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## Lecture 4

$$\text{e.g. } 2x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 + 7x_2 = 2$$

Augmented Matrix

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

$\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^2$

(  $\vec{b}$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  )

Coefficient  
Matrix  $A = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

Augmented Matrix:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c} A & \vec{b} \end{array} \right]$$

Vector Equation:

$$x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Linear combination of  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Def linear combination of  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is a vector of the form

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad \text{where } c_1, \dots, c_n \text{ are scalars}$$

In e.g. is  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  ?

check:

$$1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Answer: No



Now some stuff with rows to rewrite system

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = 2$$



Def - Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with columns  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a vector. Then  $A\vec{x} = x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n$

Eg.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + (-1) \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (2, -1, 2) \cdot (1, 0, -1) \\ (1, 7, 0) \cdot (1, 0, -1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Another example of matrix times vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ R_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 34 \\ 90 \\ 23 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can Rewrite System as:

$$A \vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex:

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + x_4 = 4$$

$$x_1 = 4 - 3x_2 - x_4 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

$$x_2 = x_2$$

$$x_3 = 6 + x_4 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

$$x_4 = x_4 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

ANY column without a PIVOT is a free variable.

Prop: Suppose  $A$  &  $B$  are  $m \times n$  matrices,  
 $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are vectors, and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  is a scalar.  
Then:

$$1. A(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = A\vec{x} + A\vec{y}$$

$$2. (A+B)\vec{x} = A\vec{x} + B\vec{x}$$

$$3. c(A \cdot \vec{x}) = (cA) \cdot \vec{x} = A \cdot (c\vec{x})$$