

Math 2130. Lecture 5.

Last time: • Number of solns for a L&ES from the echelon form of its augmented matrix.

eg. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 10 \\ 0 & 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{consistent, unique soln.}$

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• To get the exact solns, use REF.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{7}{3} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x = -2 \\ y = \frac{7}{3} \end{cases}$$

• Linear comb. of vectors. eg $3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, x \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - y \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \vec{v}_k.$

Today. New notation and terminology.

1. Parametric vector form for solns of L&S.

If an L&S has inf. solns, we can write the solns as a linear combination of constant vectors where all but possibly one coeff is a free variable.

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This is called the parametric vector form. (p.v.f.)

e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ \uparrow & 10 & 11 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} z-2 \\ 3-2z \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z \\ -2z \\ z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{z \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{p.v.f.}} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

free variable \leftrightarrow parameter

Ex. Find the soln set of $\begin{cases} x - 3y - 5z = 0 \\ y - z = -1 \end{cases}$ in P.V.F.

Solu: The augmented matrix is $A = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ + \\ \times 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Gaussian elimination produces

$A \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -8 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$ reduced echelon, so the soln set is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : \begin{array}{l} x - 8z = -3 \\ y - z = -1 \end{array}, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : \begin{array}{l} x = -3 + 8z \\ y = -1 + z \\ z \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 + 8z \\ -1 + z \\ z \end{bmatrix} : z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} + z \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \text{ with the boxed part being the p.v.f. } \square$$

2. Vector equations.

Since a vector stores multiple numbers at a time, we can express each L&ES (multiple equations) as a vector equation, i.e., an equation of the form $x_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + x_n \vec{v}_n = \vec{v}$.

$$\text{eg. } \begin{cases} 2x = 10 \\ x + 5y = 20 \end{cases}$$

\leftrightarrow

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x \\ x + 5y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\leftrightarrow x \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{v}_1} + y \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{v}_2} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{v}}$$

variables in the L&ES

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the coeffs in the vec. eq.

Another example.

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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vector equation

the vector in the
vec. eq \leftrightarrow columns
in the aug. matrix

$$\begin{cases} 3x_1 - x_2 = 10 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 = 1 \\ 4x_1 + 3x_2 = 0 \end{cases} \leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 10 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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L.E.S. ↑
encoding matrix.

Summary: an L.E.S. with encoding matrix $A = \left[C \mid \vec{b} \right]$ can be

rewritten as the vector equation $x_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + x_n \vec{v}_n = \vec{b}$

where $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ are the columns of C , i.e., if $C = \left[\vec{v}_1 \mid \vec{v}_2 \mid \dots \mid \vec{v}_n \right]$.

3. Matrix - vector products.

Let $A = \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & a_{mn} \\ \hline \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & & \vec{v}_n \end{array} \right]$ be a matrix and let $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_p \end{bmatrix}$ be a vector.

We can sometimes (not always) define a product $A \cdot \vec{v}$:

Def: If $n = p$, i.e., if $\# \text{ cols of } A = \# \text{ entries in } \vec{v}$,

then we define $A \cdot \vec{v}$ to be the vector (mat \times vec \rightarrow vec)

$$A \cdot \vec{v} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{v}_n$$

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This has n entries; see next page.

eg:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

is not defined.

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_{2 \times 3 \text{ } A} \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}}_{v} = 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot 3 \\ 5 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

size
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$$3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 4 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

another way of understanding
matrix-vector product:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_m \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \cdot \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \cdot \vec{v} \\ r_2 \cdot \vec{v} \\ \vdots \\ r_m \cdot \vec{v} \end{bmatrix}$$

\cdot = inner product

4. Matrix equations.

Since we can write linear combinations as mat-vec. products and since each LES can be written as a vector equation $x_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n\vec{v}_n = \vec{v}$,

We can write LES as matrix equations, that is, equations of the form $C \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{v}$.

eg.
$$\begin{cases} x + 2y = 5 \\ -x + 10y = 3 \end{cases} \iff x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \iff \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}}_C \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{x}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{v}}$$

Aug. matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ -1 & 10 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Consequence. We can write each L.E.S in three ways :

① Traditional

② as a vec. eq.

③ matrix eq.

e.g.
$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{cases}$$

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{bmatrix} = \left[C \mid \vec{b} \right]$$

More generally, an L.E.S. with augmented matrix $A = [C \mid \vec{b}]$ can be written

a) the matrix eq. $C \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{b}$ where \vec{x} stands for $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$

5. Span of vectors.

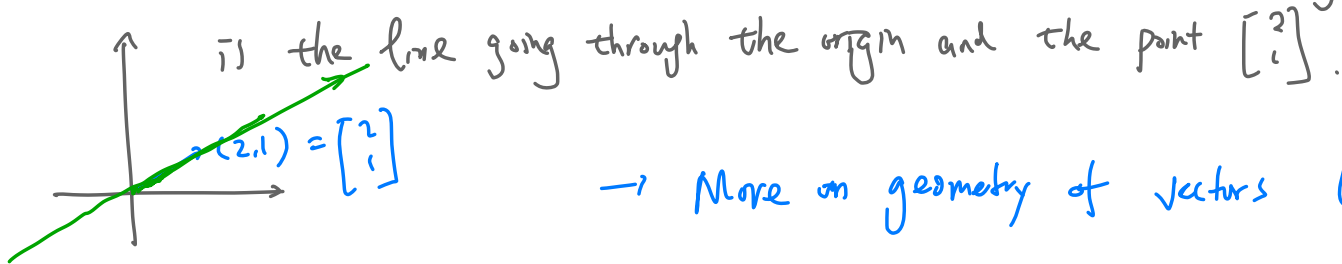
Def. Let $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ be a set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

The span of S (or of $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$) is the set

$$\text{Span}(S) := \left\{ c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_k \vec{v}_k \mid c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

of all linear comb. of $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$.

E.g. In \mathbb{R}^2 (\uparrow), $\text{Span}\left(\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right\}\right) = \left\{ c \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : c \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2c \\ c \end{bmatrix} : c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$



→ More on geometry of vectors later.

Span and the consistency problem.

Consider $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$ and $S = \left\{ \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

Q: Is \vec{v} in $\text{Span}(S)$?

Claim: The question is equivalent to asking if a certain LES is consistent.

HW: What's the LES and its vec. eq / mat. eq. forms?
What's the answer to the question?