

How $[\sigma]_{B \leftarrow A}$ is useful:

if $(\alpha \in U)$
 $\alpha = a_1 \alpha_1 + \dots + a_n \alpha_n$ i.e. $[\alpha]_A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } [\sigma(\alpha)]_B &= [\sigma(a_1 \alpha_1 + \dots + a_n \alpha_n)]_B \\ &= [a_1 \sigma(\alpha_1) + \dots + a_n \sigma(\alpha_n)]_B \\ &= a_1 [\sigma(\alpha_1)]_B + \dots + a_n [\sigma(\alpha_n)]_B \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} [\sigma(\alpha_1)]_B & \dots & [\sigma(\alpha_n)]_B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Th 7.2.11. $[\sigma(\alpha)]_B = [\sigma]_{B \leftarrow A} [\alpha]_A$

• To compute $\sigma(\alpha)$:

$$\text{Decoord}_B \left([\sigma]_{B \leftarrow A} [\alpha]_A \right)$$

e.g. for previous example:

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

$$= \text{Decoord}_B \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \text{Decoord}_B \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2 + 6x + x^2 + 3x^3$$

• To solve $\sigma(?) = y$:

$$\text{Same as } [\sigma]_{B \leftarrow A} [?]_A = [y]_B$$

$$\therefore \text{solve } [\sigma]_{B \leftarrow A} X = [y]_B$$

for X , by e.g. row reduction

then apply Decoord_A to the solution set.

In particular, when $y = \vec{0}$:

$$\ker \sigma = \text{Decoord}_B \left(\text{Nul} [\sigma]_{B \leftarrow A} \right)$$

$$\text{range } \sigma = \text{Decoord}_B \left(\text{Col}_{B \leftarrow A} [\sigma] \right)$$

Reason:

$$\text{range } \sigma = \text{Span} \{ \sigma(\alpha_1), \dots, \sigma(\alpha_n) \} \text{ by Lemma.}$$

$$= \text{Span} \{ \text{Decoord}_B ([\sigma(\alpha_i)]_B) \}$$

$$= \text{Decoord}_B \left(\text{Span} \{ [\sigma(\alpha_i)]_B \} \right)$$

$$= \text{Decoord}_B \left(\text{span of the columns of } [\sigma]_{B \leftarrow A} \right)$$

• many other problems

Th 7.2.9 if $\sigma \in L(U, V)$, $\tau \in L(V, W)$ and A, B, C are bases of U, V, W , then

$${}_C [\tau \circ \sigma]_A = {}_C [\tau]_B {}_B [\sigma]_A$$

Proof: Given $\alpha \in U$, to find $(\tau \circ \sigma)(\alpha)$:

$$[(\tau \circ \sigma)(\alpha)]_C = {}_C [\tau \circ \sigma]_A [\alpha]_A$$

Also: let $\beta = \sigma(\alpha)$. Then $(\tau \circ \sigma)\alpha = \tau(\beta)$

$$\begin{aligned} [(\tau \circ \sigma)(\alpha)]_C &= [\tau(\beta)]_C \\ &= {}_C [\tau]_B [\beta]_B \end{aligned}$$

$$= {}_C [\tau]_B [\sigma(\alpha)]_B$$

$$= {}_C [\tau]_B {}_B [\sigma]_A [\alpha]_A$$

$$\therefore {}_C [\tau \circ \sigma]_A [\alpha]_A = {}_C [\tau]_B {}_B [\sigma]_A [\alpha]_A$$

for all $\alpha \in U$

$$\therefore {}_C [\tau \circ \sigma]_A = {}_C [\tau]_B {}_B [\sigma]_A$$

(i.e. because matrix multiplication is defined to be associative.)

§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 ${}_C [\sigma]_A$ related to ${}_D [\sigma]_B$?

Answer: $\sigma = \iota_V \circ \sigma \circ \iota_U$

(ι_U = identity transformation on U)

$$\text{Th 7.3.1 } {}_D [\sigma]_B = {}_D [\iota_V]_C {}_C [\sigma]_A {}_A [\iota_U]_B$$

$A \xleftarrow{P} B$ from 2.207

By 7.2.11:

$${}_A [\iota]_B [\alpha]_B = [\iota(\alpha)]_A = [\alpha]_A$$

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