

**MTH 101 - Symmetry**  
Assignment 10 & Notes

**Defn :** Let  $V$  and  $W$  be two vector spaces over  $\mathbb{R}$ . A **linear transformation** from  $V$  to  $W$  is a map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  such that

- i.  $T(v_1 + v_2) = T(v_1) + T(v_2)$  for all  $v_1, v_2 \in V$ .
- ii.  $T(cv) = cT(v)$  for all  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $v \in V$ .

Notice that putting  $c = 0$  in (ii), we get  $T(0.v) = 0.T(v)$  for all  $v \in V$ . Since for any vector  $v \in V$ ,  $0.v$  equal to the  $\mathbf{0}_V$  vector, therefore a linear transformation always maps the zero vector  $\mathbf{0}_V$  of  $V$  to the zero vector  $\mathbf{0}_W$  of  $W$ . Hence the **only linear transformations from the 1-dimensional vector space  $\mathbb{R}_{|\mathbb{R}}$  to  $\mathbb{R}_{|\mathbb{R}}$  are**

$$T(v) = cv, \text{ for some } c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

For  $c = 0$ , we get the zero transformation,  $T(v) = 0$  for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Given a basis  $B_V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  of an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V_{|\mathbb{R}}$ , we know that any vector  $v \in V$  is of the form  $v = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_nv_n$  for some  $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,n$ . Hence if  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is a linear transformation, then to determine  $T(v)$  it is sufficient to know the values of  $\{T(v_i) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

**Defn:** For a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow W$ ,

- i. The **null space of  $T$** , denoted by  $N_T$  or  $N(T)$  is given as follows:

$$N(T) = \{v \in V : Tv = 0\}.$$

(Check that  $N_T$  is a subspace of  $V$ .) The **nullity** of  $T$  is defined as the **dimensional of  $N_T$** .

- ii. The **range of  $T$**  is defined as follows:

$$\text{Range}(T) = \{w \in W : Tv = w, \text{ for some } v \in V\}.$$

(Check that  $\text{Range}(T)$  is a subspace of  $W$ .) The **rank** of  $T$  is defined as the **dimensional of  $\text{Range}(T)$** .

**Defn:** Given an ordered basis  $B_V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  of  $V_{|\mathbb{R}}$ , if  $v \in V$  is of the form

$$v = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_nv_n,$$

then the **column representation of  $v$  with respect to the ordered basis  $B_V$**  is

$$[v]_{B_V} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1)$$

**Defn:** Matrix of  $T$  relative to the ordered basis  $[B_V : B_W]$ . Let  $B_V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be an ordered basis of  $V_{|\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $B_W = \{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$  be an ordered basis of  $W_{|\mathbb{R}}$  and let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. If for  $v_j \in B_V$ ,

$$T(v_j) = a_{1j}w_1 + a_{2j}w_2 + \dots + a_{kj}w_k,$$

then the **matrix of  $T$  relative to the ordered basis  $[B_V : B_W]$** , is written as follows:

$$T_{[B_V : B_W]} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & a_{k2} & \cdots & a_{kn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice that the  $j^{th}$  column of the matrix  $T_{[B_V : B_W]}$  is a column representation of  $T(v_j)$  with respect to the ordered basis  $B_W$  of  $W$  and for  $v \in V$  with  $[v]_{B_V}$  given by (1),

$$[Tv]_{B_W} = T_{[B_V : B_W]} \cdot [v]_{B_V},$$

where  $T_{[B_V : B_W]} \cdot [v]_{B_V}$  denotes the multiplication of the  $k \times n$  matrix  $T_{[B_V : B_W]}$ , with the  $k \times 1$  column matrix  $[v]_{B_V}$ .

**Defn:** Given a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow V$ , a non-zero vector  $v \in V$  is said to be an **eigenvector** of  $T$  if there exists  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$T(v) = cv.$$

$T$  is said to be **diagonalizable** if there exists a basis of  $V$  consisting of eigenvectors.

Notice that if  $B_V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is an ordered basis of  $V|_{\mathbb{R}}$  consisting of eigenvectors, i.e. if  $T(v_i) = r_i v_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  then

$$T_{[B_V, B_V]} = \begin{pmatrix} r_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & r_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & r_n \end{pmatrix},$$

which is a diagonal matrix.

**Defn:** Let  $B_1 = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $B_2 = \{w_1, \dots, w_n\}$  be two ordered basis for  $V|_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $C : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation such that  $B(v_i) = w_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . If  $w_i = b_{1i}v_1 + b_{2i}v_2 + \cdots + b_{ni}v_n$ , then notice that

$$C_{[B_1, B_2]} = I_n, \quad C_{[B_1, B_1]} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ b_{n1} & b_{n2} & \cdots & b_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Notice that the matrix  $C_{[B_1, B_1]}$  is the transpose of the change of basis matrix relative to  $[B_1, B_2]$ .**

**• In literature,  $C_{[B_1, B_1]}$  is referred to as the change of basis matrix relative to  $[B_1, B_2]$ . Henceforth, we shall denote it by  $c_{[B_1, B_2]}$  and refer to the matrix  $C_{[B_1, B_2]}$  as the change of basis matrix relative to  $[B_1, B_2]$ .**

- Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear map defined by  $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, 0)$ . Let  $B_1$  be the standard ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and let  $B_2 = \{v_1 = (1, 1), v_2 = (-1, 2)\}$  be another ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2|_{\mathbb{R}}$ .
  - What is the matrix of  $T$  relative to the ordered basis  $[B_1, B_2]$ .
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  - What is the matrix of  $T$  relative to the ordered basis  $[B_3, B_3]$  where  $B_3$  is the ordered basis  $B_3 = \{v_2, v_1\}$ .
- Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear map defined by  $T(x_1, x_2) = (-x_2, x_1, x_1 + x_2)$ . Let  $B_1$  be the standard ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $B_2$  be the standard ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and let  $B = \{v_1 = (1, 1, 1), v_2 = (-1, 2, 0), v_3 = (1, 0, 1)\}$  be another ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3|_{\mathbb{R}}$ .
  - What is the matrix of  $T$  relative to the ordered basis  $[B_1, B_2]$ .
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  - Is there a relation between the matrices  $T_{[B_1, B_2]}$  and  $T_{[B_1, B]}$ .
- Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear transformation given by  $Tv = A[v]_{\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}}$  where  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  denotes the standard ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Determine the rank and nullity of  $T$ .
- Determine the eigenvectors of the following linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ , whenever they exist.
  - $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - x_2, x_2)$ .
  - $T(x_1, x_2) = (2x_1 + x_2, 2x_1 - x_2)$ .