## Application Activities - Module A Part 1 - Class Day 17

**Definition 17.1** A linear transformation is a map between vector spaces that preserves the vector space operations. More precisely, if V and W are vector spaces, a map  $T:V\to W$  is called a linear transformation if

- 1.  $T(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = T(\mathbf{v}) + T(\mathbf{w})$  for any  $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in V$
- 2.  $T(c\mathbf{v}) = cT(\mathbf{v})$  for any  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \in V$ .

In other words, a map is linear if one can do vector space operations before applying the map or after, and obtain the same answer.

**Definition 17.2** Given a linear transformation  $T: V \to W$ , V is called the **domain** of T and W is called the **co-domain** of T.

Linear transformation  $T:\mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$   $T(\mathbf{v})$   $\text{codomain } \mathbb{R}^3$ 

**Example 17.3** Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be given by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x - z \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

To show that T is linear, we must verify...

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} (x_1 + x_2) - (z_1 + z_2) \\ (y_1 + y_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}\right) + T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - z_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 - z_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (x_1 + x_2) - (z_1 + z_2) \\ (y_1 + y_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

And also...

$$T\left(c\begin{bmatrix}x\\y\\z\end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix}cx\\cy\\cz\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}cx-cz\\cy\end{bmatrix} \text{ and } cT\left(\begin{bmatrix}x\\y\\z\end{bmatrix}\right) = c\begin{bmatrix}x-z\\y\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}cx-cz\\cy\end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore T is a linear transformation.

Activity 17.4 Determine if each of the following maps are linear transformations

Part 1: 
$$T_1: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$$
 given by  $T_1\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ .

Part 2: 
$$T_2: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$$
 given by  $T_2 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x \\ -y \\ -z \end{bmatrix}$ 

Part 3: 
$$T_3: \mathcal{P}^d \to \mathcal{P}^{d-1}$$
 given by  $T_3(f(x)) = f'(x)$ .  
Part 4:  $T_4: \mathcal{P} \to \mathcal{P}$  given by  $T_4(f(x)) = f(x) + x^2$ 

Activity 17.5 Suppose  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  is a linear transformation, and you know  $T\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix}0\\0\\1\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}-3\\2\end{bmatrix}$$
. Compute  $T\left(\begin{bmatrix}3\\0\\0\end{bmatrix}\right)$ .

(a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ 

(b) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ 

**Activity 17.6** Suppose  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  is a linear transformation, and you know  $T\begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix}0\\0\\1\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}-3\\2\end{bmatrix}. \text{ Compute } T\left(\begin{bmatrix}0\\0\\-2\end{bmatrix}\right).$$

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$
- (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$

Activity 17.7 Suppose  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  is a linear transformation, and you know  $T\begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix}0\\0\\1\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}-3\\2\end{bmatrix}. \text{ Compute } T\left(\begin{bmatrix}1\\0\\1\end{bmatrix}\right).$$

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1\\3 \end{bmatrix}$
- (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}$

**Activity 17.8** Suppose  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  is a linear transformation, and you know  $T\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix}0\\0\\1\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}-3\\2\end{bmatrix}$$
. Compute  $T\left(\begin{bmatrix}-2\\0\\-3\end{bmatrix}\right)$ .

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$
- (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}$

Activity 17.9 Suppose  $T: \mathbb{R}^4 \to \mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear transformation. How many facts of the form  $T(\mathbf{v}_i) = \mathbf{w}_i$  do you need to know in order to be able to compute  $T(\mathbf{v})$  for any  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ ?

- (a) 2
- (b) 3

- (c) 4
- (d) 5
- (e) You need infinitely many

(In this situation, we say that the vectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  determine T.)

**Fact 17.10** Consider any basis  $\{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\}$  for V. Since every vector can be written *uniquely* as a linear combination of basis vectors, every linear transformation  $T: V \to W$  is determined by those basis vectors.

$$T(\mathbf{v}) = T(x_1\mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + x_n\mathbf{b}_n) = x_1T(\mathbf{b}_1) + \dots + x_nT(\mathbf{b}_n)$$

**Definition 17.11** The standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is the (ordered) basis  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$  where

$$\mathbf{e}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{e}_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad \cdots \qquad \qquad \mathbf{e}_{n} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is determined by the values of each  $T(\mathbf{e}_i)$ , it's convenient to store this information in the  $m \times n$  standard matrix  $[T(\mathbf{e}_1) \cdots T(\mathbf{e}_n)]$ .

**Example 17.12** Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear transformation determined by the following values for T applied to the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix}1\\0\\0\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}3\\2\end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad T\left(\begin{bmatrix}0\\1\\0\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}-1\\4\end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad T\left(\begin{bmatrix}0\\0\\1\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}5\\0\end{bmatrix}$$

Then the standard matrix corresponding to T is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Activity 17.13** Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear transformation given by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x + 3z \\ 2x - y - 4z \end{bmatrix}$$

Write the matrix corresponding to this linear transformation with respect to the standard basis.

Activity 17.14 Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear transformation given by the standard matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute 
$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right)$$
.

**Activity 17.15** Let  $D: \mathcal{P}^3 \to \mathcal{P}^2$  be the derivative map D(f(x)) = f'(x). (Earlier we showed this is a linear transformation.)

Part 1: Write down an equivalent linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^4 \to \mathbb{R}^3$  by converting  $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$  and  $\{D(1), D(x), D(x^2), D(x^3)\}$  into appropriate vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Part 2: Write the standard matrix corresponding to T.