

1. If the columns of a  $7 \times 7$  matrix  $D$  are linearly independent, what can be said about the solutions  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  for a given  $7 \times 1$  vector  $\vec{b}$  (where  $\vec{x}$  is  $7 \times 1$  too)?
- a)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  always has at least one solution, but we cannot say anything more about the solution or solutions
  - b)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  always has a unique solution, but we cannot say anything more about it
  - c)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  always has a unique solution, and I can tell you what it is
  - d)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  always has infinite solutions
  - e)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has no solutions for some  $\vec{b}$  and infinite solutions for other  $\vec{b}$

2. If the columns of a  $7 \times 6$  matrix  $D$  are linearly independent, what can be said about the solutions  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  for a given  $7 \times 1$  vector  $\vec{b}$  (where  $\vec{x}$  is  $6 \times 1$ )?
- a)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  always has at least one solution, but we cannot say anything more about the solution or solutions
  - b)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  always has a unique solution
  - c)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has no solutions for some  $\vec{b}$  and infinite solutions for other  $\vec{b}$
  - d)  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has one solution for some  $\vec{b}$  and no solutions for other  $\vec{b}$
  - e) We can reason that  $D\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has 0, 1, or infinite solutions as with any linear system, but we cannot specify the solutions any further.

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} A.\text{col}1B & \dots & A.\text{col}nB \end{bmatrix}$$

pivot arguments:

- $A_{n \times n}$  must have full pivots to be invertible because it reduces to the identity matrix  $I$  so you can make use of the full pivots
- $A_{n \times n}$  must be missing both row and column pivots if it isn't invertible so you can make use of missing pivots
- $A$  not square must be missing a row pivot or a column pivot (but not necessarily both)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Multiply both sides:  $A^{-1}(A\vec{x}) = A^{-1}\vec{b}$

Reorder by associativity:  $(A^{-1}A)\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$

Cancel  $A$  by its inverse:  $I_{n \times n}\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$

Reduce identity:  $\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$

- Hill Cipher: message goes in as column vectors

- $A \cdot [\text{uncoded message}] = [\text{coded message}]$

$$A \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{col1=start of message} \quad \dots \quad \text{coln=end of message} \end{array} \right]$$

- $[\text{uncoded message}] = A^{-1} \cdot [\text{coded message}]$
- Vulnerable because of its linearity—intercept enough vector correspondances (uncoded and coded)

- Condition Number Roundoff Errors: asymptotically worst case loss of accuracy:  $10^{19}$ : 19 digits= $k$ , order
- Using  $r$  digits gets at least  $r - k$  accuracy [ex:  $21-19=2$ ]
- hard to numerically distinguish between a non-invertible matrix and one with a large condition number

**Catalog description:** A study of vectors, matrices and linear transformations, principally in two and three dimensions, including treatments of systems of linear equations, determinants, and eigenvalues. Prerequisite: MAT 1120 or permission of the instructor.

### Course Goals

- Develop algebraic skills
- Develop mathematical reasoning and problem solving
- Develop spatial visualization skills
- Learn about some applications of linear algebra
- An introduction to a computer algebra software system as it applies to linear algebra

### Mapping of the Topics in the Catalog Description to the Text

Systems of Linear Equations: 1.1, 1.2, 1.5

Vectors: 1.3, 1.4, 1.7

Matrices: earlier +2.1, 2.2, 2.3

Linear transformations 1.8, 1.9 (1-1 & onto eliminated), 2.7, 6.1

Determinants: 3.1, 3.2, 3.3

Eigenvalues 2.8, 5.1, 5.2, 5.6