

Oct 24 notes

Definition 3.1.1 A linear transformation (also called a linear map) is a map between vector spaces that preserves the vector space operations. More precisely, if V and W are vector spaces, a map $T:V \rightarrow W$ is called the linear transformation if:

$$T(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = T(\vec{v}) + T(\vec{w}) \text{ for any } \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in V$$

$$T(c\vec{v}) = cT(\vec{v}) \text{ for any } c \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{v} \in V$$

Definition 3.1.2

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

Example 3.1.3

Let $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

Example 3.1.4

To show it is not linear, just show that one rule breaks.

Fact 3.1.5

A map between Euclidean spaces is linear exactly when every component of the output is a linear combination of the variables of \mathbb{R}^n .

For example, the following map is definitely linear bc $x-z$ and $3y$ are linear combinations of x, y, z

So even one entry that isn't linear will break the map

Activity 3.1.6:

P is a vector space and D is a linear map

It preserves the vector space operations

The exposition in this problem is explaining how it's closed to addition and multiplication

How do we know P is a vector space?

P is infinite dimensional, so the basis is infinite.

If we have two polynomials, we add and multiply them the usual way, so it's a vector

Again, these two properties tell me that I have a linear map

what is a derivative? look up derivative power rule. if you have x to the n and take the derivative, you get $x^n - x^n - 1$ where n is the coefficient

$S(f(x))$

3.1.7

T definitely not, compute T both sides and see one has an extra exponent

For S , we compute the same stuff, we haven't violated the rules but haven't proven its linear yet.

fact 3.1.8 domain v codomain w , is a linear transformation then Activity 3.1.10:

verify that these are true, and verifies additivity and multiplication
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sample 3.1.6 practice problem

Consider the following maps of polynomials $S : \mathcal{P}$ and $T : \mathcal{P}$ defined by:

$$S(f(x)) = 3xf(x)$$

$$T(f(x)) = 3f'(x)f(x)$$

Explain why one is a linear transformation and the other is not

To show S is a linear transformation, we must show two things:

$$S(f(x) + g(x)) = S(f(x)) + S(g(x)) - \text{e.g., closed to addition}$$

and

$$S(cf(x)) = cS(f(x)) - \text{e.g., closed to scalar multiplication}$$

Right hand side is from the definition of S

$$S(f(x) + g(x)) = 3x(f(x) + g(x))$$

Distribute the $3x$ on the right side of equation:

$$S(f(x) + g(x)) = 3xf(x) + 3xg(x)$$

but note, by definition of S (note – I am confused about this step):

$$S(f(x)) = 3xf(x) \text{ and}$$

$$S(g(x)) = 3xg(x)$$

So we have

$$S(f(x) + g(x)) = S(f(x)) + S(g(x))$$