

Example



# Chapter 1

## Linear Equations in Linear Algebra

### 1.1 Systems of Linear Equations

**Definition 1.1.1.** A Linear Equation is the variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  is an equation that can be written in the form  $a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$  where  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  are real coefficient and  $b$  is a real number (and known)

**Definition 1.1.2.** A System of Linear Equations 
$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{cases}$$
 m number of equations, n number of unknowns (standard form) (first index row number, second index col number)

**Definition 1.1.3.** A solution of the system is a list  $(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n)$  of numbers that makes each equation a true statement when the values are substituted for  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$

**Definition 1.1.4.** Solution Set is the set of all possible solutions

Geometric Interpretations Example) Find the Solution set of the system

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad & \begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 = 5 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 = 7 \end{cases} \\ \text{(b)} \quad & \begin{cases} x_1 - 2x_2 = 4 \\ -2x_1 + 4x_2 = -8 \end{cases} \\ \text{(c)} \quad & \begin{cases} x_1 + 3x_2 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + 6x_2 = 5 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 1.1.5.** A linear system is consistent if it has either one solution or infinitely many solutions

**Definition 1.1.6.** Matrix of Coefficients 
$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Definition 1.1.7.** Augmented Matrix of the System

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} & b_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{array} \right]$$

## 1.2 Row Reduction and Echelon Forms

**Definition 1.2.1.** A leading of a row in a matrix is the left most non-zero entry

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$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & 0 & \textcircled{7} & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ \textcircled{2} & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{-2} & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

**Definition 1.2.2.** A rectangular matrix is in echelon form if it has the following three properties:

1. All non-zero rows are above any zero rows.
2. Each leading entry of a row is in a column to the right of the leading entry above it.
3. All entries in a column below a leading entry are zero.

## 1.3 Vector Equations

**Definition 1.3.1.** Vectors

In  $R^2$ ,  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ , in  $R^3$ ,  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix}$ , in  $R^n$ ,  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$

**Definition 1.3.2.** Alebraic Operations of Vectors.

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Addition:  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n + v_n \end{bmatrix}$

Multipy by Scaler:  $c \in Rc \quad \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} cv_1 \\ cv_2 \\ \vdots \\ cv_n \end{bmatrix}$

**Definition 1.3.3.** Linear Combination of Vectors

$\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_p$  vectors in  $R^n$

$c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$  scalars

Linear Combination:  $c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\vec{v}_n$

**Definition 1.3.4.** Vector Form of a System of Linear Equations

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$$\text{Standard Form: } \begin{cases} 2x_1 + 3x_2 - 4x_3 = 5 \\ x_1 + 2x_3 = 1 \\ x_2 - x_3 = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Augmented Matrix: } \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & -4 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Vector Form: } \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_1 + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$