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A set $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ where $X \neq \emptyset$ is a vector space if:

- $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in X \implies \vec{x} + \vec{y} \in X$
- $\vec{x} \in X$ and $c \in \mathbb{R} \implies c\vec{x} \in X$.

If $\phi = \{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, then we define:

$$\operatorname{span} \phi = \operatorname{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\} = \{c_1\vec{x}_1 + \ldots + c_k\vec{x}_k \mid c_1, \ldots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

If $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and $E = \operatorname{span} \phi$, then we say ϕ generates E.

Note that $\operatorname{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_2\}$ forms a vector space (this is trivial to check).

$\{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is called linearly independent if:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} c_i\vec{x}_i = 0 \implies \forall i \in \{1, \ldots, k\},\ \ c_i = 0.$$

If the above implication does not hold, then we call the set linearly dependent.

If $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a vector space, then we define the dimension of X as:
$\dim(X) = \sup\{k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \mid \exists\{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\} \subset X$ which is linearly independent$\}$.

Also, we define any set containing $\vec{0}$ to be automatically linearly dependent.
This includes the singleton: $\{\vec{0}\}$.

$Q = \{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\}$ is a basis for X if:

- Q is linearly independent.
- $\operatorname{span} Q = X$

As an example of a basis, for $\mathbb{R}^n$ we define the standard basis as the set $\{e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_n\}$ where e_i is the vector whose ith element is 1 and whose other elements are 0. It is pretty trivial to check that this set is in fact a basis of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Proposition: If $B = \{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\}$ is a basis of a vector space X, then:

1. $\forall \vec{v} \in X,\ \ c_1, \ldots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}\ \ s.t.\ \ \vec{v} = \sum_{i=1}^{k} c_i\vec{x}_i$

   This is true because $X = \operatorname{span} B$. So by definition of a span, $\vec{v}$ can be expressed as a linear combination of the vectors of B.

2. The c_i such that $\vec{v} = \sum_{i=1}^{k} c_i \vec{x}_i$ are unique.

   Suppose that $\vec{v} = \sum c_i \vec{x}_i = \sum \alpha_i \vec{x}_i$. Then $\vec{0} = \sum (c_i - \alpha_i) \vec{x}_i$. Then since $\{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\}$ are linearly independent, we know for all i that $c_i - \alpha_i = 0$. Hence, $c_i = \alpha_i$ for each i.

Theorem 9.2: Let $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. If $X = \operatorname{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\}$, then $\dim(X) \leq k$.

Proof:
Suppose for the sake of contradiction that for any $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, there exists a linearly independent set $Q = \{\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_{k+m}\} \subset X$ which spans X. Then, define $S_0 = \{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\}$ and note that S_0 spans X.

Now by induction, assume for $i \in \{0, 1, \ldots, k-1\}$, that S_i contains the first i vectors of Q in addition to $k - i$ vectors of S_0, and that $\operatorname{span} S_i = X$. Then since S_i spans X, we know that $y_{i+1} \in X$ is in the span of S_i. So, letting $\vec{x}_{n_1}, \ldots, \vec{x}_{n_{k-i}}$ be the elements from S_0 in S_i, we know that there exists scalars $a_1, \ldots, a_{i+1}, b_1, \ldots, b_{k-i} \in \mathbb{R}$ where $a_{i+1} = 1$ such that:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{i+1} a_j \vec{y}_j + \sum_{j=1}^{k-i} b_j \vec{x}_{n_j} = \vec{0}$$

If all $b_j = 0$, then we have a contradiction. This is because $\{\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_{k+1}\}$ is assumed to be linearly independent. So, having all $b_j = 0$ implies that:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{i+1} a_j \vec{y}_j = \sum_{j=1}^{i+1} a_j \vec{y}_j + \sum_{j=i+2}^{k+1} 0 \cdot \vec{y}_j = \vec{0}$$

In turn this means that all $a_j = 0$, which contradicts that $a_{i+1} = 1$.

So, not all $b_j = 0$. This means that for some j we must have that $\vec{x}_{n_j}$ is in the span of $(S_i \setminus \{\vec{x}_{n_j}\}) \cup \{\vec{y}_{i+1}\}$. Call this set S_{i+1}. Clearly, S_{i+1} contains the first $i+1$ vectors of Q. Also:

$$\operatorname{span} S_{i+1} = \operatorname{span}\left(S_i \cup \{\vec{y}_{i+1}\}\right) = \operatorname{span} S_i = X.$$

So S_{i+1} satisfies the same conditions S_i did.

Now we get to the contradiction. Using the above reasoning, we will eventually construct $S_k = \{\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_k\}$ which still spans X. However, since $\vec{y}_{k+1} \in X$, that means that $\vec{y}_{k+1}$ equals some linear combination of the other $\vec{y}$ in Q. This contradicts that Q is linearly independent. ■

Corollary: If $B = \{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_k\}$ is a basis for X, then $\dim(X) = k$.

Proof:
Since B is linearly independent, by definition $\dim(X) \geq k$. Meanwhile, since B spans X, we know by the above theorem that $\dim(X) \leq k$.
So $\dim(X) = k$.

Theorem 9.3: Suppose X is a vector space and $\dim(X) = n$. Then:

(A) For $E = \{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_n\} \subset X$, we have that $X = \operatorname{span} E$ if and only if E is linearly independent.

Proof:
First, assume E is linearly independent. Then, note that for any $\vec{y} \in X$, we must have that $E \cup \{\vec{y}\}$ is linearly dependent because $|E \cup \{\vec{y}\}| > \dim(X)$. So, there exists $c_1, \ldots, c_n, c_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}$ such that at least one c_i is nonzero and:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i \vec{x}_i + c_{n+1}\vec{y} = \vec{0}$$

Now if $c_{n+1} = 0$, we have a contradiction because E is linearly independent. So, we conclude that $c_{n+1} \neq 0$. Thus, by rearranging terms we can express y as a linear combination of the vectors of E. Therefore, $\operatorname{span} E = X$ since y can be any vector in X.

Secondly, assume E is not linearly independent. Then for some $\vec{x}_i \in E$, we have that $\operatorname{span} E = \operatorname{span}(E \setminus \{\vec{x}_i\})$. However, $|E \setminus \{\vec{x}_i\}| = n - 1$. So if $X = \operatorname{span} E$, then $\dim(X) \leq |E \setminus \{\vec{x}_i\}| = n - 1$, which contradicts our assumption that $\dim(X) = n$. Hence, $X \neq \operatorname{span} E$.

(B) X has a basis and every basis of X consists of n vectors.

Proof:
By the definition of $\dim(X)$, we know that there exists a linearly independent set of n vectors. By the previous part of this theorem, we also know that that set spans X. So, it is a basis of X. Meanwhile, by the corollary to theorem 9.2, we know that the number of vectors in a basis of X equals the dimension of X. Hence, all bases of X must have n vectors.

(C) If $1 \leq m \leq n$ and $\{\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_m\} \subset X$ is linearly independent, then X has a basis that contains $\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_m$.

Proof:
Let $S_0 = \{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_n\}$ be a basis of X and $Q = \{\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_m\}$. Then by the same induction which we used to prove theorem 9.2, we can construct a basis: S_m, of X which contains $\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_m$.

Let X and Y be vector spaces. A map $\mathbf{A} : X \longrightarrow Y$ is linear if $\mathbf{A}(c_1\vec{x}_1 + c_2\vec{x}_2) = c_1\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) + c_2\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2)$ for all $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in X$ and $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Observations:

1. A linear map sends $\vec{0}$ to $\vec{0}$. This is because:
$$\mathbf{A}(\vec{0}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{v} - \vec{v}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{v}) - \mathbf{A}(\vec{v}) = \vec{0}.$$
2. If $\mathbf{A} : X \longrightarrow Y$ is a linear map and $B = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ is a basis of X, then $\mathbf{A}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k}(c_i\vec{x}_i)\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} c_i\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_i)$ for all $c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$.

Given two vector spaces X and Y, we define $L(X,Y)$ to be the set of all linear transformations from X into Y. Also, we shall abbreviate $L(X,X)$ as $L(X)$.

$\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A})$ = "null space / kernel of $\mathbf{A}$" $= \{\vec{x} \in X \mid \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}\}$.

$\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A})$ = "range of $\mathbf{A}$" $= \{\vec{y} \in Y \mid \exists \vec{x} \in X \;\; s.t. \;\; \mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{y}\}$.

Proposition: For any linear map $\mathbf{A} : X \longrightarrow Y$, $\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A})$ and $\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A})$ are vector spaces.

Proof:

- Assume $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in \mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A}) \subset X$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:
  - $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) + \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2) = \vec{0} + \vec{0} = \vec{0}$, which means that $\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2 \in \mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A})$.
  - $\mathbf{A}(c\vec{x}_1) = c\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) = c\vec{0} = \vec{0}$. So $c\vec{x}_1 \in \mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A})$.

  This shows that $\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A})$ is a vector space.
- Assume $\vec{y}_1, \vec{y}_2 \in \mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A}) \subset Y$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:
  - We know there exists $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in X$ such that $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) = \vec{y}_1$ and $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2) = \vec{y}_2$. In turn, $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) + \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2) = \vec{y}_1 + \vec{y}_2$. So $\vec{y}_1 + \vec{y}_2 \in \mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A})$.
  - Now continue letting $\vec{x}_1 \in X$ be a vector such that $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) = \vec{y}_1$. Then $\mathbf{A}(c\vec{x}_1) = c\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) = c\vec{y}_1$. So $c\vec{y}_1 \in \mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A})$.

  This shows that $\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A})$ is a vector space.

$\mathrm{rk}(\mathbf{A})$ = "rank of $\mathbf{A}$" $= \dim(\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A}))$.

$\mathrm{null}(\mathbf{A})$ = "nullity of $\mathbf{A}$" $= \dim(\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A}))$.

Rank-Nullity Theorem: Given any $\mathbf{A} \in L(X,Y)$, we have that
$$\dim(X) = \mathrm{rk}(\mathbf{A}) + \mathrm{null}(\mathbf{A}).$$

Proof:
Let $\dim(X) = n$.

$\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq X$ is a vector space. So pick a basis $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ for $\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A})$ where $k = \mathrm{null}(\mathbf{A}) \leq \dim(X)$. Then by theorem 9.3, choose $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_{m-k}$ such that $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_{n-k}\}$ is a basis of X. Note that $\dim(X) = n$.

Claim: $B = \{\mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_1), \dots, \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_{n-k})\}$ is a basis of $\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A})$.

- $\mathbf{A}(\vec{v}_i) = \vec{0}$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$. So:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A}) &= \operatorname{span}\{\mathbf{A}(\vec{v}_1), \dots, \mathbf{A}(\vec{v}_k), \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_1), \dots, \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_{n-k})\} \\ &= \operatorname{span}\{\mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_1), \dots, \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_{n-k})\} = \operatorname{span} B\end{aligned}$$

- B is linearly independent.
  To see this, note that: $\sum_{i=1}^{n-k} (c_i \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_i)) = \vec{0} \implies \mathbf{A}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-k} c_i \vec{w}_i\right) = \vec{0}$

  Since we picked each $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_{n-k} \in B$ so that they were not in $\mathscr{N}(A)$, we know that any vector in the span of B is not mapped to 0 by $\mathbf{A}$ unless it is the zero vector. So

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-k} c_i \vec{w}_i = \vec{0}$$

  And since all the $\vec{w}_i$ are linearly independent, all constants c_i equal 0.

So $\operatorname{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = n - k = \dim(X) - \operatorname{null}(\mathbf{A})$.

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Proposition: Given $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$, then:

- $\mathbf{A}$ is injective if and only if $\operatorname{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$.

  Proof:
  ($\Longrightarrow$) If $\mathbf{A}$ is injective, then since $\mathbf{A}(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$, we have that any vector $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$ is not in $\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A})$. So $\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\vec{0}\}$, meaning $\operatorname{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$.

  ($\Longleftarrow$) If $\operatorname{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$, then $\mathbf{A}(\vec{v}) = \vec{0} \implies \vec{v} = \vec{0}$. So now assume $\mathbf{A}(\vec{v}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{u})$. Then $\mathbf{A}(\vec{v} - \vec{u}) = \vec{0}$, meaning $\vec{v} = \vec{u}$. Hence $\mathbf{A}$ is injective.

- $\mathbf{A}$ is surjective if and only if $\operatorname{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \dim(Y)$.

  Proof:
  ($\Longrightarrow$) If $\mathbf{A}$ is surjective then $\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A}) = Y$. So we automatically have that $\operatorname{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \dim(Y)$

  ($\Longleftarrow$) If $\operatorname{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \dim(Y)$, then there exists a linearly independent set of vectors $B \subset \mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A})$ containing $\dim(Y)$ many vectors and spanning $\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A})$. Then by theorem 9.3, since $B \subset \mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq Y$, we know $\operatorname{span} B = Y$. So, $\mathscr{R}(\mathbf{A}) = Y$, meaning $\mathbf{A}$ is surjective.

Corollary: Let $\mathbf{A} \in L(X)$. Then $\mathbf{A}$ is bijective if and only if $\mathrm{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$.

Proof: (let $\mathbf{A} : X \longrightarrow X$ be a linear map)

($\Longrightarrow$) If $\mathbf{A}$ is bijective, then automatically $\mathbf{A}$ is injective. So $\mathrm{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$ by the previous proposition.

($\Longleftarrow$) If $\mathrm{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$, then by the rank-nullity theorem, we know that $\mathrm{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \dim(X)$. Thus $\mathbf{A}$ is both injective and surjective, meaning $\mathbf{A}$ is bijective.

For $\mathbf{A} \in L(X)$, when $\mathrm{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$, we call $\mathbf{A}$ invertible and define $\mathbf{A}^{-1} : X \longrightarrow X$ by $\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})) = \vec{x}$ for all $\vec{x} \in X$.

Because $\mathbf{A}$ must be a bijective set function, we know that $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ must also be a right-inverse of $\mathbf{A}$, meaning $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x})) = \vec{x}$.

Additionally, consider any $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in X$. Then let $\vec{x}_1' = \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_1)$ and $\vec{x}_2' = \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_2)$. Then since $\mathbf{A}$ is a linear mapping, we know that for any $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\mathbf{A}(c_1\vec{x}_1' + c_2\vec{x}_2') = c_1\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_1)) + c_2\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_2)) = c_1\vec{x}_1 + c_2\vec{x}_2$$

So: $\mathbf{A}^{-1}(c_1\vec{x}_1 + c_2\vec{x}_2) = c_1\vec{x}_1' + c_2\vec{x}_2' = c_1\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_1) + c_2\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_2)$. Hence, we've shown that $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ is a linear mapping, meaning that $\mathbf{A}^{-1} \in L(X)$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in L(X,Y)$ and $\mathbf{B} \in L(Y,Z)$. Then we define $\mathbf{BA} : X \longrightarrow Z$ by the rule that $\vec{x} \mapsto \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}))$.

We can trivially show that $\mathbf{BA}$ is a linear mapping. Consider any $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in X$ and $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{BA}(c_1\vec{x}_1 + c_2\vec{x}_2) &= \mathbf{B}(c_1\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) + c_2\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2)) \\ &= c_1\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1)) + c_2\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2)) \\ &= c_1\mathbf{BA}(\vec{x}_1) + c_2\mathbf{BA}(\vec{x}_2)\end{aligned}$$

This means that $\mathbf{BA} \in L(X,Z)$.

Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in L(X,Y)$ and $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then we define $(c_1\mathbf{A} + c_2\mathbf{B}) : X \longrightarrow Y$ by the rule: $\vec{x} \mapsto c_1\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) + c_2\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})$.

It is even more trivial to show that $(c_1\mathbf{A} + c_2\mathbf{B})$ is a linear map.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$. We define the norm of $\mathbf{A}$ as:
$$\|\mathbf{A}\| = \sup\{\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1\}.$$

Throughout this section, we shall prove that $\|\cdot\| : L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is well-defined and fulfills the properties of a general norm function.

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, then $\|\mathbf{A}\|$ exists and is finite.

Proof:
Let $\{e_1, \ldots, e_n\}$ be the standard basis in $\mathbb{R}^n$. Then for any $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, there are unique $c_1, \ldots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\vec{x} = c_1e_1 + \ldots + c_ne_n$.

Since we are working with the standard basis, we know: $\|\vec{x}\| = \sqrt{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{n} c_i^2}$.

Thus, for $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$, we must have that $|c_i| \leq 1$ for each c_i. This means:
$$\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \left\|\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i\mathbf{A}(e_i)\right\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \|c_i\mathbf{A}(e_i)\| = \sum_{i=1}^{n} |c_i|\|\mathbf{A}(e_i)\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \|\mathbf{A}(e_i)\|$$

Importantly, we must have that $\sum\limits_{i=1}^{n} \|\mathbf{A}(e_i)\|$ is finite. Additionally, it is an upper bound to the set: $\{\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

So, we showed that the above set is bounded above. Also, the above set is nonempty because it must contain $\|\vec{0}\| = 0$. Thus by the least upper bound property of $\mathbb{R}$, we know that the supremum of this set exists in $\mathbb{R}$.

Hence, $\|\mathbf{A}\|$ exists and is finite.

Side note, the above proof also shows that $\|\mathbf{A}\| \geq 0$.

Lemma: For $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ and $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have that $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{x}\|$.

Proof:
Case 1: $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$.
Then since $\|\vec{x}\| \neq 0$, we can say that:
$$\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \left\|\mathbf{A}\left(\|\vec{x}\|\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}\right)\right\| = \left\|\|\vec{x}\|\mathbf{A}\left(\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}\right)\right\| = \left\|\mathbf{A}\left(\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}\right)\right\|\|\vec{x}\|$$

Now $\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\left\|\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}\right\| = 1$. So, $\left\|\mathbf{A}\left(\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}\right)\right\|\|\vec{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{x}\|$

Case 2: $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.
Then trivially $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{0})\| = 0 = \|\mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{0}\| = \|\mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{x}\|$

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, then $0 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|$. Also $\|\mathbf{A}\| = 0$ if and only if $\mathbf{A}$ is the unique function mapping all of $\mathbb{R}^n$ to $\vec{0}$.

Proof:
We already showed previously that $\|\mathbf{A}\| \geq 0$. So, it now suffices to show that $\|\mathbf{A}\| = 0 \iff \mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbb{R}^n$.

($\Longrightarrow$) Assume that $\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A}) \neq \mathbb{R}^n$. Then there exists $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) \neq \vec{0}$. Since $\vec{x}$ can't be $\vec{0}$, consider the vector $\hat{x} = \frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}$. By the linearity of $\mathbf{A}$, we know $\mathbf{A}\left(\hat{x}\right) = \frac{1}{\|\vec{x}\|}\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) \neq \vec{0}$. So, $\|\mathbf{A}(\hat{x})\| > 0$. But $\|\mathbf{A}(\hat{x})\|$ is in the set that $\|\mathbf{A}\|$ is a supremum of, which means that $\|\mathbf{A}\| \geq \|\mathbf{A}(\hat{x})\| > 0$. Or in other words, $\|\mathbf{A}\| \neq 0$.

($\Longleftarrow$) Assume that $\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbb{R}^n$. Then,

$$\sup\left\{\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1\right\} = \sup\{0\} = 0$$

Corollary: Given $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we have that $\mathbf{A}$ is uniformly continuous.

Proof:
Case 1: $\|\mathbf{A}\| \neq 0$, meaning we can divide by $\|\mathbf{A}\|$.
By the previous proposition, $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}(\vec{y})\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|$ for all $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Hence, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, if we make $\|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{\|\mathbf{A}\|}$, then $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}(\vec{y})\| < \varepsilon$.

Case 2: $\|\mathbf{A}\| = 0$.
Then $\mathbf{A}$ is a constant function, making it automatically uniformly continuous.

Subcorollary: Given $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$. there exists $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$ such that $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}\|$.

Proof:
Let $S = \{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1\}$ and consider the restriction $\mathbf{A}|_S$.

Since S is a closed and bounded subset of $\mathbb{R}^n$, we know that S is compact by the Heine-Borel theorem (see proposition 28 in Math 140A notes). This combined with the fact that $\mathbf{A}|_S$ is still continuous means that by the extreme value theorem, there is $\vec{x} \in S$ with:

$$\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{A}|_S(\vec{x}) = \sup\left\{\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1\right\}.$$

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, then $\|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| + \|\mathbf{B}\|$.

Proof:
Let $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be a vector such that $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$ and $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}\|$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}\| = \|(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})(\vec{x})\| &= \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) + \mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| + \|\mathbf{B}\|\end{aligned}$$

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\|c\mathbf{A}\| = |c|\|\mathbf{A}\|$.

Proof:
Pick $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$ and $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}\|$. Then:
$$|c|\|\mathbf{A}\| = |c|\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|c\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|(c\mathbf{A})(\vec{x})\| \leq \|c\mathbf{A}\|.$$

Next, pick $\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying $\|\vec{y}\| \leq 1$ and $\|(c\mathbf{A})(\vec{x})\| = \|c\mathbf{A}\|$. Then:
$$\|c\mathbf{A}\| = \|(c\mathbf{A})(\vec{y})\| = \|c\mathbf{A}(\vec{y})\| = |c|\|\mathbf{A}\vec{y}\| \leq |c|\|\mathbf{A}\|.$$

Specifically because of the four propositions above, we have shown that $\|\cdot\| : L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is well-defined and a valid norm. Consequently, by defining $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|$ for all $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we naturally get that $L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ is a metric space.

Given any $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we have:

- $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| \geq 0$ with $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = 0$
  Also $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = 0$ if and only if $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$.
- $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| = |-1|\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| = d(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{A})$
- $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{C}) = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\| = d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) + d(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})$

Before moving on, here is another corollary of the above statements.

Corollary: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ and $\mathbf{B} \in L(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^k)$, then $\|\mathbf{BA}\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|\|\mathbf{A}\|$.

Proof:
Pick $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$ and $\|(\mathbf{BA})(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{BA}\|$. Then:
$$\|\mathbf{BA}\| = \|(\mathbf{BA})(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}))\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|\|\mathbf{A}\|.$$

Theorem 9.8: Let $\Omega \subset L(\mathbb{R}^n)$ be the set of all invertible linear mappings on $\mathbb{R}^n$.

(A) If $\mathbf{A} \in \Omega$, $\mathbf{B} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and $\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| < \dfrac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$, then $\mathbf{B} \in \Omega$.

Proof:
Pick $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$. Then:
$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| &= \|(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B})(\vec{x})\| \\ &\leq \|(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})(\vec{x})\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|\|\vec{x}\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{x}\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\|\end{aligned}$$

Meanwhile, note that $\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \neq 0$. We know this because $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ must be invertible (because $\mathscr{N}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \{\vec{0}\}$) and the one linear transformation in $L(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with norm 0 is not invertible. So:
$$\frac{\|\vec{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\|}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\|}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} = \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\|$$

Hence, $\frac{\|\vec{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} \leq \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{x}\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\|$. By rearranging terms, we get this expression: $\left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|\right)\|\vec{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\|$.

Now, note that if $\|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| = 0$ but $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$, then we must have that: $\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\| \leq 0$. Or in other words, $\|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\| \geq \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$. So, if $\|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\| < \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$, then $\|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| = 0$ only when $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.
Hence, $\mathrm{null}(\mathbf{B}) = 0$ and $\mathbf{B}$ is invertible.

(B) Ω is an open subset of $L(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and the mapping over Ω with the rule: $\mathbf{A} \mapsto \mathbf{A}^{-1}$, is continuous.

Proof:
Firstly, by part A we know that for any $\mathbf{A} \in \Omega$, if $r = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$, then $B_r(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq \Omega$. So, Ω is an open set in the metric space $L(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Now let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \Omega$ and recall from part A that:
$$\left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|\right)\|\vec{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\|.$$

Since we know $\mathbf{B}^{-1}$ exists, set $\vec{x} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\vec{y})$. Then the above expression becomes: $\left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|\right)\|\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\vec{y})\| \leq \|\vec{y}\|$.
Because we are interested in $\mathbf{B}$ close to $\mathbf{A}$, we can assume that $\|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\| < \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$. Thus it is safe to divide by $\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|$.
So, setting $\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ to be the vector satisfying $\|\vec{y}\| \leq 1$ and $\|\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\vec{y})\| = \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\|$, we have that:
$$\|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\| = \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\vec{y})\| \leq \frac{\|\vec{y}\|}{\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|} \leq \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}{1 - \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|\|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|}$$

<u>Lemma</u>: Given $\mathbf{A} \in L(Z, W)$, $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in L(Y, Z)$, and $\mathbf{D} \in L(X, Y)$, we have that $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B}+\mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{AB} + \mathbf{AC}$ and $(\mathbf{B}+\mathbf{C})\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{BD} + \mathbf{CD}$.

Proof:
- $\mathbf{A}((\mathbf{B}+\mathbf{C})(\vec{v})) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B}(\vec{v}) + \mathbf{C}(\vec{v})) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B}(\vec{v})) + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{C}(\vec{v}))$
- $(\mathbf{B}+\mathbf{C})(\mathbf{D}(\vec{v})) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{D}(\vec{v})) + \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{D}(\vec{v}))$

Based on the above lemma, we have that $\mathbf{B}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{A}-\mathbf{B})\mathbf{A}^{-1}$.
So:
$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \|\mathbf{B}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\| &= \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{A}-\mathbf{B})\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\|\|(\mathbf{A}-\mathbf{B})\|\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|^2}{1 - \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|\|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|}\|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\| \end{aligned}$$

Finally, assume $\mathbf{A} \in \Omega'$. This is fine because the mapping is automatically continuous at $\mathbf{A}$ if $\mathbf{A} \notin \Omega'$. Then we have that:

$$\lim_{\mathbf{B}\to\mathbf{A}} \left(\frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|^2}{1-\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|\|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\|} \|\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{A}\| \right) = \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|^2 \cdot 0 = 0.$$

So, $0 \leq \lim\limits_{\mathbf{B}\to\mathbf{A}} (\|\mathbf{B}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\|) \leq 0.$

This means that $d(\mathbf{B}^{-1},\ \mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \|\mathbf{B}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \to 0$ as $\mathbf{B} \to \mathbf{A}$. Or in other words:

$$\lim_{\mathbf{B}\to\mathbf{A}} (\mathbf{B}^{-1}) = \mathbf{A}^{-1}. \blacksquare$$

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Suppose $\{\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_n\}$ and $\{\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_m\}$ are bases of the vector spaces X and Y respectively, and let $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$. Then for each $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$, since $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j) \in Y$, there are unique coefficients $a_{i,j}$ such that:

$$\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_{i,j}\, \vec{y}_i$$

For convenience, we visualize these numbers in an $m \times n$ matrix:

$$[\mathbf{A}] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that for each $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$, we have that the jth column of $[\mathbf{A}]$ gives the coordinates of $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j)$ with respect to the basis $\{\vec{y}_1, \ldots, \vec{y}_m\}$. Thus, we call the vectors $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j)$ the column vectors of $[\mathbf{A}]$.

Fact: There is a one-to-one correspondence between the set of $m \times n$ real matrices and $L(X, Y)$.

Firstly, let $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$. Then we already saw above how to construct a matrix $[\mathbf{A}]$ from the linear mapping $\mathbf{A}$.

Now observe if $\vec{x} \in X$, then $\vec{x} = \sum\limits_{j=1}^{n} c_j\, \vec{x}_j$. Thus, because $\mathbf{A}$ is linear:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{A}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j\, \vec{x}_j \right) &= \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j \left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} a_{i,j}\, \vec{y}_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j a_{i,j} \right) \vec{y}_i \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have an equation for $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})$ in terms of the components of $[\mathbf{A}]$. Needless to say, if we were instead starting out with an $m \times n$ real matrix $[\mathbf{B}] \in \mathcal{M}_{m\times n}(\mathbb{R})$ with components $b_{i,j}$, then we could define the linear map $\mathbf{B} \in (L(X,Y))$ given by the rule:

$$\mathbf{B}(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{m}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j b_{i,j}\right)\vec{y}_i.$$