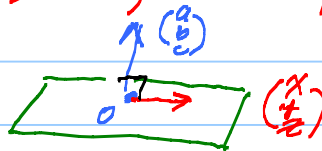


# Lesson 2 MA 527 (Overtlow room WANG 2563)

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \leftarrow \text{homogeneous (always has } \vec{x} = \vec{0} \text{ sol}^n)$$

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \leftarrow \text{non-homag (might have no sol}^n, \text{ or as many sol}^n, \text{ or a unique sol}^n)$$

3-D case:  $ax+by+cz=0$   
 $(a,b,c) \cdot (x,y,z)$



See p. 274 for 3-D pics.

Gaussian elimination:

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 3 \\ x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 1 \\ -4x_1 + 6x_2 - 7x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + x_3 = 3 \end{cases}$$

"overdetermined"  
too many eqns.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ -4 & 6 & -7 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] = A\vec{b}$$

HS rules: 1) Can swap two eqns.

2) Can multiply an eqn by  $c \neq 0$ .

3) Can multiply an eqn by  $c \neq 0$  and add it to another.

Goal: Eliminate vars.

College rules: Replace eqn by row.

Goal: Reduce to row echelon form, and do back substitution.

EX: 
$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 5 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

← dangerous spot!

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 = 8 \quad E1$$

$$5x_2 + 6x_3 = 9 \quad E2$$

$$7x_3 = 10 \quad E3$$

$$0 = 0 \leftarrow \text{whew!}$$

Back sub: E3:  $x_3 = 10/7$  ✓

E2:  $5x_2 + 6(10/7) = 9 \leftarrow \text{solve for } x_2.$

$$E1: 2x_1 + 3(\text{know}) + 6\left(\frac{10}{7}\right) = 8 \leftarrow \text{solve for } x_1$$

Signature of an inconsistent sys (no sol<sup>ns</sup>).

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \leftarrow \text{ouch} \quad 0=3 \downarrow$$

$$\underline{\text{EX}}: \begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - 2x_4 = -1 \\ 2x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 - 2x_4 = -3 \\ -x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 + 4x_4 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{"underdetermined"} \\ \text{too many vars.} \end{array}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \leftarrow \text{whew!}$$

$\uparrow$   $x_1$  col       $\uparrow$   $x_3$  col

$x_1, x_3$  are bound var.

Others are free.  $x_2, x_4$  are free vars.

If free vars exist, there are  $\infty$  many sol<sup>ns</sup>.

Method. Step 1: Set free vars = to parameters.

$$\begin{cases} x_2 = t_1 \\ x_4 = t_2 \end{cases} \leftarrow \text{free to vary.}$$

Step 2: Plug  $t$ 's into (row reduced) eqns and solve for bound vars.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - \boxed{t_1} = -2 & E1 \\ x_3 - 2\boxed{t_2} = 1 & E2 \end{cases}$$

$x_2$        $x_4$

$$E1: \boxed{x_1} = -2 + t_1$$

$$E2: \boxed{x_3} = 1 + 2t_2$$

Step 3: Make a list of all vars.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = -2 + t_1 \\ x_2 = t_1 \\ x_3 = 1 + 2t_2 \\ x_4 = t_2 \end{cases}$$

$$= \vec{v}_p + \underbrace{(t_1 \vec{v}_1 + t_2 \vec{v}_2)}_{\text{Gen'l sol'n to } A\vec{x} = \vec{0}}$$

Facts:  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ ,  $A^\# = [A \mid \vec{b}] \rightsquigarrow [E \mid \vec{e}]$

$$\text{Rank}(A) = \# \text{ non-zero rows in } E = (\# \text{ bound vars})$$

$$\text{Rank}(A^\#) = \quad " \quad " \quad [E | \vec{e}]$$

1)  $\text{Rank}(A) < \text{Rank}(A^\#) \leftarrow \text{no s.d.'s!}$

2)  $\text{Rank}(A) = \text{Rank}(A^\#)$ .

a)  $\text{Rank}(A) = \# \text{vars.}$  All vars bound.  
unique sol<sup>n</sup>

b)  $\text{Rank}(A) < \# \text{vars.}$  Free vars exist.  
so many sol<sup>n</sup>s!

Homog case:  $\vec{b} = 0$ . Case 1) cannot happen.