

Matrices

A matrix is a rectangular collection of numbers or variables.

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

A is a matrix with $m=3$ rows and $n=2$ columns.

A is a 3×2 matrix.

of rows by # columns

We will use matrices to represent (and later understand and solve) systems of linear equations.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{row 1} \\ \text{row 2} \\ \text{row 3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{row 1} = [1 \ 4]$$

$$\text{row 2} = [2 \ 5]$$

$$\text{row 3} = [3 \ 6]$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = [\text{column 1} \ \text{column 2}]$$

$$\text{column 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{column 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A(1,1) & A(1,2) \\ A(2,1) & A(2,2) \\ A(3,1) & A(3,2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$, \quad A(i,j) = a_{ij} \quad \text{The element on the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ row and } j^{\text{th}} \text{ column}$$

Linear equations in matrix form

Assume $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Linear combination of these two vectors would be $\alpha_1 u + \alpha_2 v = \alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

where α_1 and α_2 are scalars. To rewrite this in matrix form, the vectors u and v go into the columns of a matrix A , which "multiplies" vector

$$\alpha_1 u + \alpha_2 v = \alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix}}_x = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix times vector
(Linear combination of columns)

$$AX = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ x_1 - x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Two ways to see matrix A times vector x:

1. A linear combination of columns: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

or

2. Row at a time:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{row 1} & \cdot x \\ \text{row 2} & \cdot x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1x_1 + 1x_2 \\ 1x_1 + -1x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ x_1 - x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

dot product

NOTE: At first numbers x_1 and x_2 were multiplying vectors. Now a matrix A is multiplying the vector x that contains these numbers.

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 15 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 19 \\ 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [2] \cdot [4] \\ [1] \cdot [4] \\ [3] \cdot [4] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 4 + 1 \times 5 \\ 1 \times 4 + 3 \times 5 \\ 3 \times 4 + 2 \times 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 19 \\ 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 \\ -1x_1 + x_2 + 0x_3 \\ 0x_1 + 0x_2 + x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 - x_1 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Identity matrix
1s on the
diagonal, 0s
elsewhere.

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

System of linear equations

Example: Find two numbers whose sum is 3 and difference is 1.

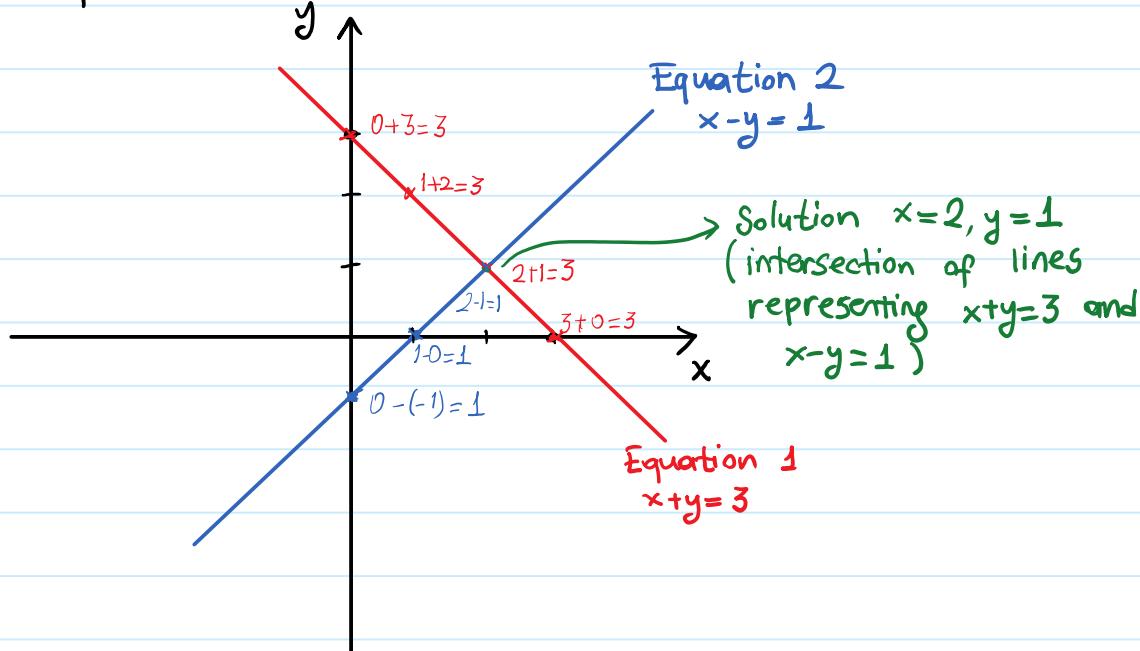
Solution:

Number 1 : x } Definitions
Number 2 : y

$$\begin{array}{l} x+y=3 \\ x-y=1 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{System of linear equations.} \\ \text{2 unknowns } (x \text{ and } y) \\ \text{2 equations (sum is 3 and difference is 1)} \end{array} \right.$$

3 different representations of the same problem:

1. Row picture:



Row picture: Find the point where the lines intersect.

Note: When we deal with more unknowns and equations, each linear equation will represent a plane and solution will be the point where these planes meet.

2. Column picture:

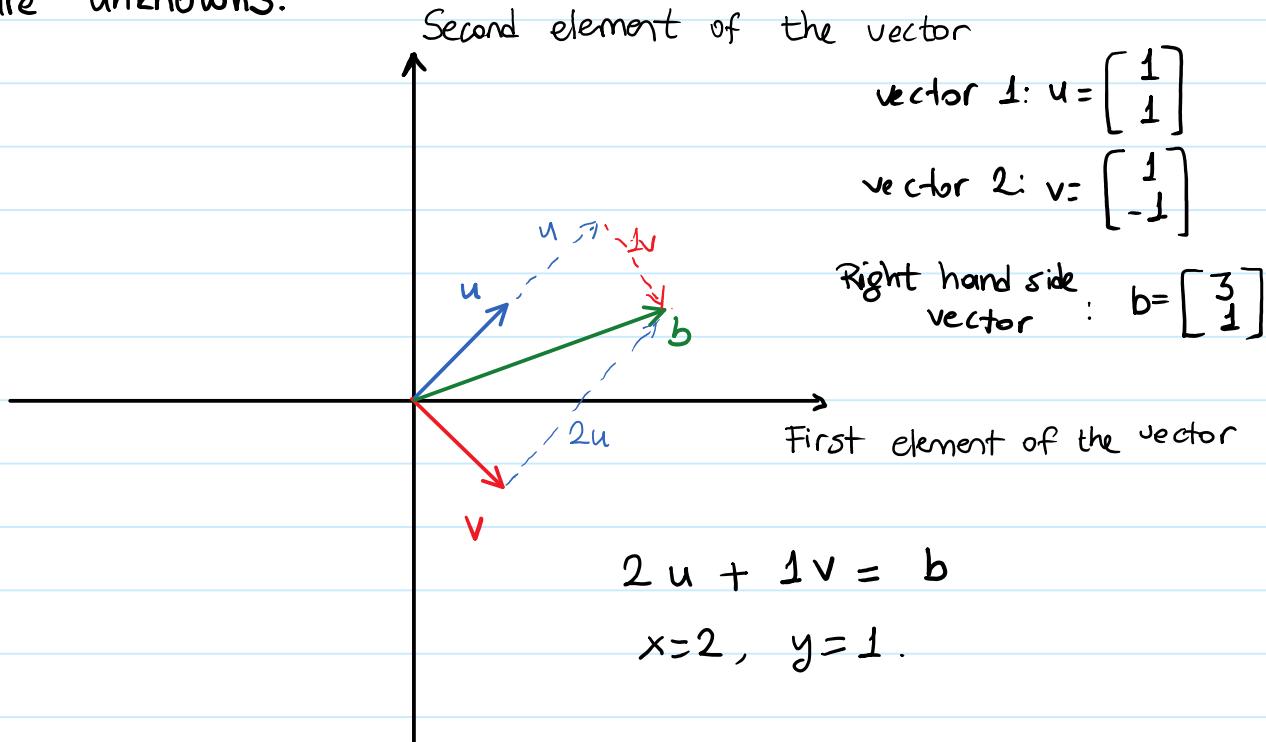
$$x + y = 3$$

$$x - y = 1$$

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is the right linear combination of vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ that gives vector $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$?

Column picture represents the system of linear equations as a linear combination of vectors where coefficients are unknowns.



To repeat: The left hand side of the vector equation ($x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$) is a linear combination of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. The problem was to find the right coefficients $x=2$ and $y=1$ that produces $b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

3. Matrix form

$$\begin{array}{l} 1x + 1y = 3 \\ 1x - 1y = 1 \end{array}$$

Coefficients

Coefficient matrix:

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

Matrix representation of above system of linear equations:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_b$$

rows of A: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (coefficients of x and y in equation 1)
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ (coefficients of x and y in equation 2)

!!! Each row of coefficient matrix A represents coefficients of unknowns in the corresponding equation.

columns of A: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (coefficients of x in all equations)
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ (coefficients of y in all equations)

Row picture: Each row represents an equation and we would like to find a solution (a vector) that satisfies all the equations.

Column picture: Each column represents the coefficients of a particular unknown. We would like to find the right combination of these columns that produces the column vector on the right hand side.

Revisiting the matrix-vector product:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Dot product of row 1 and } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{Dot product of row 2 and } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1x + 1y \\ 1x - 1y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x+y \\ x-y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

OR we could see it as a linear combination of columns.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} y$$

column 1 column 2

~ Example: 3 equations and 3 unknowns ~.

Emma has three types of food containers in her backpack:

1) Energy bar, which has a 3 units of carbs, 1 unit of fat and no protein per package, 2) trail mix, which has 2 units of carbs, 4 units of fat and 1 unit of protein per package, and 3) protein bar, which has no carbs, 1 unit of fat and 3 units of protein.

If Emma wants a daily intake of 8 units of carbs, 9 units of fat and 10 units of protein, how much should she eat from each container in a day?

Lets write this problem as a system of linear equations.

x: Amount of energy bar intake in a day

y: Amount of trail mix intake in a day

z: Amount of protein bar intake in a day

We would like to find the right combination of energy bars, trail mixes, and protein bars that produces a perfect daily diet.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Carb intake: } 3x + 2y + 0z &= 8 \\
 \text{Fat intake: } 1x + 4y + 1z &= 9 \\
 \text{Protein intake: } 0x + 1y + 3z &= 10
 \end{aligned}$$

} Row picture
 (we make sure we take right amount of each nutrition)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}x + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}y + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}z = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

↓
 energy bar ↓
 trail mix ↓
 protein bar

} Column picture
 (what is the right combination of energy bar, trail mix, and protein bar for a perfect diet?)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

↓
 Coefficient matrix A ↓
 Right hand side vector b
 ↓
 vector of unknowns x

Note: while writing the system of linear equations in matrix form, the vectors whose linear combination with unknown coefficients equals right hand side become the columns of the coefficient matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

↓
 Column 1:
 energy bar
 vector ↓
 Column 2:
 trail mix
 vector ↓
 Column 3:
 protein bar
 vector
 ↓
 amount
 vector
 (unknown)
 ↓
 A ↓
 x ↓
 perfect daily diet
 vector
 ↓
 b

$$Ax = b$$

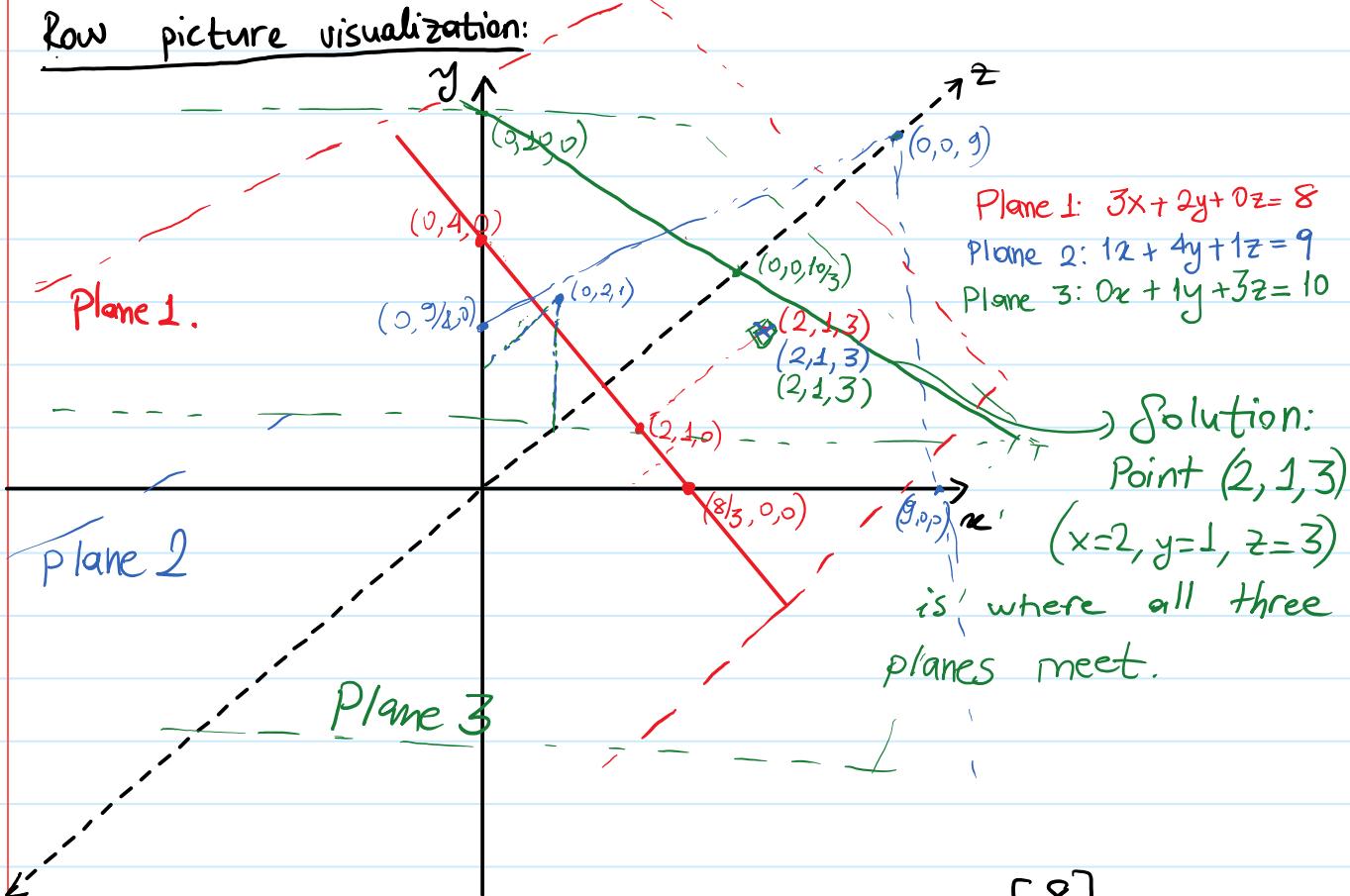
$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} (\text{row 1}) \cdot x \\ (\text{row 2}) \cdot x \\ (\text{row 3}) \cdot x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x + 2y + 0z \\ 1x + 4y + 1z \\ 0x + 1y + 3z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = b$$

↓ dot product

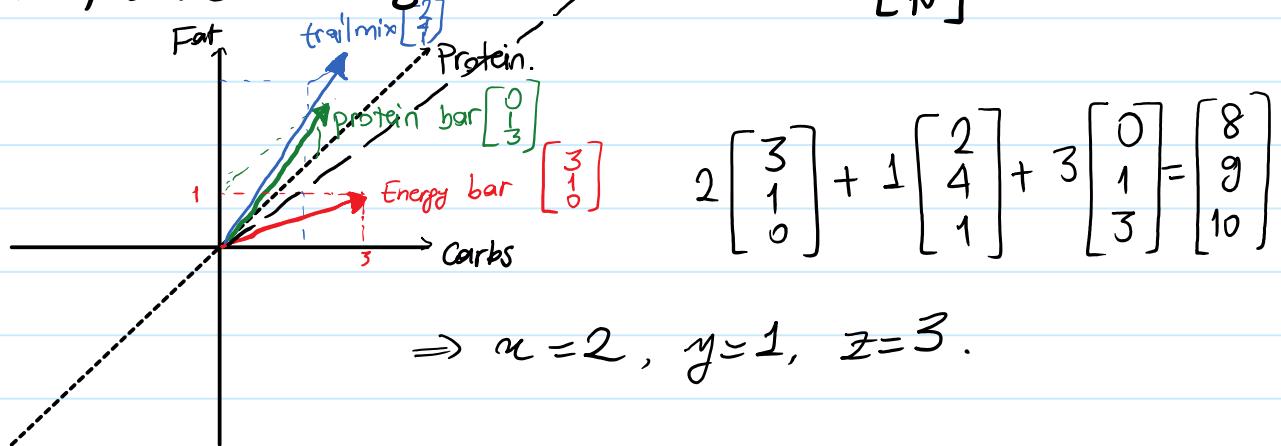
Note: unknown vector x and amount of energy bar α are different!

$$Ax = \alpha (column 1) + y (column 2) + z (column 3) = b$$

Row picture visualization:



Column picture visualization: \rightarrow Daily intake $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$



Solving linear equations with elimination

Assume we have a system of linear equations $Ax = b$, with n unknowns and n equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that this is no different than the examples we have seen so far except that the number of equations and unknowns increased from 2 or 3 to n !

Elimination steps:

1. First equation is $a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$. Multiply this by the ratio a_{21}/a_{11} and subtract from second equation. Then, x_1 is eliminated from second equation:

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

$$\frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} \left(a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \right) = \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} b_1 \quad \leftarrow \text{Equation 1 times } \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}}$$

$$\underbrace{\left(a_{21} - \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} a_{11} \right) x_1}_{\text{new } a_{21}} + \underbrace{\left(a_{22} - \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} a_{12} \right) x_2}_{\text{new } a_{22}} + \dots + \underbrace{\left(a_{2n} - \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} a_{1n} \right) x_n}_{\text{new } a_{2n}} = b_2 - \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} b_1 \quad \leftarrow \text{Subtraction}$$

Idea: Now $a_{21} = a_{21} - \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} a_{11} = 0$, so we have eliminated x_1 from second equation.

Corner element a_{11} is called "pivot".

2. Similar to step 1, eliminate x_1 from every remaining equation i by multiplying equation 1 by $\frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}}$ and subtracting from equation i .

3. After step 2, last $n-1$ equations contain $n-1$ unknowns x_2, \dots, x_n . Repeat the same procedure to eliminate x_2 from last $n-2$ equations.

4. Repeat until last $n-i$ equations contain only $n-i$ unknowns
 $x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}, \dots, x_n$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

5. This process might break down if zero appears in the "pivot" elements a_{11}, \dots, a_{nn} . Exchanging two equations might solve this.

Revisit of two numbers example:

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 3 \\ x - y &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

unknowns: x, y

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \\ 1 & 1 & x \\ 1 & -1 & y \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$
 $a_{21} \quad a_{22}$

Step 1 (and the only step in this example): Eliminate x from second equation:

multiply first equation by $\frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$ and subtract from equation 2.

$$\begin{array}{r} x - y = 1 \\ -x + y = 3 \\ \hline 0x - 2y = -2 \end{array}$$

Updated system of equations after step 1

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 3 \\ -2y &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow y = 1$. Substituting $y = 1$ back into the first equation gives $x + 1 = 3, x = 2$.

!!! Elimination produces an upper triangular system, this is the goal:

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

□: Pivot elements that are on the diagonal.

□: Only upper right side of coefficient matrix is non-zero.

Revisit of diet example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 1:

Eliminate x from second equation:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 1x + 4y + 1z & = & 9 \\ \frac{1}{3}(3x + 2y + 0z) & = & \frac{1}{3}8 \\ \hline 0x + \frac{10}{3}y + 1z & = & \frac{19}{3} \end{array}$$

After first step:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{10}{3} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 19/3 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

2nd step: Eliminate x from third equation. No need!

3rd step: Eliminate y from third equation:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 0x + 1y + 3z & = & 10 \\ \frac{3}{10}(0x + \frac{10}{3}y + 1z) & = & (19/3)\frac{3}{10} \\ \hline 0x + 0y + (3 - \frac{3}{10})z & = & 10 - \frac{19}{10} \\ 0x + 0y + \frac{27}{10}z & = & \frac{81}{10} \end{array}$$

After 3rd step:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{10}{3} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{27}{10} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 19/3 \\ 81/10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Before elimination:
 $Ax = b$
 After elimination
 $Ux = c$
 upper triangular matrix.

Back substitution after elimination.

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \frac{3}{\frac{27}{10}} = \frac{10}{9} \\ y &= (\frac{19}{3} - 3) \times \frac{3}{10} = 1 \\ x &= (8 - 2)/3 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Question: How can we perform elimination using matrices?

Answer: We need to represent elimination steps with matrices, and learn how to multiple matrices.

Elimination in matrix form:

Given $Ax = b$;

Step 1:

Multiple $Ax = b$ by a matrix E_{21} to get $E_{21}Ax = E_{21}b$

We would like E_{21} to eliminate x_1 from second equation.

Step 2: Repeat step 1 to eliminate x_i from last $n-i$ equations.

Step 3: If row exchanges are needed, multiply both sides with "row exchange matrix" P_{ij} .

Matrix multiplication

Definition: If A is a matrix with m rows and n columns, and B is a matrix with n rows and p columns, matrix multiplication AB is defined as:

$$AB(i,j) = \sum_{k=1}^n A(i,k) B(k,j)$$

entry at i^{th} row
and j^{th} column
of AB

Dot product of i^{th} row of A and
 $= j^{th}$ column of B .

In words, the value in row i and column j of AB is dot product of row i of A and column j of B .

Example:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -3 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} * & * \\ * & * \\ 6 & * \end{array} \right]$$

$AB = C$

A: 3×4 B: 4×2

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \cdot \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{array} \right] = 6$$

Rules and observations:

1.

$$A_{m \times n} \cdot B_{n \times p} = C_{m \times p}$$

— sizes of the matrices.

Matrix A with n columns multiply matrix B with n rows.

2. $C_{ij} = (\text{row } i \text{ of } A) \cdot (\text{column } j \text{ of } B)$
dot product.

3. $(AB)C = A(BC)$ $(AB)x = A(Bx)$

note: we do not touch the order, just change the parenthesis

4. It is usually **not true** that $AB = BA$

5. $\begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} = A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_2$ (multiplication by blocks)

6. Two other ways to see matrix multiplication:

- Column j of AB is equal to A times column j of B .
- Row i of AB is equal to row A times B .

7. Another way to see matrix multiplication

$$AB = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \text{column 1} & \text{column 2} & \dots & \text{column } n \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -\text{row 1-} \\ -\text{row 2-} \\ \vdots \\ -\text{row } n- \end{bmatrix}}_B = \sum_{i=1}^n (\underbrace{\text{column } i}_{n \times 1}) (\underbrace{\text{row } i}_{1 \times n})$$

This way, we wrote AB as a sum of n matrices.

Ex:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_B = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}}_C$$

$$C_{11} = 3 \times 1 + 1 \times 0 + -1 \times 1 = 2$$

$$C_{12} = 3 \times 1 + 1 \times 2 + -1 \times 0 = 5 \Rightarrow C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{21} = 2 \times 1 + 0 \times 0 + 1 \times 1 = 3$$

$$C_{22} = 2 \times 1 + 0 \times 2 + 1 \times 0 = 2$$

\times Row 1 of C = Row 1 of A times B :

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

\times Column 2 of C = A times column 2 of B :

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

$$\ast AB = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Laws of matrix multiplication

1. Matrix sum:

$$\begin{aligned} A + B &= B + A && \text{commutative} \\ c(A + B) &= cA + cB && \text{distributive} \\ A + (B + C) &= (A + B) + C \end{aligned}$$

2. Matrix product

$$\begin{aligned} AB &\neq BA \quad (\text{commutative law is usually broken}) \\ A(B+C) &= AB + AC \\ (A+B)C &= AC + BC \\ A(BC) &= (AB)C \quad \text{associative law for } ABC. \end{aligned}$$

$$3. \text{ If } A \text{ is square} \quad \underbrace{AAA\dots A}_{P \text{ times}} = A^P$$

$$4. \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} \\ B_{21} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{21} \\ A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21} \end{bmatrix}$$

↙ cuts should match.

Inverse matrix

Square matrix A is invertible if there exist a matrix A^{-1} for which $A^{-1}A = I$.

Elimination as a matrix product

If we multiply a matrix by a row vector from left, we get a row vector. We can use this to represent elimination steps as matrix multiplication.

Step 1:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{E_{21}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}}_A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{10}{3} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

matrix E_{21} performs the following on matrix A :

Doesn't change first and third rows. Multiplies first row by $\frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} = \frac{1}{3}$ and subtracts that from row 2.

Step 2: Do nothing since x is already eliminated from third row.

Step 3: Eliminate y from third equation:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{10} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{E_{32}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{10}{3} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}}_U = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{10}{3} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{27}{10} \end{bmatrix}$$

Overall we have:

↑ upper triangular.

$$E_{32} (E_{21} A) = U \quad \text{or}$$

$$(E_{32} E_{21}) A = U \quad \text{since matrix multiplication is associative.}$$

Example: (Breakdown of elimination)

$$\begin{aligned}x - 2y &= 3 \\ 2x - 4y &= 7\end{aligned}$$

There is no solution to these system of equations.