

Welcome to Math 54 Lin Alg & Diff Eq!

Lecture 1: Solving Lin Systems

Enrollment Issues? See Math Dept advisors, 9th floor Evans

This week Friday "Practice Quiz"

Next week Wed Office Hours
12-2pm, 891 Evans

Friday Quiz 1

Why take Lin Alg & Diff Eqs?

It's fun!

It's easy! $3x - 6 = 0$ (linear!)

$x^2 - x + 3 = 0$ (not linear!)

It's powerful!

3 main goals:

1) Solve $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ lin systs.

2) Solve $A\underline{x} = \lambda\underline{x}$ eigenvalue/
vector

3) Heat Eqn $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$... Fourier
series

First exer: Show 2) is Special
case of 1)!

Warmup Solve $x - y = 3$
 $2x + 3y = -1$

Soln Rewrite syst as

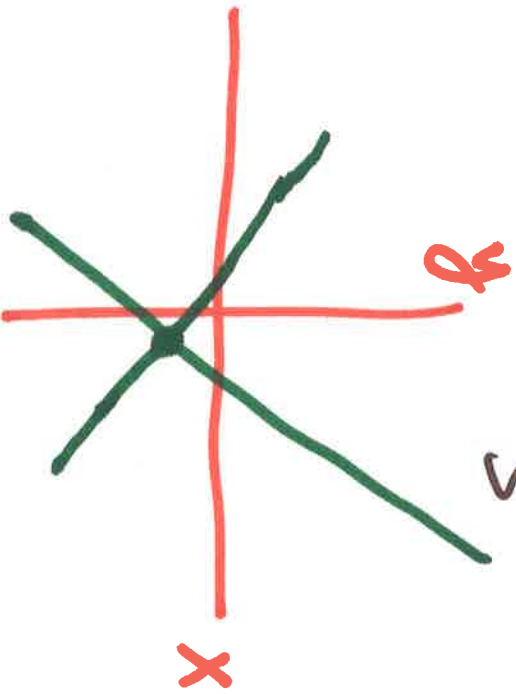
$$x - y = 3$$

$$5y = -7$$

$$y = -\frac{7}{5}$$

$$\text{so } x + \frac{7}{5} = 3$$

$$x = \frac{8}{5}$$



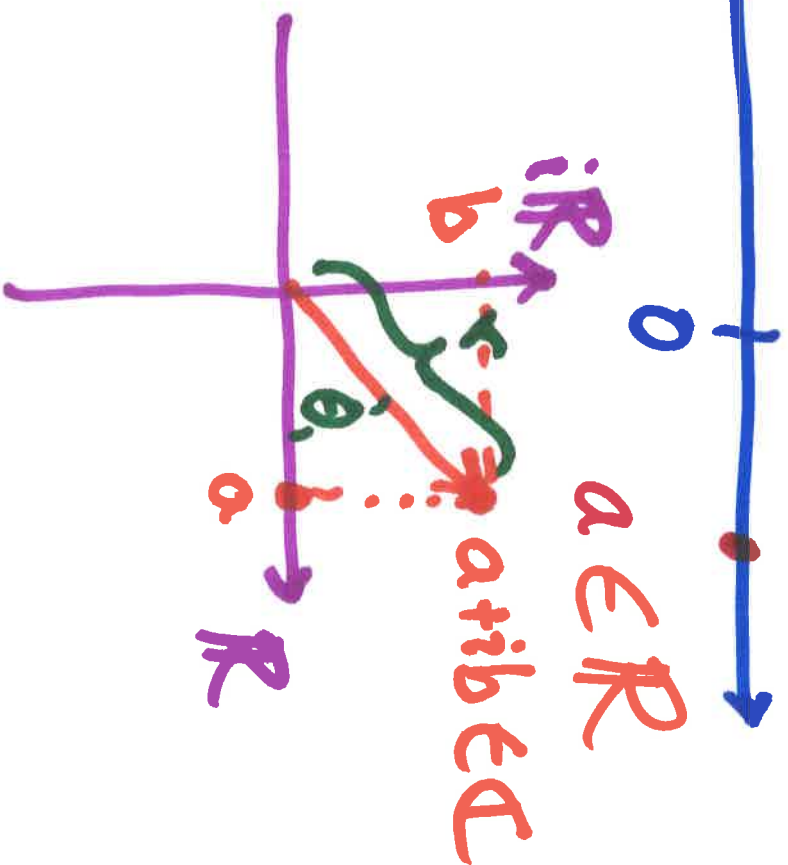
Conventions

\mathbb{R} = real numbers

\mathbb{C} = complex numbers

$$a = r \cos \theta$$

$$b = r \sin \theta$$



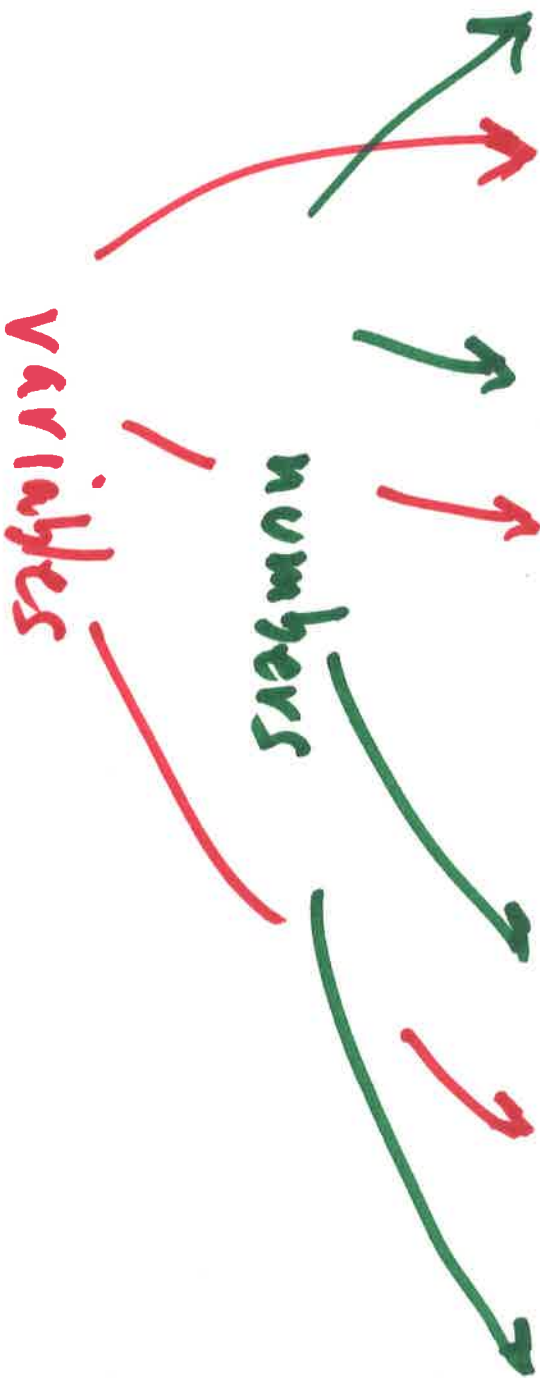
Notation: a, b, c, \dots
numbers

x, y, z, \dots
variables

Def = "Definition", Thm = "Theorem", ...

Def A lin eqn in n variables is any eqn that can be put in form:

$$a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n = b$$



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Exer Which are linear?

1) $3(x_1 - 2x_2) = 5(4 - x_3)$ Yes!

2) $3(x_1^2 - 2x_2) = 7$ No!

3) $(x_1 - 3)^2 = x_1^2 + 5x_2$ Yes!

Key idea of lin eqn: Suppose $b=0$.

Then sums and scales of solns
are still solns!

Def A system of lin eqns in n variables is a system of eqns that can be put in form

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} m \\ \text{eqns} \end{array}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{n \text{ vars}}$

Expectations

← careful: only

expectations!

$n > m$

many solns

$n < m$
rank n

no solns

$n = m$

unique soln

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad m=2, n=3$$

$$x_1 - 3x_2 + 0x_3 = 1$$

$$0x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 = 0$$

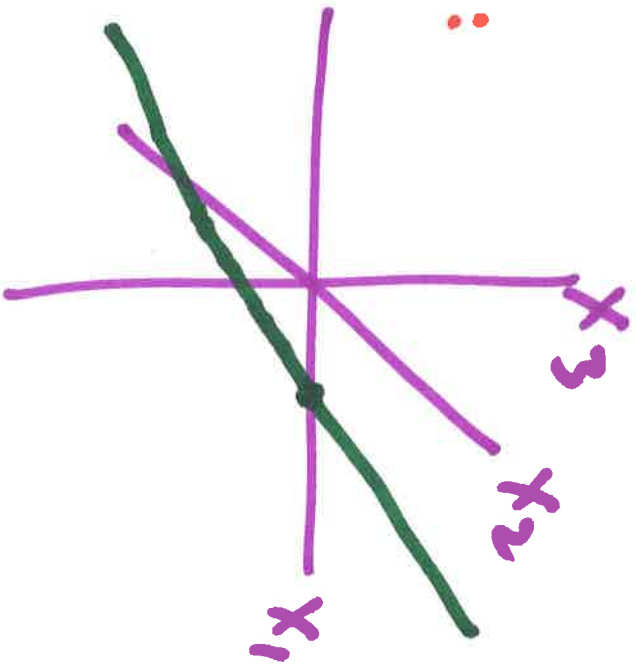
Set $x_3 = t$ any number

$$\text{so } x_2 = 2t$$

$$\text{so } x_1 = 1 + 6t$$

sols form line!

Cartoon:



$$2) m=3, n=1$$

$$-x_1 = 7$$

$$3x_1 = 0$$

$$5x_1 = 2$$

no solns!

Def Soln set of lin syst is set of all n -tuples (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n) that of numbers solve system.

Ex 1) Find soln set for

$$3x_1 - x_2 = 0$$

$$\text{Soln set} = \{(3, 9)\}$$

$$2x_1 + 0x_2 = 6$$

unique soln!

2) Find soln set for

$$3x_1 + x_2 = 1$$

$$\text{Soln set} = \emptyset$$

$$-6x_1 - 2x_2 = 0$$

no solns!

Challenge: Can you find syst with $m=n=2$
that has many solns?

Three possibilities:

1) Unique soln

2) No soln

3) Many solns, in fact in this case
For there will always be ∞ -many

Ex What c ~~is~~ ^{does} below syst. ~~is~~ have
fall into each case?

$$x_1 + cx_2 = 1$$

+ some
number

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$$

Soln: any soln must be of form $(t, -t)$
by 2nd eqn.

So $t + ct = 1$ by 1st eqn.

$c \neq 1$: unique soln

$$\text{So } t = \frac{1}{1-c}$$

$c = 1$: no soln

Def Two lin syst in n vars are equivalent when they have same soln set

Ex For what c are following equiv

$$\textcircled{\text{I}} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 - cx_2 &= 0 \\ x_1 + x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{solns} = \{(-cs, s, cs)\}$$

$$\textcircled{\text{II}} \quad \begin{aligned} 2x_1 - x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \\ x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{solns} = \{(-t, -t, t)\}$$

$c=1$: equiv

$c \neq 1$: not equiv

Matrix notation

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 + 0x_3 - x_4 = 7$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 + 2x_4 = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} m \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -3 & 0 & -1 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}$$

$n+1$

Called: augmented
matrix of lin syst

Now: solve lin systs! (when possible)

Strategy Change lin syst into simpler
but equivalent lin syst
Then solve!

Using
row ops

- (R1) Add mult of any row to any other
- (R2) Interchange rows
- (R3) Scale row by nonzero number

Check: (R1-3) don't change soln set