

# MA2101

## Isomorphisms

**Definitions** Let  $F$  be a mapping  $F : S \rightarrow T$ .

- Surjection:  $\forall t \in T, \exists s \in S \quad F(s) = t$
- Injection:  $\forall s_1, s_2 \in S$   
 $F(s_1) = F(s_2) \Rightarrow s_1 = s_2$
- Bijection: Surjection and Injection

**Homomorphism** Let  $\phi : U \rightarrow V$  be a mapping. It is a homomorphism if

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(u + v) &= \phi(u) + \phi(v) \\ \phi(au) &= a\phi(u)\end{aligned}$$

If this homomorphism is also a bijection, then this is an isomorphism.

## Linear mappings

**Definition** A mapping  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is called a linear mapping if  $\forall a \in \mathcal{F}, \forall u, v \in V$ :

$$\begin{aligned}T(u + v) &= T(u) + T(v) \\ T(au) &= aT(u)\end{aligned}$$

**Set of linear mappings** The set of all linear mappings from  $V$  to  $W$  is denoted  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . It is a vector space.

**Basis as a linear mapping** Let  $B$  be a basis of  $V$ , where  $\dim(V) = n$ .

- Then  $B \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F}^n, V)$ , i.e. it is a linear mapping from  $\mathcal{F}^n$  to  $V$ .
- However, some  $x \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F}^n, V)$  is not necessarily a basis, as it is not necessarily a bijection.

**Change of basis** Let  $y$  and  $z$  be basis of an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$ .

- $z$  has inverse  $z^{-1}$
- Define  $P = z^{-1} \circ y$ , then  $P : \mathcal{F}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^n$ , and since composition of bijections is a bijection,  $P$  is a bijection, so  $P$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathcal{F}^n$  with itself.
- Hence,  $y = z \circ P$ , where  $P$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathcal{F}^n$  with itself.

## Kernel and range

Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ .

### Kernel

- The kernel of  $T$ , denoted  $\text{Ker}(T)$ , is the set of elements in  $V$  that are mapped to the zero vector in  $W$ .
- The dimension of  $\text{Ker}(T)$  is called the nullity of  $T$ , denoted as  $\text{Null}(T)$ .
- $\text{Ker}(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .
- $T$  is injective  $\Leftrightarrow \text{Ker}(T) = \{\vec{0}\}$

### Range

- The range of  $T$ , denoted  $\text{Rang}(T)$ , is the set of vectors in  $W$  that can be expressed as  $Tv$  for some  $v \in V$ .
- The dimension of  $\text{Rang}(T)$  is called the rank of  $T$ , denoted as  $\text{Rank}(T)$ .
- $\text{Rang}(T)$  is a subspace of  $W$ .
- $T$  is surjective  $\Leftrightarrow \text{Rang}(T) = W$

### Fundamental theorem

$$\dim(V) = \text{Null}(T) + \text{Rank}(T)$$

- Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  where  $\dim(V) > \dim(W)$ . Then  $T$  cannot be injective.
- Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  where  $\dim(V) < \dim(W)$ . Then  $T$  cannot be surjective.
- For linear maps from  $V$  to itself, bijectivity  $\Leftrightarrow$  injectivity  $\Leftrightarrow$  surjectivity

## Duality

### Dual space

**Definition** The dual space of a vector space  $V$ , is the set of all linear mappings from  $V$  to  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(V, \mathcal{F})$ .

- We denote the dual space as  $\hat{V}$
- If  $\alpha \in \hat{V}$ , then  $\forall u \in V, \alpha(u) \in \mathcal{F}$

**Example** Let  $\mathcal{F}^n$  be the vector space of column vectors.

- The dual space of  $\mathcal{F}^n$  is the space of  $1 \times n$  row vectors.
- Its canonical dual basis  $\epsilon^i$  are the row vectors  $(1 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots), (0 \ 1 \ 0 \ \dots), \dots$

## Dual basis

**Definition** Let  $z_i$  be a basis for  $V$ .

- For any  $v \in V$ , write  $v = \sum a^i z_i$ .
- Denote the dual vectors as  $\zeta^i$ . Define them as follows:

$$\zeta^i(v) = a^i$$

- Letting the  $\zeta$  act on  $z$ , we have

$$\zeta^i(z_j) = I_j^i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- The set of all  $\zeta^i \in \hat{V}$  that satisfies  $\zeta^i(z_j) = I_j^i$  is called the dual basis of  $z_i$ .

### Show basis

- (Show that they belong to  $\hat{V}$ ) Show that each  $\zeta^i$  is a linear mapping from  $V$  to  $\mathcal{F}$ .
- (Show they are linearly independent) Consider  $\sum p_i \zeta^i = \vec{0}$ , and let it act on  $z_j$ .

$$0 = p_i \zeta^i(z_j) = p_i I_j^i = p_j$$

- (Show that they span) We do not know the dimension of  $\hat{V}$ . Thus, we show that every element of  $\hat{V}$  can be expressed as a linear combination of  $\zeta^i$ .

- Let  $\beta = (\alpha z_i) \zeta^i$  for some dual vector  $\alpha$ .

$$\beta(z_j) = \alpha(z_i) \zeta^i(z_j) = \alpha(z_i) I_j^i = \alpha(z_j)$$

- Hence, any dual vector  $\beta$  can be expressed as a linear combination of  $\zeta^i$ , where the components are  $\alpha(z_i)$ .

- This implies  $\dim(\hat{V}) = \dim(V)$ .
- Since in our definition,  $a^i$  is unique to  $v$ , so the dual basis is also unique.

### Alternative definition

- Let  $z$  be a basis for  $V$ , so  $z \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F}^n, V)$ .
- Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{F}^n$ . Let  $p \in \hat{\mathcal{F}}^n$ .
- Define  $\zeta \in \mathcal{L}(\hat{\mathcal{F}}^n, \hat{V})$  as follows:

$$\zeta p(z\alpha) = pa$$

- Here,  $\zeta p \in \hat{V}$ , and  $z\alpha \in V$ .

## Why duality?

- $v \in V$  is linear when acting on  $\alpha \in \hat{V}$ .
- We claim that  $\alpha$  is the dual vector of  $v$ , but we can also regard  $v$  as the dual vector of  $\alpha$ .

## Transpose mapping

Let  $\alpha \in \hat{V}$  and let  $v \in V$ . For each LT  $T : V \rightarrow V$ , define  $\hat{T} : \hat{V} \rightarrow \hat{V}$  as follows:

$$\hat{T}(\alpha)(v) = \alpha(Tv)$$

Then  $\hat{T}$  is the transpose of  $T$ . Since  $\hat{T}$  is linear, so  $\hat{T} \in \mathcal{L}(\hat{V}, \hat{V})$ .

## Dual of the dual space

Dual of dual space of  $V$  is isomorphic to  $V$ .

## Tensor products

### Definition

- Let  $V$  be a vector space. Let  $\hat{V}$  be its dual.
- For each  $v \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \hat{V}$ , define their tensor product  $v \otimes \alpha$  to be the element of  $\mathcal{L}(V, V)$  as follows:

$$(v \otimes \alpha)(w) = \alpha(w)v$$

where  $w \in V$ .

- The tensor product is linear in both ways.

$$\begin{aligned}(u + v) \otimes \alpha &= u \otimes \alpha + v \otimes \alpha \\ v \otimes (\alpha + \beta) &= v \otimes \alpha + v \otimes \beta\end{aligned}$$

- Let  $\beta$  be a dual vector.

$$\beta \circ (v \otimes \alpha) = \beta(v)\alpha$$

## Basis

Let  $z_i$  be a basis of  $V$  and let  $\zeta^j$  be the dual basis.

- For the following, consider  $V = \mathcal{F}^n$  and  $z_i = e_i$  for a concrete example.
- For each pair of  $(i, j)$ ,  $z_i \otimes \zeta^j \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ .
- The full set of  $z_i \otimes \zeta^j$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{L}(V, V)$ .
- $\dim(\mathcal{L}(V, V)) = \dim(V)^2$
- Define  $T_j^i$  as follows:

$$T(z_j) = T_j^i(z_i)$$

### Show span

- Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ .
- Since  $T(z_i) \in V$ , then express it as a linear combination as follows, where  $:=$  removes the summations

$$T(z_i) = \sum_j T_i^j(z_j) := T_i^j(z_j)$$

- Next, define  $S$  in the following way, where  $:=$  removes the summations.

$$S = \sum_i \left( \left( \sum_j T_i^j z_j \right) \otimes \zeta^i \right) := T_i^j z_j \otimes \zeta^i$$

$S$  is a linear combination of things in  $\mathcal{L}(V, V)$ , so  $S \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ .

- Let  $S$  act on  $z_k$ . Summations are not present here, but use the above definitions to confirm that they work:

$$\begin{aligned} S(z_k) &= T_i^j z_j \otimes \zeta^i(z_k) = \zeta^i(z_k) T_i^j z_j \\ &= I_k^i T_i^j z_j = T_k^j z_j = T(z_k) \end{aligned}$$

By linearity, we have  $S(v) = T(v)$  for all  $v \in V$ . Hence

$$T = S = T_i^j z_j \otimes \zeta^i = T_i^j(z_j \otimes \zeta^i)$$

and any arbitrary  $T$  can be expressed as a linear combination of  $z_j \otimes \zeta^i$ . Hence,  $z_i \otimes \zeta^j$  forms a basis for  $\mathcal{L}(V, V)$ .

**Extracting components** Let  $\zeta^i$  be the dual basis of  $z_j$ .

$$\zeta^i(T(z_j)) = \zeta^i(T_j^k(z_k)) = T_j^k I_k^i = T_j^i$$

In particular,

$$\epsilon^i(T(e_j)) = \epsilon^i(T_j^k(e_k)) = T_j^k I_k^i = T_j^i$$

where  $e_j$  are the canonical basis vectors of  $V$  and  $\epsilon^i$  are the canonical basis vectors of  $\hat{V}$ .

**Transpose of tensor product** The transpose of  $v \otimes \alpha$  is  $\alpha \otimes v$ .

**Trace of tensor product** The trace of  $v \otimes \alpha$  is  $\alpha(v)$ . That is, the trace of the outer product is the inner product.

## Matrices

**Definition** A  $n \times m$  matrix is just a list of  $m$  vectors belonging to  $\mathcal{F}^n$ .

**Convention** We may refer to the elements of a matrix in the following way:

$$\begin{pmatrix} M_1^1 & M_2^1 & M_3^1 \\ M_1^2 & M_2^2 & M_3^2 \\ M_1^3 & M_2^3 & M_3^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Subscripts: which column vector from the list you are referring to
- Superscripts: which component of a given vector you are referring to
- $M_j^i$  is the  $(i, j)$ -entry in a given matrix

**Vector space** The set  $\mathcal{M}_{n \times m}$  of  $n \times m$  matrices is a vector space, with usual matrix addition, and scalar multiplication.

**Matrix of a linear transformation** From the tensor products section,

$$T = T_i^j(z_j \otimes \zeta^i)$$

where  $z_j \otimes \zeta^i$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{L}(V, V)$ . Then  $T_i^j$  is the matrix of  $T$  relative to the basis  $z_i$ .

**Transpose of  $T : V \rightarrow V$**  From the transpose mapping section, we have define the transpose mapping as follows:

$$\hat{T}(\alpha)(v) = \alpha(Tv)$$

where  $\alpha \in \hat{V}$  and  $v \in V$ . Let  $\alpha = \zeta^i$  and  $v = z_j$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta^i(T z_j) &= z_j(\hat{T} \zeta^i) \\ \zeta^i(T_j^i z_i) &= z_j(\hat{T}_i^j \zeta^j) \\ T_j^i &= \hat{T}_i^j \end{aligned}$$

Hence the transpose matrix is obtained by flipping along the diagonal.

**Transpose of  $T : V \rightarrow W$**  The transpose of  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is  $\hat{T} : \hat{W} \rightarrow \hat{V}$ .

**Trace is zero on commutators**

$$\text{tr}(MN) = \sum_i M_k^i N_i^k = N_i^k M_k^i = \text{tr}(NM)$$

## $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ for $V \neq W$

Let  $\dim(V) = n$  and  $\dim(W) = m$ .

**Tensor product** For each  $x \in W$  and  $\alpha \in \hat{V}$ , define their tensor product  $x \otimes \alpha$  to be the element of  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  as follows, where  $v \in V$ :

$$(x \otimes \alpha)(v) = \alpha(v)x$$

### Basis

- Let  $x_i$  be a basis of  $W$ , and let  $\zeta^j$  be a dual basis for  $V$ .
- Then the full set  $x_i \otimes \zeta^j$  is a set of  $n \times m$  elements of  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  which forms a basis.

**LT** Any  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  can be expressed as  $T_j^i(x_i \otimes \zeta^j)$ , where the  $T_j^i$  can be assembled into a  $m \times n$  matrix.

### Note

- Given bases for  $V$  and  $W$ , we can map any LT in  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  to a matrix.
- This mapping is a linear mapping from  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  to  $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ .

## Matrix of a product

**Matrix multiplication** Define matrix multiplication as

$$M_j^i N_k^j = M_1^i N_k^1 + M_2^i N_k^2 + \dots$$

## Multiplying transformations

### Definition

- Let  $U, V, W$  be vector spaces such that  $S \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$  and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ .
- Then  $T \circ S \in \mathcal{L}(U, W)$  and
- $\mathcal{M}(TS) = \mathcal{M}(T)\mathcal{M}(S)$

**Example** Let  $v, w \in V$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \hat{V}$ . Then

$$(v \otimes \alpha) \circ (w \otimes \beta) = \alpha(w)v \otimes \beta$$

**Matrix of the tensor product** Since

$$v \otimes \alpha = (v^i z_i) \otimes (p_j \zeta^j) = v^i p_j (z_i \otimes \zeta^j)$$

So the matrix is just  $v^i p_j$ . For example, when  $\dim(V) = \dim(\hat{V}) = 3$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} v^1 p_1 & v^1 p_2 & v^1 p_3 \\ v^2 p_1 & v^2 p_2 & v^2 p_3 \\ v^3 p_1 & v^3 p_2 & v^3 p_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v^1 \\ v^2 \\ v^3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & p_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Sometimes, the tensor product is also called the outer product of a column vector with a row vector.

## Change of basis

**Dual basis  $\zeta$**  Let  $\zeta^j$  be the dual basis to  $z_i$ . Let  $\epsilon^j$  be the dual canonical basis for  $\mathcal{F}^n$ . Then we have

$$\zeta^j = \epsilon^j \circ z^{-1}$$

**Linear map  $T$**  Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(T)$  relative to basis  $z$  is the same as the matrix of

$$z^{-1} \circ T \circ z$$

relative to the canonical basis of  $\mathcal{F}^n$ , because

$$\epsilon^j z^{-1} T z e_i = \zeta^j z_i = T_i^j$$

Then, consider  $y = z \circ P$ . Note that  $y^{-1} = P^{-1} \circ z^{-1}$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(T)$  relative to basis  $y$  is

$$\begin{aligned} y^{-1} \circ T \circ y &= (P^{-1} \circ z^{-1}) \circ T \circ (z \circ P) \\ &= P^{-1} (z^{-1} T z) P \end{aligned}$$

Viewing this as a product of transformations, then the matrix is also the product of

- Matrix of  $P^{-1}$  rel. to canonical basis of  $\mathcal{F}^n$
- Matrix of  $T$  rel. to the basis  $z$  of  $V$
- Matrix of  $P$  rel. to the canonical basis of  $\mathcal{F}^n$

**Components** Let  $z$  be a basis of  $V$ , let  $v \in V$ , let  $a = z^{-1}v$ , so  $a$  is a column vector of the components of  $v$ . The components relative to another basis  $y = z \circ P$  is:

$$y^{-1}v = (P^{-1}z^{-1})v = P^{-1}a$$

**Alternative dual basis definition** We may define a dual basis in the following way:

$$(\zeta p)(za) = pa$$

where  $p \in \hat{\mathcal{F}}^n$ . Since  $pa$  is a scalar, its value should not depend on the choice of basis. Then obviously  $pa = pPP^{-1}a$ . From the previous section, then the components of a dual vector will change from  $p$  to  $pP$ .