

## Topic 1: Linear Algebra

### LINEAR SYSTEM

A set of simultaneous equations in which each variables occur to the power of 1.

No XY;  $X^2$ ;  $\sin(x)$

Example:  $2x + y = 5 \leftarrow$  describes a line

Solution set of  $x=t$ ;  $y=5-2t$ , parameter  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

Can also be written as :

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 5 - 2t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

### TYPES OF 2 INTERSECTING LINES

- Non- intersecting and parallel (If this is the case, the system is inconsistent)
- Unique Intersection (System is consistent, there is an intersection point)
- Non-unique Intersection (System is consistent, there is an intersection point)

### EQUATION

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_{m2} + \dots + a_{mn}x_n &= b_m \end{aligned}$$

Can be written as

$$Ax = b$$

where A is  $m \times n$  matrix

M is no. of rows (equations)

N is no. of columns (unknowns)

Put the above in augmented form  $[A|b]$

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

### RULES FOR ELEMENTARY ROW OPERATIONS (APPLIED TO AUGMENTED MATRIX)

1. Multiply row by a non-zero constant
2. Swap 2 rows
3. Add subtract multiple of 1 row to another

Ex:  $x + y + z = 2$

$$2x + y = 4$$

$$x - y - z = 0$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R2 \rightarrow R2 - 2R1 \\ R3 \rightarrow R3 - R1 \end{array} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & -2 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R2 \rightarrow -R2 \\ R3 \rightarrow R3 + R2 \end{array} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

Becomes easy to solve as it's in triangular form. Called row echelon form.

### Qualifications of Row Echelon Form:

1. The first non-zero number ("leading entry") in each non-zero row is 1, called a leading 1
2. Lower leading 1s appear to the right of the higher leading 1s (step formation)
3. All zero rows appear at the bottom of the matrix (entries below steps are 0)

### Reduced Row Echelon Form

4. A column with a leading 1 consists of 0s everywhere else. The number of leading 1s in row echelon form is the RANK. Row echelon form of a matrix is not unique (lots of solutions) but rank is well defined.

## GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION

- STEP 1: Interchange rows  $\rightarrow$  so top of first column has a non-zero entry  
 STEP 2: Multiply first row by  $\neq 0$  number  $\rightarrow$  so first non-zero term = 1 (leading 1)  
 STEP 3: Add multiple of top rows to lower rows  $\rightarrow$  entry below leading 1 = 0  
 STEP 4: Repeat steps for all rows

### ADDITIONAL STEP TO GET RREF (GAUSS-JORDAN ELIMINATION)

STEP 5: For each leading 1, add multiple of below rows to make entry above each leading 1 = 0

{Tips: Better to work backwards}

$$\text{RANK} + \text{\#PARAMETERS} = \text{\#UNKNOWN} + \text{\#COLUMNS}$$

## HOMOGENEOUS EQUATIONS $\rightarrow$ HAVE SOLUTION

- $Ax = 0$  is a unique solution if  $\text{rank } A = n$  ( $m \times n$  matrix)
- Infinitely many solutions if  $\text{rank } A < n$
- Rank is the number of non-zero rows in the row echelon form

## INHOMOGENEOUS EQUATIONS $\rightarrow$ NO SOLUTION

- $\text{Rank } A < \text{Rank } B$  [ $A|b$ ]

### IDEA OF PROOF

- If  $B = \text{RREF of } A$  ;  $Ax = 0$  has the same solution set as  $Bx = 0$
- If  $\text{Rank } A = n = \text{\# of columns in } A$  ; The RREF will have 1 leading entry in each column.  $\rightarrow$  Meaning: Have unique solution
- If  $\text{Rank } B < n$  ( $\text{\# of columns in } B$ ) ; There will be columns with no leading entry.  $\rightarrow$  Meaning: Presence of Parameters (  $\text{\# of unknowns}$ ) can solve uniquely for other parameters in terms of unknown. Have infinite solutions.

## PROPERTIES OF SCALAR MULTIPLICATION

$$(a + b)C = aC + bC$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are scalars and  $c$  is the matrix

$$a(B + C) = aB + aC$$

$$a(bC) = (ab)C$$

Trace of square matrix is the sum of elements on the main diagonal

## PROPERTIES OF MATRIX ADDITION

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C \dots\dots\dots \text{Associative Law}$$

$$(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$$

Example: Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Calculate  $AB$  and  $BA$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1(4) & 1(3) \\ 2(4) & 2(3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 8 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 4(1) & 3(2) \\ 2(1) & 1(3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Same Trace!  $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$