

## Linear equation systems:

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

Method: Gaussian Elimination.

First: if and when an equation says  
 $0 = [\text{something nonzero}]$ :  
Stop, declare "no solution".

if and when an equation says

$$0 = 0$$

delete it.

[If nothing left: All  $\vec{x}$  solve.]

Operations to use

↳ on eq. system or on  $(\vec{A} : \vec{b})$

\* Interchange / switch equations rows of  $(\vec{A} : \vec{b})$

\* ~~scale~~ scale an eq. or a row by a nonzero number.

\* add a scaling of one eq. or one row to another eq. ( row.

augmented coefficient matrix

# Algorithm / Cookbook

Start ~~to~~ with top-left element:

- ① If ~~necessary~~ & possible: <sup>1st nonzero</sup> <sup>in the row</sup>  
Interchange to get a nonzero leading element  
↳ if not possible: move one step right.

② Scale to leading 1.

③ Eliminate below leading 1: by adding a scaling of the row to the ones below

④ Move down-right. On the part starting with that element: Do ① - ③

⑤ ① - ④ repeated until "staircase":  $\begin{matrix} \underline{1} & \underline{1} \\ \text{zeros} & \underline{1} \end{matrix}$

• each row has a leading one

• ~~...~~ with only 0 below it.

Now you can "solve bottom-up".

⑥ Eliminate upwards      See example.

Example: (matrix notation)

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{x} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left( \vec{A} : \vec{b} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} - \\ + \end{array} \sim \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \cdot (-1)$$

eliminate      Step 6.

$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \\ \leftarrow \\ -3 \leftarrow \end{matrix}$$

Can solve 'bottom-up':  
 $z=0, y=4,$   
 $x = z-4 = -4.$

$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \\ -1 \\ \end{matrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

→ the solution.

ie the eq. system  $\vec{I} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

# Example Matrix inversion

For each  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , find the inverse of

$$\vec{A} = \begin{pmatrix} t & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{if it exists.}$$

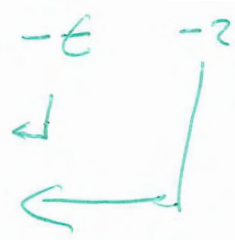
$$\vec{A} \vec{x} = \vec{I}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} t & 2 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



could:  $-2$  from first:  $\leftarrow$

$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ t & 2 & 3 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-t & 3-t & | & 1 & -t & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & | & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$-(-1)$  then  $\leftarrow$

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2-t & 3-t & 1 & -t & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} t-2 \\ \leftarrow \end{array}$$

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 7-3t & 1 & t-4 & 2-t \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \frac{1}{7-3t} \text{ for } 7-3t \neq 0 \end{array}$$

if  $7=3t$ : last eq says  $0 = \text{nonzero}$ .

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{7-3t} & \frac{t-4}{7-3t} & \frac{2-t}{7-3t} \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \\ \leftarrow \\ 2 \quad -1 \end{array}$$

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-1}{7-3t} & \frac{11-4t}{7-3t} & \frac{t-2}{7-3t} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{7-3t} & \frac{2(3-2t)}{7-3t} & \frac{t-3}{7-3t} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{7-3t} & \frac{t-4}{7-3t} & \frac{2-t}{7-3t} \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \\ -1 \end{array}$$

error in lecture

$$\sim \left( \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \hline \hline \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{ccc} \frac{-3}{7-3t} & \frac{5}{7-3t} & \frac{1}{7-3t} \\ \frac{2}{7-3t} & \frac{6-4t}{7-3t} & \frac{t-3}{7-3t} \\ \frac{1}{7-3t} & \frac{t-4}{7-3t} & \frac{2-t}{7-3t} \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \vec{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{7-3t} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} -3 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 2(3-2t) & t-3 \\ 1 & t-4 & 2-t \end{array} \right)$$


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This slide fixed after lecture.