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- ② Solving linear systems of equations

Ex:

$$\begin{cases} 5x + 7y = 10 \\ -3x + 11y = 18 \end{cases}$$

2x2 linear system
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 # equations = # variables

$$\begin{cases} x + y + z + w = 10 \\ 2x + 3y - w = 12 \\ 5x - y + 3z - w = 9 \end{cases}$$

3x4 linear system

linear equations = first order equations

Solution techniques:

- substitution methods
- elimination methods

(1) Substitution

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & 5x + 7y = 10 \\ (2) \quad & -3x + 11y = 18 \end{aligned}$$

Solution: $(x, y) = \left(-\frac{4}{19}, \frac{30}{19}\right)$

$$(1) \quad \frac{5x}{5} = \frac{10 - 7y}{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2 - \frac{7}{5}y \\ &= 2 - \frac{7}{5} \cdot \frac{30}{19} = 2 - \frac{42}{19} \\ &= \frac{38 - 42}{19} = -\frac{4}{19} \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \quad -3\left(2 - \frac{7}{5}y\right) + 11y = 18 \quad | \cdot 5$$

$$-30 + 21y + 55y = 90$$

$$\frac{76y}{76} = \frac{120}{76} \quad y = \frac{120}{76} = \frac{30}{19}$$

(2) Elimination:

$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 7y &= 10 & 1 \cdot 3 \\ -3x + 11y &= 18 & 1 \cdot 5 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} 15x + 21y &= 30 \\ -15x + 55y &= 90 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} 15x + 21y &= 30 \\ 76y &= 120 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{120}{76} = \frac{60}{38} = \frac{30}{19} \\ 15x + 21\left(\frac{30}{19}\right) &= 30 \\ 15x &= 30 - \frac{21 \cdot 30}{19} \\ x &= 2 - \frac{21 \cdot 30}{19 \cdot 15} \\ &= \frac{38}{19} - \frac{42}{19} = \frac{-4}{19} \end{aligned}$$

- ③ Key method: Gaussian elimination
 \Rightarrow general method for solving any linear system

Ex:

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 1 \\ x + 2y + 4z &= 3 \\ x + 3y + 9z &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

3x3 linear system
in std. form.

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$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & 7 \end{array} \right)^{-1}$$

augmented matrix of the linear system

(-1 -1 -1 | -1)

want to set 0 in these positions
= under the pivot

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & 7 \end{array} \right)^{-1}$$

- (b) Use elementary row operations on the augmented matrix until we have an echelon form

Elementary row operations:

- i) switch two rows
- ii) multiply a row with a number $c \neq 0$
- iii) add a multiple of one row to another row

E.R.O. don't change the solutions of the system

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 8 & 6 \end{array} \right)^{-2}$$

want to get zero

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

echelon form

Defn:

pivot = first non-zero number in a given row

echelon form: a matrix such that:

- i) all zero rows are in the bottom of the matrix
- ii) each pivot is further to the right than the pivots in the rows above.

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & & & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{2} & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

echelon form

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{x} + y + z &= 1 \\ \underline{y} + 3z &= 2 \\ \underline{2z} &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Back substitution:

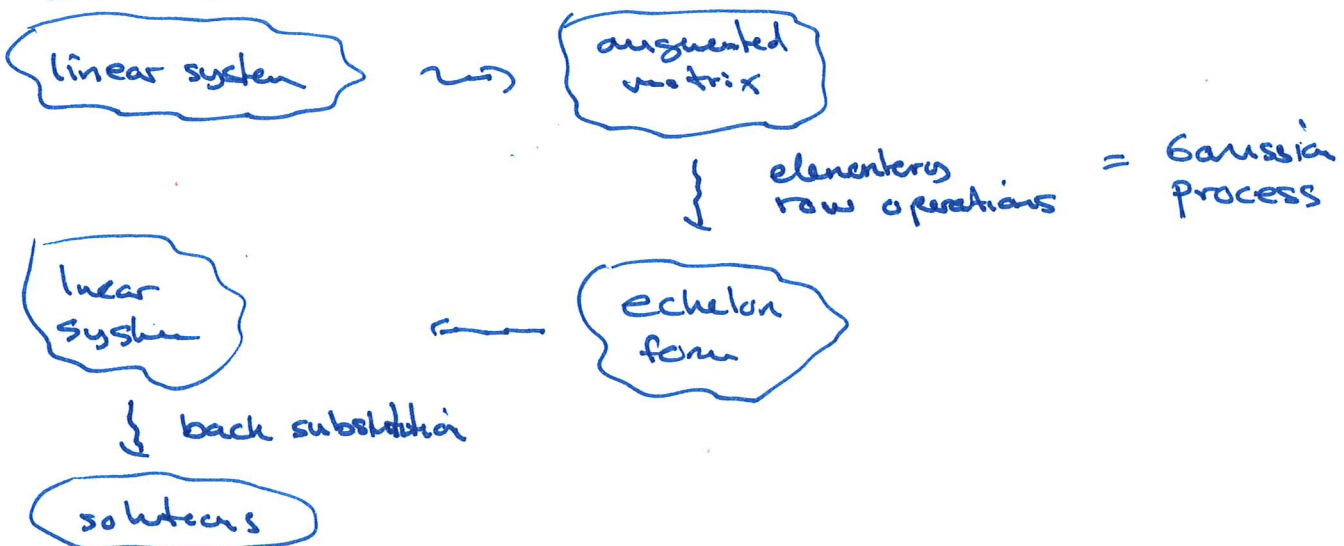
$$2z = 2 \quad \underline{z = 1}$$

$$y + 3z = 2 \quad y = 2 - 3z \\ = 2 - 3 \cdot 1 = \underline{-1}$$

$$x + y + z = 1 \quad x = 1 - y - z \\ = 1 - (-1) - 1 = \underline{1}$$

One solution $(x, y, z) = \underline{\underline{(1, -1, 1)}}$

Overview: Gaussian elimination



Note: - starting from any matrix, you can always get to an echelon form using elementary row operations
- but the echelon form is not unique

EX:

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{2} & 2 \end{array} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \uparrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \\ -3 \\ -3 \end{array}$$

echelon form

$$\rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \uparrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{array} \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \uparrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \uparrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{array}$$

reduced echelon form

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echelon form such that

- (3) all pivots are 1
- (4) all ~~pivots~~ entries over a pivot are 0

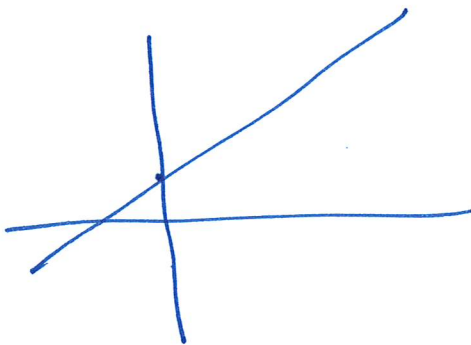
Gauss-Jordan elimination

note: the reduced echelon form is unique

Geometric picture:Linear eqn: $a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$ $n=2$: $ax + by = c$ straight line in \mathbb{R}^2 $b \neq 0$

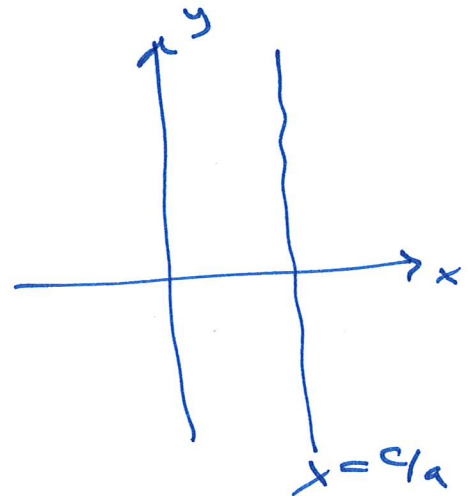
$$\frac{by}{b} = \frac{c - ax}{b}$$

$$y = \frac{c}{b} - \frac{a}{b} \cdot x$$

slope: $-a/b$ y-intercept: c/b  $b = 0$

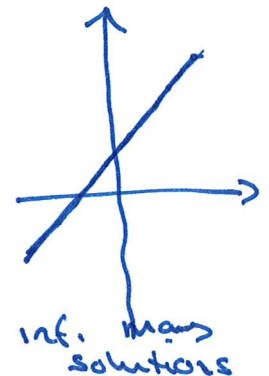
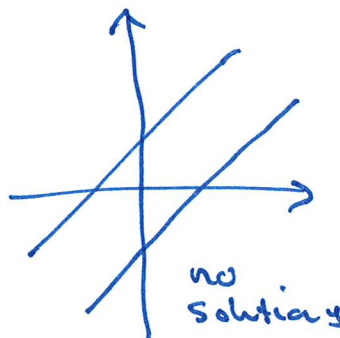
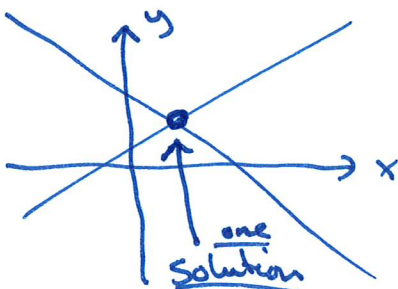
$$ax = c$$

$$x = c/a \quad (a \neq 0)$$

Ex: 2×2 linear system

$$5x + 3y = 12$$

$$-x + 7y = 10$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex: } x + y + 4z - w &= 7 \\ 2x - y + z + 4w &= 3 \\ x + 4y + 11z - 7w &= 18 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 4 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 11 & -7 & 18 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \downarrow -2 \\ \downarrow -1 \end{array}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 4 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & -3 & -7 & 6 & -11 \\ 0 & 3 & 7 & -6 & 11 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ \downarrow + \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} x & y & z & w & \\ \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 4 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & -3 & -7 & 6 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

echelon form

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + 4z - w &= 7 \\ -3y - 7z + 6w &= -11 \\ \hline 0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

z, w : free variables
(no pivots in z - or w -
column of echelon form)

x, y : basic variables
(which we can solve for)

Solutions:

$$(x, y, z, w) = \left(\frac{10}{3} - \frac{5}{3}z - w, \frac{11}{3} - \frac{7}{3}z + 2w, z, w \right)$$

where z, w are free
 \Rightarrow infinitely many solutions

$$\frac{-3y}{-3} = \frac{-11 + 7z - 6w}{-3}$$

$$y = \frac{11}{3} - \frac{7}{3}z + 2w$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 7 - y - 4z + w \\ &= 7 - 4z + w - \left(\frac{11}{3} - \frac{7}{3}z + 2w \right) \\ &= \frac{10}{3} - \frac{5}{3}z - w \end{aligned}$$

Ex: $x + 2y - z = 7$
 $2x - y + 3z = 11$
 $x + 2y - 6z = 9$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 11 \\ 1 & 2 & -6 & 9 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \left[\begin{array}{l} -2 \\ -1 \end{array} \right] \\ \\ \left[\begin{array}{l} -1 \\ -1 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & \textcircled{-5} & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & -5 & 2 \end{array} \right) \left[\begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \left[\begin{array}{l} -1 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & \textcircled{-5} & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{-1} \end{array} \right)$$

echelon form

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y - z &= 7 \\ -5y + 5z &= -3 \\ 0 &= -1 \quad \text{impossible} \end{aligned}$$

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no solutions

Result:

We consider any $m \times n$ linear system. Then we have:

i) there are no solutions \iff there is a pivot position in the last column.

ii) we say that a variable is basic if there is a pivot position in the corresponding column, and free otherwise

there is one unique solution \iff all variables are basic

there are infinitely many solutions \iff there is at least one free variable

$$\begin{aligned} \# \text{ degrees of freedom} &= \# \text{ free variables} \\ &= n - \# \text{ pivot positions} \end{aligned}$$

In particular, any linear system has either no solutions, one solution, or infinitely many solutions.

cannot have:

Reason: ~~the~~ solution of a linear equation ~~$a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$~~

$$a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$$

never curves

$n=3$: a plane

$n>3$: a hyperplane