

Math 2250-4
Friday 2/4

§3.1-3.2
Linear systems

- Do examples on pages 3, 5 Wed. notes.
Keep in mind the general set-up below:

Linear system of m equations in n unknowns:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array} \right\} \text{LS}$$

Goal: find all (unknown) solution vectors $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ (for which all m eqns hold simultaneously)

the collection of these solutions is called
the solution set

The rectangle of coefficients

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

is called the coefficient matrix A

If we adjoin the right-hand side vector:

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

this is the augmented matrix $A|\vec{b}$

We may do the following
equation operations without changing
the solution set:

- ① Interchange 2 eqns
- ② multiply an eqn by a non-zero constant
- ③ replace an eqn by its sum with any multiple of another eqn

[we can combine several of these into a single step, e.g. replace an eqn with the sum of a non-zero mult of it, and ...]

HW for Fri Feb. 11

3.1 1, (4, 11, 16, 17, 19, 23, 29, 32) 33, 34

3.2 7, (8, 9) 13, (17) 29, 30

3.3 (13, 20, 33, 39)

3.4 (3, 5, 7, 10, 13, 19, 31) 32, (34, 39, 40) 44

do the problems above by hand,
but I encourage software
checks (e.g. Maple, Matlab, etc.)
hand in technology checks for

3.3 (20)
3.4 (13)

①

Example 5 p. 164, illustrating Gaussian elimination for a big system)

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 + x_5 &= 10 \\ 2x_1 - 4x_2 + 8x_3 + 3x_4 + 10x_5 &= 7 \\ 3x_1 - 6x_2 + 10x_3 + 6x_4 + 5x_5 &= 27\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 2 & -4 & 8 & 3 & 10 & 7 \\ 3 & -6 & 10 & 6 & 5 & 27 \end{array} \\ \hline -2R_1 + R_2 \quad \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 8 & -13 \\ 3 & -6 & 10 & 6 & 5 & 27 \end{array} \\ -3R_1 + R_3 \quad \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 8 & -13 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \end{array} \\ \hline R_3 \quad \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 8 & -13 \end{array} \\ R_2 \quad \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 8 & -13 \end{array} \\ \hline -2R_2 + R_3 \quad \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 4 & -7 \end{array} \\ \hline -R_2 \quad \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 4 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \end{array} \end{array}$$

at this point we can backsolve to find soln:

$$\begin{aligned}x_5 &= t \\ x_4 &= 7 + 4t \\ x_3 &= -3 - 2t \\ x_2 &= s \\ x_1 &= 10 - t - 2(7 + 4t) - 3(-3 - 2t) + 2s \\ &= 5 + t(-3) + s(2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 7 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

row echelon form

- ① all "zero rows" (having all 0's) lie beneath all "non-zero rows"
- ② the leading non-zero entry in each non-zero row lies strictly to the right of the leading non-zero entry in the previous row.

or proceed to reduced row-echelon form, by cleaning from the bottom right, moving up & to the left

$$\begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 & 7 \end{array} \\ \hline 2R_3 + R_1 \quad \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 & 7 \end{array} \\ \hline 3R_3 + R_1 \quad \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 & 7 \end{array} \end{array}$$

reduced row echelon form ①, ② and

- ③ each leading non-zero entry is a 1 (called a "leading 1")
- ④ Every column with a leading 1 has zeroes everywhere else, i.e. above as well as below

now, backsolving is easier!

$$\begin{aligned}x_5 &= t \\ x_4 &= 7 + 4t \\ x_3 &= -3 - 2t \\ x_2 &= s \\ x_1 &= 5 - 3t + 2s\end{aligned}$$

same ans!

With Gaussian elimination we can reduce any matrix to its r.r.e.f.