

## Announcements:

1) My Office Hours: Thursdays 12:30-2:30  
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2) Midterm 2 scheduling: Thursday 10/30

3) Enrollment questions: Thomas Brown  
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Welcome Back!

Warmup: Solve (if possible!) lin system:

$$x_1 - x_3 + 2x_4 = 1$$

2 eqns in 4 vars  
↑  
m                    n

$$2x_1 + x_3 - x_4 = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & \vdots & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 & \vdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} m \times (n+1) \\ \text{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & \vdots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -5 & \vdots & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{REF}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -5/3 & \vdots & -2/3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{RREF}$$

Are there solns? i.e. is syst. consistent?

No  $\Leftrightarrow$  Row of the form

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & \dots & 0 & b \neq 0 & \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} REF \\ RREF \end{array}$$

Yes  $\Leftrightarrow$  Otherwise.

In our example: Pivot vars:  $x_1, x_3$

Others: free vars  $x_2, x_4$

$$\text{Soln set} = \{ (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_2, x_4 \\ \text{any numbers} \\ x_1 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3}x_4 \\ x_3 = -\frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{3}x_4 \end{array} \right\}$$

Theorem Given any (augmented) matrix it is possible to find a RREF matrix equivalent to the original matrix by row operations. In fact the RREF is unique.

The utility of this statement is that the proof is an algorithm.

# Algorithm for RREF

leftmost!

Step 1 Find nonzero col.

Step 2 Find nonzero entry of nonzero col

Exchange rows to move entry to top.

Step 3 Create zeros below pivot entry.

Step 4 Ignore row and col containing pivot entry. Repeat with

Submatrix  
below & right.

+

Step 5 Scale rows  $f_i$   
make pivots = 1.

+

Create zeros

Above pivots

Example

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

$$\begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{\quad} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

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REF.

$$\rightsquigarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc|ccc} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{3}{10} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

RREF

2 We've been studying matrices with  
a focus on rows.

Now we'll focus on cols.



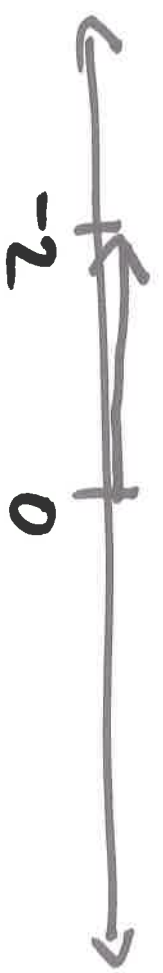
Def. An  $n$ -vector / vector / col vector is an ordered list of  $n$  numbers.

Draw as an  $n \times 1$  matrix:

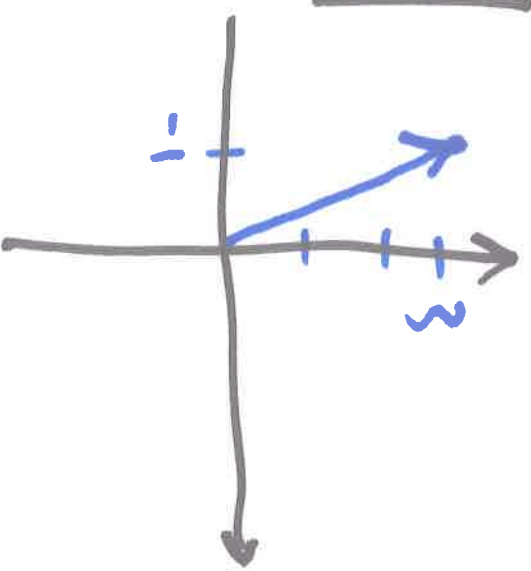
$$\underline{\bar{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$n$

Ex:  $n=1$      $\underline{\bar{u}} = [-2]$



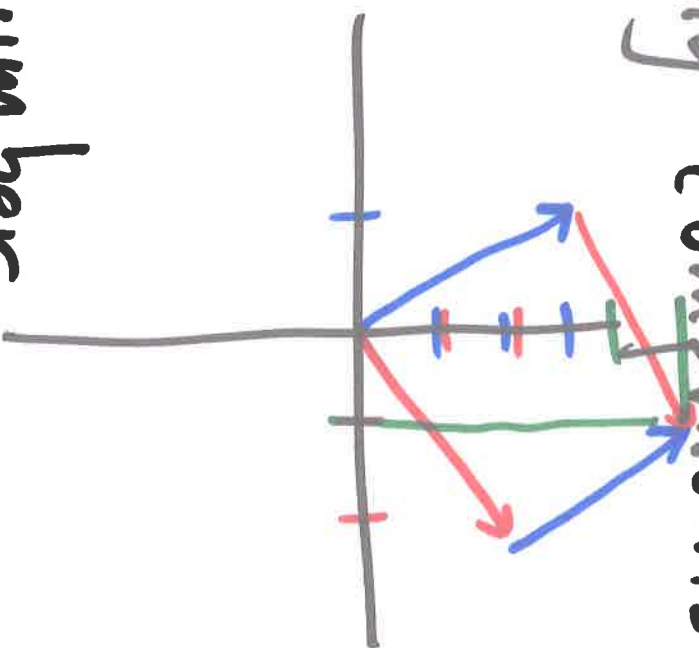
$n=2$      $\underline{\bar{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$



What can we do with vectors?

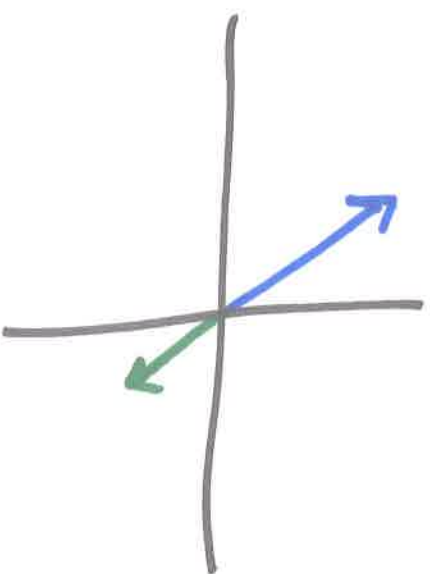
1) Add vectors by adding components:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$



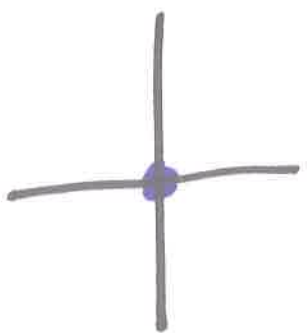
2) Scale vector by number

$$\frac{-1}{2} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$



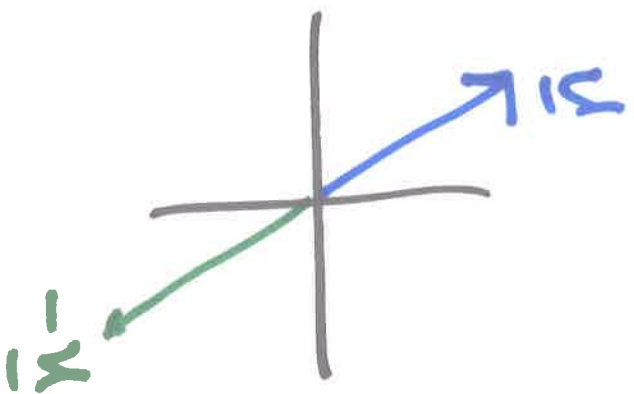
# Special vectors:

1) zero vector  $\underline{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$



2) Given vector  $\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$

opp. vector  $-\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 \\ \vdots \\ -a_n \end{bmatrix}$



Properties  $\underline{u} + \underline{0} = \underline{u} = \underline{0} + \underline{u}$

$$\underline{u} + (-\underline{u}) = \underline{0} = (-\underline{u}) + \underline{u}$$

Def A vector  $\underline{u}$  is a lin. combination of vectors  $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k$  with coeffs.

$a_1, \dots, a_k$  if

$$\underline{u} = a_1 \underline{v}_1 + a_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + a_k \underline{v}_k$$

vectors!

numbers!

Exer For what  $c$  is  $\underline{u}$  a lin comb of  $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2$ ?

$$\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ c \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose  $\underline{u} = a_1 \underline{v}_1 + a_2 \underline{v}_2$

$$\text{So } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ 0 \\ a_1 c \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_2 c \\ 0 \\ -a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + a_2 c \\ 0 \\ a_1 c - a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Need  $c \neq 0$ . Take  $a_1 = 1, a_2 = -1$ .

Exer: Show  $\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a lin comb of vectors  $\underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Suppose  $\underline{u} = a_1 \underline{v}_1 + a_2 \underline{v}_2 + a_3 \underline{v}_3$   $\underline{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(This is a sys of 2 eqns in 3 vars)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + 2a_3 \\ a_2 + a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Write as augmented matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & \vdots & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \vdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

RREF.

$a_3$  any number,  $a_1 = 1 - 2a_3$   
 $a_2 = 1 - a_3$

Def. The span of a list of vectors  $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k$  is the set of all lin. combs:

$$\text{Span} \left\{ a_1 \underline{v}_1 + a_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + a_k \underline{v}_k \right\}$$

// any numbers  $a_1, \dots, a_k$ .

$$\text{Span} \{ \underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k \}$$

Exer Is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\text{Span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Need:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = a_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$  some  $a_1, a_2$

(This is lin sys: 3 eqns, 2 vars)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & | & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 6 & | & 3 \end{bmatrix} \dots \text{put in RREF}$$

Soln,  $a_1 = 1$   
 $a_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ .  
Take

Check!



Observe: vector  $\underline{u}$  is lin comb  
of vectors  $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k$  with coeffs  
 $a_1, \dots, a_k$

$m$ -vectors

$\iff$  (if and only if)

numbers  $a_1, \dots, a_k$  solve lin sys

with augmented matrix

$$\begin{matrix} m \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & & & & 1 \\ & 1 & & & 1 \\ & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \underline{v}_1 & \underline{v}_2 & \dots & \underline{v}_k & \underline{u} \\ & & & & 1 \\ & & & & 1 \\ & & & & 1 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}$$

$k+1$

Notation: We write  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for the set of all  $n$ -vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$  with real entries.

Similarly we write  $\mathbb{C}^n \dots$

$\dots$   
complex  $\dots$

Matrix notation: 3 equivalent notations

1) Lin Sys:  $2x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3 = 7$   
 $x_1 - 2x_3 = 0$

2) Augmented matrix:  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 5 & | & 7 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

3) Matrix equation:  $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$

$A \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\underline{x} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$       $\underline{b} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$