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Quiz Recap: ① linearly dependent means exists nontrivial linear combination = $\vec{0}$

② T or F

1) F

2 vectors don't always span \mathbb{R}^2

2) T



— nonparallel \neq independent (for $\mathbb{R}^n | n > 2$)

3) F



— don't span

4) F

5) True, need at least n vectors to span \mathbb{R}^n

Big Picture

① $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1m} & b_1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} & b_2 \end{array} \right]$ is consistent if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is in the span of $\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1m} \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$ (the columns)

② If it is consistent, then it has unique solution if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1m} \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$ are linearly independent

think: \vec{b} doesn't have to be $\vec{0}$ to do same prob. \rightarrow (no free vars, pivots in each)

Matrix Algebra

Def: Let A be a $m \times n$ matrix w/ cols. $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$

The product of A w/ $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is:

$$A\vec{x} = x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n$$

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$$m \left[\begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_n \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{matrix} \right] \left[\begin{matrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{matrix} \right]$$

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↑ This is a vector in \mathbb{R}^m

Upshot: $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ means a particular linear combination of the cols. of A is equal to b .

$$\text{Ex: } \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 32 \\ 50 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall: dot product of $1 \times n$ and $n \times 1$ vector:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \dots & a_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = a_1 b_1 + \dots + a_n b_n$$

→ Alternate way to do $A\vec{x}$:

Dot the rows of A w/ \vec{x}

$$\text{Ex: } \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot 2 + 6 \cdot 3 \\ 7 \cdot 1 + 8 \cdot 2 + 9 \cdot 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 32 \\ 50 \end{bmatrix}$$

Properties of Matrix-vector product:

- $A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A\vec{u} + A\vec{v}$ where A $m \times n$ matrix
 $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- $A(c\vec{u}) = cA\vec{u}$ $c \in \mathbb{R}$

Key Abstraction:

Solutions to $\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{cases}$

are the same as solutions to

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \quad , \quad \text{where } A = [a_{ij}] \quad \begin{matrix} i = \{1, \dots, m\} \\ j = \{1, \dots, n\} \end{matrix}$$

$$\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Ex: Solve } \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & 6 & -5 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 & 15 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{REF}} \dots \xrightarrow{\text{REF}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

↑
free

$$x_1 + x_3 = 0$$

$$x_2 - 2x_3 = 5$$

$$x_3 = x_3$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_3 \\ 2x_3 + 5 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$