

Linear Algebra

Week 1: System of linear equations

System of sentences

- **Complete**: there are as many equations as there are unknowns
e.g., (x, y, z) would have 3 equations
- **Redundant**: some equations don't provide new information

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y &= 5 \\ 4x + 2y &= 10 \end{aligned} \rightarrow \text{redundant}$$

- **Contradictory**: no solution, inconsistent equations

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 5 \\ x + y &= 6 \end{aligned} \rightarrow \text{no solution}$$

Singular

vs.

Non-Singular

- does not have a unique solution

- does have a unique solution

System of equations

complete
non-singular

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \quad \begin{cases} x + y = 10 \\ x + 2y = 12 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} -x - y = -10 \\ x + 2y = 12 \end{cases} \rightarrow y = 2 \rightarrow x + 2 = 10 \rightarrow x = 8 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{2} \quad \begin{cases} x + y = 10 \\ 2x + 2y = 20 \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{there is not enough information (Redundant)} \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{infinitely many solutions} \end{array}$$

redundant
singular

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{3} \quad \begin{cases} x + y = 10 \\ 2x + 2y = 24 \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{not possible to solve} \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{contradictory} \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{singular} \end{array}$$

What is a linear equation?

Linear

$$a + b = 10$$

$$2a + 3b = 15$$

$$3.4a + 48.99b + 2c = 122.5$$

Numbers
(scalars)

Non-linear

$$a^2 + b^2 = 10$$

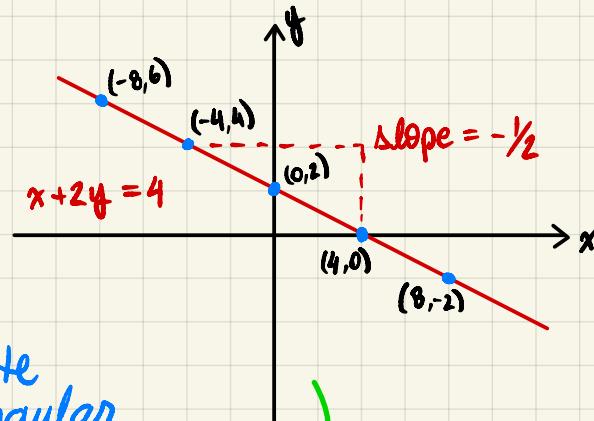
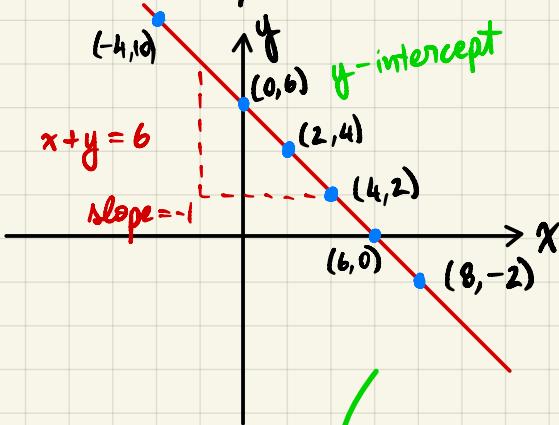
$$\sin(a) + b^5 = 15$$

$$2^a - 3^b = 0$$

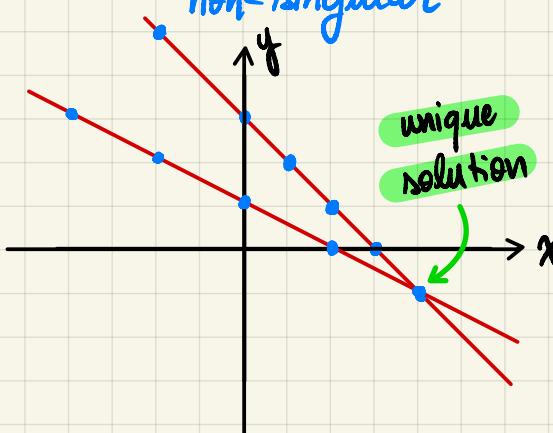
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System of equations as lines

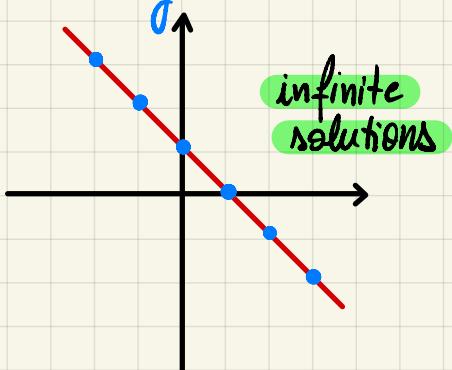
linear equation \rightarrow line



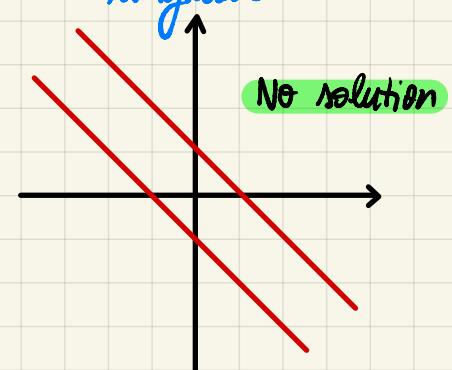
Complete non-singular



Redundant singular



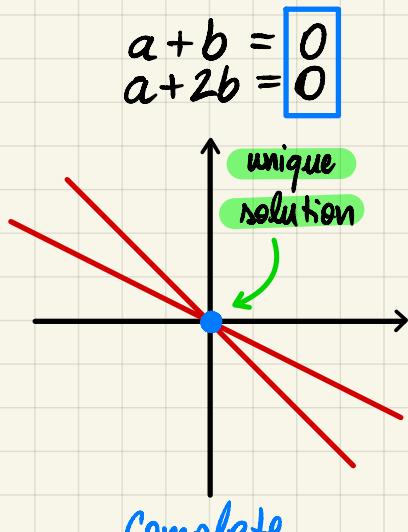
Contradictory singular



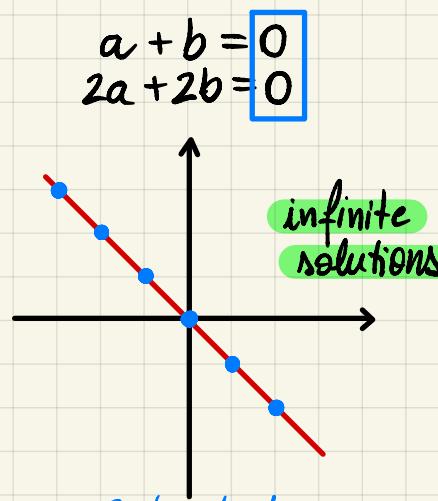
$$\begin{cases} 3a + 2b = 8 \\ 2a - b = 3 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 3a + 2b = 8 \\ 4a - 2b = 6 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 7a = 14 \\ a = 2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 3.2 + 2b = 8 \\ 2b = 2 \\ b = 1 \end{array}$$

Complete, non-singular

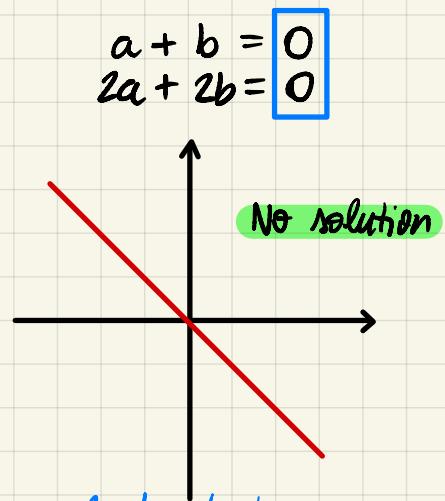
Geometric notion of singularity



Complete
non-singular



Redundant
singular



Contradictory
singular

- when the constants become zero the systems of linear equations pass through the origin
- constants don't determine singularity

System of equations as matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ a+2b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ 2a+2b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear dependence and independence

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ 2a+2b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

rows are
linearly dependent

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The determinant

A matrix is singular if:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad [a \ b] \cdot K = [c \ d]$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \begin{aligned} a \cdot K &= c \\ b \cdot K &= d \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{a}{c} = \frac{b}{d} = K$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad ad = bc$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad ad - bc = 0$$

E.g.,

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}$$

$$ad - bc = 0$$

$$1 \cdot 2 - 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

Determinant

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \cdot 2 - 2 \cdot 1 \\ 2 - 2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Determinant

- non-zero when matrix is non-singular
- zero when matrix is singular

Find the determinant of the following matrices:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 5 \cdot 3 - (-1 \cdot 1) \\ 15 + 1 = 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \cdot 3 - (-6 \cdot -1) \\ 6 - 6 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Practice Quiz

\textcircled{1}

$$\begin{aligned} 2b + 3m &= 15 \\ 2b + 4m &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

\textcircled{2}

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

\textcircled{3} Determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 3 = 2$$

non-singular

\textcircled{4} Linear independent

\textcircled{5} Solve the system of equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 3y &= 15 \\ 2x + 4y &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -2x - 3y &= -15 \\ 2x + 4y &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\cancel{y = 1}$$

$$2x + 3y = 15$$

$$2x + 3 = 15$$

$$2x = 12$$

$$\cancel{x = 6}$$

System of equations 3×3

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \begin{cases} a + b + c = 10 \\ a + 2b + c = 15 \\ a + b + 2c = 12 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} a = 3 \\ b = 5 \\ c = 2 \end{array}$$

Complete
non-singular

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \begin{cases} a + b + c = 10 \\ a + b + 2c = 15 \\ a + b + 3c = 18 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -a - b - c &= -10 \\ a + b + 2c &= 15 \\ \hline c &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a + b + 5 &= 10 \\ a + b &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a + b + 3c &= 18 \\ a + b + 15 &= 18 \\ a + b &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Contradictory
singular

No solutions!

\textcircled{3} subtract eq. 1 from eq. 3

$$\begin{aligned} -a - b - c &= -10 \\ a + b + 2c &= 12 \\ \hline 0 + 0 + c &= 2 \\ c &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

\textcircled{4} substitute b and c in the first eq. to solve for a

$$\begin{aligned} a + b + c &= 10 \\ a + 5 + 2 &= 10 \\ a &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Solve the following systems:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \begin{cases} a + b + c = 10 \\ a + b + 2c = 15 \\ a + b + 3c = 20 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -a - b - c &= -10 \\ a + b + 2c &= 15 \\ \hline c &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a + b + c &= 10 \\ a + b + 5 &= 10 \\ a + b &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

Infinitely many solutions

Redundant
singular

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \begin{cases} a + b + c = 10 \\ 2a + 2b + 2c = 20 \\ 3a + 3b + 3c = 30 \end{cases}$$

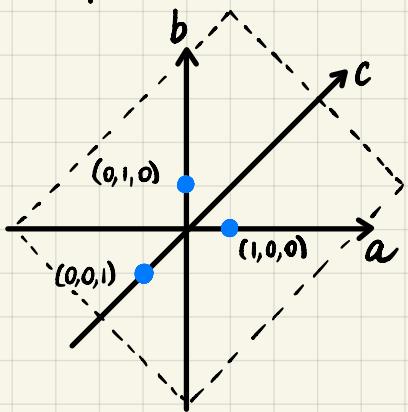
Infinite solutions

Redundant
singular

* constants don't matter
for singularity

System of equations as planes

linear equation in 3 variables \rightarrow plane



$$\begin{aligned} a+b+c &= 1 \\ 1+0+0 &= 1 \\ 0+1+0 &= 1 \\ 0+0+1 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Linear dependence and independence

$$\begin{array}{l} ① \quad \begin{array}{l} a = 1 \\ b = 2 \\ a+b = 3 \end{array} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} a + 0b + 0c = 1 \\ 0a + b + 0c = 2 \\ \hline a + b + 0c = 3 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{ Row } 1 + \text{Row } 2 = \text{Row } 3$$

Rows are linearly dependent

$$\begin{array}{l} ③ \quad \begin{array}{l} a + b + c = 0 \\ a + 2b + c = 0 \\ a + b + 2c = 0 \end{array} \end{array}$$

No relations between equations

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \text{ No relation between rows}$$

Rows are linearly independent

$$\begin{array}{l} ② \quad \begin{array}{l} a + b + c = 0 \\ a + b + 2c = 0 \\ a + b + 3c = 0 \end{array} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} a + b + c = 0 \\ a + b + 3c = 0 \\ \hline 2a + 2b + 4c = 0 \\ \downarrow 2 \\ a + b + 2c = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \text{ Average of Row 1 and 3 is Row 2}$$

Rows are linearly dependent

Quiz: determine if matrices are linearly dependent or independent

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a + 0b + c = 0$$

$$0a + b + 0c = 0$$

$$3a + 2b + 3c = 0$$

$$+ \begin{array}{l} 3a + 0 + 3c = 0 \\ 0 + 2b + 0 = 0 \\ \hline 3a + 2b + 3c = 0 \end{array}$$

Dependent

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a + b + c = 0$$

$$a + b + 2c = 0$$

$$0 + 0 - c = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} a + b + c = 0 \\ -a - b - 2c = 0 \\ \hline -c = 0 \end{array}$$

Dependent

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a + b + c = 0$$

$$0 + 2b + 2c = 0$$

$$0 + 0 + 3c = 0$$

Independent

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} a + 2b + 5c = 0 \\ 0 + 3b - 2c = 0 \\ 2a + 4b + 10c = 0 \end{array}$$

$$2(a + 2b + 5c) = 0$$

$$2a + 4b + 10c = 0 \leftarrow \text{Dependent}$$

Determinant 3×3

Diagonals in 3×3 matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$+1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2$ $+1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1$ $+1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1$

$$\text{Det} = 4 + 1 + 1 - 2 - 1 - 2$$

$$\text{Det} = 1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$-1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$ $-1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1$ $-1 \cdot 1 \cdot 2$

Find the determinant

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} +1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 + 0 \cdot 0 \cdot 3 + 0 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 = 3 \\ -3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 0 - 0 \cdot 0 \cdot 3 = -3 \\ = 3 - 3 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{singular}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} -1 + 0 + 0 = -1 \\ 0 - 0 + 1 = 1 \\ = -1 + 1 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{singular}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} 6 + 0 + 0 = 6 \\ 0 - 0 - 0 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{non-singular}$$

triangular matrix

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} 30 - 8 + 0 = 0 \\ -30 + 8 - 0 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{singular}$$

Quiz

①

$$\begin{aligned} 2b + m + 5c &= 20 \\ b + 2m + c &= 10 \\ 2b + m + 3c &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

②

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 20 \\ 10 \\ 15 \end{array} \right]$$

③ Determinant = ?

$$\text{Det} = \begin{cases} 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 5 = 12 + 2 + 5 = 19 \\ -2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 - 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 = -20 - 2 - 3 = -25 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Det} = 19 - 25 = -6 \text{ (non-singular)}$$

④ linearly (in)dependent?

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 2b + m + 5c = 0 \\ b + 2m + c = 0 \\ 2b + m + 3c = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{linearly independent}$$

⑤ solve the system of equations

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 2b + m + 5c = 20 \\ b + 2m + c = 10 \\ 2b + m + 3c = 15 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2b + m + 5c &= 20 \\ -2b - m - 3c &= -15 \\ 2c &= 5 \\ c &= 2.5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2b + m + 5c &= 20 \\ -2b - 4m - 5 &= -20 \\ -3m + 7.5 &= 0 \\ -3m &= -7.5 \\ m &= 2.5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2b + m + 5c &= 20 \\ 2b + 2.5 + 12.5 &= 20 \\ 2b &= 5 \\ b &= 2.5 \end{aligned}$$

⑥

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ x & y & z \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 3 \\ y &= 3 \\ z &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

⑦

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Det} = \begin{cases} +1 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \\ -1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 - 0 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Det} &= 10 + 4 + 0 \\ &\quad -6 - 8 - 0 \\ &\hline 4 - 4 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\text{Det} = 0$, singular

Week 1 summary

- linear equation = line
- a system of linear equations may have
 - unique (one) solution
 - infinitely many solutions
 - no solution
- line passes through the origin when the constant is zero
- Determinant finds the singularity of a matrix
 - non-zero when matrix is non-singular
 - zero when matrix is singular
- Singular vs. Non-singular
 - does not have a unique solution
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- System of equations
 - Complete: many equations = many unknowns
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