

MA1522: Linear Algebra for Computing

Tutorial 11

Revision

Linear Transformation

A mapping $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a linear transformation if for all $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$T(\alpha\mathbf{u} + \beta\mathbf{v}) = \alpha T(\mathbf{u}) + \beta T(\mathbf{v}).$$

T is a linear transformation \Leftrightarrow there is a $m \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} such that $T(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}$ for all $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$\mathbf{A} = (T(\mathbf{e}_1) \quad T(\mathbf{e}_2) \quad \cdots \quad T(\mathbf{e}_n))$$

is called the standard matrix of T .

For any $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$T(c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \cdots + c_k\mathbf{v}_k) = c_1 T(\mathbf{v}_1) + c_2 T(\mathbf{v}_2) + \cdots + c_k T(\mathbf{v}_k).$$

To show T is not a linear transformation, either

- ▶ $T(\mathbf{0}) \neq \mathbf{0}$;
- ▶ there exists $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \neq T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v})$;
- ▶ there exists $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $T(\alpha\mathbf{u}) \neq \alpha T(\mathbf{u})$.

Range, Kernel, Rank, and Nullity

The range of T is $R(T) = \{ T(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} \mid \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n \} = \text{Col}(\mathbf{A})$. \Rightarrow Rank of T is the **rank** of \mathbf{A} ,

$$\text{rank}(T) = \dim(R(T)) = \dim(\text{Col}(\mathbf{A})) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}).$$

The kernel of T is $\ker(T) = \{ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = T(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0} \} = \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$. \Rightarrow Nullity of T is the **nullity** of \mathbf{A} ,

$$\text{nullity}(T) = \dim(\ker(T)) = \text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}).$$

Theorem (Rank-Nullity Theorem)

Let $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a **linear transformation**. Then

$$\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = n.$$

One-to-one and Onto

T is one-to-one (or injective) if for any $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}$ has **at most one solution** \mathbf{x} (or $T(\mathbf{u}) = T(\mathbf{v}) \Rightarrow \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}$).
 $\Leftrightarrow \ker(T) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ or **nullity** $(T) = 0$.

T is onto (or surjective) if for any $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, there is an $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $T(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{b}$, i.e. $T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent. $\Leftrightarrow R(T) = \mathbb{R}^m$, or **rank** $(T) = m$.

If T is **one-to-one** or **onto**, then the **standard matrix** \mathbf{A} is a **full rank** matrix.

If $m = n$, then T is **one-to-one** $\Leftrightarrow T$ is **onto** $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{A}$ is **invertible**.

Full Rank Equals Number of Columns

Theorem (Full rank equals to number of columns)

Suppose \mathbf{A} is a $m \times n$ matrix. The following statements are equivalent.

- (i) \mathbf{A} is full rank, where the rank is equal to the number of columns, $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$.
- (ii) The rows of \mathbf{A} spans \mathbb{R}^n , $\text{Row}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbb{R}^n$.
- (iii) The columns of \mathbf{A} are linearly independent.
- (iv) The homogeneous system $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution, that is, $\text{Null}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$.
- (v) $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is an invertible matrix of order n .
- (vi) \mathbf{A} has a left inverse.
- (vii) \mathbf{A} has a QR factorization.
- (viii) For any $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, the least square solutions to $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is unique.
- (ix) The transformation $T_{\mathbf{A}}$ represented by \mathbf{A} is injective.

Full Rank Equals Number of Rows

Theorem

Suppose \mathbf{A} is a $m \times n$ matrix. The following statements are equivalent.

- (i) \mathbf{A} is full rank, where the rank is equal to the number of rows, $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = m$.
- (ii) The columns of \mathbf{A} spans \mathbb{R}^m , $\text{Col}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbb{R}^m$.
- (iii) The rows of \mathbf{A} are linearly independent.
- (iv) The linear system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent for every $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$.
- (v) \mathbf{AA}^T is an invertible matrix of order m .
- (vi) \mathbf{A} has a right inverse.
- (vii) The transformation $T_{\mathbf{A}}$ represented by \mathbf{A} is surjective.

Equivalent Statements for Invertibility

Theorem (Equivalent Statements for Invertibility)

Let \mathbf{A} be a square matrix of order n . The following statements are equivalent.

- (i) \mathbf{A} is *invertible*.
- (ii) \mathbf{A}^T is *invertible*.
- (iii) (*left inverse*) There is a matrix \mathbf{B} such that $\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$.
- (iv) (*right inverse*) There is a matrix \mathbf{B} such that $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$.
- (v) The *reduced row-echelon form* of \mathbf{A} is the *identity matrix*.
- (vi) \mathbf{A} can be expressed as a *product* of *elementary matrices*.
- (vii) The *homogeneous system* $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ has *only the trivial solution*.
- (viii) For *any* \mathbf{b} , the system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ has a *unique solution*.
- (ix) The *determinant* of \mathbf{A} is *nonzero*, $\det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$.
- (x) The *columns/rows* of \mathbf{A} are *linearly independent*.
- (xi) The *columns/rows* of \mathbf{A} *spans* \mathbb{R}^n .
- (xii) $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$ (\mathbf{A} has *full rank*).
- (xiii) $\text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$.
- (xiv) 0 is *not* an *eigenvalue* of \mathbf{A} .
- (xv) The transformation $T_{\mathbf{A}}$ represented by \mathbf{A} is *injective*.
- (xvi) The transformation $T_{\mathbf{A}}$ represented by \mathbf{A} is *surjective*.
- (xvii) The transformation $T_{\mathbf{A}}$ represented by \mathbf{A} is *bijjective*.

Finding Standard Matrix of a Linear Transformation

Definition

Let $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a **linear transformation** and $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ be a **basis** for \mathbb{R}^n . The representation of T with respect to basis S , denoted as $[T]_S$, is defined to be the $m \times n$ matrix

$$[T]_S = (T(\mathbf{u}_1) \quad T(\mathbf{u}_2) \quad \cdots \quad T(\mathbf{u}_n)).$$

Theorem

Let $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a **linear transformation** and $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^n . Then for any vector \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^n ,

$$T(\mathbf{v}) = [T]_S[\mathbf{v}]_S,$$

that is, the **image** $T(\mathbf{v})$ is the product of the representation of T with respect to basis S with the coordinates \mathbf{v} with respect to basis S . Moreover, if \mathbf{P} is the **transition matrix** from the standard basis E of \mathbb{R}^n to basis S , then the **standard matrix** \mathbf{A} of T is given by

$$\mathbf{A} = [T]_S \mathbf{P} = (T(\mathbf{u}_1) \quad T(\mathbf{u}_2) \quad \cdots \quad T(\mathbf{u}_n)) (\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{u}_n)^{-1}.$$

Tutorial 11 Solutions

Question 1(a)

$T_1: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $T_1\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} x+y \\ y-x \end{pmatrix}$ for $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

- (i) Determine whether the following are linear transformations.
- (ii) Write down the standard matrix for each other the linear transformations.
- (iii) Find a basis for the range for each of the linear transformations.
- (iv) Find a basis for the kernel for each of the linear transformations.

$$T_1\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}. \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Either observe that the columns of \mathbf{A}_1 are linearly independent, or that \mathbf{A} is invertible, we can conclude that $R(T_1) = \mathbb{R}^2$ (hence, $\text{rank}(T_1) = 2$) and $\ker(T_1) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ (hence, $\text{nullity}(T_1) = 0$). May let $\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ or $\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ be the basis for the range of T_1 , and $\{\}$ the empty set be the basis for the kernel of T_1

Question 1(b)

$T_2: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $T_2\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2^x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

- (i) Determine whether the following are linear transformations.
- (ii) Write down the standard matrix for each other the linear transformations.
- (iii) Find a basis for the range for each of the linear transformations.
- (iv) Find a basis for the kernel for each of the linear transformations.

$T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2^0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. So, T_2 is not a linear transformation.

Question 1(c)

$$T_3: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ such that } T_3\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} x+y \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

- (i) Determine whether the following are linear transformations.
- (ii) Write down the standard matrix for each other the linear transformations.
- (iii) Find a basis for the range for each of the linear transformations.
- (iv) Find a basis for the kernel for each of the linear transformations.

$$T_3: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, T_3\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}. \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ A basis for the range of } T_3 \text{ is}$$
$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \text{ and a basis for the kernel is } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Question 1(d)

$$T_4: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ such that } T_4 \left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y - x \\ y - z \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

- (i) Determine whether the following are linear transformations.
- (ii) Write down the standard matrix for each other the linear transformations.
- (iii) Find a basis for the range for each of the linear transformations.
- (iv) Find a basis for the kernel for each of the linear transformations.

$$T_4 \text{ is not a linear transformation because } T_4 \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Question 1(e)

$$T_5: \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } T_5 \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} \right) = x_3 + 2x_4 - x_5 \text{ for } \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^5.$$

- (i) Determine whether the following are linear transformations.
- (ii) Write down the standard matrix for each other the linear transformations.
- (iii) Find a basis for the range for each of the linear transformations.
- (iv) Find a basis for the kernel for each of the linear transformations.

$$T_5 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = 0x_1 + 0x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 - x_5 = (0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ -1) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix}. \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}_5 = (0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ -1). \text{ The range is } \mathbb{R}, \text{ and a}$$

$$\text{basis is } \{1\}. \text{ A basis for the kernel is } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Question 1(f)

$T_6 : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $T_6(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}$ for $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

- (i) Determine whether the following are linear transformations.
- (ii) Write down the standard matrix for each other the linear transformations.
- (iii) Find a basis for the range for each of the linear transformations.
- (iv) Find a basis for the kernel for each of the linear transformations.

$$T_6 \left(2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 4 \neq 2 = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 2 T_6 \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

The function T_6 is not a linear transformation.

Question 2(a)

Let $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ and $G : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be linear transformations such that

$$F \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - 2x_2 \\ x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 \\ 5x_2 - x_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } G \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} x_3 - x_1 \\ x_2 + 5x_1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

and let \mathbf{A}_F and \mathbf{B}_G be the standard matrix of F and G , respectively. Find \mathbf{A}_F and \mathbf{B}_G .

$$\begin{aligned} F \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \right) &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - 2x_2 \\ x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 \\ 5x_2 - x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}_F = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ G \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \right) &= \begin{pmatrix} x_3 - x_1 \\ x_2 + 5x_1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}_G = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Question 2(b)

Define

$$(F + G)(\mathbf{x}) := F(\mathbf{x}) + G(\mathbf{x}), \text{ for all } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Is $(F + G)$ a linear transformation? If it is, find its standard matrix.

For any $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$,

$$(F + G)(\mathbf{x}) := F(\mathbf{x}) + G(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}_F \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}_G \mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}_F + \mathbf{B}_G)(\mathbf{x}).$$

Therefore $(F + G)$ is a linear transformation and the standard matrix is $(\mathbf{A}_F + \mathbf{B}_G)$.

Question 2(c)

Write down the formula for $F(G(\mathbf{x}))$ and find its standard matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} F(G(\mathbf{x})) &= F \begin{pmatrix} x_3 - x_1 \\ x_2 + 5x_1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (x_3 - x_1) - 2(x_2 + 5x_1) \\ (x_3 - x_1) + (x_2 + 5x_1) - 3(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) \\ 5(x_2 + 5x_1) - (x_1 + x_2 + x_3) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -11x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 - 2x_2 - 2x_3 \\ 24x_1 + 4x_2 - x_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -11 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 24 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{the standard matrix is } \begin{pmatrix} -11 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 24 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

which is the product $\mathbf{A}_F \mathbf{B}_G$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -11 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 24 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$

More generally, if $S : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ and $T : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ are linear transformations with standard matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} respectively, then for all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$T(S(\mathbf{x})) = T(\mathbf{Ax}) = \mathbf{BAx}.$$

This is called the composition of S and T , and is denoted as $T \circ S$.

Question 2(d)

Find a linear transformation $H : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that

$$H(G(\mathbf{x})) = \mathbf{x}, \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

By (c), we are finding a matrix \mathbf{C}_H such that $\mathbf{C}_H \mathbf{B}_G \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, which is true if and only if $\mathbf{C}_H \mathbf{B}_G = \mathbf{I}_3$, that

is $\mathbf{C}_H = \mathbf{B}_G^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{5}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$. Hence,

$$H \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{5}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \\ -5x_1 - 2x_2 + 5x_3 \\ 4x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Question 3

For each of the following linear transformations, (i) determine whether there is enough information for us to find the formula of T ; and (ii) find the formula and the standard matrix for T if possible.

Let $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a linear transformation. Suppose $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^n , and we are given the image of T on S , that is, we are given $T(\mathbf{u}_1), T(\mathbf{u}_2), \dots, T(\mathbf{u}_n)$. Then

$$(T(\mathbf{u}_1) \quad T(\mathbf{u}_2) \quad \cdots \quad T(\mathbf{u}_n)) = (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_n) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{u}_n),$$

and hence,

$$\mathbf{A} = (T(\mathbf{u}_1) \quad T(\mathbf{u}_2) \quad \cdots \quad T(\mathbf{u}_n)) (\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{u}_n)^{-1}.$$

That is, the standard matrix of T can be obtained by multiplying the matrix whose columns are formed by the image of T on the basis, to the inverse of the matrix whose columns are formed by the basis.

Question 3(a)

$T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ such that

$$T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In this case we can directly construct the standard matrix.

$$\mathbf{A} = \left(T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \quad T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \quad T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\text{that is, } T \left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} x + 2y \\ 3x + 2y + 4z \\ -y + z \\ x + 4y + 6z \end{pmatrix}.$$

Question 3(b)

$T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that

$$T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

First observe that $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 . Hence,

$$\mathbf{A} = \left(T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}\right) \quad T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus $T\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} x - y \\ x + y \end{pmatrix}.$

Question 3(c)

$T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = -1, \quad T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad T \left(\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0.$$

Observe that $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is not a basis since it is linearly dependent. Hence we do not have enough information to reconstruct **A**. For example, $T \left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \right) = y$ and $T \left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \right) = -x - z$ are different linear transformations that satisfy the given information.

Question 4(a)

Consider the transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^6$ such that the rank is 4. Determine its rank and nullity, and whether it is one-to-one, and/or onto.

By rank-nullity theorem, $4 = \text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = 4 + \text{nullity}(T)$. So the nullity is 0. Since $\text{rank}(T) = 4 < 6 = \dim(\mathbb{R}^6)$, T is not onto; and since $\text{nullity}(T) = 0$, T is one-to-one.

Question 4(b)

$T: \mathbb{R}^6 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ such that the nullity is 2.

By rank-nullity theorem, $6 = \text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \text{rank}(T) + 2 \Rightarrow \text{rank}(T) = 4 = \dim(\mathbb{R}^4)$. So T is onto, but not one-to-one.

Question 4(c)

$T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^6$ such that the reduce row-echelon form of its standard matrix has 3 nonzero rows.

Since the rref of the standard matrix has 3 nonzero rows, $\text{rank}(T) = 3$. So, $\text{nullity}(T) = 3 - 4 = 1$. T is neither one-to-one nor onto.

Question 4(d)

$T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that T is one-to-one.

Since T is one-to-one, $\text{nullity}(T) = 0$ and hence $\text{rank}(T) = 3 - 0 = 3$, which means that T is onto too.

Alternatively, observe that the standard matrix \mathbf{A} is a 3 by 3 square matrix and since the nullity is 0, \mathbf{A} is invertible, and hence, T is onto too.