# Rutgers Math250 Intro to Linear Algebra

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### Homework - 4

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#### Problem 1.7.11

Find the values(s) of h for which the vectors are linearly dependent. Justify each answer.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Assume that:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} x_1 + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ h \end{bmatrix} x_3 = 0$$

We can get the augmented matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -5 & 5 & 0 \\ 4 & 7 & h & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 4R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & h + 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 + 5R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h - 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If the vectors are linearly dependent, h-6=0. Then values of h is h=6.

#### Problem 1.7.21

Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer on the basis of a careful reading of the text.

- a. The columns of a matrix A are linearly independent if the equation Ax = 0 has the trivial solution.
- b. If S is a linearly dependent set, then each vector is a linear combination of the other vectors in S.
- c. The columns of any  $4 \times 5$  matrix are linearly dependent.
- d. If x and y are linearly independent, and if  $\{x, y, z\}$  is linearly dependent, then z is in Span $\{x, y\}$ .

## Solution:

- (a.): False. The correct condition is equation Ax = 0 has only the trivial solution. In other words, the trivial solution must be the only solution.
- (b.): False. If S is a linearly dependent set, it means that at least one vector in S can be written as a linear combination of the others, but it does not imply that each vector is a linear combination of the others.
- (c.): True. A  $4 \times 5$  matrix has 4 rows and 5 columns, meaning there are one more columns than rows. At least one column must be a linear combination of the others, making the columns linearly dependent.
- (d.): True. If x and y are linearly independent, and if  $\{x, y, z\}$  is linearly dependent, then z can be written as a linear combination of x and y.

### Problem 1.8.5

With T defined by T(x) = Ax, find a vector x whose image under T is b, and determine whether x is unique.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 \\ -3 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: We set 
$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
, then we get  $T(x) = Ax = b$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 \\ -3 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 & -2 \\ -3 & 7 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{8}(R_2 + 3R_1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 + 5R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, we have:  $x_1 = 3 - 3x_3$ ,  $x_2 = 1 - 2x_3$ 

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 - 3x_3 \\ 1 - 2x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $x_3$  is a free parameter, it could be  $x_3 = 1$ . Then  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a vector whose image under T is b.

#### Problem 1.8.9

Find all x in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  that are mapped into the zero vector by the transformation  $x \to Ax$  for the given matrix A.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 7 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 3 \\ 2 & -6 & 6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: We set  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$ , then we get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 7 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 3 \\ 2 & -6 & 6 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 7 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & -6 & 6 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 7 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 7 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then we get equations:

$$x_1 - 4x_2 + 7x_3 - 5x_4 = 0$$
$$x_2 - 4x_3 + 3x_4 = 0$$

Which simplifies to:  $x_1 = 9x_3 - 7x_4$ ,  $x_2 = 4x_3 - 3x_4$ So the general solution is:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9x_3 - 7x_4 \\ 4x_3 - 3x_4 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Problem 1.8.17**

Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation that maps  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  into  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and maps  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  into  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Use the fact that T is linear to find the images under T of 3u, 2v, and 3u + 2v.

Solution: Using the linearity of T, we know that:

$$T(3u) = 3T(u)$$

Since 
$$T(u) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
, we get:

$$T(3u) = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

And the same way, we can get:

$$T(2v) = 2T(v) = \begin{bmatrix} -2\\6 \end{bmatrix}$$

So:

$$T(3u+2v) = T(3u) + T(2v) = \begin{bmatrix} 6\\3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2\\6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\9 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Problem 1.8.21

Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

- a. A linear transformation is a special type of function.
- b. If A is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix and T is a transformation defined by T(x) = Ax, then the domain of T is  $R^3$ .
- c. If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then the range of the transformation  $x \to Ax$  is  $R^m$ .
- d. Every linear transformation is a matrix transformation.
- e. A transformation T is linear if and only if  $T(c_1v_1 + c_2v_2) = c_1T(v_1) + c_2T(v_2)$  for all  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in the domain of T and for all scalars  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ .

#### Solution:

- (a.): True. A linear transformation is indeed a function that satisfies the properties of linearity, making it a special type of function.
- (b.): False. If A is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix, it has 5 columns, meaning the domain of T(x) = Ax is  $R^5$ , not  $R^3$ .
- (c.): True. The range of the transformation  $x \to Ax$ , where A is an  $m \times n$  matrix, lies in  $R^m$ , meaning it is mapped into  $R^m$ .
- (d.): False. Not every linear transformation is a matrix transformation. Some linear transformations, particularly in infinite-dimensional spaces, cannot be represented by a matrix.
- (e.): True. This is the definition of linearity: a transformation T is linear if and only if  $T(c_1v_1 + c_2v_2) = c_1T(v_1) + c_2T(v_2)$  for all vectors  $v_1, v_2$  and scalars  $c_1, c_2$

#### Problem 1.9.1

Assume that T is a linear transformation. Find the standard matrix of T.

 $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^4, T(e_1) = (3, 1, 3, 1) \text{ and } T(e_2) = (-5, 2, 0, 0), \text{ where } e_1 = (1, 0) \text{ and } e_2 = (0, 1).$ 

Solution: We are given that:

$$T(e_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\3\\1 \end{bmatrix}, T(e_2) = \begin{bmatrix} -5\\2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The standard matrix A is formed by placing the images of  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  as the columns of the matrix. Therefore, we have:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, the standard matrix of T is  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

#### **Problem 1.9.19**

Show that T is a linear transformation finding a matrix that implements the mapping. Note that  $x_1, x_2, ...$  are not vectors but are entries in vectors.

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 - 5x_2 + 4x_3, x_2 - 6x_3)$$

Solution: From:

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = Ax = (x_1 - 5x_2 + 4x_3, x_2 - 6x_3)$$

We can get:

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

So the matrix that implements the mapping is:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

### **Problem 1.9.21**

Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation such that  $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, 4x_1 + 5x_2)$ . Find x such that T(x) = (3, 8).

Solution: From:

$$T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, 4x_1 + 5x_2) = (3, 8)$$

We can get:

$$T(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, the 
$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 fits  $T(x) = (3, 8)$ 

#### **Problem 1.9.23**

Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

- a. A linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is completely determined by its effect on the columns of the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.
- b. If  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  rotates vectors about the origin through an angle  $\phi$ , then T is a linear transformation.
- c. When two linear transformations are performed one after another, the combined effect may not

always be a linear transformation.

- d. A mapping  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is onto  $\mathbb{R}^m$  if every vector x in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  maps onto some vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
- e. If A is a  $3 \times 2$  matrix, then the transformation  $x \to Ax$  cannot be one-to-one.

#### Solution:

- (a.): True. Knowing how T acts on the standard basis vectors (the columns of the identity matrix) allows us to determine T(x) for any vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (b.): True. Rotations about the origin preserve vector addition and scalar multiplication, satisfying the conditions of linearity, which makes T a linear transformation.
- (c.): False. The composition of two linear transformations is always a linear transformation, as the properties of linearity are preserved. Therefore, the combined effect is still linear.
- (d.): False. A mapping  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is onto m if every vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  has a preimage in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , not just that every vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  maps to some vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
- (e.): True. A  $3 \times 2$  matrix has more rows than columns, meaning there are more equations than unknowns. This implies that the transformation cannot be injective (one-to-one), since there will be multiple vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  mapping to the same vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .