

MA 405

office SAS 3208

HW assigned every Fri and due
following Fri

Tests sound tough; check Koofers

Final is 5/10/17,
8-11 AM
A - likely [85, 89]
A likely ~~[89, 93]~~ [90, 94]
A+ likely [95, 100]

highly doable

Intro to Course

Linear

↓
having to do with
lines or planes
(geometric)

Algebra

↓
Solving equations
involve variables,
numbers, etc.
("solve for x")

Two Main kinds of Probs

1) $A x = b$

\downarrow \downarrow

matrix vector known.

Solve for x .

2) $A x = \lambda x$

\uparrow number (eigenvalue)

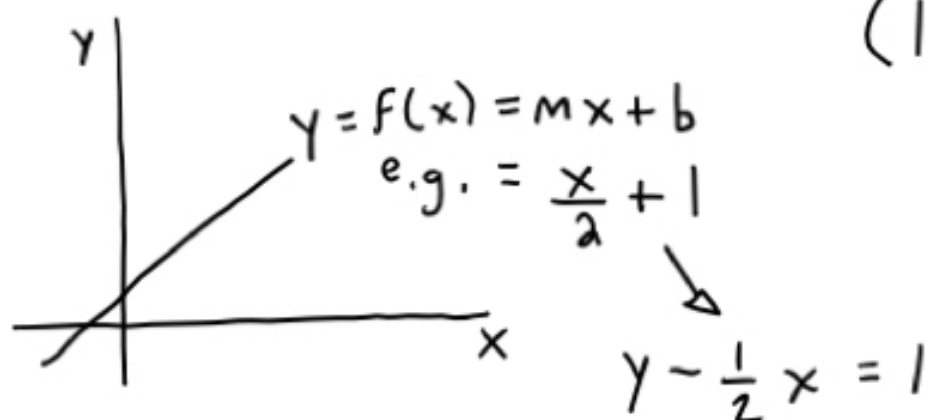
"Eigenvalue Problem"

TONS of applications can be solved in this way.

- Chemistry: solve rxn equations
- Physics: compute simulated model of:
 - propagating waves,
 - air flow,
 - heat diffusion,
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- economics: Markets Production + Demand

Linear Systems of Eqns (1.1-1.3)



any line can be $a_1 y + a_2 x = b$

Two variables, x, y

Two coeff, $a_1 = 1, a_2 = \frac{1}{2}$

def A linear equation in variables

(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) is an equation that can be written in form

$$a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n = b,$$

(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) coeff and b are numbers.

ex] $3x_1 - 5x_2 + 2 = x_1 - x_2$

Linear?

Yes:

$$2x_1 - 4x_2 = -2$$

with two variables: eqn. of a line

ex] $x_2 = 2(\sqrt{3} - x_1) + x_3$

Linear?

Yes: 3 variables:
eqn. of a plane

ex] $x_3 + x_2 + 3x_1^2 = \sqrt{x_3}$

Linear?

no: quadratic factor;
also, power of $1/2$.
Powers of vars must be 1.

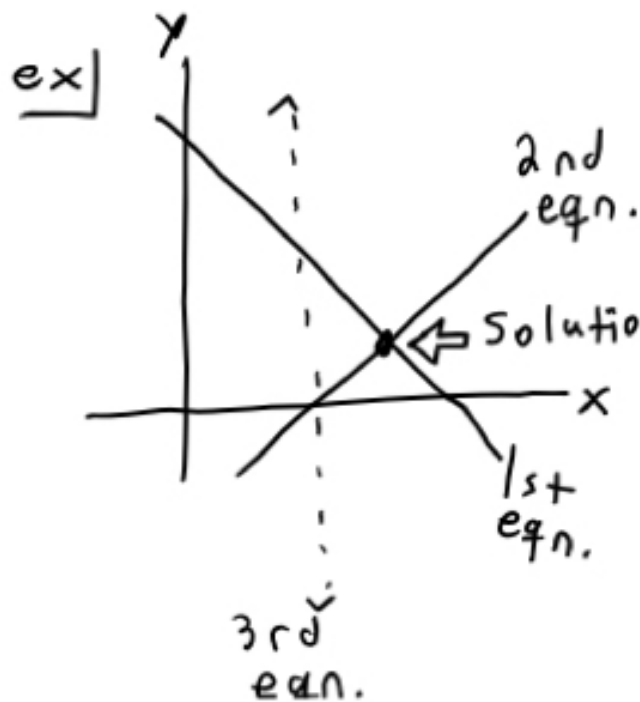
def A system of linear eqns is a collection of two or more linear eqns. with the same variables.

ex
$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_3 = 8 \\ x_1 + 4x_3 = 6 \end{cases}$$

x_2 isn't missing ($a_2=0$) + $0x_2$

Two eqns w/ 3 vars x_1, x_2, x_3

def A solution to a system of linear eqns. is $(s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_n)$ a set of #'s which can be plugged into all equations from the system and have each be true.



In 2 vars, a solution is a point of intersection of all the lines.

Possible to have no soltn!

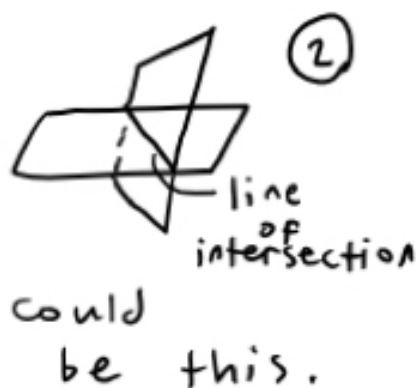
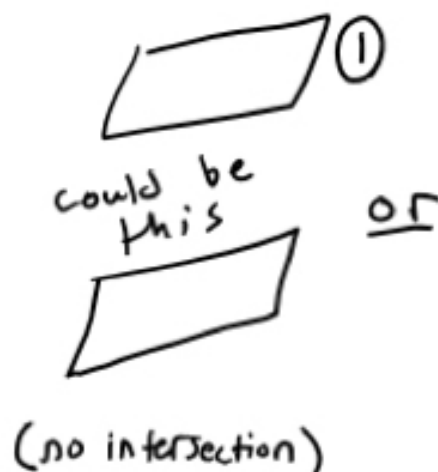
Add 3rd line:
no solutions
for this 3-eqn. system

ex) $2x_1 + x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_3 = 8$ ^{Plane}

$x_1 + 0x_2 + 4x_3 = 6$ ^{Plane}

3 variables, 2 equations:

Solution = wherever these two planes intersect (probably a line)



$$2x_1 + x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_3 = 8$$

$$x_1 + 0x_2 + 4x_3 = 6$$

a possible solution: $(2, 1\frac{1}{2}, 1)$

Pick $x_1 = 2$. Then $x_3 = 1$.

And then $x_2 = \frac{11}{2}$.

This means it's case 2: they intersect in a line.

i.e. if the planes intersect in one point, there are infinitely many solutions.

def For any linear system, the solution set (of all poss. soltns) is either an infinite set (line, plane), a single point (two lines intersecting), or there are no points in solution set.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{ex} \left[\begin{array}{l} x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 6 \\ 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 14 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = -2 \end{array} \right. \text{Linear system} \end{array}$$

3 eqns., 3 vars (3 diff. planes)

→ How can 3 planes intersect?

▷ 2 planes can intersect as a line, or not at all.

⇒ How to add 3rd plane?

→ How can you manipulate these eqns?

Substitution: $x_1 = 6 - 2x_2 - 3x_3$
Sub into others, eliminate x_1

$$(12 - 4x_2 - 6x_3) - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 14$$

$$(18 - 6x_2 - 9x_3) + x_2 - x_3 = -2$$

subst. and elim. performed.

Repeat! Well, first, simplify:

$$-7x_2 - 4x_3 = 2$$

$$-5x_2 - 10x_3 = -20$$

Now you can substitute again!
It doesn't matter which way
you substitute.

$$-7x_2 - 4x_3 = 2$$

$$\nabla x_2 + 2x_3 = 4$$

scaling eqn. by $-1/5$;
linear system unchanged

Substitute, solve for x_3 : plug into two
prior eqns. for x_2 : plug x_2, x_3 into
original 3-~~eqn.~~ eqn. system.

→ Last step: substitute x_3 to get x_2 , then x_1 . (Back-substitution)

These operations:

- 1) Replacement
- 2) Interchange ("doesn't matter")
- 3) Scaling (-1/5)