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Recap: Vectors in \mathbb{R}^n \longleftarrow $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$

Equality of two matrices

Addition: $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$

Scalar multiplication $c\vec{u}$

zero vector $\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

A linear combination of $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_p \vec{v}_p$$

Def: $\text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\} = \{\text{all linear combinations of } \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$

Statement: vector equation $x_1 \vec{a}_1 + x_2 \vec{a}_2 + \dots + x_p \vec{a}_p = \vec{b}$
is consistent

\iff \vec{b} is a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$

\iff \vec{b} is in $\text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$

Matrix-vector multiplication $A\vec{x}$

A : $m \times n$ matrix

$A = [\vec{a}_1 \ \vec{a}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n]$, \vec{a}_j is in \mathbb{R}^m

$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ \vec{x} is in \mathbb{R}^n .

$$A\vec{x} = x_1\vec{a}_1 + x_2\vec{a}_2 + \dots + x_n\vec{a}_n$$

$A\vec{x}$ is in \mathbb{R}^m

Caution: $\underbrace{A}_{m \times n} \underbrace{\vec{x}}_{n \times 1}$ is defined

only when # of columns of A
= # of entries of \vec{x}

Theorem 3:

Consider matrix $A = [\vec{a}_1 \ \vec{a}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n]$

Matrix equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is equivalent to

vector equation $x_1\vec{a}_1 + x_2\vec{a}_2 + \dots + x_n\vec{a}_n = \vec{b}$

which is equivalent to the linear system
whose augmented matrix is

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} \vec{a}_1 & \vec{a}_2 & \dots & \vec{a}_n & \vec{b} \end{array} \right]$$

Q: Is $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ consistent for all \vec{b} ?

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Ex.
$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ -4 & 6 & -2 & b_2 \\ -3 & 1 & -4 & b_3 \end{array} \right]$$

row reduction \longrightarrow
$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \boxed{1} & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ 0 & \boxed{14} & 10 & b_2 + 4b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3 + b_1 - \frac{1}{2}b_2 \end{array} \right]$$

When $b_3 + b_1 - \frac{1}{2}b_2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ inconsistent.

Observation:

Row 3 of matrix A does not have a pivot position

\Rightarrow When $b_3 + b_1 - \frac{1}{2}b_2 \neq 0$ it is a pivot position

\Rightarrow The rightmost column of $[A | \vec{b}]$
is a pivot column.

$\Rightarrow A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is not consistent for all \vec{b} .

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$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ -4 & 6 & -2 & b_2 \\ -3 & 1 & -1 & b_3 \end{array} \right]$$

row reduction \longrightarrow

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \boxed{1} & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ 0 & \boxed{14} & 10 & b_2 + 4b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{3} & b_3 + b_1 - \frac{1}{2}b_2 \end{array} \right]$$

Observation:

Every row of matrix A has a pivot position.

\Rightarrow All pivot positions of $[A | \vec{b}]$ are in matrix A .

\Rightarrow Rightmost column of $[A | \vec{b}]$ is not a pivot column.

\Rightarrow $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for all \vec{b} .

Theorem 4: Consider an $m \times n$ matrix $A = [\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \dots, \vec{a}_n]$

4 statements below are equivalent

- $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for all \vec{b}
- Every \vec{b} in \mathbb{R}^m is in $\text{span}\{\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \dots, \vec{a}_n\}$.
- $\text{span}\{\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \dots, \vec{a}_n\} = \mathbb{R}^m$
- Matrix A has a pivot position in every row.

Row-vector rule for computing $A\vec{x}$

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The dot product of a row and a vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3$$

Let us do

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} a_{13} \\ a_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row-vector rule:

The i -th entry of $A\vec{x}$ is the dot product of the i -th row ~~and~~ of A and \vec{x} .

Ex. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 6 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 4 + 1 \times 2 + 3 \times 3 \\ 6 \times 4 - 2 \times 2 + 4 \times 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ 32 \end{bmatrix}$

Identity matrix

2x2 identity matrix $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

It satisfies $I \vec{x} = \vec{x}$ for all \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^2

3x3 identity matrix $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

It satisfies $I \vec{x} = \vec{x}$ for all \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^3

n x n identity matrix

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

It satisfies $I \vec{x} = \vec{x}$ for all \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^n .

properties of $A \vec{x}$

*) $A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A\vec{u} + A\vec{v}$

*) $A(c\vec{u}) = cA\vec{u}$

*) $I \vec{x} = \vec{x}$

*) $A \vec{0} = \vec{0}$

Sec 1.5 Structure of the solution set

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Homogeneous linear system

$$A \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

It is always consistent. $A \vec{0} = \vec{0}$

$\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ is called ~~the~~ trivial solution.

Q = Is there a non-trivial solution?

Augmented matrix

$$[A \mid 0]$$

Row reduction to an echelon form

Identify basic variables and free variables.

If there is no free variable $\Rightarrow \vec{x} = 0$ is the only solution.

If there is at least one free variable

\Rightarrow it has a non-trivial solution.

Statement: $A \vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has a non-trivial solution.

if and only if it has at least one free variable.

Parametric form of the solution set

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Ex. $2x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3 = 0$

Augmented matrix

$$\left[\boxed{2} \quad -3 \quad 5 \quad ; \quad 0 \right]$$

Multiply by $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\left[\boxed{1} \quad -\frac{3}{2} \quad \frac{5}{2} \quad ; \quad 0 \right]$$

reduced echelon form

Basic variable: x_1

Free variables: x_2, x_3

$$x_1 = \frac{3}{2}x_2 - \frac{5}{2}x_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2}x_2 - \frac{5}{2}x_3 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= x_2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{2} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

parametric form.

In the notation of span { }

The solution set = Span { [3/2, 1, 0], [-5/2, 0, 1] }

EX. [3 5 -4 | 0, -6 -7 9 | 0, 6 1 -11 | 0]

Augmented matrix of the linear system.

row reduction ->

[3 5 -4 | 0, 0 3 1 | 0, 0 -9 -3 | 0]

[3 5 -4 | 0, 0 3 1 | 0, 0 0 0 | 0]

Basic variables: X1, X2

Free variable: X3

To reduced echelon form

[1 0 -17/9 | 0, 0 1 1/3 | 0, 0 0 0 | 0]

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 17/9 x_3 \\ -1/3 x_3 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 17/9 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

parametric form
of the solution set.

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The solution set = $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 17/9 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Non-homogeneous system

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

Ex. Augmented matrix of the linear system

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 5 & -4 & 2 \\ -6 & -7 & 9 & -1 \\ 6 & 1 & -11 & -5 \end{array} \right]$$

row reduction \longrightarrow

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \boxed{1} & 0 & -17/9 & -1 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 1/3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

\Rightarrow It is consistent.

Basic variables: x_1, x_2

Free variable: x_3

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + 17/9 x_3 \\ 1 - 1/3 x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 17/9 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A particular solution
of $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

The solution set
of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

The solution set

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 17/9 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Theorem 6: Suppose $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a solution \vec{p}

The solution set of $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

$$= \vec{p} + \text{the solution set of } A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

Sec 1.7: Linear independence

Def: $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$ is said to be linearly independent

if the vector equation

$$x_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + x_p \vec{v}_p = \vec{0}$$

has only the trivial solution.

$\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$ is said to be linearly dependent if

$$x_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + x_p \vec{v}_p = \vec{0}$$

has a non-trivial solution.

Linear dependence

\Rightarrow There exists c_1, c_2, \dots, c_p , not all zeros, such that

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_p \vec{v}_p = \vec{0}$$

This is called a linear dependence relation among $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$.

Consider matrix $A = [\vec{a}_1 \ \vec{a}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n]$

$m \times n$ matrix

$$x_1 \vec{a}_1 + x_2 \vec{a}_2 + \dots + x_n \vec{a}_n = \vec{0}$$

is equivalent to

$$A \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

Statement:

The columns of matrix A are linearly dependent if and only if $A \vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has a non-trivial solution.