

# Lecture 12 Scribe

MCS 2-Linear Algebra

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## 1 Linear Transformation

### 1.1 Linear Functional

If  $V$  is a vector space over the field  $F$ , a linear transformation  $f$  from  $V$  into the scalar field  $F$  is also called a linear functional on  $V$ .

**Example-**

$$f : F^n \rightarrow F$$

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i a_i$$

where  $a_1 \dots a_n, x_1 \dots x_n \in F$

### 1.2 Hyper Space

In a vector of dimension  $n$ , a subspace of dimension  $(n-1)$  is called a hyper space.

Null Space( $f$ ) is a hyper space.

### 1.3 The Annihilator of a Set $S \subseteq V$ .

Annihilator of a set  $S \subseteq V$  is the set of all linear functional on  $V$  such that

$$f(\alpha) = 0 \quad \forall \quad \alpha \in S \tag{1}$$

$$S^0 = \text{Annihilator of } S$$

$$S = \{0\}$$

$$S^0 = \text{Collection of all linear functional} = V^*$$

If  $S = V$

$S^0 = \{0\}$  is a zero subspace of  $V^*$

**Theorem 1-** If  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$  and  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$ , then.

$$\dim(W) + \dim(W^0) = \dim(V) \quad (2)$$

**Proof.** Let  $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha^k\}$  be a basis of  $W$

Now choose  $\{\alpha_k + 1, \dots, \alpha^n\}$  such that

$\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha^n\}$  is a basis of  $W$ .

Then define  $B^* = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$  be the basis of  $V^* =$

such that  $f_i(\alpha_j) = \delta_{ij}$

**Claim.**  $\{f_k + 1, \dots, f_n\}$  is a basis for  $W^0$

**Proof.** 1.

$$\begin{aligned} f_i &\in W^0 \\ \forall \alpha \in W, \quad f_i(\alpha) &= 0 \\ \alpha &= \sum_{j=1}^k x_j \alpha_j \\ f_i(\alpha) &= \sum_{j=1}^k x_j f_i(\alpha_j) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

2.  $\{f_k + 1, \dots, f_n\}$  are linearly independent.

By definition as  $\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$  is a basis function

3.  $\{f_k + 1, \dots, f_n\}$  spans  $W^0$ . For any functional  $f$  in

$$V^* : f = \sum_{j=1}^k x_j f_i(\alpha_j)$$

If  $f \in W^0$  then

$$f = \sum_{j=1}^k f(\alpha_i) f_i + \sum_{j=k+1}^n f(\alpha_i) f_i$$

$$\alpha_i \quad (i = 1 \cdots k) \in W$$

$$f = \sum_{j=k+1}^n f(\alpha_j) \cdot f_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(W^0) &= n - k \\ \dim(W^0) &= \dim V - \dim W \end{aligned}$$

$$\dim(W) + \dim(W^0) = \dim(V)$$

## 1.4 The Double Dual

$$V^{**} = \text{Dual of } V^*$$

$$\dim(V) = \dim(V^*) = \dim(V^{**})$$

If  $\alpha$  is a vector in  $\mathbf{V}$ , then  $\alpha$  induces a linear functional  $\mathbf{L}_\alpha$  on  $V^*$

$$L_\alpha(f) = f(\alpha) \forall f \in V^*$$

$$L_\alpha : V^* \rightarrow F$$

**Note:** If  $\alpha \neq 0$ , then  $\exists$  a linear functional  $f$  such that  $L_\alpha$

**Proof.**  $\beta = \{\alpha_{k+1}, \dots, \alpha^n\}$  is a basis for  $V$ ,  
where  $\alpha_i \neq 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Defining  $\alpha = \alpha_1$ .

$f$  is a linear functional which assigns each vector in  $V$  by its first coordinate in  $\beta$ .

$$f(\alpha) = 1 \neq 0$$

**Theorem.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$ . For each vector  $\alpha \in V$ , define

$$L_\alpha(f) = f(\alpha) \text{ for all } f \in V^*.$$

Then the mapping  $\alpha \rightarrow L_\alpha$  is an isomorphism from  $V$  onto  $V^{**}$ .

**Proof. Linearity**

$$L_{c\alpha+\beta}(f) = cL_\alpha(f) + L_\beta(f)$$

$$L_{c\alpha+\beta}(f) = f(c\alpha + \beta) = cf(\alpha) + f(\beta)$$

$$L_{c\alpha+\beta}(f) = f(c\alpha + \beta) = cL_\alpha(f) + L_\beta(f)$$

or

$\alpha \rightarrow L_\alpha$  is a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $V^{**}$

**Note**  $L_\alpha = 0$  if and only if  $\alpha = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \alpha \mapsto L(\alpha)$  is a non-singular transformation.

## 1.5 Transposition of Linear Transformation

$V, W$  are finite dimensional vector spaces over  $F$

and  $T : V \rightarrow W$

**Goal:** We want to define the transpose of  $T$ .

Suppose  $g$  is a linear functional on  $W$ , i.e.,  $g \in W^*$ .

Define  $f(\alpha) = g(T(\alpha))$  for all  $\alpha \in V$ , where  $f(\alpha) \in \text{range}(T)$ .  
 $f \in V^*, g \in W^*$

$V^* = \text{Dual of } V$   
 $W^* = \text{Dual of } W$

Then we can define  $f = T^t \cdot g$  for each  $g \in W^*$ . Thus  $T^t : W^* \rightarrow V^*$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} f &= T^t \cdot g. \\ f(\alpha) &= (T^t \cdot g) \cdot (\alpha) \\ f(\alpha) &= (g(T(\alpha))) \end{aligned}$$

**Note**

$$T^t(cg_1 + g_2) = cT^t g_1 + T^t g_2 \forall g_1, g_2 \in W^*$$

**Proof.**

$$T^t(cg_1 + g_2)(\alpha) = (cg_1 + g_2)T(\alpha)$$

$$T^t(cg_1 + g_2)(\alpha) = c(g_1T(\alpha)) + (g_2T(\alpha))$$

$$T^t(cg_1 + g_2)(\alpha) = (cT^tg_1)(\alpha) + (T^tg_2)(\alpha)$$

$T^t \cdot g(\alpha) = g(T(\alpha))$  is a linear transformation and is called the transpose of  $T$ .

**Theorem.**  $V, W$  are vector spaces,  $T : V \rightarrow W$ . Then

- 1) The null space of  $T^t$  is the annihilator of  $\beta(T) = \text{Range of } T$ .
- 2)  $\text{rank}(T^t) = \text{rank}(T)$ .
- 3) The range of  $T^*$  is the annihilator of the null space of  $T$ .

**Proof.** If  $g$  is in  $W^*$ , then by definition

$$(T^tg)(\alpha) = g(T\alpha) \tag{3}$$

for each  $\alpha$  in  $V$ . The statement that  $g$  is in the null space of  $T^t$  means that  $g(T\alpha) = 0$  for every  $\alpha$  in  $V$ . Thus, the null space of  $T^t$  is precisely the annihilator of the range of  $T$ .

Suppose that  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dimensional, say  $\dim V = n$  and  $\dim W = m$ .

For (1): Let  $r$  be the rank of  $T$ , i.e., the dimension of the range of  $T$ . By theorem, the annihilator of the range of  $T$  then has dimension  $(m - r)$ . By the first statement of this theorem, the nullity of  $T^t$  must be  $(m - r)$ . But then since  $T^t$  is a linear transformation on an  $m$ -dimensional space, the rank of  $T^t$  is  $m - (m - r)$ , and so  $T$  and  $T^t$  have the same rank.

For (2): Let  $N$  be the null space of  $T$ . Every functional in the range of  $T^t$  is in the annihilator of  $N$ ; for, suppose  $f = T^tg$  for some  $g$  in  $W^*$ ; then, if  $\alpha$  is in  $N$ ,

$$f(\alpha) = (T^tg)(\alpha) = g(T\alpha) = g(0) = 0 \tag{4}$$

Now the range of  $T^t$  is a subspace of the space  $N^0$ , and

$$\dim N^0 = n - \dim N = \text{rank}(T) = \text{rank}(T^t) \tag{5}$$

so that the range of  $T^t$  must be exactly  $N^0$ .

**Example-** Let  $V$  be the vector space of all polynomial functions over the field of real numbers. Let  $a$  and  $b$  be fixed real numbers and let  $f$  be the linear functional on  $V$  defined by

$$f(p) = \int_a^b p(x) dx$$

If  $D$  is the differentiation operator on  $V$ , what is

$$D^t f?$$

**Solution-** Let  $p(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_nx^n$ .

$$D^t f(p) = f(D(p))$$

$$D^t f(p) = f(c_1 + 2c_2x + 3c_3x^2 + \dots + nc_nx^{n-1})$$

$$D^t f(p) = c_1 + c_2x^2 + \dots + c_nx^n \mid b_0$$

$$D^t f(p) = p(b) - p(a)$$