linearly independent.