

# LA6 Linear Operator Equations, FTLA

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# Overview

## Ch3. Linear Operators

3.4 Linear Operator Equations

3.5 Existence and Uniqueness of Solutions

3.6 The Fundamental Theorem; Inverse Operators

## Ex 3.3.17

(c)  $\mathcal{L}(X, U) \cong F^{m \times n}.$

- ▶  $\mathcal{L}(F, F) \cong F$
- ▶  $\mathcal{L}(X, F) := X^*$  (algebraic) dual space of  $X$

$$\mathcal{L}(X, F) \cong \mathcal{L}(F^n, F) \cong (\mathcal{L}(F, F))^n$$

- ▶  $\mathcal{L}(F, U) \cong \mathcal{L}(F, F^m) \cong (\mathcal{L}(F, F))^m$
- ▶  $\mathcal{L}(X, U) \cong \mathcal{L}(F^n, F^m) \cong \mathcal{L}(F^n, F)^m \cong (\mathcal{L}(F, F)^n)^m \cong F^{mn}$

## Ex 3.4.9

Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ , let  $\hat{x} \in V$ , and let  $S$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Prove that if  $\tilde{x} \in \hat{x} + S$ , then  $\tilde{x} + S = \hat{x} + S$ . Interpret this result in terms of the solution set  $\hat{x} + \ker(T)$  for a linear operator equation  $T(x) = b$ .

## Goal: The First Isomorphism Theorem

If  $L : X \rightarrow U$  is linear, then there is an isomorphism  $\tilde{L} : X/\ker L \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(L)$ .

### Ex 3.4.13

Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ , and let  $S$  be a proper subspace of  $V$ . Prove that the relation  $\sim$  defined by  $u \sim v$  if and only if  $uv \in S$  is an equivalence relation on  $V$ .

### Ex 3.4.14

For any vector  $u \in V$ , let  $[u]$  denote the equivalence class of  $u$  under  $\sim$ . We denote the set of all equivalence classes by  $V/S$  and define addition and scalar multiplication on  $V/S$  by

$$[u] + [v] = [u + v], \quad \alpha[u] = [\alpha u].$$

- (a) Show that  $+, \cdot$  are well-defined.
- (b) Show that  $V/S$  is a vector space over  $F$ .



### Ex 3.4.14 (a)

$+$  :  $V/S \times V/S \rightarrow V/S$  is well-defined.

### Ex 3.4.14 (a)

$\cdot : F \times V/S \rightarrow V/S$  is well-defined.

## Ex 3.4.14 (b)

$V/S$  is a vector space over  $F$ .

### Ex 3.4.15

Now let  $X$  and  $U$  be vector spaces over a field  $F$ , and let  $L : X \rightarrow U$  be a linear operator. Define  $T : X/\ker(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(L)$  by

$$T([x]) = L(x) \text{ for all } [x] \in X/\ker(L).$$

- (a) Prove that  $T$  is a well-defined linear operator.
- (b) Prove that  $T$  is an isomorphism.
- (c) Let  $u \in \mathcal{R}(L)$  be given, and let  $\hat{x} \in X$  be a solution to  $L(x) = u$ . In terms of  $X/\ker(L)$ , what is the solution set to  $L(x) = u$ ? How can you describe  $X/\ker(L)$  in terms of linear operator equations of the form  $L(x) = v$ ,  $v \in \mathcal{R}(L)$ ?

## Ex 3.4.15(a)

1.  $T$  is well-defined.
2.  $T$  is linear.

## Ex 3.4.15(b)

$T$  is an isomorphism.

## Ex 3.4.15(c)

$[\hat{x}]$  is the solution set of  $L(x) = u$ , where  $u = L(\hat{x})$ .

## Observation

For  $L(x) = u$ ,

1. Existence
2. Uniqueness



1. There is a solution to  $L(x) = b$  if and only if  $b \in \mathcal{R}(L)$
2. Let  $b \in \mathcal{R}(L)$ . A solution to  $L(x) = b$  is unique if and only if  $\ker(L) = \{0\}$ .

1.  $\text{nullity}(T) = \dim(\ker(L))$
2.  $T$  is singular  $\iff \ker T \neq \{0\} \iff \text{nullity}(T) \geq 1$ .
3.  $T$  is nonsingular  $\iff \ker T = \{0\} \iff \text{nullity}(T) = 0 \iff T$  is injective.

## Theorem

Let  $T : X \rightarrow U$  be an injective linear operator. Then  $\dim X \leq \dim U$ .

## Proof

Main idea

1.  $\mathcal{R}(T)$  is a subspace of  $U$ .
2. If  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  is a basis of  $X$ , then  $\text{span}\{T(x_1), \dots, T(x_n)\} = \mathcal{R}(T)$ .

1.  $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(\mathcal{R}(L))$
2. If  $\dim X = \text{rank } T$ ,  $T$  is full rank.
3.  $T$  is surjective  $\iff \text{rank } T = \dim U \iff \mathcal{R}T = U$ .

## Theorem

*If  $T$  is surjective, then  $\dim X \geq \dim U$ .*

## Ex 3.5.5

$M : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  by

$$M(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 - x_4 \\ 2x_1 + 7x_2 - 2x_3 - 3x_4 \\ 3x_1 + 8x_2 - 3x_3 - 16x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find rank and nullity.

Proof

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & -2 & -3 \\ 3 & 8 & -3 & -16 \end{bmatrix} x \Rightarrow \mathcal{R}(M) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -16 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Elementary “column” operation  $\implies$  range does not change!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & -2 & -3 \\ 3 & 8 & -3 & -16 \end{bmatrix}$$

Elementary “row” operation  $\implies$  kernel does not change!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & -2 & -3 \\ 3 & 8 & -3 & -16 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Ex 3.5.10

Is the following statement a theorem?

Let  $X$  and  $U$  be vector spaces over a field  $F$ , and let  $T : X \rightarrow U$  be linear. Then  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subset X$  is linearly independent if and only if  $\{T(x_1), T(x_2), \dots, T(x_n)\} \subset U$  is linearly independent.

If it is, prove it. If it is not, give a counterexample.

## Ex 3.5.11

Suppose  $X$  and  $U$  are vector spaces over a field  $F$ , with  $U$  finite-dimensional, and  $L : X \rightarrow U$  is linear. Let  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$  be a basis for  $U$  and assume that, for each  $j$ ,  $L(x) = u_j$  has a solution  $x \in X$ . Prove that  $L$  is surjective.

## Proof

1. Let  $y \in Y$ .
2. Let  $x_j$  be a solution to  $L(x) = u_j$ . Then  $\text{span}\{L(x_1), \dots, L(x_m)\} \subseteq \mathcal{R}(L) \subseteq U$ .

### Ex 3.5.13

Suppose  $T : X \rightarrow U$  is an injective linear operator. Prove  $T$  defines (induces) an isomorphism between  $X$  and a subspace of  $U$ .

#### Proof

$\ker T = \{0\}$ . By the First Isomorphism Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} X/\{0\} &\rightarrow \mathcal{R}(T) \\ [x] &\mapsto T(x) \end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism.

Claim)  $X/\{0\} \cong X$ .

1.  $[x] = \{x\}$
2.  $X/\ker T \rightarrow X$  by  $[x] \mapsto x$  is an isomorphism.

## Ex 3.5.14

Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ , and let  $S, T$  be subspaces of  $V$ . Since  $S$  and  $T$  are vector spaces in their own right, we can define the product  $S \times T$  (see Ex 2.2.15). We can also define the subspace  $S + T$  of  $V$  (see Ex 2.3.21). Define a linear operator

$L : S \times T \rightarrow S + T$  by  $L((s, t)) = s + t$ .

- (a) Prove that  $\ker(L)$  is isomorphic to  $S \cap T$  and find an isomorphism.
- (b) Suppose  $S \cap T = \{0\}$ . Prove that  $S \times T$  is isomorphic to  $S + T$  and that  $L$  is an isomorphism.

## Fundamental Theorem of Linear Algebra

If  $T : X \rightarrow U$  is linear, then  $\dim X = \text{nullity } T + \text{rank } T$ .

By the First Isomorphism Theorem,  $X/\ker(T) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(T)$  is an isomorphism. Thus  $\dim(X/\ker(T)) = \mathcal{R}(T)$ .

$$\dim(X) = \text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T) = \dim(\ker(T)) + \dim(X/\ker(T)).$$

## Question

Suppose  $\{[x_1], \dots, [x_r]\}$  is a basis for  $X/\ker(T)$ . Then  $\{x_1, \dots, x_r\}$  is linearly independent.

Let  $\{y_1, \dots, y_k\}$  be a basis for  $\ker(T)$ . Then  $\{x_1, \dots, x_r, y_1, \dots, y_k\}$  is a basis for  $X$ .



## Quiz

For given a basis for  $X$ , can always we divide the basis by two parts,

$$\left\{ \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{\text{kernel}}, \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{\text{range}} \right\}?$$

- ▶ Suppose  $\dim X = \dim U$  and  $T : X \rightarrow U$ .  
Then  $T$  is bijective  $\iff T$  is injective  $\iff T$  is surjective.
- ▶ Def) For  $A \in F^{m \times n}$ ,  $\text{col}(A), \mathcal{N}(A)$ .
- ▶ Let  $A \in F^{n \times n}$  and  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  be a basis.  
Then  $A$  is invertible  $\iff \{Ax_1, \dots, Ax_n\}$  is a basis for  $F^n$ .

## Ex 3.6.9

Let  $X$  and  $U$  be finite-dimensional vector spaces over a field  $F$ , let  $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$  be bases for  $X$  and  $U$  respectively, and let  $T : X \rightarrow U$  be linear. Prove that  $T$  is invertible if and only if  $[T]_{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{U}}$  is an invertible matrix.

## Ex 3.6.12

Construct a different proof to Theorem 104, as follows: Choose vectors  $x_1, \dots, x_k$  in  $X$  such that  $\{T(x_1), \dots, T(x_k)\}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{R}(T)$ , and choose a basis  $\{y_1, \dots, y_l\}$  for  $\ker(T)$ . Prove that  $\{x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_l\}$  is a basis for  $X$ .

### Ex 3.6.13

Let  $F$  be a field and suppose  $A \in F^{m \times n}$ ,  $B \in F^{n \times p}$ . Prove that  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ .

## Ex 3.6.15

Prove that a strictly diagonally dominant matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is nonsingular.

## Ex 3.6.16

Let  $X$  and  $U$  be vector spaces over a field  $F$ , and let  $T : X \rightarrow U$  be linear.

- (a) There exists a left inverse of  $S$  of  $T \iff T$  is injective.
- (b) There exists a right inverse of  $S$  of  $T \iff T$  is surjective.

### Ex 3.6.17

Let  $A \in F^{m \times n}$  and  $B \in F^{n \times m}$ .

- ▶ left inverse of  $A$  :  $BA = I_n$
- ▶ right inverse of  $A$  :  $AB = I_m$

- (a) There exists a left inverse of  $B$  of  $A \iff \mathcal{N}(A) = \{0\}$ .
- (b) There exists a right inverse of  $B$  of  $A \iff \text{col}(A) = F^m$ .



## Ex 3.6.23 ~ 26) Change of Coordinate

1. Let  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}$  be two bases of  $X$ , and let  $x \in X$ .

$$[x]_{\mathcal{X}} \mapsto [x]_{\mathcal{Y}} = C[x]_{\mathcal{X}}$$

2.  $L : X \rightarrow X \implies [L]_{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}} = \underbrace{[L]_{\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Y}}}_{\text{matrix of } L \text{ in basis } \mathcal{Y}}.$

3.  $T : X \rightarrow U \implies [L]_{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{U}} = \underbrace{[L]_{\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{V}}}_{\text{matrix of } L \text{ in basis } \mathcal{Y} \text{ to } \mathcal{V}}.$

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