

§7.3 Change of basis

[?] If A, B are bases of U
 C, D are bases of V

$\sigma \in L(U, V)$

then how is ${}_{C \leftarrow A}[\sigma]$ related to ${}_{D \leftarrow B}[\sigma]$?

Answer.

$$\sigma = \iota_V \circ \sigma \circ \iota_U$$

($\iota_U =$ identity transformation on U)

$$\text{Th. 7.3.1 } {}_{D \leftarrow B}[\sigma] = {}_{D \leftarrow C}[\iota_V] {}_{C \leftarrow A}[\sigma] {}_{A \leftarrow B}[\iota_U]$$

what is ${}_{A \leftarrow B}[\iota_U]$

By 7.2.11:

$${}_{A \leftarrow B}[\iota] {}_{B \leftarrow B}[\alpha] = [\iota(\alpha)]_A = [\alpha]_A$$

${}_{A \leftarrow B}^P$ from 2207

\therefore multiplying by ${}_{A \leftarrow B}[\iota]$ changes from B -coordinates to A -coordinates

How to find ${}_{A \leftarrow B} [c]$?

1) From definition of matrix representation:

$${}_{A \leftarrow B} [c] = \begin{pmatrix} [c(\beta_1)]_{\alpha_1} & \cdots & [c(\beta_n)]_{\alpha_n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} [\beta_1]_{\alpha_1} & \cdots & [\beta_n]_{\alpha_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

i.e. "take new coordinates of old basis vectors")

2) when $[\beta_i]_{\alpha}$ is hard to find:

Notice

$${}_{A \leftarrow B} [c] {}_{B \leftarrow A} [c] = {}_{A \leftarrow A} [c \circ c] = {}_{A \leftarrow A} [c] = I$$

identity matrix,
∴ same input and output basis.

also

$${}_{B \leftarrow A} [c] {}_{A \leftarrow B} [c] = {}_{B \leftarrow B} [c \circ c] = {}_{B \leftarrow B} [c] = I$$

$$\therefore {}_{A \leftarrow B} [c] = \left({}_{B \leftarrow A} [c] \right)^{-1} \text{ — useful when it is easy to find } [\alpha_i]_B.$$

Particular case of Th 7.3.1: if $V=U$, and $A=C$, $B=D$

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{B \leftarrow B}{[\sigma]} &= \underset{B \leftarrow A}{[I]} \underset{A \leftarrow A}{[\sigma]} \underset{A \leftarrow B}{[I]} \\ &= \left(\underset{A \leftarrow B}{[I]} \right)^{-1} \underset{A \leftarrow A}{[\sigma]} \underset{A \leftarrow B}{[I]} \\ &= \underset{B \leftarrow A}{[I]} \underset{A \leftarrow A}{[\sigma]} \left(\underset{B \leftarrow A}{[I]} \right)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Ex: $\sigma: P_{\leq 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_{\leq 4}(\mathbb{R})$

$$[\sigma(f)](x) = f(x)(2+x^2)$$

$$A = \{1, x\}, \quad C = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$$

$$B = \{1, 1+x\}, \quad D = \{1, -1+x, 1+x^2, x^2+x^3\}$$

Find $\underset{D \leftarrow B}{[\sigma]}$

Answer 1: use change of basis:

$$\underset{D \leftarrow B}{[\sigma]} = \underset{D \leftarrow C}{[I]} \underset{C \leftarrow A}{[\sigma]} \underset{A \leftarrow B}{[I]}$$

$$\underset{C \leftarrow A}{[\sigma]} = \begin{pmatrix} [\sigma(1)]_C & [\sigma(x)]_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{see §7.2})$$

$$\underset{A \leftarrow B}{[I]} = \begin{pmatrix} [1]_A & [1+x]_A \\ [x]_B & [1+x]_A \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underset{D \leftarrow C}{[I]} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 & x^3 \\ & -1+x & 1+x^2 & x^2+x^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

is hard —
need to solve
 $x^2 = ?1 + ?(-1+x)$
 $+ ?(1+x^2) + ?(x^2+x^3)$

So use $\begin{matrix} [C] \\ \mathcal{O} \leftarrow C \end{matrix} = \left(\begin{matrix} [C] \\ C \leftarrow \mathcal{O} \end{matrix} \right)^{-1} :$

$$\begin{matrix} [C] \\ C \leftarrow \mathcal{O} \end{matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1+x & 1+x^2 & x^2+x^3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 \\ x \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{matrix}$$

Invert (e.g. by RREF): $\begin{matrix} [C] \\ \mathcal{O} \leftarrow C \end{matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \begin{matrix} [\sigma] \\ \mathcal{O} \leftarrow B \end{matrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

← allowed if question says "you may give your answer as a product of matrices and/or inverses."

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Answer 2: direct computation:

$${}_D[\sigma]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1+x \\ 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 \\ -1+x \\ 1+x^2 \\ x^2+x^3 \end{matrix}$$

$$\sigma(1) = 1(2+x^2) = 2+x^2$$

$$\sigma(1+x) = (1+x)(2+x^2) = 2+2x+x^2+x^3$$

this part can be hard,
depending on D .