

# Math Masterclass

## Why should students study linear algebra?

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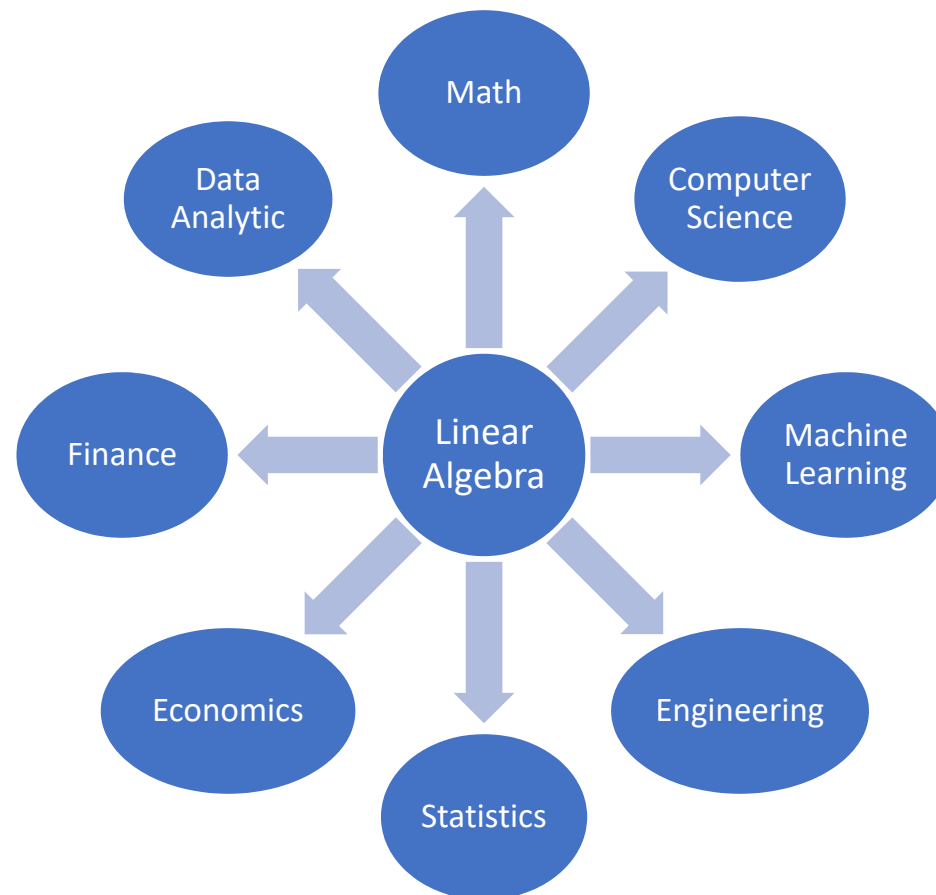
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# Linear Algebra is Everywhere



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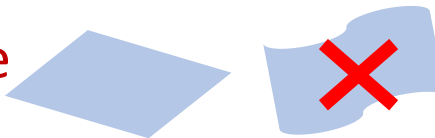
# What is Linear Algebra?

having the properties of lines

1-dimensional **linear** object: **line**



2-dimensional **linear** object: **plane**



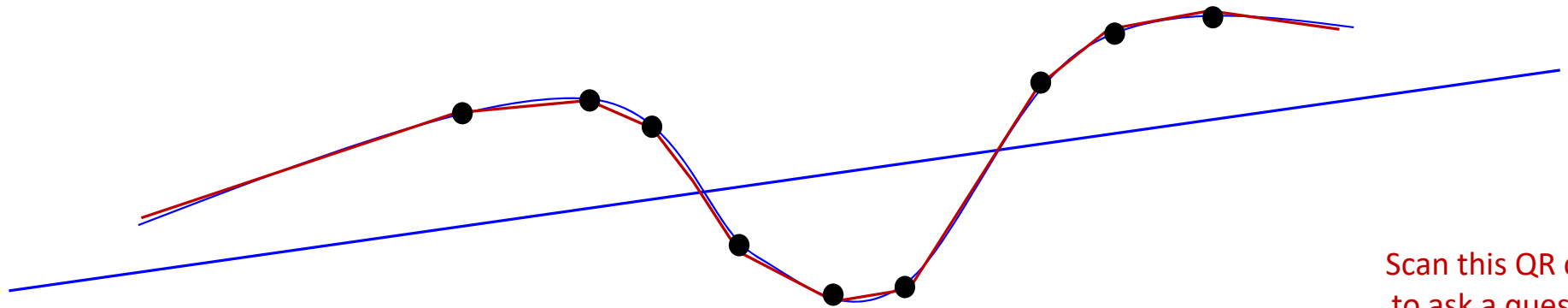
The study of **mathematical objects** and properties that are related to **lines**, **planes** and their **generalization**.

linear systems  
matrices  
vectors

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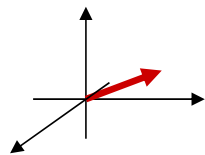
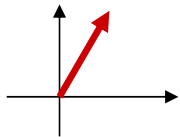
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# Vectors and Matrices



Dimension	Vector	Matrix
2-dimension		
Algebraic	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$
Geometric	arrow in xy-plane	transformation of a vector to another in xy-plane
3-dimension		
Algebraic	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 7 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
Geometric	arrow in xyz-space	transformation of a vector to another in xyz-space
> 3-dimension		
Algebraic	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 5 & 3 & 0 & 8 \\ 4 & 7 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
Geometric	None	None

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# Linear Systems

Linear system  
2 equations  
2 variables

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x & + & y = 1 \\ 2x & + & 3y = 2 \end{array}$$

represented by 2 lines



solution:  $x = 1, y = 0$

intersection of the 2 lines

algebraic  
generalization



Linear system  
5 equations  
4 variables

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x & + & y & + & z & + & w & = & 1 \\ 2x & - & y & + & 3z & + & 5w & = & 2 \\ x & + & 2y & + & 7z & + & 0w & = & 5 \\ 0x & - & 6y & + & 2z & + & 9w & = & 0 \\ 5x & + & 2y & - & 4z & + & 7w & = & 8 \end{array}$$

How to find the solutions?

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# Heat Transfer

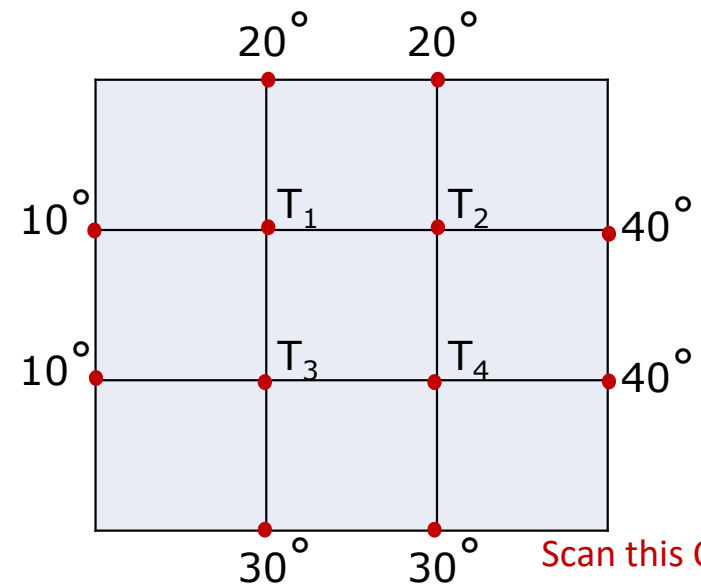
Steady-State temperature distribution of a thin plate

Temperature around boundary is known.

$T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4$  are temperatures at the 4 internal nodes.

Find  $T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4$ .

**Known fact:** Temperature at a node is approximately equal to the average of the 4 nearest nodes (on the left, right, above, below).



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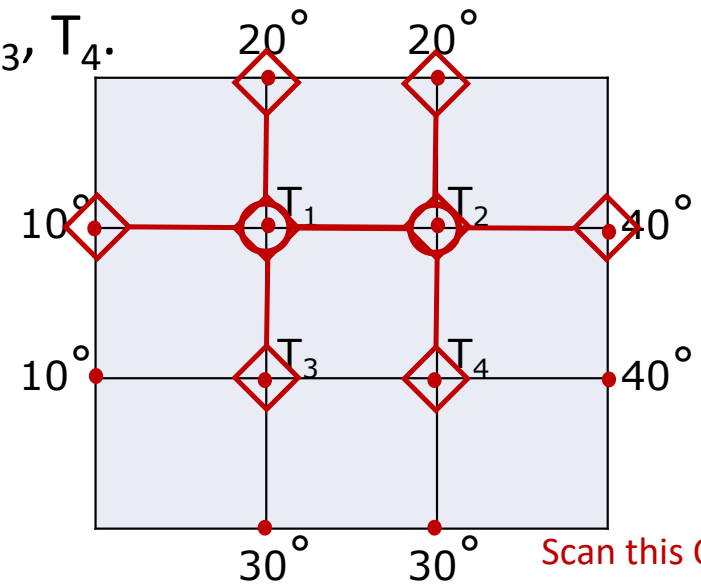
Set up a **Linear System** in variables  $T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4$ .

Node 1:  $T_1 = (10 + 20 + T_2 + T_3)/4$   
 $4T_1 - T_2 - T_3 = 30$

Node 2:  $T_2 = (20 + 40 + T_4 + T_1)/4$   
 $-T_1 + 4T_2 - T_4 = 60$

Node 3:  $T_3 = (10 + 30 + T_4 + T_1)/4$   
 $-T_1 + 4T_3 - T_4 = 40$

Node 4:  $T_4 = (30 + 40 + T_2 + T_3)/4$   
 $-T_2 - T_3 + 4T_4 = 70$



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# Matrix Equation

$$\begin{array}{rrcrclcl} x & + & y & + & z & + & w & = & 1 \\ 2x & - & y & + & 3z & + & 5w & = & 2 \\ x & + & 2y & + & 7z & + & 0w & = & 5 \\ 0x & - & 6y & + & 2z & + & 9w & = & 0 \\ 5x & + & 2y & - & 4z & + & 7w & = & 8 \end{array}$$

standard form



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & 2 & 9 \\ 5 & 2 & -4 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

matrix equation form

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# Manufacturing

Three products A, B, C

Production cost per item

	A	B	C
Raw materials	0.10	0.30	0.15
Labor	0.30	0.40	0.25
Overhead & Misc.	0.10	0.20	0.13

Production cost matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.10 & 0.30 & 0.15 \\ 0.30 & 0.40 & 0.25 \\ 0.10 & 0.20 & 0.13 \end{pmatrix}$$

Easier to manipulate the data

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produce: 3000 of A  
2000 of B  
5000 of C

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.10 & 0.30 & 0.15 \\ 0.30 & 0.40 & 0.25 \\ 0.10 & 0.20 & 0.13 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3000 \\ 2000 \\ 5000 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1650 \\ 2950 \\ 1350 \end{pmatrix}$$

total raw material cost  
total labor cost  
total overhead cost

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Given budget:

2000 for raw material

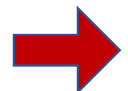
2500 for labor

1500 for overhead cost

How many of A, B, C can be produce?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.10 & 0.30 & 0.15 \\ 0.30 & 0.40 & 0.25 \\ 0.10 & 0.20 & 0.13 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2000 \\ 2500 \\ 1500 \end{pmatrix}$$

Linear system in  
matrix equation form


$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.10 & 0.30 & 0.15 \\ 0.30 & 0.40 & 0.25 \\ 0.10 & 0.20 & 0.13 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2000 \\ 2500 \\ 1500 \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Population Model

In a certain town, 30% of married women get divorced each year and 20% of women get married each year.

There are 8000 married women and 2000 single women.

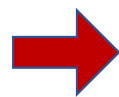
Assuming that the total population of women remains constant, how many married women and how many single women will there be after  $n$  years?

$M_n$  = married women after  $n$  years

$S_n$  = single women after  $n$  years

$$M_n = 0.7M_{n-1} + 0.2S_{n-1}$$

$$S_n = 0.3M_{n-1} + 0.8S_{n-1}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} M_n \\ S_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} M_{n-1} \\ S_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Populations between  
two consecutive years

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After 1 year

$$\begin{pmatrix} M_1 \\ S_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 8000 \\ 2000 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6000 \\ 4000 \end{pmatrix}$$

After 2 year

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} M_2 \\ S_2 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6000 \\ 4000 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5000 \\ 5000 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix}^2 \begin{pmatrix} 8000 \\ 2000 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix}^n \begin{pmatrix} 8000 \\ 2000 \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Google Page Rank

Google ranks webpages according to “hyperlinks”

e.g. we want to rank 4 webpages: A, B, C, D

Form a 4x4 matrix:

	A	B	C	D			
A	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\xrightarrow{\text{eigenvector}}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.446 \\ 0.223 \\ 0.743 \\ 0.446 \end{pmatrix}$	
B	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$			
C	1	$\frac{1}{3}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$			
D	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0			

page rank

2 (tie)
4
1
2 (tie)

A has a link to C, but not to B and D

B has a link to A, C, D

C has a link to A, D

D has a link to B, C

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