

## Announcements Sep 13

- Please wear a mask. **FOR EXTRA CREDIT**
- Quiz 2.1 & 2.2 **Friday**. Open 6:30a–8p on Canvas/Assignments, 15 mins
- WeBWorK 2.1 & 2.2 due **Tuesday nite**
- Use Piazza for general questions
- Office hrs: Tue 4-5 Teams + Thu 1-2 Skiles courtyard/Teams + Pop-ups
- Many TA office hours listed on Canvas
- Section M web site: Google “Dan Margalit math”, click on 1553
  - ▶ future blank slides, past lecture slides, old quizzes/exams, advice
- Tutoring: <http://tutoring.gatech.edu/tutoring>
- PLUS sessions: <http://tutoring.gatech.edu/plus-sessions>
- Math Lab: <http://tutoring.gatech.edu/drop-tutoring-help-desks>
- Counseling center: <https://counseling.gatech.edu>
- You can do it!

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# Section 2.1

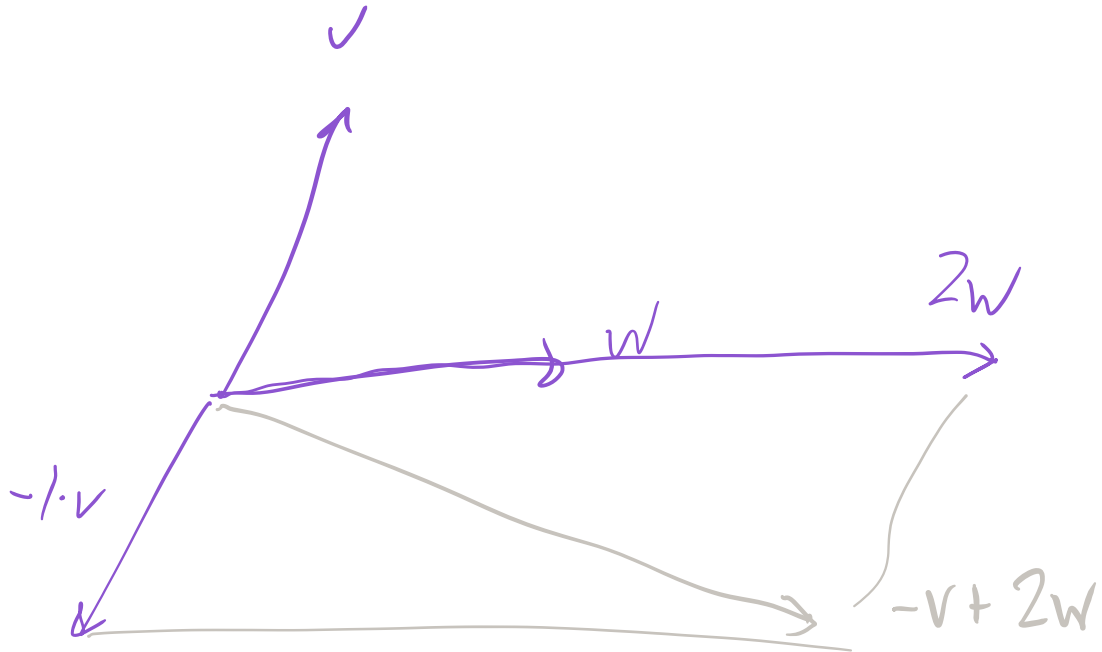
## Vectors

# Linear Combinations

A **linear combination** of the vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  is any vector

$$c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_kv_k$$

where  $c_1, \dots, c_k$  are real numbers.



# Span

Essential vocabulary word!

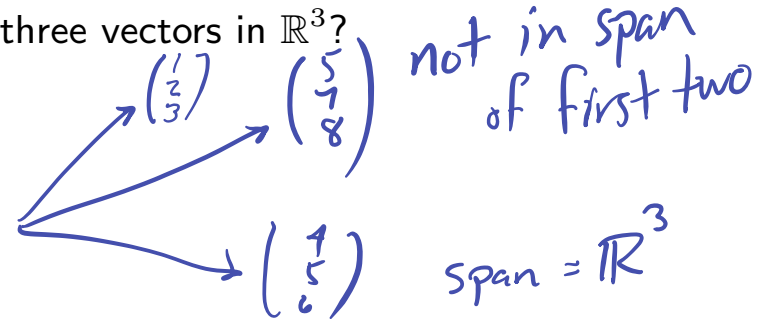
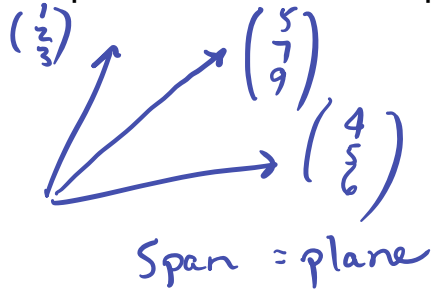
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so that

$\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} = \{x_1v_1 + x_2v_2 + \dots + x_kv_k \mid x_i \text{ in } \mathbb{R}\} \leftarrow (\text{set builder notation})$   
= the set of all linear combinations of vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$   
= plane through the origin and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$ .

What are the possibilities for the span of three vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

▶ Demo



Conclusion: Spans are planes (of some dimension) through the origin, and the dimension of the plane is **at most** the number of vectors you started with and is **at most** the dimension of the space they're in.

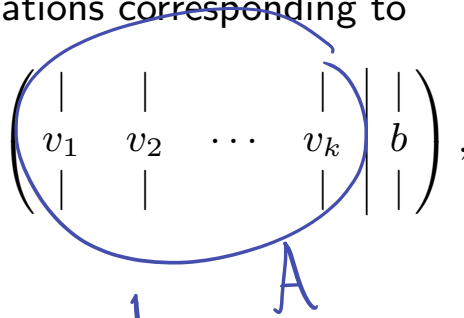
# Section 2.2

## Vector Equations and Spans

# The four ways

Four ways of saying the same thing:

- $b$  is in  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  ← geometry
- $b$  is a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_k$
- the vector equation  $x_1v_1 + \dots + x_kv_k = b$  has a solution ← algebra
- the system of linear equations corresponding to

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} | & | & \cdots & | & | \\ v_1 & v_2 & \cdots & v_k & b \\ | & | & & | & | \end{array} \right),$$


is consistent.

- $Ax = b$  has a soln

▶ Demo

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# Section 2.3

## Matrix equations

# Multiplying Matrices by column vectors

$$\text{matrix} \times \text{column} : \begin{pmatrix} | & | & \cdots & | \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\ | & | & \cdots & | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix} = b_1 \begin{pmatrix} | \\ x_1 \\ | \end{pmatrix} + \cdots + b_n \begin{pmatrix} | \\ x_n \\ | \end{pmatrix}$$

*Handwritten annotations:*  
- "numbers" with arrows pointing to  $b_1$  and  $b_n$  in the second vector.  
- "columns" with arrows pointing to the columns of the matrix.

Example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = 7 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + 8 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 21 \\ 35 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 32 \\ 48 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 23 \\ 53 \\ 83 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Multiplying Matrices by column vectors

Another way to multiply

row vector  $\times$  column vector :  $( a_1 \quad \dots \quad a_n ) \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix} = a_1 b_1 + \dots + a_n b_n$

example.

$$(1 \ 2) \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 = 11$$

numbers

as above

matrix  $\times$  column vector :  $\begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_m \end{pmatrix} b = \begin{pmatrix} r_1 b \\ \vdots \\ r_m b \end{pmatrix}$

rows

col vector.

Example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \cdot 7 + 2 \cdot 8 \\ 3 \cdot 7 + 4 \cdot 8 \\ 5 \cdot 7 + 6 \cdot 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 23 \\ 53 \\ 83 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Linear Systems vs Augmented Matrices vs Matrix Equations vs Vector Equations

A **matrix equation** is an equation  $Ax = b$  where  $A$  is a matrix and  $b$  is a vector. So  $x$  is a vector of variables.

$A$  is an  $m \times n$  **matrix** if it has  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns. What sizes must  $x$  and  $b$  be?

Example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$3 \times 2$     $2 \times 1$     $3 \times 1$

matrix eqn

Rewrite this equation as a vector equation, a system of linear equations, and an augmented matrix.

vector eqn

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$$x \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y &= 9 \\ 3x + 4y &= 10 \\ 5x + 6y &= 11 \end{aligned}$$

you do.

We will go back and forth between these four points of view over and over again. You need to get comfortable with this.

Solving is answering:  
Is  $\begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$  in span of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

# Solving matrix equations

Solve the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6 & 8 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f \\ s \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# of babies for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> year rabbits  
current population

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 6 & 8 & 20 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightsquigarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 6 & 8 & 20 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R3 \rightarrow R3 - 6R2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 & 8 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Solution:  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

population the year before

What does this mean about rabbits?

They are so cute!

# Solutions to Linear Systems vs Spans

Say that

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & \cdots & | \\ v_1 & v_2 & \cdots & v_n \\ | & | & \cdots & | \end{pmatrix}.$$

columns of  $A$

Fact.  $Ax = b$  has a solution  $\iff b$  is in the span of columns of  $A$   
algebra  $\iff$  geometry

Why?

Look back at  
"The Four Ways"  
slide.

Again this is a basic fact we will use over and over and over.

# Solutions to Linear Systems vs Spans

Fact.  $Ax = b$  has a solution  $\iff b$  is in the span of columns of  $A$

last slide.

Examples:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} \boxed{1} & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{5} \end{array} \right)$$

inconsistent

So:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

not in span of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

solution:  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

So  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is in span

of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Is a given vector in the span?

Fact.  $Ax = b$  has a solution  $\iff b$  is in the span of columns of  $A$

algebra  $\iff$  geometry

Is  $(9, 10, 11)$  in the span of  $(1, 3, 5)$  and  $(2, 4, 6)$ ?

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 3 & 4 & 10 \\ 5 & 6 & 11 \end{array} \right) \rightsquigarrow \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 0 & -2 & -17 \\ 0 & -4 & -34 \end{array} \right) \rightsquigarrow \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 0 & -2 & -17 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

yes - no pivot on RHS.

$$\rightsquigarrow \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 1 & 17/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{so:} \quad -8 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + 17/2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 16 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

soln:  $\begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 17/2 \end{pmatrix}$

## Pivots vs Solutions

Rephrasing what we know, with the "all"

Theorem. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. The following are equivalent.

1.  $Ax = b$  has a solution for **all**  $b$
2. The span of the columns of  $A$  is  $\mathbb{R}^m$
3.  $A$  has a pivot in each row

Why?

(so never a pivot on RHS)

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} x = b$   
has a soln when  $b$  is  $xy$ -plane.

More generally, if you have some vectors and you want to know the dimension of the span, you should row reduce and count the number of pivots.

## Properties of the Matrix Product $Ax$

$c =$  real number,  $u, v =$  vectors,

- $A(u + v) = Au + Av$
- $A(cv) = cAv$

*Application.* If  $u$  and  $v$  are solutions to  $Ax = 0$  then so is every element of  $\text{Span}\{u, v\}$ .



## Guiding questions

Here are the guiding questions for the rest of the chapter:

1. What are the solutions to  $Ax = 0$ ?
2. For which  $b$  is  $Ax = b$  consistent?

These are two separate questions!

## Is a given vector in the span?

### Poll

Which of the following true statements can you verify without row reduction?

1.  $(0, 1, 2)$  is in the span of  $(3, 3, 4)$ ,  $(0, 10, 20)$ ,  $(0, -1, -2)$
2.  $(0, 1, 2)$  is in the span of  $(3, 3, 4)$ ,  $(0, 1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 0, \sqrt{2})$
3.  $(0, 1, 2)$  is in the span of  $(3, 3, 4)$ ,  $(0, 5, 7)$ ,  $(0, 6, 8)$
4.  $(0, 1, 2)$  is in the span of  $(5, 7, 0)$ ,  $(6, 8, 0)$ ,  $(3, 3, 4)$

## Summary of Section 2.3

- Two ways to multiply a matrix times a column vector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_m \end{pmatrix} b = \begin{pmatrix} r_1 b \\ \vdots \\ r_m b \end{pmatrix}$$

OR

$$\begin{pmatrix} | & | & \cdots & | \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} | & & & | \\ b_1 x_1 & \cdots & & b_n x_n \\ | & & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

- Linear systems, augmented matrices, vector equations, and matrix equations are all equivalent.
- Fact.  $Ax = b$  has a solution  $\Leftrightarrow b$  is in the span of columns of  $A$
- Theorem. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. The following are equivalent.
  1.  $Ax = b$  has a solution for all  $b$
  2. The span of the columns of  $A$  is  $\mathbb{R}^m$
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## Typical exam questions

- If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix, and the product  $Ax$  makes sense, then which  $\mathbb{R}^n$  does  $x$  lie in?
- Rewrite the following linear system as a matrix equation and a vector equation:

$$x + y + z = 1$$

- Multiply:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Which of the following matrix equations are consistent?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(And can you do it without row reducing?)