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Defn A SLE is called homogeneous if it is in the form

$$A \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

Otherwise, it is called non-homogeneous.

Ex

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y = 0 \\ x - y = 0 \end{cases} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{all zeros for constants} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{homogeneous}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 = 4 \\ x_1 + x_3 = 2 \\ x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0 \end{cases} \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{not homogeneous}$$

Defn

The trivial solution: $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Prop: Every homogeneous system of LE is consistent since, the trivial solution is a solution of that system.

- If an SLE has a trivial solution then it is of the form $A \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{0}$, that is, it is homogeneous.

Q: I am given a homogeneous SLE.
I know trivial solution is good.
Are there others?

$$\begin{cases} x + z = 0 \\ 2x - y + z = 0 \\ 5x - 2y + 3z = 0 \end{cases}$$

of course

$x = y = z = 0$ is
a solution.

(How
check!)

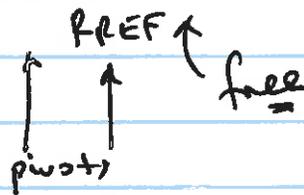
$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & -2 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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

$x + z = 0$

$y + z = 0$

$z = \text{free}$



$$\begin{aligned} x &= -z \\ y &= -z \\ z &= z \text{ free} \end{aligned}$$

scalar parametric
representation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = z \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

parametric vector
representation/form

For
$$\begin{cases} x + z = 0 \\ 2x - y + z = 0 \\ 5x - 2y + 3z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution space = $\text{Span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$

Given SLE
$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 & \\ \hline 1 & -3 & -8 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -4 & 0 \end{array}$$
 ← homogeneous

↓ RR

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & -7 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -4 & 0 \end{array}$$

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pivot free variables

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 2x_3 - 7x_4 &= 0 \\ x_2 + 2x_3 - 4x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 2x_3 + 7x_4 \\ x_2 &= -2x_3 + 4x_4 \\ x_3 &= \text{free } (x_3) \text{ (no } x_4) \\ x_4 &= \text{free } (x_4) \text{ (no } x_3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector parametric soln

linear combination x_3, x_4 free

Solution space = $\text{Span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$.

Thm: A homogeneous SLE $A \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has a non-trivial solution

\iff The RREF of A admits a free variable
i.e. RREF of A has a column without a leading 1.

Summarize Given $A \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{0}$

- ① If every column of RREF of A has a leading 1, then $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ is the only solⁿ.
- ② The number of the parameters is the # of the columns of RREF(A) without a leading 1.
- ③ In all cases, the solution set of $A \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{0}$ is the span of finitely many vectors.

NON-HOMOGENOUS SLE:

- May or May NOT have solutions.

Ex

$$2x + y + z = 3$$

$$x + y - z = 2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{RR} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right].$$

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \text{pivot} & \text{free} \end{matrix}$

$$x = 1 - 2z$$

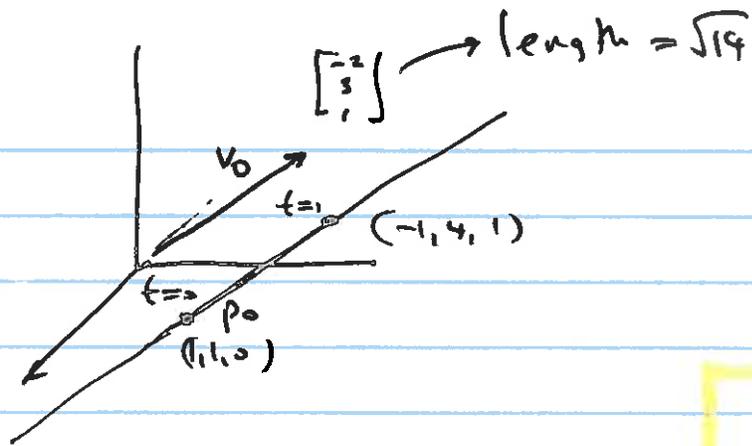
$$y = 1 + 3z$$

$$z = \text{free } z$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

line passing through $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

& parallel to $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.



$p_0 + z v_0$
usually we
write

$\vec{p}_0 + t \vec{v}_0$
line through p_0
parallel to v_0

Compare \therefore

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y + z &= 3 \\ x + y - z &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{soln} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y + z &= 0 \\ x + y - z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{soln} \quad z \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then: Let $A \vec{x} = \vec{b}$ be given.

• If p_0 is a (particular) solution:

$$A \cdot \vec{p}_0 = \vec{b},$$

and

• V_h describes a complete parametric solution of the homogeneous eqⁿ
 $A \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{0}$

Then the complete solution of $A \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is of the form

$$\vec{p}_0 + \vec{V}_h$$

~ #2 > parametric equation of a line

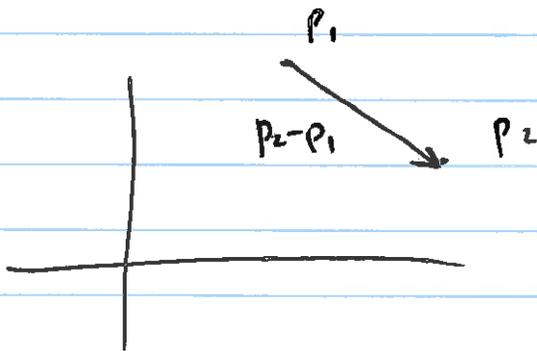
- passing thru $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- parallel to $\begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

~ #2 param eqⁿ of a line thru $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$



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