

## Assignment 6

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1. Let  $L$  be the linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $L(\mathbf{x}) = (x_1 \cos \alpha - x_2 \sin \alpha, x_1 \sin \alpha + x_2 \cos \alpha)^T$ . Express  $x_1, x_2$ , and  $L(\mathbf{x})$  in terms of polar coordinates. Describe geometrically the effect of the linear transformation.

### Solution

$x_1 = r \cos \theta, x_2 = r \sin \theta$  where  $r = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)^{1/2}$  and  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{e}_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mathbf{x}) &= (r \cos \theta \cos \alpha - r \sin \theta \sin \alpha, r \cos \theta \sin \alpha + r \sin \theta \cos \alpha)^T \\ &= (r \cos(\theta + \alpha), r \sin(\theta + \alpha))^T \end{aligned}$$

The linear transformation  $L$  has the effect of rotating a vector by an  $\alpha$  in the counterclockwise direction.

2. Let  $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear operator. If  $L((1, 2)^T) = (-2, 3)^T$  and  $L((1, -1)^T) = (5, 2)^T$  find the value of  $L((7, 5)^T)$ .

**Solution**

Let

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

To determine  $L(\mathbf{x})$  we must first express  $\mathbf{x}$  as a linear combination

$$\mathbf{x} = c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2$$

To do this we must solve the system  $U\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{x}$  for  $\mathbf{c}$ . The solution is  $\mathbf{c} = (4, 3)^T$  and it follows that

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = L(4\mathbf{u}_1 + 3\mathbf{u}_2) = 4L(\mathbf{u}_1) + 3L(\mathbf{u}_2) = 4 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. Determine whether the following are linear transformations from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  into  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(a)  $L(\mathbf{x}) = (x_2, x_3)^T$

(b)  $L(\mathbf{x}) = (0, 0)^T$

**Solution**

(a)  $L(\mathbf{x})$  is a linear transformation, since

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{y}) &= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_2 + \beta y_2 \\ \alpha x_3 + \beta y_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_2 \\ \alpha x_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \beta y_2 \\ \beta y_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \alpha L(\mathbf{x}) + \beta L(\mathbf{y}) \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $L(\mathbf{x})$  is a linear transformation, since

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{y}) &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \alpha L(\mathbf{x}) + \beta L(\mathbf{y}) \end{aligned}$$

4. Determine whether the following are linear transformations from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  into  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(a)  $L(\mathbf{x}) = (x_1, x_2, 1)^T$

(b)  $L(\mathbf{x}) = (x_1, x_2, x_1 + 2x_2)^T$

**Solution**

(a)  $L(\mathbf{x})$  is not a linear transformation, since

$$L(\alpha \mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha x_2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha L(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha x_2 \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

it follows that  $L(\alpha \mathbf{x}) \neq \alpha L(\mathbf{x})$

(b)  $L(\mathbf{x})$  is a linear transformation, since

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y}) &= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 + \beta y_1 \\ \alpha x_2 + \beta y_2 \\ \alpha x_1 + \beta y_1 + 2(\alpha x_2 + \beta y_2) \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_1 + 2y_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \alpha L(\mathbf{x}) + \beta L(\mathbf{y}) \end{aligned}$$

5. Determine whether the following are linear operators on  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

(a)  $L(A) = 2A$

(b)  $L(A) = A^T$

**Solution**

(a)  $L(A) = 2A$  is a linear operator, since

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha A + \beta B) &= 2(\alpha A + \beta B) = \alpha(2A) + \beta(2B) \\ &= \alpha L(A) + \beta L(B) \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $L(A) = A^T$  is a linear operator, since

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha A + \beta B) &= (\alpha A + \beta B)^T = \alpha(A^T) + \beta(B^T) \\ &= \alpha L(A) + \beta L(B) \end{aligned}$$

6. Determine whether the following are linear transformations from  $P_2$  to  $P_3$ .

(a)  $L(p(x)) = xp(x)$

(b)  $L(p(x)) = x^2 + p(x)$

**Solution**

Let  $p_1(x) = ax + b$  is a polynomial in  $P_2$ , and  $p_2(x) = cx + d$  is also a polynomial in  $P_2$ , we assume  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are scalars.

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad L(\alpha p_1(x) + \beta p_2(x)) &= x(\alpha p_1(x) + \beta p_2(x)) \\ &= x\alpha p_1(x) + x\beta p_2(x) \\ &= \alpha L(p_1(x)) + \beta L(p_2(x)) \\ &= \alpha ax^2 + \alpha bx + \beta cx^2 + \beta dx \\ &= (\alpha a + \beta c)x^2 + (\alpha c + \beta d)x \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $L$  is a linear transformation from  $P_2$  to  $P_3$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad L(\alpha p_1(x) + \beta p_2(x)) &= x^2 + \alpha p_1(x) + \beta p_2(x) \\ \alpha L(p_1(x)) + \beta L(p_2(x)) &= \alpha x^2 + \alpha p_1(x) + \beta x^2 + \beta p_2(x) = (\alpha + \beta)x^2 + \alpha p_1(x) + \beta p_2(x) \\ L(\alpha p_1(x) + \beta p_2(x)) &\neq \alpha L(p_1(x)) + \beta L(p_2(x)) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $L$  is not a linear transformation from  $P_2$  to  $P_3$ .

7. For each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , define  $L(f) = F$ , where  $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t)dt$   $0 \leq x \leq 1$

Show that  $L$  is a linear operator on  $C[0, 1]$  and then find  $L(e^x)$  and  $L(x^2)$ .

### Solution

If  $f, g \in C[0, 1]$  then

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha f + \beta g) &= \int_0^x (\alpha f(t) + \beta g(t))dt \\ &= \alpha \int_0^x f(t)dt + \beta \int_0^x g(t)dt \\ &= \alpha L(f) + \beta L(g) \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $L$  is a linear transformation from  $C[0, 1]$  to  $C[0, 1]$ .

$$L(e^x) = \int_0^x (e^t)dt = e^x - 1$$

$$L(x^2) = \int_0^x (t^2)dt = \frac{1}{3}x^3$$

8. Find the kernel and range of each of the following linear operators on  $P_3$  :

(a)  $L(p(x)) = xp'(x)$

(b)  $L(p(x)) = p(x) - p'(x)$

(c)  $L(p(x)) = p(0)x + p(1)$

### Solution

(a) If  $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  is in  $\ker(L)$ , then

$$L(p) = (2ax^2 + bx)$$

must equal the zero polynomial  $z(x) = 0x^2 + 0x$ . Equating coefficients we see that  $a = b = 0$  and hence  $\ker(L) = P_1$ . The range of  $L$  is  $\text{Span}(x^2, x)$ .

(b) If  $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  is in  $\ker(L)$ , then

$$L(p) = (ax^2 + bx + c) - (2ax + b) = ax^2 + (b - 2a)x + (c - b)$$

must equal the zero polynomial  $z(x) = 0x^2 + 0x + 0$ . Equating coefficients we see that  $a = b = c = 0$  and hence  $\ker(L) = \{0\}$ . The range of  $L$  is all of  $P_3$ . To see this note that if  $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  is any vector in  $P_3$  and we define  $q(x) = ax^2 + (b + 2a)x + c + b + 2a$  then

$$L(q(x)) = (ax^2 + (b + 2a)x + c + b + 2a) - (2ax + b + 2a) = ax^2 + bx + c = p(x)$$

(c) If  $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  is in  $\ker(L)$ , then

$$L(p) = (cx + a + b + c)$$

must equal the zero polynomial  $z(x) = 0x + 0 + 0 + 0$ . Equating coefficients we see that  $a = b = c = 0$  and hence  $\ker(L) = \text{Span}(x^2 - x)$ . The range of  $L$  is  $P_2$ .

9. For each of the following linear transformations  $L$  mapping  $\mathbb{R}^3$  into  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , find a matrix  $A$  such that  $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$  for every  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  :

(a)  $L\left((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T\right) = (x_1 + x_2, 0)^T$

(b)  $L\left((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T\right) = (x_1, x_2)^T$

(c)  $L\left((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T\right) = (x_2 - x_1, x_3 - x_2)^T$

### Solution

(a)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(b)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(c)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

10. Let

$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and let  $\mathcal{I}$  be the identity operator on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . (a) Find the coordinates of  $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_1)$ ,  $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_2)$ , and  $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_3)$  with respect to  $\{\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{y}_3\}$ . (b) Find a matrix  $A$  such that  $A\mathbf{x}$  is the coordinate vector of  $\mathbf{x}$  with respect to  $\{\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{y}_3\}$ .

### Solution

(a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_1) = 0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0\mathbf{y}_1 + 0\mathbf{y}_2 + 1\mathbf{y}_3$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_2) = 0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + (-1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0\mathbf{y}_1 + 1\mathbf{y}_2 - 1\mathbf{y}_3$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_3) = 1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + (-1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1\mathbf{y}_1 - 1\mathbf{y}_2 + 0\mathbf{y}_3$

(b)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

11. Let  $\mathbf{y}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{y}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{y}_3$  be defined as in the last exercise, and let  $L$  be the linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} L(c_1\mathbf{y}_1 + c_2\mathbf{y}_2 + c_3\mathbf{y}_3) \\ = (c_1 + c_2 + c_3)\mathbf{y}_1 + (2c_1 + c_3)\mathbf{y}_2 - (2c_2 + c_3)\mathbf{y}_3 \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find a matrix representing  $L$  with respect to the ordered basis  $\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{y}_3$ .
- (b) For each of the following, write the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{y}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{y}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{y}_3$  and use the matrix from part (a) to determine  $L(\mathbf{x})$ :
  - (i)  $\mathbf{x} = (7, 5, 2)^T$
  - (ii)  $\mathbf{x} = (3, 2, 1)^T$
  - (iii)  $\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, 3)^T$

## Solution

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)

$$(a) \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then } S^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = S^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = L \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 7\mathbf{y}_1 + 6\mathbf{y}_2 - 8\mathbf{y}_3$$

(b)

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = S^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = L \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 3\mathbf{y}_1 + 3\mathbf{y}_2 - 3\mathbf{y}_3$$

(c)

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = S^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = L \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{y}_1 + 5\mathbf{y}_2 + 3\mathbf{y}_3$$

 12. The linear transformation  $L$  defined by

$$L(p(x)) = p'(x) + p(0)$$

 maps  $P_3$  into  $P_2$ . Find the matrix representation of  $L$  with respect to the ordered bases  $[x^2, x, 1]$  and

$[2, 1 - x]$ . For each of the following vectors  $p(x)$  in  $P_3$ , find the coordinates of  $L(p(x))$  with respect to the ordered basis  $[2, 1 - x]$ :

(a)  $x^2 + 2x - 3$

(b)  $x^2 + 1$

### Solution

First, we will see the matrix representation of  $L$ . For that,  $L(x^2) = 2x$ ,  $L(x) = 1$  and  $L(1) = 1$ . Now we will express  $L(x^2)$ ,  $L(x)$  and  $L(1)$  in terms of the basis  $\{2, 1 - x\}$ . So,

$$L(x^2) = 2x = 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot (1 - x),$$

$$L(x) = 1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot (1 - x),$$

$$L(1) = 1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot (1 - x).$$

So the matrix representation of  $L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Let  $p(x) = x^2 + 2x - 3$ , then  $L(p(x)) = 2x + 2 - 3 = 2x - 1$ . Now we can see that  $2x - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 - 2 \cdot (1 - x)$ . So, the coordinates for  $L(p(x))$  with respect to the basis  $\{2, 1 - x\}$  is  $(\frac{1}{2}, -2)$ .

(b) Let  $p(x) = x^2 + 1$ , then  $L(p(x)) = 2x + 1$ . Now we can see that  $2x + 1 = \frac{3}{2} \cdot 2 - 2 \cdot (1 - x)$ . So, the coordinates for  $L(p(x))$  with respect to the basis  $(2, 1 - x)$  is  $(\frac{3}{2}, -2)$ .

13. Let  $E = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$  and  $F = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2\}$ , where

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{b}_1 = (1, -1)^T, \quad \mathbf{b}_2 = (2, -1)^T$$

For each of the following linear transformations  $L$  from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  into  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , find the matrix representing  $L$  with respect to the ordered bases  $E$  and  $F$ :

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = (x_1 + x_2, x_1 - x_3)^T$$



### Solution

We first compute the values of  $L(\mathbf{u}_1)$ ,  $L(\mathbf{u}_2)$ , and  $L(\mathbf{u}_3)$ . We have

$$L(\mathbf{u}_1) = L((1, 0, -1)^T) = (1 + 0, 1 - (-1))^T = (1, 2)^T$$

$$L(\mathbf{u}_2) = L((1, 2, 1)^T) = (1 + 2, 1 - 1)^T = (3, 0)^T$$

$$L(\mathbf{u}_3) = L((-1, 1, 1)^T) = (-1 + 1, -1 - 1)^T = (0, -2)^T$$

Next, we find the inverse of  $B = (\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2)$ . Note that  $B$  is nonsingular since  $F = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2\}$  is a basis in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . We have  $B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . The matrix representation  $A$  of  $L$  is

$$A = B^{-1}(L(\mathbf{u}_1), L(\mathbf{u}_2), L(\mathbf{u}_3)) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -3 & 4 \\ 3 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

14. Let  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  and  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$  be ordered bases for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , where

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let  $L$  be the linear transformation defined by

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = (-x_1, x_2)^T$$

and let  $B$  be the matrix representing  $L$  with respect to  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$ .

- Find the transition matrix  $S$  corresponding to the change of basis from  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  to  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ .
- Find the matrix  $A$  representing  $L$  with respect to  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$  by computing  $SBS^{-1}$ .
- Verify that

$$L(\mathbf{v}_1) = a_{11}\mathbf{v}_1 + a_{21}\mathbf{v}_2$$

$$L(\mathbf{v}_2) = a_{12}\mathbf{v}_1 + a_{22}\mathbf{v}_2$$

**Solution**

- (a) The transition matrix corresponding to the change of basis from  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  to  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} S &= V^{-1}U = [\mathbf{v}_1 \mathbf{v}_2]^{-1} [\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_2] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) By inspection

$$L(\mathbf{u}_1) = L(1, 1)^T = (-1, 1)^T = 0\mathbf{u}_1 + 1\mathbf{u}_2$$

$$L(\mathbf{u}_2) = L(-1, 1)^T = (1, 1)^T = 1\mathbf{u}_1 + 0\mathbf{u}_2$$

So the matrix representation of  $L$  with respect to  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  is

$$B = [L(\mathbf{u}_1)_U \ L(\mathbf{u}_2)_U] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the transition matrix from  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  to  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$  is  $S$ ,

$$A = SBS^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

which is the matrix representation of  $L$  with respect to  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ .

- (c) The elements of  $A$  are  $a_{11} = 1, a_{12} = 0, a_{21} = -4, a_{22} = -1$ . Therefore,

$$L(\mathbf{v}_1) = L((2, 1)^T) = (-2, 1)^T = 1 \cdot (2, 1)^T - 4 \cdot (1, 0)^T = a_{11}\mathbf{v}_1 + a_{21}\mathbf{v}_2$$

$$L(\mathbf{v}_2) = L((1, 0)^T) = (-1, 0)^T = 0 \cdot (2, 1)^T - 1 \cdot (1, 0)^T = a_{12}\mathbf{v}_1 + a_{22}\mathbf{v}_2$$

15. Let  $L$  be the operator on  $P_3$  defined by

$$L(p(x)) = xp'(x) + p''(x)$$

- (a) Find the matrix  $A$  representing  $L$  with respect to  $[1, x, x^2]$ .
- (b) Find the matrix  $B$  representing  $L$  with respect to  $[1, x, 1 + x^2]$ .
- (c) Find the matrix  $S$  such that  $B = S^{-1}AS$ .
- (d) If  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2(1 + x^2)$ , calculate  $L^n(p(x))$ .

## Solution

(a)

$$L(1) = x \cdot (1)' + (1)'' = 0 = 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot x + 0^2 \cdot x$$

$$L(x) = x \cdot (x)' + (x)'' = x = 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$$

$$L(x^2) = x \cdot (x^2)' + (x^2)'' = 2x^2 + 2 = 2 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot x + 2 \cdot x^2$$

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

(b)

$$L(1) = 0 = 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot x + 0 \cdot (1 + x^2)$$

$$L(x) = x = 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot x + 0 \cdot (1 + x^2)$$

$$L(1 + x^2) = x \cdot (1 + x^2)' + (1 + x^2)'' = 2x^2 + 2 = 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot x + 2(1 + x^2)$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \circ & \xrightarrow{A} & \circ \\ \uparrow S & & \downarrow S^{-1} \\ \circ & \xrightarrow{B} & \circ \end{array}$$

To represent  $B$  with respect to  $A$ , we have

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

such that  $B = S^{-1}AS$ .

(d) Let  $\beta = [1, x, 1 + x^2]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} [L^n(p(x))]_{\beta} &= [L^n]_{\beta} [p(x)]_{\beta} \\ &= [L]_{\beta}^n [p(x)]_{\beta} = B^n [p(x)]_{\beta} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ a_1 \\ 2^n a_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ L^n(p(x)) &= a_1 x + 2^n a_2 (1 + x^2) \end{aligned}$$