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## Lecture 7

A fn  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is

- a matrix transformation if  $\exists$   $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  such that

$$T(\vec{v}) = A\vec{v} \quad \forall \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- a linear transformation if

$$\cdot T(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = T(\vec{v}) + T(\vec{w}) \quad \forall \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n, c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\cdot T(c\vec{v}) = cT(\vec{v})$$

Proposition - Every linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a matrix transformation.

Lemma (supporting fact) - Linear transformations "commute" with linear combinations. That is, if  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is linear then

$$T(c_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_k\vec{v}_k) = c_1T(\vec{v}_1) + \dots + c_kT(\vec{v}_k)$$

Proof of Lemma:

$$T(c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_k\vec{v}_k)$$

$$T(c_1\vec{v}_1) + T(c_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_k\vec{v}_k)$$

$$c_1T(\vec{v}_1) + T(c_2\vec{v}_2) + T(c_3\vec{v}_3 + \dots + c_k\vec{v}_k)$$

$$c_1T(\vec{v}_1) + c_2T(\vec{v}_2) + \dots + c_kT(\vec{v}_k)$$

Example

$T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is linear

$$T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow T\left(\begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = T(-7\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}) = -7(T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right)) = -7\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 7 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

What is  $T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right)$ ? Problem because  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is not a multiple of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

What is  $T(\cdot)$ ?



\* Using some  
info from above \*

Suppose  $T(\frac{-1}{2}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = T\left[\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) + \frac{1}{2} T\left(\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Prop: Consider  $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} T(\vec{v}) &= T\left[v_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + v_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + v_n T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right)\right] \\ &= v_1 T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) + v_2 T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) + \dots + v_n T\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$\parallel$   
 $\vec{e}_1$

$\parallel$   
 $\vec{e}_2$

$\parallel$   
 $\vec{e}_n$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} T(\vec{e}_1) & \dots & T(\vec{e}_n) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

So  $T$  is a matrix transformation and its matrix is

$$A = [T(\vec{e}_1) \dots T(\vec{e}_n)] = [T]$$

**e.g.** Fix an angle  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  and let  $R_\theta: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the fn such that  $R_\theta(\vec{v}) = \vec{v}$  rotated counterclockwise by  $\theta$ . Then  $R_\theta$  is a linear transformation and its matrix is

$$\begin{aligned} [R_\theta] &= [R_\theta(\vec{e}_1) \quad R_\theta(\vec{e}_2)] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

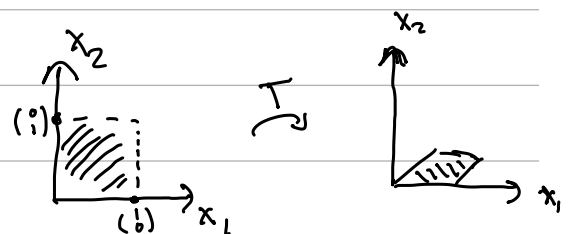
**e.g.**  $[T] = \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 & -4/5 \\ 4/5 & 3/5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow T$  is rotation by  $\theta = \cos^{-1}(\frac{3}{5})$

★ Linear transformation and matrix transformations are the same thing.

Other geometric transformation that are linear

• Scaling  $T_\lambda: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  def'd by  $T_\lambda(\vec{v}) = \lambda \vec{v}$   
has matrix  $[T_\lambda] = [T_\lambda(\vec{e}_1) \quad \dots \quad T_\lambda(\vec{e}_n)]$   
 $= [\lambda \vec{e}_1 \quad \dots \quad \lambda \vec{e}_n]$

**Eg** Fix  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , consider  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $[T] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$



"horizontal shear"