

EECS16A DIS 1B

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Reminder: HW1 Due 9/4, if watching 1A/1B, fill out checkoff form

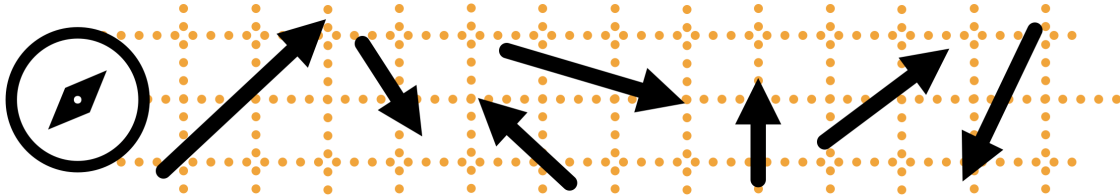
Goals for today's discussion

- ① Get familiar with vector notation
- ② Know how to plot and add vectors
- ③ Apply Gaussian Elimination to solving systems
- ④ Know how to identify # of solutions and write them.

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1. Vectors



A vector is an ordered list of numbers. For instance, a point on a plane (x,y) is a vector! We label vectors using an arrow overhead \vec{v} , and since vectors can live in ANY dimension of space we'll need to leave our notation general $(x,y) \rightarrow \vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots)$. Below are few more examples (the left-most form is the general definition):

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n \qquad \vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \qquad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.4 \\ 5.3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

Just to unpack this a bit more, $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ in english means "vector \vec{b} lives in 3-Dimensional space".

- The \in symbol literally means "in"
- The \mathbb{R} stands for "real numbers" (FUN FACT: \mathbb{Z} means "integers" like $-2, 4, 0, \dots$)
- The exponent $\mathbb{R}^n \leftarrow$ indicates the dimension of space, or the amount of numbers in the vector.

One last thing: it is standard to write vectors in column-form, like seen with $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{x}$ above. We call these *column vectors*, in contrast to horizontally written vectors which we call *row vectors*.

Okay, let's dig into a few examples:

(a) Which of the following vectors live in \mathbb{R}^2 space?

i. $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ ii. $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ iii. $\begin{bmatrix} -4.76 \\ 1.32 \\ 0.01 \end{bmatrix}$ iv. $\begin{bmatrix} -20 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix}$

i. Yes $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$
because it has
2 entries/
2 rows/
2 #s

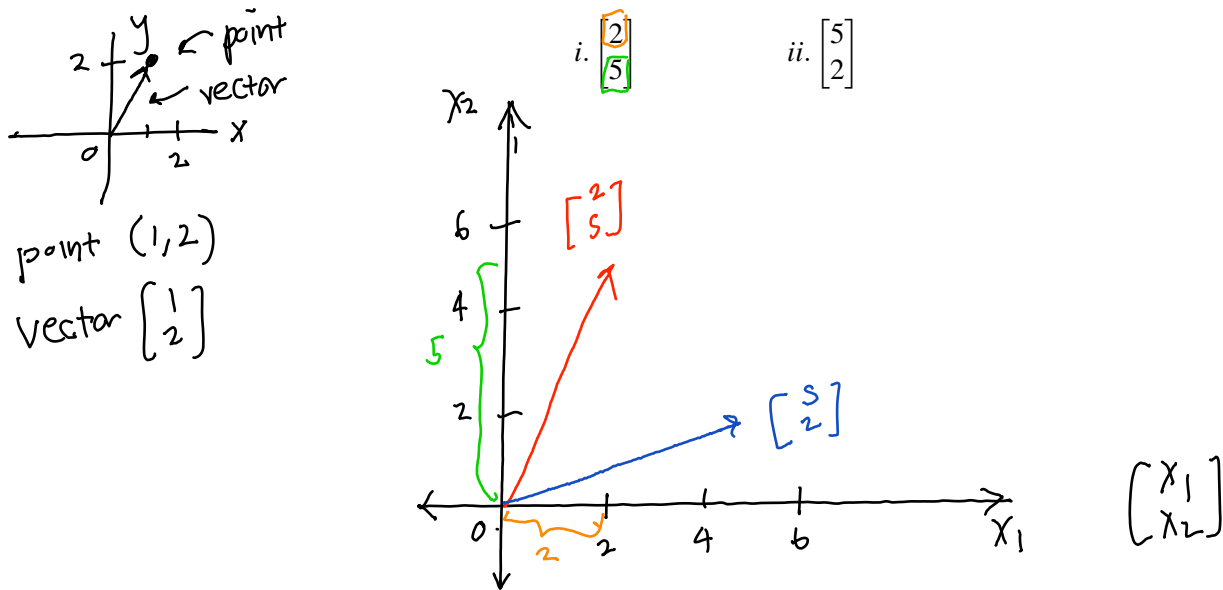
ii. No, $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \notin \mathbb{R}^2$
has 4 entries

iii. No, not
in \mathbb{R}^2

iv. Yes

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin \mathbb{R}^2$?
No the 0 entries
still count

(b) Graphically show the vectors (either in a sketch with axes, or a plot on a computer):



(c) Compute the sum $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{c}$ from the vectors below, and then graphically sketch or plot these vectors. (show them in a way that forms a triangle; also is there only one possible triangle?)

Algebraic (numberswise)

$$\vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

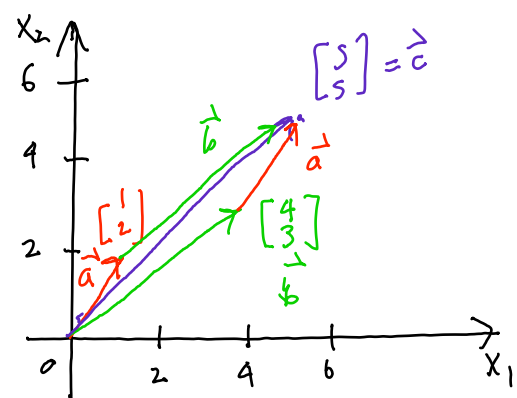
$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+4 \\ 2+3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can we add a vector from \mathbb{R}^2 and a vector from \mathbb{R}^3 ? No

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{no third entry in first vector}$$

Graphically (geometrically)



2. Solving Systems of Equations A system of linear equations can either have one solution, an infinite number of solutions, or no solution at all. For the following systems of equations, state whether there is a unique solution, no solution, or an infinite number of solutions. If there are an infinite number of solutions give one possible solution.

(a) Solve the following system. How many solutions does it have?

$$\begin{cases} x + y = 4 \\ x - y = 2 \end{cases}$$

Add second eq. to first

$$2x = 6$$

$$2x = 6$$

$$x = 3$$

Plug in $x=3$ into first eqn.

$$3 + y = 4$$

$$y = 1$$

Solution: $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ have only 1 solution (unique)

$x = 3$
 $\rightarrow y = 1$

(b) Now write the system in augmented matrix form:

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 4 & (1) \\ x - y &= 2 & (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{augmented matrix}$$

2×3

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ x & y \end{matrix}$

- (c) Once in augmented matrix form we can use a systematic procedure called Gaussian Elimination to solve the system of equations. See what solution you get using Gaussian elimination.

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

$R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_1$

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

$R_2 \leftarrow \frac{R_2}{-2}$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

upper triangular

$R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - R_2$

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

① Normalize (Done)
 ② Add a row to another row (to eliminate)
 ③ Back substitute

Finished elimination
 translate back into eqns

$1 \cdot x + 0 \cdot y = 3 \Rightarrow x = 3$
 $0 \cdot x + 1 \cdot y = 1 \Rightarrow y = 1$

If a unique solution every variable will have a 1 in its column

- (d) Now consider the system

$$7x + y = 7 \quad (3)$$

$$42x + 6y = 42. \quad (4)$$

How many solutions does it have? Solve it first using any method, then write it as an augmented matrix and try to solve it.

Translate into equations

$1 \cdot x + \frac{1}{7} \cdot y = 1$
 $0 = 0 \leftarrow$ Doesn't tell us about x, y

$y = s$ (real #)

$x + \frac{1}{7}s = 1$
 $x = 1 - \frac{1}{7}s$
 $y = s$

Randomly choose $s = 14$

$7(-1) + 1(14) = 7 \checkmark$
 $42(-1) + 6(14) = 42 \checkmark$

solution to eqns

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \frac{1}{7}s \\ s \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

Stop. No more rows to normalize + eliminate

Normalize
 $R_1 \leftarrow R_1 / 7$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1/7 & 1 \\ 42 & 6 & 42 \end{array} \right]$$

Eliminate
 $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 42R_1$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1/7 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

(e) Now consider the system

$$7x + y = 7 \quad (5)$$

$$42x + 6y = 42 \quad (6)$$

$$7x + y = 6 \quad (7)$$

How many solutions does it have? Solve it first using any method, then write it as an augmented matrix and try to solve it.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 7 & 1 & 7 \\ 42 & 6 & 42 \\ 7 & 1 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

3x3 matrix

Do what we did in part (d)

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1/7 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

Eliminate

$$R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - 7R_1$$

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

Translate
back into
eqns

$$x + \frac{1}{7}y = 1$$

$$0 = 0$$

$$0 = -1 \Leftarrow \text{Contradiction}$$

There are no solutions
to this system
of equations

Summary GE

Contradiction

row says
 $0 = \text{nonzero}$

Unique soln.

No contradiction
all variables
have a 1 pivot
(all of them
are specified)

Many solns.
no contradictions
but not all variables
are specified

(not all variables
have $x_i = \text{some \#}$)

e.g. $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$
second variable
is not specified