

1.1 Systems of Linear Equations

Ex Solve for x and y

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

Substitution

1st $\Rightarrow y = 3 - 2x$

sub into

Second $\Rightarrow 3x - 2(3 - 2x) = 9$

$$3x - 6 + 4x = 9$$

$$7x - 6 = 9$$

$$7x = 15$$

$$x = \frac{15}{7}$$

back-sub:

$$y = 3 - 2x$$

$$y = 3 - 2\left(\frac{15}{7}\right) = -\frac{4}{7}$$

Graphically

$$2x + y = 3$$

x-intercept:

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}, 0\right)$$

y-int:

$$(0, 3)$$

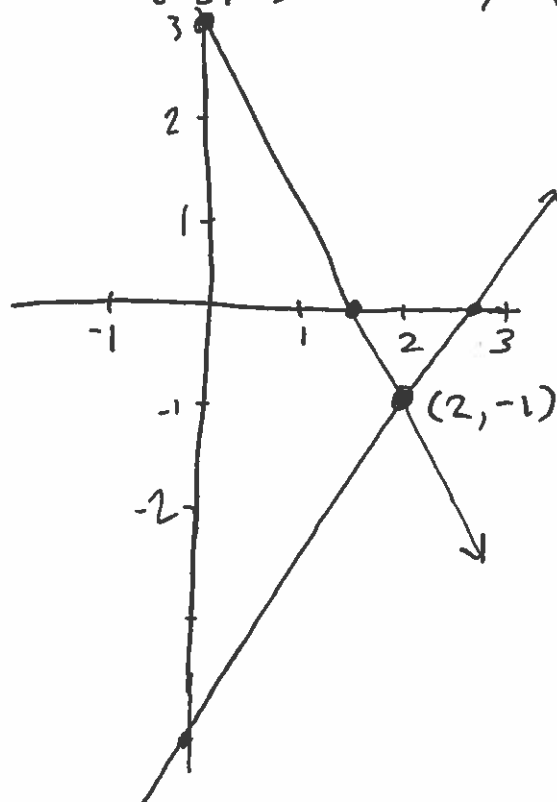
$$3x - 2y = 9$$

x-int:

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}, 0\right)$$

y-int:

$$(0, -4.5)$$



BUT!!

$$\begin{cases} 2x + 3y - 8z + w = 12 \\ x - y + 2v = 15 \\ x + 3y + z - w = -2 \\ 2x + y + 12z + w = 9 \end{cases}$$

the above methods are impractical!

Back to $\begin{cases} 2x + y = 3 \\ 3x - 2y = 8 \end{cases}$

manipulate equations so these will cancel using addition

3 first eq.
-2 second eq.

$$\begin{cases} 6x + 3y = 9 \\ -6x + 4y = -16 \end{cases} \xrightarrow[\text{together}]{\text{adding sides}} \begin{cases} 7y = -7 \\ \Downarrow \\ y = -1 \end{cases}$$

2 · first eq
second eq

$$\begin{cases} 4x + 2y = 6 \\ 3x - 2y = 8 \end{cases} \implies \begin{cases} 7x = 14 \\ \Downarrow \\ x = 2 \end{cases}$$

Again: $\begin{cases} 2x + y = 3 \\ 3x - 2y = 8 \end{cases} \xrightarrow[\text{Matrix for this system}]{\text{Augmented}} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 & 8 \end{array} \right]$

Goal: Over

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 & 8 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[3 \cdot R_1 \rightarrow R_1]{-2 \cdot R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 6 & 3 & 9 \\ -6 & 4 & -16 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \\ &\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 0 & 7 & -7 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{7} R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-3R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \\ &\quad \Rightarrow y = -1 \end{aligned}$$

Next Goal:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 6 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{6}R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

says
 $x = 2$
 $y = -1$

Ex Solve $\begin{cases} x + 2y + 3z = 7 \\ 2x + y - z = -1 \\ x - 3y = 8 \end{cases}$

"pivot position"

Augmented Matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} -2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ -1R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & -3 & -7 & -15 \\ 0 & -5 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

need
to be 0

so that we can
cancel middle...

$$\begin{array}{l} 5R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ -3R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array} \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & -15 & -35 & -75 \\ 0 & 15 & 9 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3}$$

... entries without
involving fractions

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & -15 & -35 & -75 \\ 0 & 0 & -26 & -78 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{26}R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & -15 & -35 & -75 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} 35R_3 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ -3R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \end{array}}$$

pivot!

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -15 & 0 & 30 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{15}R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-2R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 2 \\ y = -2 \\ z = 3 \end{cases}$$

pivot positions

Check!

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y + 3z &\stackrel{?}{=} 7 \quad \checkmark \\ 2x + y - z &\stackrel{?}{=} -1 \quad \checkmark \\ x - 3y &\stackrel{?}{=} 8 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Ex Solve $\begin{cases} x + 2y + z = 3 \\ 2x - y + z = 4 \\ -4x + 7y - z = 2 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2(1 \ 2 \ 1) \quad -2 \ -4 \ -2 \\ + \quad 2 \ -1 \ 1 \quad + \ 2 \ -1 \ 1 \\ \hline 0 \ -5 \ -1 \end{array}$$

Attack

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ -4 & 7 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{-2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ 4R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -5 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 15 & 3 & 14 \end{array} \right]$$

Attack!

$$\xrightarrow{3R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -5 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

$0x + 0y + 0z = 8$
has no solution.

We have an inconsistent system of linear equations.

there is no solution.

If your augmented matrix reduces to

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \text{not} \\ \text{zero} \end{array} \Rightarrow \text{no solutions to the corresponding system \& "inconsistent" is the vocab.}$$

We can have 1 solution, 0 solutions, ∞ -ly many solutions...

Ex $\begin{cases} x + y + z = 8 \\ 2x + y = 4 \\ y + 2z = 12 \end{cases}$ Solve for x, y, z .

pivot pos.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 8 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 12 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -12 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 12 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{cases} x - z = -4 \\ y + 2z = 12 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = z - 4 \\ y = -2z + 12 \end{cases}$$

"free column"; z is "free"

$$y = -2z + 12$$

$$x = z - 4$$

We have ∞ -ly many sols. ~~we say this system is~~

~~in~~

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z - 4 \\ -2z + 12 \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

1.2

We've seen reducing an aug. matrix down to:

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

you know:

$$x = *$$

$$y = *$$

$$z = *$$



Some matrices are in (row) echelon form.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} \boxed{2} & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} \boxed{8} & 1 \\ 0 & \boxed{3} \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} \boxed{1} & 3 & 5 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{2} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} \end{array} \right]$$

Rows have leading entries (first nonzero entry in that row) where below each such thing is all 0's

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} \blacksquare & * & * \\ 0 & \blacksquare & * \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} \blacksquare & * \\ 0 & \blacksquare \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} \blacksquare & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & \blacksquare & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \blacksquare \end{array} \right]$$

$\blacksquare$ nonzero

* anything

If, additionally, leading row entries are 1,
and entries above a leading entry are 0,
it's in reduced (row) echelon form.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} \boxed{1} & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

RREF is powerful.

If this is coming from an augmented matrix, then

$$x = 2$$

$$y = 3$$

$$z = 4$$

Solutions are spelled out

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

is / is not in RREF?

It is!

These leading entries of a row in a matrix
that is in RREF are called pivot positions.

Ex
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can we use row operations to convert to RREF?

- swap rows
- scale a row
- substitution: scale a row & add to a diff. row

$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_4$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$

$2R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & \boxed{2} & 4 & -6 & -6 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 & -15 & -15 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 2 & -3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\frac{3R_3 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2}{9R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 4 & 5 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 0 & -3 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

RREF

No ~~path~~ matter what path we take, RREF is unique!

Original:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boxed{0} & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \\ -1 & \boxed{-2} & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 & \boxed{3} & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

are this
matrix's
pivot positions.

rank := # pivot
positions.

Here rank = 3.