

# LECTURE 3

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## REVIEW OF LECTURE 2:

- Matrices and matrix operations, matrix laws  
    { addition / subtraction, scalar multiplication,  
    multiplication, transpose, inverse  
    determinants

### Rank and minors:

Reformulation of rank:  $\text{rk } A = \begin{cases} \text{maximal order of a non-zero} \\ \text{minor in } A \end{cases}$

Ex:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$2 \times 2$

Minor of order 2:  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot 1 - 3 \cdot 2 = -5 \neq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{rk } A = \underline{\underline{2}}$

Fact:

If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$ -matrix, then  $\begin{cases} \text{rk } A = n & \text{if } |A| \neq 0 \\ \text{rk } A < n & \text{if } |A| = 0 \end{cases}$

Ex:

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

$2 \times 3$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -5 \neq 0$$
$$\Rightarrow \text{rk } A = \underline{\underline{2}}$$

Interpretation of  
matrix as  
augmented matrix:

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{rk augmented matrix} = 2 \\ \text{rk coefficient matrix} = 2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{one} \\ \text{unique} \\ \text{solution.}$

Ex 1

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} x & y & z \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

3x4

$$\text{rk } A = ?$$

$$\text{Minor of order 3: } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

All 3-minors are 0.

$$\text{Minor of order 2: } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 4 = -1 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{rk } A = \underline{\underline{2}}$$

Interpretation as an augmented matrix:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{rk augmented matrix} = 2 \\ \text{rk coefficient matrix} = 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  There are infinitely many solutions, one degree of freedom:  $3 - 2 = 1$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ n = & \text{rank} \\ \# \text{ variables} & \end{array}$$

\* Equation 3 is superfluous (unnecessary)

(follows from the other equations)

\* Variable  $z = z$  is free

$$\begin{array}{l} x + 2y + 3z = 4 \\ 2x + 3y - z = 5 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x + 2y = 4 - 3z \\ 2x + 3y = 5 + z \end{array} \Rightarrow \text{Solve for } x \text{ and } y.$$

$$-2 \cdot \text{I} + \text{II}: \quad -y = -3 + 7z$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \underline{\underline{3 - 7z}}$$

$$x + 2y = x + 2(3 - 7z) = 4 - 3z$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 4 - 3z - 6 + 14z \\ &= \underline{\underline{-2 + 11z}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\text{Solution:}}} \quad \begin{cases} x = -2 + 11z \\ y = 3 - 7z \\ z = \text{free} \end{cases}$$

Fact:  $\text{rk } A = \text{rk } A^T$

# Plan for LECTURE 3:

- ① Vectors
- ② Linear independence
- ③ Rank and linear independence

} [FMEA] 1.1-1.3

## ① Vectors

A column vector is an  $m \times 1$ -matrix; i.e. a matrix with one column. It is also called an  $m$ -vector. The collection of all  $m$ -vectors is written

$\mathbb{R}^m$ .

Ex:

$$\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

2-vector                  3-vector

Note: We write  
 small letter for numbers - a  
 capital letter for matrices - A  
 bold face / underlined letters  
 for vectors - a

We compute with vectors using matrix algebra - since vectors are special cases of matrices:

Ex:

$$2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}}}$$

addition  
 subtraction  
 scalar mult. } are defined for vectors

Vectors can be interpreted geometrically. An  $m$ -vector  $\underline{v}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  has the form

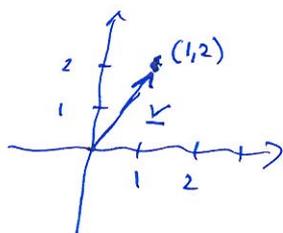
$$\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_m \end{pmatrix}$$

and we interpret this vector as the directed line segment from the origin  $(0,0,\dots,0)$  to the point  $(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m)$  in an  $m$ -dimensional coordinate system:

Ex:

$$\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2-vector



vector = displacement

} Addition and scalar multiplication of vectors can be interpreted geometrically

### Parallelogram rule for addition of two vectors:

If  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are represented as points in the plane, then  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  corresponds to the fourth vertex of the parallelogram

whose other vertices are  $\mathbf{0}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ . (Note that  $\mathbf{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .)

**EXAMPLE:** Let  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Graphs of  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  are given below:

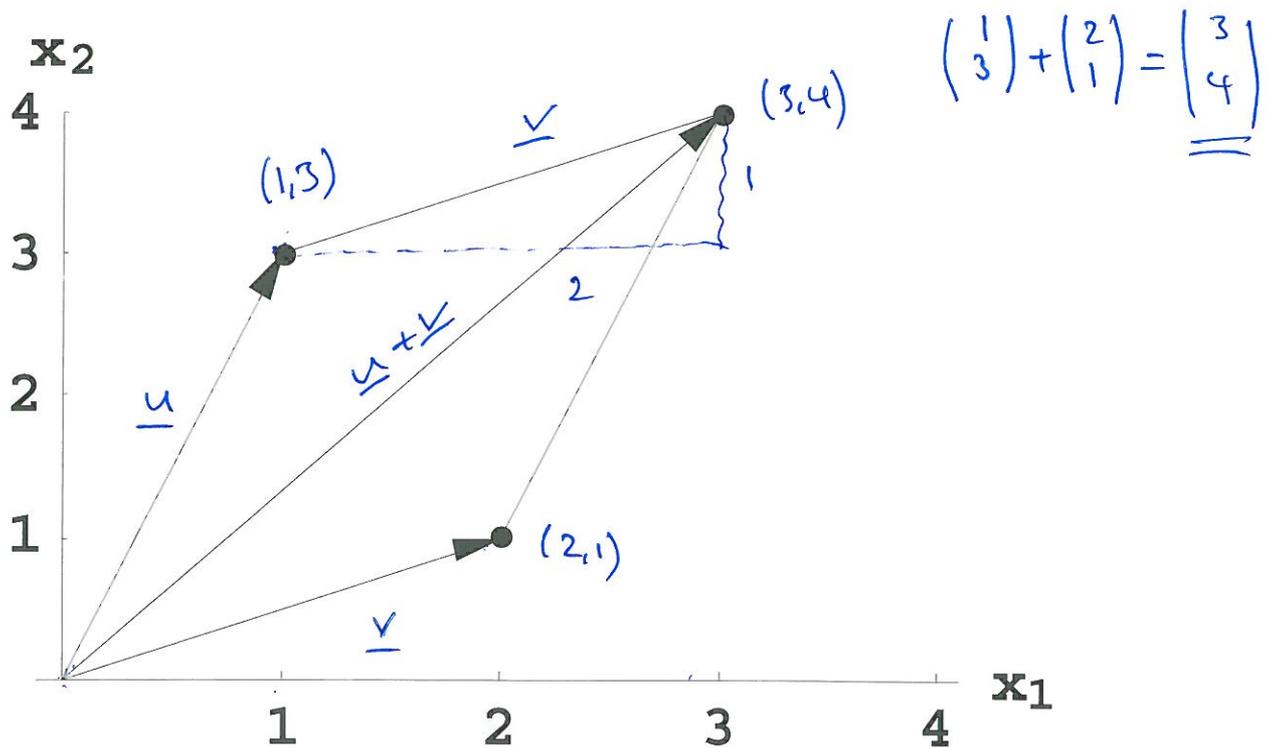
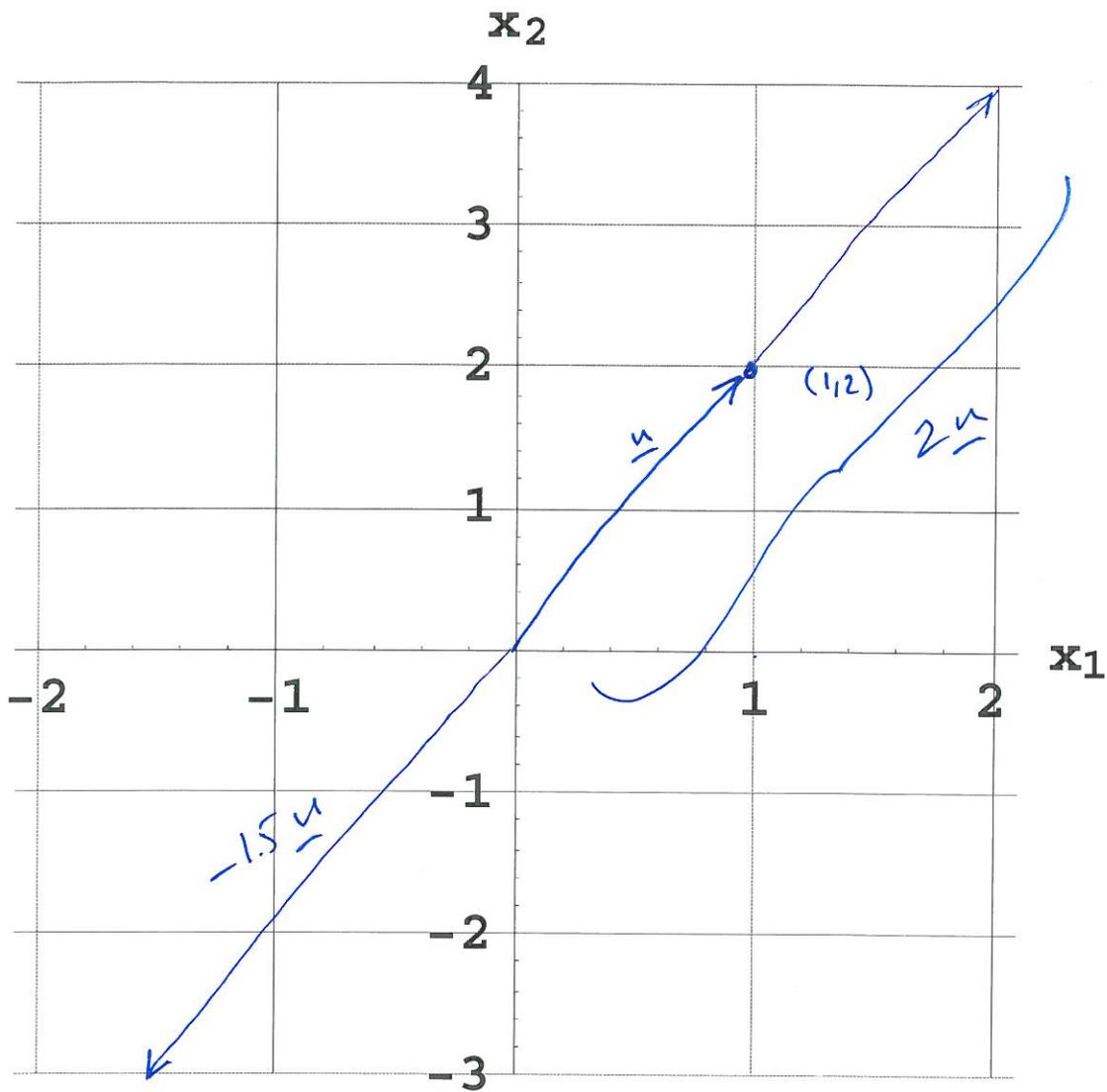


Illustration of the Parallelogram Rule

**EXAMPLE:** Let  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Express  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $2\mathbf{u}$ , and  $\frac{-3}{2}\mathbf{u}$  on a graph.

$$2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$



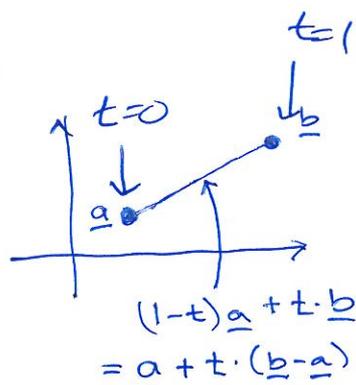
$$-1.5 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1.5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Line and line segments

Let  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  be two points in  $m$ -dimensional space  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .  
 The line segment from  $\underline{a}$  to  $\underline{b}$  is the collection of points

$$[\underline{a}, \underline{b}] = \left\{ (1-t) \cdot \underline{a} + t \cdot \underline{b} \mid t \in [0, 1] \right\}$$

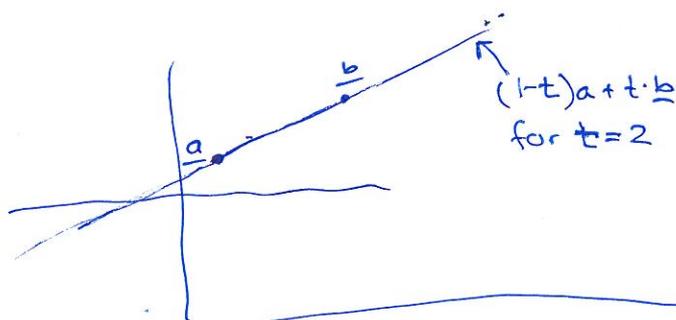
= { all the points that can be  
 written on the form  
 $(1-t) \underline{a} + t \underline{b}$   
 with  $t \in [0, 1]$  }



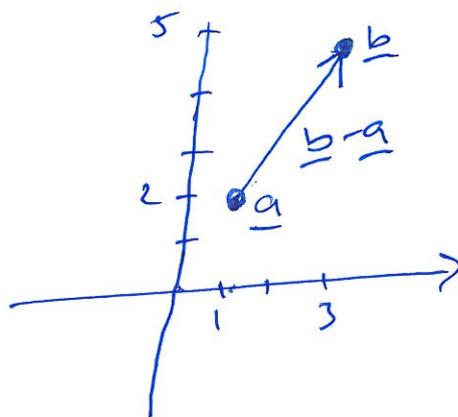
The line through  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  are all the  
 points that can be written

$$(1-t) \cdot \underline{a} + t \cdot \underline{b}$$

for any number  $t$ .



Ex:  $\underline{a} = (1, 2)$   
 $\underline{b} = (3, 5)$



$$\underline{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{b} - \underline{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}}}$$

$$[\underline{a}, \underline{b}] = \left\{ \underline{a} + t \cdot (\underline{b} - \underline{a}) \mid \text{for } t \in [0, 1] \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \underline{a} \cdot (1-t) + \underline{b} \cdot t \mid t \in [0, 1] \right\}$$

$\left( \begin{matrix} t=0: & \underline{a} \\ t=1: & \underline{b} \end{matrix} \right)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot (1-t) + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot t = \begin{pmatrix} 1-t + 3t \\ 2(1-t) + 5t \end{pmatrix} = \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 2t+1 \\ 3t+2 \end{pmatrix}}}, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

## Linear combinations of vectors:

Let  $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3, \dots, \underline{v}_n$  be a collection of  $m$ -vectors.

A linear combination of these vectors is an expression

$$c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n$$

Where  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$  are numbers. A vector  $\underline{w}$  is a linear combination of  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$  if there are numbers  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$  such that

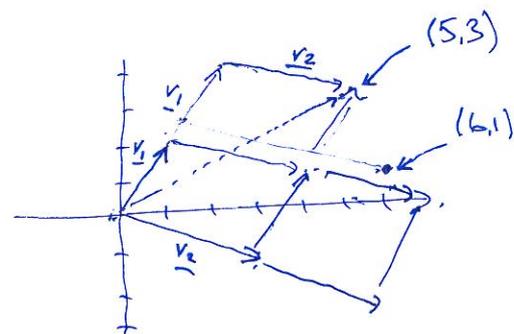
$$c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n = \underline{w}$$

Ex:  $\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$      $\underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  is a linear combination of  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2\}$  since

$$2\underline{v}_1 + \underline{v}_2 = 2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$c_1=2$                        $c_2=1$



b) Is  $\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  a linear combination of  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2\}$ ?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

vector equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ 2x_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3x_2 \\ -x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + 3x_2 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$6 = x_1 + 3x_2$$

$$1 = 2x_1 - x_2$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 3x_2 = 6 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

linear system

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_1 + 3x_2 &= 6 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 &= 1 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{-2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & -7 & -11 \end{array} \right)$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 = 6$$

$$-7x_2 = -11 \quad x_2 = \underline{\underline{11/7}}$$

$$x_1 + 3 \cdot (11/7) = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x_1 &= 6 - 33/7 \\ &= \underline{\underline{9/7}} \end{aligned}$$

Solution:  $x_1 = 9/7, x_2 = 11/7$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So  $\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is a linear combination  
of  $\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

vector  
equation



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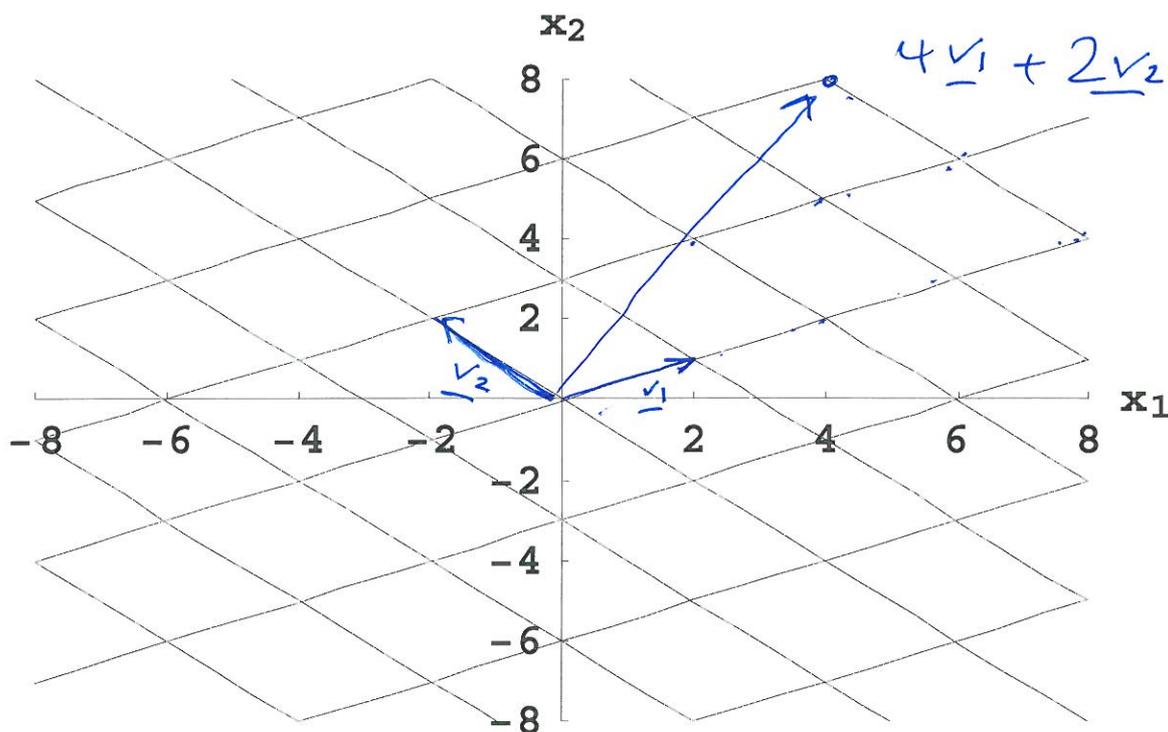


matrix  
equation

$$A \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

**EXAMPLE:** Let  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Express each of the following as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$ :

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$



All 2-vectors are linear combinations of  $\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} ? \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -? \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} ? \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{has a solution for all } b_1, b_2$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x_1 - 2x_2 = b_1 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 = b_2 \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{cc} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{array} \right| = 2 \cdot 2 - 1 \cdot (-2) = 4 + 2 = 6 \neq 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

## ② Linear independence

Let  $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3, \dots, \underline{v}_n$  be  $m$ -vectors.

We say that  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$  is

(a) linearly dependant

if at least one of the vectors can be expressed as a linear combination of the others

(b) linearly independent

if none of the vectors can be written as a linear combination of the others.

Ex:  $\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \underline{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  Are  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$  linearly independent?

$$\text{lin. dep.} \begin{cases} \underline{v}_1 = x \cdot \underline{v}_2 + y \cdot \underline{v}_3 & \Leftrightarrow 1 \cdot \underline{v}_1 - x \cdot \underline{v}_2 - y \cdot \underline{v}_3 = \underline{0} \\ \text{or} \\ \underline{v}_2 = x \cdot \underline{v}_1 + y \cdot \underline{v}_3 & \Leftrightarrow -x \underline{v}_1 + \underline{v}_2 - y \underline{v}_3 = \underline{0} \\ \text{or} \\ \underline{v}_3 = x \cdot \underline{v}_1 + y \cdot \underline{v}_2 & \Leftrightarrow -x \underline{v}_1 - y \underline{v}_2 + \underline{v}_3 = \underline{0} \end{cases}$$

$\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$  are linearly dependant if and only if there is a solution to the vector equation

$$x \cdot \underline{v}_1 + y \underline{v}_2 + z \underline{v}_3 = \underline{0}$$

different from  $(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0)$ .

In the example:

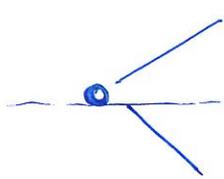
$$x_1 \underline{v}_1 + x_2 \underline{v}_2 + x_3 \underline{v}_3 = \underline{0}$$

$$x_1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

homogeneous linear system (See Ch. 3.3 of [LS6E])

Possibilities for solutions:

	unique solution	$(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0)$ trivial solution	linearly independent
	infinitely many solutions	$(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0)$ and many others	linearly dependent

Solution:

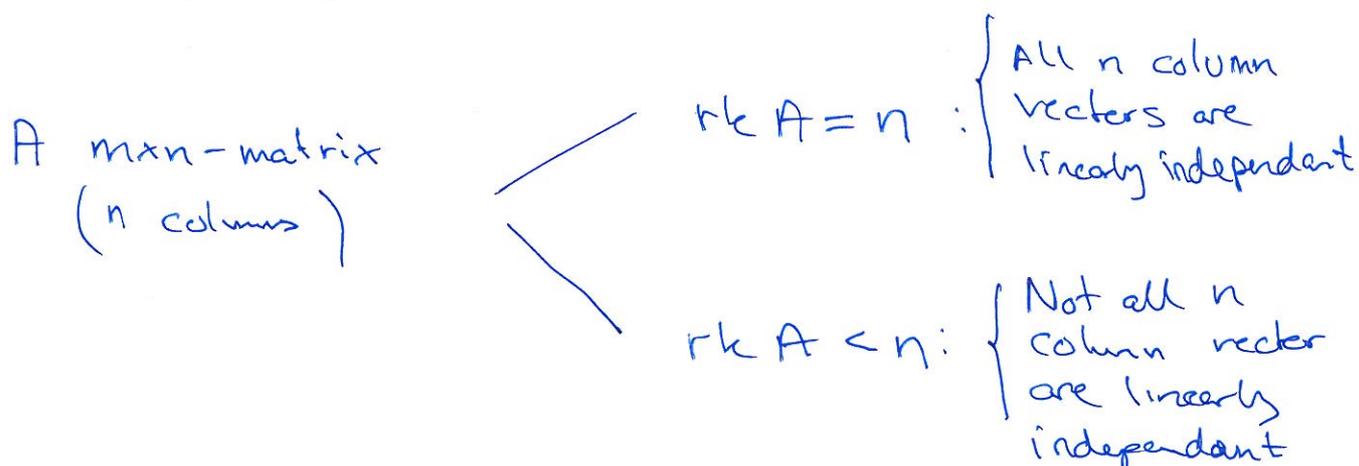
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = -6 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{(no free vars)} \\ \Rightarrow \text{unique solution } (x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0) \\ \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} \text{ linearly independent}}}}$$



### ③ Rank and linearly independent vectors

#### Reformulation of rank:

The rank of a matrix is equal to the maximal number of linearly independent column vectors in the matrix.



Ex:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 & 8 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \underline{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \underline{v}_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \right.$$

3x4-matrix

$\text{rk } A = 4$  ?  $\rightarrow$  Linearly independent  
 $\text{rk } A < 4$  ?  $\rightarrow$  Linearly dependent

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 7 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 9 + 11 = 20 \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow \text{rk } A = 3 \Rightarrow x_4$  free  $\Rightarrow$  the vectors are lin. dependent  $\{ \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3, \underline{v}_4 \}$

But:  $\{ \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3 \}$  are linearly independent.

## Conclusion:

The rank  $\text{rk}(A)$  of an  $m \times n$ -matrix does not just tell us if the column vectors in  $A$ ,

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \underline{v}_1 & \underline{v}_2 & \dots & \underline{v}_n \end{array} \right)$$

are linearly independent. If  $\text{rk} A < n$ , then the pivot columns tells us how to pick a maximal subset of  $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$  of linearly independent vectors:

$$\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \underline{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \underline{v}_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 & 8 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\text{rk} A = 3$  since

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 20 \neq 0$$

$\Downarrow$

pivot columns =  
column 1, 2, 3

$\Rightarrow \{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3, \underline{v}_4\}$  linearly dependent

$\Rightarrow \{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$  linearly independent