

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

1.6 – More on Linear Systems and Invertible

Matrices $A\vec{y} = \vec{b}$ $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$ $A\vec{x} - A\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Theorem 1.6.1: A system of linear equations has zero, one, or infinitely many solutions. There are no other possibilities.

pf: we know a system can have no solution or a unique solution. Suppose $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has solutions $\vec{x}_1$ & $\vec{x}_2$. Then let $\vec{x}_0 = \vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2$, $A(\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2) = A\vec{x}_1 - A\vec{x}_2$

$$A\vec{x}_1 = A \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{12} \\ x_{13} \\ \vdots \\ x_{1n} \end{bmatrix} \quad A\vec{x}_2 = A \begin{bmatrix} x_{21} \\ x_{22} \\ x_{23} \\ \vdots \\ x_{2n} \end{bmatrix} = \vec{b} - \vec{b} = \vec{0}.$$

If k is any scalar, then $A(\vec{x}_1 + k\vec{x}_0) = A\vec{x}_1 + kA\vec{x}_0$
 $= \vec{b} + \vec{0} = \vec{b}$

Infinitely many choices for k yield infinitely many solutions.

Theorem 1.6.2: If A is an invertible $n \times n$ matrix, then for every $n \times 1$ matrix $\vec{b}$, the system of equations $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has exactly one solution, namely $\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$.

Because A^{-1} is unique.

#4 Solve the system by inverting the coefficient matrix and using Theorem 1.6.2.

$$5x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 4$$

$$3x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 2$$

$$x_2 + x_3 = 5$$

matrix equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 5 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

(1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ -3/2 & 5/2 & -2 \\ 3/2 & -5/2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{so}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ -3/2 & 5/2 & -2 \\ 3/2 & -5/2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -11 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = A^{-1} \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -11 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

#11 Solve the linear systems (Using the given values for the b 's) solve the systems together by reducing an appropriate augmented matrix to reduced row echelon form.

$$\begin{aligned} 4x_1 - 7x_2 &= b_1 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 &= b_2 \end{aligned}$$

i. $b_1 = 0, b_2 = 1$

ii. $b_1 = -4, b_2 = 6$

iii. $b_1 = -1, b_2 = 3$

iv. $b_1 = -5, b_2 = 1$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 4 & -7 & 0 & -4 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

follows the instructions strictly.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 4 & -7 & b_1 \\ 1 & 2 & b_2 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{15}b_1 + \frac{7}{15}b_2 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{15}b_1 + \frac{4}{15}b_2 \end{array} \right]$$

i) $(x_1, x_2) = \left(\frac{2}{15}, \frac{4}{15} \right)$

ii) $(x_1, x_2) = \left(-\frac{8}{15} + \frac{30}{15}, \frac{4}{15} + \frac{24}{15} \right) = \left(\frac{22}{15}, \frac{28}{15} \right)$
etc.

Since there are no restrictions on b_1, b_2 , this system will always have a solution.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 & b_1 \\ -2 & 1 & 5 & 1 & b_2 \\ -3 & 2 & 2 & -1 & b_3 \\ 4 & -3 & 1 & 3 & b_4 \end{array} \right]$$

#17 Determine conditions on the b_i 's, if any, in order to guarantee that the linear system is consistent.

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$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 &= b_1 \\ -2x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 + x_4 &= b_2 \\ -3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 - x_4 &= b_3 \\ 4x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 + 3x_4 &= b_4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -8 & -3 & -b_1 - b_2 \\ 0 & 1 & -11 & -5 & -2b_1 - b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b_1 - b_2 + b_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2b_1 + b_2 + b_4 \end{array} \right]$$

This is consistent if $b_1 - b_2 + b_3 = 0$

and $-2b_1 + b_2 + b_4 = 0$

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This becomes $\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

Which has a solution if

$$b_1 = b_3 + b_4, \quad b_2 = 2b_3 + b_4$$

Theorem 1.6.4 Equivalent Statements (extends Theorem 1.5.3)

If A is an $n \times n$ matrix, then the following are equivalent.

- A is invertible.
- $Ax = 0$ has only the trivial solution.
- The reduced row echelon form of A is I_n .
- A is expressible as a product of elementary matrices.
- $Ax = b$ is consistent for every $n \times 1$ matrix b .
- $Ax = b$ has exactly one solution for every $n \times 1$ matrix b .

we already saw A, B invertible $\Rightarrow AB$ invertible

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Theorem 1.6.5 Let A and B be square matrices of the same size. If AB is invertible, then A and B must also be invertible.

pf. Let $\vec{x}_0$ be a solution of $B\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

$$\text{Then } (AB)\vec{x}_0 = A(B\vec{x}_0) = A\vec{0} = \vec{0}$$

so $\vec{x}_0 = \vec{0}$ by thm 1.6.4 (a) and (b),

applied to the invertible matrix AB .

Then $B\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only the trivial solution
 $\Rightarrow B$ is invertible.

$$A = A(BB^{-1}) = (AB)B^{-1}.$$

Since AB and B^{-1} are invertible,

so is their product. Thus A is invertible.