

Due before lecture on Monday, October 28, 2019

- (if you did not finish this last week)  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a linear transformation.
  - Is  $\ker(T)$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ? Explain your reasoning. If yes, how can you find a basis for  $\ker(T)$ ?
  - Is  $\text{range}(T)$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ? Explain your reasoning. If yes, how can you find a basis for  $\text{range}(T)$ ?
 (Hint: Connect  $\ker(T)$  and  $\text{range}(T)$  to column space and nullspace of some matrix.)
- $A_{7 \times 5}$  is matrix with 7 rows and 5 columns. The columns of  $A$  satisfy

$$(\text{column-3}) = -5(\text{column-2}) + (\text{column-4}).$$

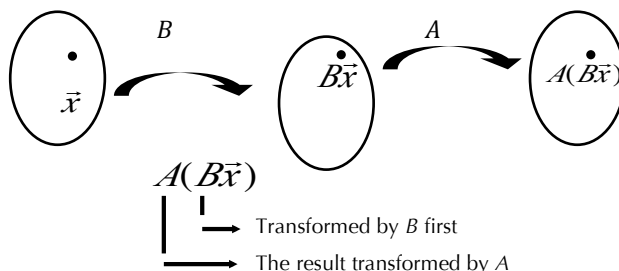
Write down one concrete vector in  $N(A)$ . Explain your reasoning.

- In class, we agreed that  $N(A)$ , the set of all solutions to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ , is a vector subspace. What about all solutions to an inhomogeneous system? More precisely, given a fixed matrix  $A_{m \times n}$  and fixed right hand side vector  $\vec{0} \neq \vec{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , define

$$V = \{\text{all solutions to } A\vec{x} = \vec{b}\}.$$

Is  $V$  a vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ?

- In class, we discussed to think of matrix multiplication as composition of functions. We thought about how, if you have  $(AB)\vec{x}$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are matrices and  $\vec{x}$  is a vector,  $(AB)\vec{x} = A(B\vec{x})$  could be thought of as  $B$  transforming  $\vec{x}$  first, and then  $A$  transforming the result of  $B\vec{x}$ .



This exercise reinforces that connection.

- Given functions  $f$  and  $g$  below

$$f(x) = 2x + 4 \quad g(x) = x^2 - 3x$$

compute

- $f(g(x))$  and  $g(f(x))$
- $f(g(2))$  and  $g(f(2))$

- Let the matrices  $F$  and  $G$  be defined as below. Answer the following questions accordingly.

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad G = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 5 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Let  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and let  $G\vec{x} = \vec{y}$ . Compute  $G\vec{x}$  and compute  $F\vec{y}$ .

- ii. Let  $\vec{x}$  be the same vector as in i., and let  $F\vec{x} = \vec{u}$ . Compute  $F\vec{x}$  and compute  $G\vec{u}$ .
- iii. Compute  $FG$  and  $GF$ .
- (c) Summarize, in words, the similarities between matrix multiplication and composition of functions. Point out the equivalence, in terms of compositions of functions  $f$  and  $g$ , of the various quantities in part (b):  $G\vec{x}$ ,  $F\vec{y}$ ,  $F\vec{x}$ ,  $G\vec{u}$ ,  $FG$  and  $GF$ . All notations have the same meaning as in parts (a) and (b).
- (d) Is matrix multiplication commutative (That is,  $AB = BA$  for any matrices  $A$  and  $B$ )? Why or why not?

When we solved the Italicizing N Task 1 problem in class, some groups have written all the input vectors side by side into a matrix and all the output vectors the same way:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 4/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We used that as an example to introduce one interpretation of matrix multiplication—each column of the product matrix  $AB$  is the product of matrix  $A$  with the corresponding column vector of matrix  $B$ . Keep this interpretation in mind when answering following questions.

5. In order for us to be able to multiply two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  together, what conditions do we have to put on the shapes of  $A$  and  $B$ ? What is the shape of the product matrix  $AB$ ?
6. (a) Fill in the blanks and explain your reasoning: Each column vector of the product matrix  $AB$  is a linear combination of \_\_\_\_\_, and so each column vector of  $AB$  is in the span of \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) As a consequence of part (a), what can you say about the relation among three column spaces  $C(AB)$ ,  $C(A)$ , and  $C(B)$ ?
7. Assume that  $AB$  is defined. Determine the following statements true or false. If true, provide a justification. If false, provide a counterexample.  
Hint: You may start by applying the definition of (in)dependence to columns of  $A$  or  $B$  and then try to multiply the equation by the other matrix.
  - (a) If the columns of  $B$  are linearly dependent, then so are the columns of  $AB$ .
  - (b) If the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent, then so are the columns of  $AB$ .
8. True or false? If true, explain why. If false, provide a counterexample.  $A$  and  $B$  are matrices of appropriate shape so that each addition or multiplication is defined.
  - (a) If columns 1 and 3 of  $B$  are the same, so are columns 1 and 3 of  $AB$ .
  - (b) If  $AB$  and  $BA$  are defined then  $A$  and  $B$  are square.
  - (c) If  $AB$  and  $BA$  are defined then  $AB$  and  $BA$  are square.
  - (d)  $(AB)^2 = A^2B^2$ .
  - (e)  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$
  - (f) If  $AB = B$  then  $A = I$ .
9. (Strang, §1.6, #25) Suppose that  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with (Row-1)+(Row-2)=(Row-3).

- (a) Explain why  $A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  cannot have a solution.

- (b) Which right-hand sides  $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$  might allow a solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ ?
- (c) What happens to Row-3 if we perform forward elimination on  $A$ ?
- (d) Explain why each of the above three situations leads to the conclusion that  $A$  is not invertible? (Hint: Think in terms of the linear transformation  $L_A$  that  $A$  defines.)
10. (*Strang*, §1.6, #40) True or False. If true, explain why. If false, **show a concrete counterexample**. (Hint: Use the fact that  $A$  is invertible if and only if the linear transformation  $L_A$  which it defines is invertible.)
- (a) A  $4 \times 4$  matrix with a row of zeros is not invertible.
- (b) A matrix with 1's down the main diagonal is invertible.
- (c) If  $A$  is invertible, then  $A^{-1}$  is invertible.