

12.2 Systems of Linear Equations: Matrices

consider the following system of linear equation:

$$\begin{cases} x + 4y = 14 \\ 3x - 2y = 0 \end{cases}$$

we could write it as:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 4 & 14 \\ 3 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

\uparrow coefficients with x \uparrow coefficients with y \uparrow constants

* Matrix: a rectangular array of #s

| | column 1 | column 2 | ... | column j | ... | column n |
|-------|----------|----------|-----|----------|-----|----------|
| Row 1 | a_{11} | a_{12} | ... | a_{1j} | ... | a_{1n} |
| Row 2 | a_{21} | a_{22} | ... | a_{2j} | ... | a_{2n} |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Row i | a_{i1} | a_{i2} | ... | a_{ij} | ... | a_{in} |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Row m | a_{m1} | a_{m2} | ... | a_{mj} | ... | a_{mn} |

a_{mn} ← column #
 \uparrow row #

* matrix used to represent a system of linear equations is called an augmented matrix.

ex. 1) write the matrix for:

$$(a) \begin{cases} 3x - 4y = -6 \\ 2x - 3y = -5 \end{cases}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 3 & -4 & -6 \\ 2 & -3 & -5 \end{array} \right]$$

$$(b) \begin{cases} 2x - y + z = 0 \\ x + z - 1 = 0 \\ x + 2y - 8 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{rewrite}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2x - 1y + 1z = 0 \\ 1x + 0y + 1z = 1 \\ 1x + 2y + 0z = 8 \end{cases}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

ex. 2) write system of linear equation for:

$$(a) \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 5 & 2 & 13 \\ -3 & 1 & -10 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{cases} 5x + 2y = 13 \\ -3x + y = -10 \end{cases}$$

$$(b) \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & -1 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{cases} 3x - y - z = 7 \\ 2x + 2z = 8 \\ y + z = 0 \end{cases}$$

- * Row Operations:
1. Interchange any two rows
 2. Replace a row by a non zero multiple of that row
 3. Replace a row by the sum of that row and a constant non zero multiple of some other row.

ex.3) Apply the row operation $R_2 = -3r_1 + r_2$ to:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 3 & -5 & 9 \end{array} \right]$$

↑ represents new row 2
 ↑ row 1 original #s
 ↑ row 2 original #s

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -3(1)+3 & -3(-2)+(-5) & -3(2)+9 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

ex.4) Finding a Row operation:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

to make 0 in row 1 column 2

↑ since there is a 1 we can use it to get rid of -2

$$R_1 = 2r_2 + r_1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2(0)+1 & 2(1)+(-2) & 2(3)+2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

so $\begin{cases} X=8 \\ Y=3 \end{cases} *$

* Row echelon form: when

1. Entry in row 1 column 1 is a 1 & 0's below it.
2. 1st nonzero entry in each row after the 1st row is a 1, only 0's appear below.
3. Any rows that contain all 0's to the left of the vertical bar appear at the bottom.

ex. $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & a & b & d \\ 0 & 1 & c & e \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & f \end{array} \right]$

ex. 5) solve:
$$\begin{cases} 2x + 2y = 6 \\ x + y + z = 1 \\ 3x + 4y - z = 13 \end{cases}$$

Step 1: write augmented matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 2 & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & -1 & 13 \end{array} \right]$$

switch row 1 & 2

Step 2: get a 1 in row 1 column 1

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & -1 & 13 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \downarrow R_2 &= -2R_1 + r_2 \\ R_3 &= -3R_1 + r_3 \end{aligned}$$

Step 3: get 0's under the 1 in column 1

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 10 \end{array} \right]$$

Step 4: we want row 2 column 2 to be a 1 & 0's under

switch row 2 & 3

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

Step 5: get a 1 in row 3 column 3

$$R_3 = -\frac{1}{2}r_3$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

Step 6: solve $x + y + z = 1$

$$y + (-4)z = 10$$

$$z = -2$$

$$y + (-4)(-2) = 10$$

$$y = 2$$

$$x + 2 + (-2) = 1 \text{ so } x = 1$$

ex. 6) solve

$$\begin{cases} x - y + z = 8 \\ 2x + 3y - z = -2 \\ 3x - 2y - 9z = 9 \end{cases}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 3 & -2 & -9 & 9 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & -18 \\ 0 & 1 & -12 & -15 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2 = -2r_1 + r_2$$

$$R_3 = -3r_1 + r_3$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \\ \text{switch} \\ r_2 \& r_3 \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -12 & -15 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & -18 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -12 & -15 \\ 0 & 0 & 57 & 57 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ R_3 = -5r_2 + r_3 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow R_3 = \frac{1}{57}r_3 \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -12 & -15 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \text{ so } \begin{cases} x - y + z = 8 \\ y - 12z = -15 \\ z = 1 \end{cases}$$

answer $(4, -3, 1)$

* could write in reduced row echelon form!

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -12 & -15 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ R_1 = r_2 + r_1 \end{array} \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -11 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & -12 & -15 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ R_1 = 11r_3 + r_1 \\ R_2 = 12r_3 + r_2 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

← answers

$$x = 4$$

$$y = -3 \text{ or } (4, -3, 1)$$

$$z = 1$$

ex. 7) solve $\begin{cases} 6x - y - z = 4 \\ -12x + 2y + 2z = -8 \\ 5x + y - z = 3 \end{cases}$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 6 & -1 & -1 & 4 \\ -12 & 2 & 2 & -8 \\ 5 & 1 & -1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ -12 & 2 & 2 & -8 \\ 5 & 1 & -1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_1 = -1R_3 + r_1$$

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -22 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 11 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/11 & -2/11 \\ 0 & 11 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_2 &= 12r_1 + r_2 \\ R_3 &= -5r_1 + r_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$R_2 = -\frac{1}{22}r_2$$

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/11 & -2/11 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_3 = -11r_2 + r_3$$

means infinitely many solutions

$$\begin{aligned} X - 2y &= 1 \\ \text{so } y - \frac{1}{11}z &= -\frac{2}{11} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{11} + \frac{1}{11}z$$

$$X = 1 + 2\left(-\frac{2}{11} + \frac{1}{11}z\right)$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{11} + \frac{1}{11}z \quad x = \frac{7}{11} + \frac{2}{11}z$$

z can be any real #

$$\text{ex. 8)} \begin{cases} x + y + z = 6 \\ 2x - y - z = 3 \\ x + 2y + 2z = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 = -2r_1 + r_2 \\ R_3 = -1r_1 + r_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & -9 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{r_2 \leftrightarrow r_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 = 3r_2 + r_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -27 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow 0x + 0y + 0z = -27$$

NO SOLUTION (inconsistent)

* inconsistent - no solution

* consistent - 1 solution or infinitely many solutions

$$\text{ex. 9)} \begin{cases} x - 2y + z = 0 \\ 2x + 2y - 3z = -3 \\ y - z = -1 \\ -x + 4y + 2z = 13 \end{cases} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & -3 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 = -2r_1 + r_2 \\ R_4 = r_1 + r_4}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{r_2 \leftrightarrow r_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_3 = -1r_2 + r_3 \\ R_4 = -2r_2 + r_4}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$z = 3$
 $y - z = -1$
 $x - 2y + z = 0$

SO **(1, 2, 3)**