

# Solutions of Linear Equation

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A linear system is a set of  $n$  equations that can solve  $n$  number of unknowns. This can be written as:

$$A_{11}X_1 + A_{12}X_2 + \dots + A_{1n}X_n = B_1$$

$$A_{21}X_1 + A_{22}X_2 + \dots + A_{2n}X_n = B_2$$

$$A_{n1}X_1 + A_{n2}X_2 + \dots + A_{nn}X_n = B_n$$

The set  $x = X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  is considered the solution of the linear system if they are **correct in all equations**.

## Methods of Solution

### Direct Method

#### Gauss - Elimination

- Consists of 2 phases:
  - Elimination:** Series or row operations are performed in the coefficient matrix until it becomes an **upper triangular matrix**.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} \\ 0 & x_{22} & x_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & x_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Back-substitution:** Solving each element of the solution will start at the last row and move up to the first row.

**Problem #1** Determine the solution of the linear system shown below using Gauss Elimination.

$$2X_1 - 4X_2 + X_3 = -11$$

$$X_1 + 3X_2 + 2X_3 = 4$$

$$3X_1 + 5X_2 + 2X_3 = -2$$

#### Elimination Phase

$$\left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 1 & -11 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right| \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) R_1 \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 5 & 1.5 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 11 & 0.5 & 14.5 \end{array} \right|$$

The goal here is to create an **upper triangular matrix**, where all elements below the main diagonal are zeros. To achieve this, we need to perform row operations on  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  in order to eliminate the first element of both rows (below the diagonal). The number 2 is derived from the 1st element of  $R_1$ .

$$\left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 5 & 1.5 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 11 & 0.5 & 14.5 \end{array} \right| \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \left(\frac{11}{5}\right) R_2 \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 5 & 1.5 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2.8 & 11.2 \end{array} \right|$$

Same process as above, except we only needed to change the one in  $R_3$  now.

#### Back-substitution Phase

$$\left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 5 & 1.5 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2.8 & 11.2 \end{array} \right|$$

Back substitution means solving from the last row towards the first row

$R_3$

Divide both sides by -2.8 to isolate  $X_3$ :

$$-2.8X_3 = 11.2 \Rightarrow X_3 = -4$$

$R_2$

Substitute  $X_3$ , transpose the result, and divide both sides by 5 to isolate  $X_2$ :

$$5X_2 + 1.5(-4) = 1.5 \Rightarrow 5X_2 - 6 = 1.5 \Rightarrow 5X_2 = 7.5$$

$$X_2 = 1.5$$

$R_1$

Substitute  $X_2$  and  $X_3$  and solve for  $X_1$ :

$$2X_1 - 4(1.5) + (-4) = -11 \Rightarrow 2X_1 - 10 = -11$$

$$2X_1 = -1 \Rightarrow X_1 = -0.5$$

Final Values:

$$X_1 = -0.5, \quad X_2 = 1.5, \quad X_3 = -4$$

### Gauss Jordan

- Similar to *Elimination*, except we need to make an **identity matrix**
- No back substitution required.

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

**Problem 1** Determine the solution of the linear system shown below using Gauss Jordan

$$2X_1 - 4X_2 + X_3 = -11$$

$$X_1 + 3X_2 + 2X_3 = 4$$

$$3X_1 + 5X_2 + 2X_3 = -2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} \\ 0 & x_{22} & x_{23} \\ 0 & x_{32} & x_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 1 & -11 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & -4 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right| \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)R_1 \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 5 & 1.5 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 11 & 0.5 & 14.5 \end{array} \right|$$

The goal here is to create an **identity matrix**, where the main diagonal consists of 1s, while everything else is 0.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & 0 & x_{13} \\ 0 & x_{22} & x_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & x_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 5 & 1.5 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 11 & 0.5 & 14.5 \end{array} \right| \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - \left(\frac{-4}{5}\right)R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \left(\frac{11}{5}\right)R_2 \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 2.2 & -9.8 \\ 0 & 5 & 1.5 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2.8 & 11.2 \end{array} \right|$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 2.2 & -9.8 \\ 0 & 5 & 1.5 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2.8 & 11.2 \end{array} \right| \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - \left(\frac{-11}{14}\right) R_3 \\ R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \left(\frac{-15}{28}\right) R_3 \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 7.5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2.8 & 11.2 \end{array} \right|$$

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

$$\left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 7.5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2.8 & 11.2 \end{array} \right| \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \div 2 \\ R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \div 5 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \div -2.8 \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 \end{array} \right|$$

Final Values:

$$X_1 = -0.5, \quad X_2 = 1.5, \quad X_3 = -4$$