

## MATB24 TUTORIAL PROBLEMS 5, SOLUTIONS

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RELEVANT SECTIONS IN THE TEXTBOOK: Sec 3.3, 7.1, 7.2 FB or 3C, 3D SA

WARM-UP: As usual, write down a complete definition or a complete mathematical characterization for the following terms.

- Let  $\mathfrak{B}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  be a ordered bases for finite dimensional vector spaces  $W$  and  $V$  respectively. A matrix representation of a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow W$  with respect to  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$ .
- Let  $\mathfrak{B}$  be a an ordered basis for a vector space  $W$ . Define the  $\mathfrak{B}$ -coordinates of a vector  $\vec{v} \in W$ .
- Let  $\mathfrak{B}$  be a an ordered basis for a vector space  $W$ . Give an isomorphism between  $W$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{\dim W}$

A: Consider the basis  $\mathcal{E} = (\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2)$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ . Suppose  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is given by

$$T([\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{E}}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} [\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{E}}.$$

- (1) Find the change of basis matrices  $C_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}}$  and  $C_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}}$  and explain what they do and how they are related.
- (2) Let  $T_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}}$  and  $T_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}}$  be linear transformations corresponding to  $C_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}}$  and  $C_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}}$  respectively. Use composition of maps to construct a linear transformation that takes in  $[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{B}}$  as input and gives  $[T\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{B}}$  as output.
- (3) Compute a matrix for your answer in previous part.
- (4) Compare your answer to the matrix

$$[[T(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})]_{\mathcal{B}}, [T(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})]_{\mathcal{B}}].$$

### Solution.

- (1)  $C_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ . These matrices change coordinates from one basis to another, and are inverses of each other.
- (2) The composition is  $C_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}} \circ T \circ T_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}}$ .
- (3)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (4) It is the same matrix: The first column is computed as  $C_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}}T([1, 1]) = [1, -2]$ , and the second column is  $C_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}}T([-1, 1]) = [0, -1]$ .

B: Let  $V$  be the vector space of polynomials of degree less than or equal to 2 in the variable  $t$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the basis of  $V$  given by  $(1, t, t^2)$ .

- (1) Let  $\vec{v}_1 = 1 + t$ ,  $\vec{v}_2 = t^2 - t$ ,  $\vec{v}_3 = 1 - t + t^2$ . Show that  $\mathcal{C} = (\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3)$  is a basis for  $V$ .

- (2) Describe explicitly the coordinate isomorphism  $V \cong \mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $\mathcal{C}$ . Where does this isomorphism send the element  $a + bt + ct^2$  of  $V$ ? (Here  $a, b, c$  are scalars.)
- (3) Let  $\vec{w}_1 = 1 - t$ ,  $\vec{w}_2 = 1 + t^2$ ,  $\vec{w}_3 = t$ . Show that  $\mathcal{D} = (\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \vec{w}_3)$  is also a basis of  $V$ .
- (4) Describe explicitly the coordinate isomorphism  $V \cong \mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $\mathcal{D}$ . Where does this isomorphism send the element  $a + bt + ct^2$  of  $V$ ? (Here  $a, b, c$  are scalars.)
- (5) Let  $A$  be the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} [\vec{w}_1]_{\mathcal{C}} & [\vec{w}_2]_{\mathcal{C}} & [\vec{w}_3]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $B$  be the matrix

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} [\vec{v}_1]_{\mathcal{D}} & [\vec{v}_2]_{\mathcal{D}} & [\vec{v}_3]_{\mathcal{D}} \end{bmatrix}$$

If an element  $\vec{v}$  in  $V$  has coordinates  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  in the basis  $\mathcal{C}$ , how would you compute its coordinates in the basis  $\mathcal{D}$ ? Now do the same question with  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  interchanged.

- (6) Are the matrices  $A$  and  $B$  related in a simple way?

### Solution.

- (1) Since  $\dim V = 3$ , it is enough to show linear independence. If  $r_1\vec{v}_1 + r_2\vec{v}_2 + r_3\vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$ , then  $r_1 + r_3 = 0$ ,  $r_1 - r_2 - r_3 = 0$ , and  $r_2 + r_3 = 0$ . Forming the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , it is seen that it is row equivalent to the identity, and hence they are independent.
- (2) This is the linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $T(\vec{v}) = [\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{C}}$ . Writing  $a + bt + ct^2 = r_1\vec{v}_1 + r_2\vec{v}_2 + r_3\vec{v}_3 = (r_1 + r_3) + (r_1 - r_2 - r_3)t + (r_2 + r_3)t^2$ . Solving the matrix from (1) augmented by  $[a, b, c]$  yields the solution  $[r_1, r_2, r_3] = [b + c, -a + b + 2c, a - b - c]$ . Hence,  $T(a + bt + ct^2) = [b + c, -a + b + 2c, a - b - c]$ .
- (3) Same argument as in (1).
- (4) Let the transformation be  $S$ . As in (1) and (2), one write  $r_1(1 - t) + r_2(1 + t^2) + r_3t = (r_1 + r_2) + (-r_1 + r_3)t + r_2t^2$ , and obtains the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Augmenting it by  $[a, b, c]$  yields the solution  $S(a + bt + ct^2) = [a - c, c, a + b - c]$ .
- (5) Note that  $A$  is the change-of-coordinates matrix from  $\mathcal{D}$  to  $\mathcal{C}$ , and  $B$  is the change-of-coordinates matrix  $\mathcal{C}$  to  $\mathcal{D}$ . Hence, to compute  $[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{D}}$ , we compute  $B \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$ . Likewise, given  $[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{D}} = [a, b, c]$ , compute  $[\vec{v}]_{\mathcal{C}} = A \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$ .
- (6) Have  $AB = I_3 = BA$ , or that they are inverses.

C: Let  $V$  and  $W$  be  $n$  and  $m$  dimensional  $F$ -vectorspaces and let  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  be bases for  $V$  and  $W$  respectively. Let  $T_{\mathcal{B}} : V \rightarrow F^n$  and  $T_{\mathcal{A}} : W \rightarrow F^m$  denote the coordinate isomorphisms. Let  $S : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation.

- (1) Prove that  $\text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} = T_{\mathcal{B}}(\ker S)$  and  $\text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} = T_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Img} S)$ .
- (2) Prove that  $\text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} \cong \ker S$  and  $\text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} \cong \text{Img} S$ .
- (3) Rank-nullity theorem for  $S$  states that  $\dim \ker S + \dim \text{Img} S = \dim V$ . Use (1) and (2) to prove the rank-nullity theorem for  $S$ . You can use your MATA22 knowledge on how to find rank and nullity of a matrix.
- (4) Let  $\mathcal{B} = (\cos x, \sin x, 1)$  and let  $V = \text{Span}(\mathcal{B})$ .  $S : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation with  $[S]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the kernel and the image of  $S$ . Justify your computation using the results you proved in this problem.

### Solution.

- (1) Let us first show that  $\text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} = T_{\mathcal{B}}(\ker S)$ . Let  $x \in \text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} \subseteq F^n$ . Note that since  $T_{\mathcal{B}}$  is an isomorphism, it is in particular onto. Hence there exists an  $\alpha \in V$  such that  $T_{\mathcal{B}}(\alpha) = [\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}} = x$ .

$$x \in \text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} \Rightarrow 0 = [S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}x = [S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}} = [S(\alpha)]_{\mathcal{A}}$$

Because  $T_{\mathcal{A}}$  is an isomorphism and in particular 1-1. So  $S(\alpha) = 0_V$  that is  $\alpha \in \ker(S)$ . Hence  $T_{\mathcal{B}}(\alpha) = x$  shows that  $x \in T_{\mathcal{B}}(\ker S)$ .

Conversely, suppose  $x \in T_{\mathcal{B}}(\ker S)$ . That is  $x = [\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}}$  for some  $\alpha \in \ker(S)$ . So  $S(\alpha) = 0$ . This implies  $0_{F^m} = [0_V]_{\mathcal{A}} = [S(\alpha)]_{\mathcal{A}} = [S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}} = [S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}x$ . Hence  $x \in \text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}$ .

Now let's show that  $\text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} = T_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Img} S)$ . Let  $y \in \text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} \subseteq F^m$ . First note that  $T_{\mathcal{A}}$  is an isomorphism and in particular onto, there exists a  $\beta \in W$  such that  $y = [\beta]_{\mathcal{A}} = T_{\mathcal{A}}(\beta)$ . Now  $y \in \text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}$  implies that there exists an  $x \in F^n$  such that  $[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}x = y$ . Similarity, since  $T_{\mathcal{B}}$  is an isomorphism  $x = [\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}}$  for some  $\alpha$  in  $V$ .

$$[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}x = y \Rightarrow [S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}} = [\beta]_{\mathcal{A}} \Rightarrow \beta \in \text{Img} S$$

Hence  $y = T_{\mathcal{A}}(\beta)$  shows that  $y \in T_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Img} S)$ .

Conversely, suppose  $y \in T_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Img} S)$ . That is  $y = [\beta]_{\mathcal{A}}$  for some  $\beta \in \text{Img} S$ . Since  $\beta \in \text{Img} S$  there exists an  $\alpha \in V$  such that  $S(\alpha) = \beta$ . This implies  $[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}} = [\beta]_{\mathcal{A}}$ . Hence  $y = [\beta]_{\mathcal{A}} \in \text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}$ .

- (2) Consider the maps  $T'_{\mathcal{B}} : \ker S \rightarrow \text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}$ ,  $v \mapsto [v]_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $T'_{\mathcal{A}} : \text{Img} S \rightarrow \text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}$ ,  $v \mapsto [v]_{\mathcal{A}}$ .  $T'_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $T'_{\mathcal{A}}$  are 1-1 linear maps since  $T_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $T_{\mathcal{B}}$  are 1-1 linear maps. They are well-defined onto by part (1). Hence  $\text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} \cong \ker S$  and  $\text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} \cong \text{Img} S$ .
- (3) From MATA22, we know that for the matrix  $[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}}$ , we have the following results:  $\dim \text{Null}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} + \dim \text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{A}} = n$ , using the results from (1) and (2) we have  $\dim \ker S + \dim \text{Img} S = \dim V$ .

(4) We compute  $\text{Nul}[S]_{\mathcal{B}} = \text{Span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$  and  $\text{Col}[S]_{\mathcal{B}} = \text{Span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$ . By part (1),  $\ker S = T_{\mathcal{B}}^{-1}(\text{Span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}) = \text{Span}\{-5 \cos x + \sin x + 1\}$  and  $\text{Img} S = T_{\mathcal{B}^{-1}}(\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right\}) = \text{Span}\{\cos x + 2 \sin x, 2 \cos x + 4 \sin x + 1\}$ .

**COOL-OFF:**

- (1) Give an example of a linear transformation whose matrix representation doesn't depend on the choice of basis
- (2) Give an example of a linear transformation  $T$  and two different matrix representations of  $T$ .

**Solution.**

- (1) Let  $T$  be the 0 transformation, then under any choices of basis, the matrix representation will be the zero matrix
- (2) Many examples exist in previous questions.