

Matrix vector mult. and Matrix-Matrix mult

linear eq:

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 = 7 \\ -1x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 = 4 \\ 5x_1 - 1x_2 + 2x_3 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 \\ -1x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 \\ 5x_1 - 1x_2 + 2x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the system can be written

$$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow b$$

The function f is called a linear function.

Definition:

$$(1) \quad f(a+b) = f(a) + f(b)$$

$$(2) \quad f(\alpha a) = \alpha f(a) \quad \text{for } \alpha \text{ is scalar and } a, b \text{ vectors.}$$

$$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 \\ -1x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 \\ 5x_1 - 1x_2 + 1x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is the definition of Matrix-vector multiplication

What structure is present in this definition:

(2) Column Structure:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} x_1 + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3$$

(1) Row structure

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} (2, 3, -2) \cdot (x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ (-1, 2, -3) \cdot (x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ (5, -1, 1) \cdot (x_1, x_2, x_3) \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore $f(x) = Ax$ where

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The system of linear eq. can now be written

$$Ax = b$$

where $b = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Suppose I do Gaussian elimination like Friday and arrive at the row echelon form of A , which I'll call U . It turns out that we can factor A so that $A = LU$.

Thus $Ax = b$ can be written $LUx = b$

Substitute

$$y = Ux$$

plug in
to get

$$Ly = b$$

rewrote

System

$$Ly = b$$

$$Ux = y$$

only involves
matrix-vector
operations...

This makes sense, even if you don't know what matrix-matrix mult. is...

Let's back up and do this carefully...

$f(x) = Ax$ is a linear function

Give any other matrices L and U , I could define more lin. functions.

$$g(x) = Ux$$

$$h(y) = Ly$$

need to check $g(x)$ satisfies

$$g(a+b) = g(a) + g(b)$$

$$g(\alpha a) = \alpha g(a)$$

Yes. Because matrix-vector mult is how to represent lin. fn's.

Try composing the functions

$$(h \circ g)(x) = h(g(x)) = Lg(x) = L(Ux)$$

define matrix-matrix mult so that LU is the matrix corresponding to the composition of functions $h \circ g$.

for this definition to make sense... it's important for $h \circ g$ to be a linear function...

Do I get another lin function back when composing two lin. functions? YES

Example:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} g(x) = 3x \\ h(y) = 4y \end{array} \right\} \text{simplest lin functions.}$$

$$(h \circ g)(x) = h(g(x)) = 4(g(x)) = 4(3x) = 12x$$

that's a linear function!