

## 5. Linear System of Equations

↳ How do we solve a linear system numerically?

Linear system of equations  $\rightarrow$  The highest power of all variables must be 1

Example:

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{x}_1 + 2\underline{x}_2 + \underline{x}_3 &= 0 \\ \underline{x}_1 - 2\underline{x}_2 + 2\underline{x}_3 &= 4 \\ 2\underline{x}_1 + 12\underline{x}_2 - 2\underline{x}_3 &= 4\end{aligned}$$

} A Linear System of equations  
Number of unknown/variables,  
 $n = 3$

General Form:

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

}  $a_{ij}$  = Coefficient  
 $b_i$  = known constant  
 $x_j$  = Unknown/Variables

Matrix Form:

$$\underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{vmatrix}}_x = \underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{vmatrix}}_b$$

$$\Rightarrow Ax = b$$

## Basic Linear Algebra facts:

1.  $A^T$  is the transpose matrix of  $A$ .

$$\therefore (A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji}$$

$$\text{Ex: } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A_{12} = 2 \quad A_{21}^T = 2$$

2.  $A$  is a symmetric matrix if  $A = A^T$

$$\text{Ex: } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore A \text{ is symmetric}$$

3.  $A$  is non-singular (invertible) if for every vector  $b$ , the equation  $Ax = b$  has a solution.

4.  $A$  is non-singular (invertible) if & only if  $\det(A) \neq 0$

— if  $\det(A) = 0$ , the system has no unique solution. (None or infinite solution)

5.  $A$  is non singular (invertible) if & only if,

there exists a unique inverse  $A^{-1}$  such that,  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = \underline{I}$ .

Identity Matrix

## Solving Linear System

$$Ax = b$$

Two rules for solving:

1. Matrix  $A$  must be a square Matrix. ( $n \times n$ )

2. Matrix  $A$  must be non singular (invertible)

$$Ax = b$$

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

But, finding inverse of  $A$  is computationally expensive when number of unknown ( $n$ ) is large.

So, instead of directly solving  $Ax = b$ , we try to transform the system in the following ways,

→ Diagonal Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cdot & & \\ & \cdot & \\ & & \cdot \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$x_2 = \frac{3}{3} = 1$$

→ Orthogonal Matrix ( $Q$  such that,  $Q^{-1} = Q^T$ )

✓ → Triangular Matrix (Upper or Lower)

### 5.1: Triangular System :

→ Upper Triangular Matrix

→ Lower " "

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} \\ 0 & u_{22} & u_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(U) = u_{11} \times u_{22} \times u_{33}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(L) = l_{11} \times l_{22} \times l_{33}$$

$$\det(T) = \prod_{i=1}^n t_{ii}$$

# Solving Triangular System,

Using a lower triangular Matrix, ( $n=4$ )

$$A x = b$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} & 0 \\ l_{41} & l_{42} & l_{43} & l_{44} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow l_{11} x_1 = b_1$$

$$\Rightarrow l_{21} x_1 + l_{22} x_2 = b_2$$

$$\Rightarrow l_{31} x_1 + l_{32} x_2 + l_{33} x_3 = b_3$$

$$\Rightarrow l_{41} x_1 + l_{42} x_2 + l_{43} x_3 + l_{44} x_4 = b_4$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{b_1}{l_{11}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{b_2 - l_{21} x_1}{l_{22}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_3 = \frac{b_3 - l_{31} x_1 - l_{32} x_2}{l_{33}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_4 = \frac{b_4 - l_{41} x_1 - l_{42} x_2 - l_{43} x_3}{l_{44}}$$

This is called forward substitution.

Similarly for upper triangular matrix, we use backward substitution.

The total number of operation required for forward or backward substitution is  $n^2$ . [Operation means  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $*$ ,  $/$ ]

# Prove that the total number of operation required for backward substitution is  $n^2$ .

let,  $n = 4$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} & 0 \\ l_{41} & l_{42} & l_{43} & l_{44} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow l_{11} x_1 = b_1$$

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$$\Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{b_1}{l_{11}}$$

$x_1 \Rightarrow 1$  division

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{b_2 - l_{21} x_1}{l_{22}}$$

$x_2 \Rightarrow 1$  division, 1 multiplication, 1 subtraction

$$\Rightarrow x_3 = \frac{b_3 - l_{31} x_1 - l_{32} x_2}{l_{33}}$$

$x_3 \Rightarrow 1$  div, 2 mul, 2 sub

$$\Rightarrow x_4 = \frac{b_4 - l_{41} x_1 - l_{42} x_2 - l_{43} x_3}{l_{44}}$$

$x_4 \Rightarrow 1$  div, 3 mul, 3 sub

$\vdots$

$x_n \Rightarrow 1$  div,  $(n-1)$  mul,  $(n-1)$  sub

$$\therefore \text{Total number of operation} = \sum_{j=1}^n [1 + (j-1) + (j-1)]$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n [1 + 2j - 2]$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n [2j - 1]$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n 2j - \sum_{j=1}^n 1 \leftarrow [1+1+\dots+1 = n]$$

$$= 2 \sum_{j=1}^n j - n$$

$$[1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}]$$

$$= 2 \frac{n * (n+1)}{2} - n$$

$$= n^2 + n - n$$

$$\therefore \text{Total number of operation} = n^2 \quad [\text{Proved}]$$

Same for upper triangular matrix's backward substitution.