

Linear Algebra Done Right

Week 3 Notes (a)

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3.F Duality

Definition of Dual Space and Dual Map

3.92 Definition of Linear Functional

A **linear functional** on V is a linear map from V to \mathbf{F} , i.e. the set of $\mathcal{L}(V, \mathbf{F})$

3.93 Examples of Linear Functionals

- Define $\phi : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ by $\phi(x, y, z) = 4x - 5y + 2z$. Then ϕ is a linear function on \mathbf{R}^3 .
- Fix $(c_1, \dots, c_n) \in \mathbf{F}^n$. Define $\phi : \mathbf{F}^n \rightarrow F$ by

$$\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) = c_1x_1 + \dots + c_nx_n$$

Then ϕ is a linear functional on \mathbf{F}^n .

- Define $\phi : \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ by $\phi(p) = 3p''(5) + 7p(4)$. Then ϕ is a linear functional on $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R})$.

- Define $\phi : \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ by $\phi(p) = \int_0^1 p(x)dx$. Then ϕ is a linear functional on $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R})$.

3.94 Definition of dual space

The **dual space** of V denoted V' is just the vector space of all linear functional on V , i.e. $V' = \mathcal{L}(V, \mathbf{F})$.

3.95 Dual space and the original space have same dimension.

Suppose V is finite dimensional, then V' is also finite dimensional and $\dim V = \dim V'$.

Proof:

This comes from the fact that

$$\dim \mathcal{L}(V, \mathbf{F}) = \dim V \times \dim \mathbf{F} = \dim V \quad \text{using 3.61}$$

3.96 Definition of dual basis

Given v_1, \dots, v_n a basis of V , then the **dual basis** of v_1, \dots, v_n is the list ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n of elements in V' , where each ϕ_j is the linear functional on V such that

$$\phi_j(v_k) = \begin{cases} 1 & k = j \\ 0 & k \neq j \end{cases}$$

3.98 Dual basis is a basis of dual space

Proof:

First NTS ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n are linearly independent:

Suppose $\exists \phi = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \phi_i = 0$, then this means that $\phi(v_j) = a_j \phi_j(v_j) = a_j = 0$, i.e. all $a_i = 0$, therefore ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n are linearly independent.

Then NTS ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n span V' :

Given $\phi \in V'$, we claim that

$$\phi = \sum_{i=1}^n \phi(v_i) \phi_i$$

$\forall v = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i, \phi(v) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \phi(v_i)$, similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \phi(v_i) \phi_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i \right) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \phi(v_i) \phi_i \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \phi(v_i) \phi_i(v_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \phi(v_i) = \phi(v) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n span V' .

Therefore ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n is a basis for V' .

3.99 Definition of dual map

Given $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, then the **dual map** of T is the linear map $T' \in \mathcal{L}(V', W')$ defined by

$$T'(\phi) = \phi \circ T$$

3.101 Algebraic Properties of Dual Maps

- $\forall S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W) (S + T)' = S' + T'$
- $\forall \lambda \in \mathbf{F}, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W), (\lambda T)' = \lambda T'$
- $\forall T \in \mathcal{L}(U, W), S \in \mathcal{L}(V, W), (ST)' = T' S'$

Properties of Dual Maps

3.102 Definition of annihilator

Given $U \subset V$, the **annihilator** of U , denoted U^0 is defined by

$$U^0 = \{\phi \in V' : \forall u \in U, \phi(u) = 0\}$$

3.103 Example of Annihilator

Given $U \subset \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R})$ consisting of all polynomial multiples of x^2 . Then ϕ defined by

$$\phi(p) = p'(0)$$

is $\in U^0$.

3.104 Example of Annihilator

e_1, \dots, e_5 the standard basis of \mathbf{R}^5 , and ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_5 the dual basis of $(\mathbf{R}^5)'$. Suppose

$$U = \text{span}(e_1, e_2) = \{(x_1, x_2, 0, 0, 0) \in \mathbf{R}^5 : x_1, x_2 \in \mathbf{R}\}$$

Show that $U^0 = \text{span}(\phi_3, \phi_4, \phi_5)$. **Proof:**

First NTS that $\text{span}(\phi_3, \phi_4, \phi_5) \subseteq U^0$:

Given $\phi = a_3\phi_3 + a_4\phi_4 + a_5\phi_5$, $\phi(x_1, x_2, 0, 0, 0) = 0 \rightarrow \text{span}(\phi_3, \phi_4, \phi_5) \subseteq U^0$.

Then NTS $U^0 \subseteq \text{span}(\phi_3, \phi_4, \phi_5)$:

Given $\phi = a_1\phi_1 + a_2\phi_2 + a_3\phi_3 + a_4\phi_4 + a_5\phi_5 \in U^0$, $\phi(x_1, x_2, 0, 0, 0) = a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 = 0 \forall x_1, x_2 \rightarrow a_1 = a_2 = 0$. Therefore $\phi \in \text{span}(\phi_3, \phi_4, \phi_5)$, i.e. $U^0 \subseteq \text{span}(\phi_3, \phi_4, \phi_5)$

Therefore $U^0 = \text{span}(\phi_3, \phi_4, \phi_5)$

3.105 Annihilator is a subspace

The proof for this is easy to verify.

3.106 Dimension of the annihilator

Given V finite dimensional and $U < V$, then we have

$$\dim U + \dim U^0 = \dim V$$

Proof:

The first proof would be to create a basis for U and extend it to a basis of V , then prove that the dual basis of the extension is a basis for U^0 .

The second proof is as follows:

Let $i \in \mathbf{L}(U, V)$ be the inclusion mapping defined by $i(u) = u$.

Then $i' \in \mathbf{L}(V', U')$. We have

$$\dim \text{range } i' + \dim \text{null } i' = \dim V' = \dim V$$

Then we only NTS $\text{range } i' = U'$ and $\text{null } i' = U^0$:

WTS $\text{range } i' = U'$:

Given $\psi \in U'$, then we can extend this to $\phi \in V'$ such that $\forall u \in U, \phi(u) = \psi(u)$. Then clearly $i'(\phi) = \phi \circ i = \psi$.

Therefore $\text{range } i' = U'$.

WTS $\text{null } i' = U^0$:

This is basically the definition. Given $\phi \in U^0$, then $\forall u \in U, \phi \circ i(u) = \phi(u) = 0$, i.e. $\phi \circ i(u) = 0 \rightarrow \phi \in \text{null } i'$.

Given $\phi \in \text{null } i'$, then $\forall u \in U, \phi(u) = \phi \circ i(u) = 0$, therefore $\phi \in U^0$.

Therefore $\text{null } i' = U^0$.

Therefore $\dim U + \dim U^0 = \dim V$.

3.107 Null space of T'

Given V, W both finite-dimensional and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, then

$$(a) \text{ null } T' = (\text{range } T)^0$$

$$(b) \dim \text{null } T' = \dim \text{null } T + \dim W - \dim V$$

Proof:

For a:

First we NTS $\text{null } T' \subseteq (\text{range } T)^0$:

Suppose $\phi \in \text{null } T'$, then we know that $\phi \circ T = 0$.

Therefore, $\forall w \in W$ such that $\exists v \in V, Tv = w$, we know that $\phi(w) = \phi(Tv) = \phi \circ T(v) = 0$, i.e. $\phi \in (\text{range } T)^0$.

Therefore $\text{null } T' \subseteq (\text{range } T)^0$.

Then we NTS $(\text{range } T)^0 \subseteq \text{null } T'$:

Given $\phi \in (\text{range } T)^0$, then denote $\psi = \phi \circ T$, we have $\forall v \in V, \psi(v) = \phi \circ T(v) = 0$, therefore $(\text{range } T)^0 \subseteq \text{null } T'$.

Therefore $\text{null } T' = (\text{range } T)^0$.

For b:

With $\text{null } T' = (\text{range } T)^0$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \dim \text{null } T' &= \dim (\text{range } T)^0 \\ &= \dim W - \dim \text{range } T \\ &= \dim W - (\dim V - \dim \text{null } T) \\ &= \dim W - \dim V + \dim \text{null } T \end{aligned}$$

3.108 T surjective iff T' injective

Proof:

$$T \text{ surjective} \iff \dim (\text{range } T)^0 = 0 \iff \dim \text{null } T' = 0 \iff T'$$

injective.

3.109 Range of T'

Given V, W both finite-dimensional and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$. Then

(a) $\dim \text{range } T' = \dim \text{range } T$

(b) $\text{range } T' = (\text{null } T)^0$

Proof:

(a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}\dim \text{range } T' &= \dim W - \dim \text{null } T' \\ &= \dim W - (\dim W - \dim V + \dim \text{null } T) \\ &= \dim \text{range } T\end{aligned}$$

(b) First we NTS $\text{range } T' \subseteq (\text{null } T)^0$:

Given $\phi \in \text{range } T', \exists \psi \in W', \psi \circ T = \phi$.

Therefore $\forall v \in \text{null } T, \phi(v) = \psi \circ Tv = \psi(0) = 0$.

Therefore we have shown that $\text{range } T' \subseteq (\text{null } T)^0$.

Then we NTS $\dim \text{range } T' = \dim (\text{null } T)^0$:

$$\begin{aligned}\dim \text{range } T' &= \dim W' - \dim \text{null } T' \\ &= \dim W - (\dim W - \dim V + \dim \text{null } T) \\ &= \dim V - \dim \text{null } T \\ &= \dim (\text{null } T)^0\end{aligned}$$

3.110 T injective iff T' surjective

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
T \text{ injective} &\iff \dim \text{ null } T = 0 \\
&\iff \dim \text{ range } T = V \\
&\iff \dim \text{ range } T' = \dim \text{ range } T = V \\
&\iff T' \text{ surjective}
\end{aligned}$$

Matrix of a Dual Map

3.113 Transpose of product

Given A an $m \cdot n$ matrix and C an $n \cdot p$ matrix, then

$$(AC)^t = C^t A^t$$

3.104 Matrix of T' is the transpose of matrix of T

Given $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, then $\mathcal{M}(T') = (\mathcal{M} * (T))^t$.

Proof:

Denote v_1, \dots, v_n a basis for V , v'_1, \dots, v'_n the corresponding basis for V' . Similarly w_1, \dots, w_m a basis for W , w'_1, \dots, w'_m the corresponding basis for W' .

We denote $\mathcal{M}(T) = A, \mathcal{M}(T') = C$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
w'_j(Tv_i) &= w'_j \left(\sum_{r=1}^m A_{ri} w_r \right) \\
&= \left(\sum_{r=1}^m A_{ri} w'_j(w_r) \right) \\
&= A_{ji} \\
&= w'_j \circ T(v_i) \\
&= T'(w'_j)v_i \\
&= \left(\sum_{r=1}^n C_{rj} v'_r(v_i) \right) \\
&= C_{ij}
\end{aligned}$$

Here the main equality is $w'_j(Tv_i) = T'w'_j(v_i)$. Using two ways to perform this calculation leads to the equality of the two entries of matrices $\mathcal{M}(T)$ and $\mathcal{M}(T')$.

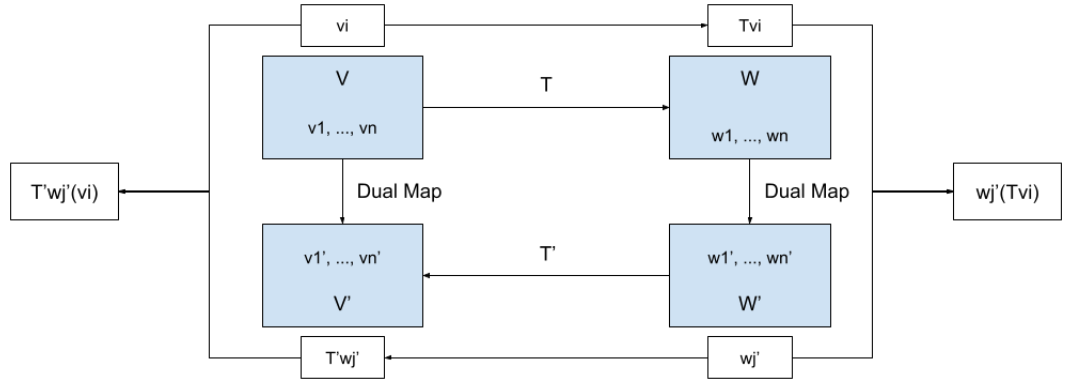
Tv_i selects the i^{th} column of $\mathcal{M}(T)$ and similarly, $T'w'_j$ selects the j^{th} column of $\mathcal{M}(T')$.

Then applying w'_j to Tv_i will result in 0 for all rows $r \neq j$, leaving only $\mathcal{M}(T)_{ji} \cdot w'_j(w_j) = \mathcal{M}(T)_{ji}$.

Similarly, applying $T'w'_j$ to v_i will result in 0 for all rows $r \neq i$, leaving only $\mathcal{M}(T')_{ij} \cdot v'_i(v_i) = \mathcal{M}(T')_{ij}$.

Therefore $\mathcal{M}(T)_{ji} = \mathcal{M}(T')_{ij} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(T)^t = \mathcal{M}(T')$.

Check the below graph for a better understanding:



Rank of a Matrix

3.115 Definition of rank

Given A an $m \times n$ matrix with entries in \mathbf{F} .

- The **row rank** of A is the dimension of the span of rows of A in $\mathbf{F}^{1,n}$.
- The **column rank** of A is the dimension of the span of the columns of A in $\mathbf{F}^{m,1}$.

3.117 T and rank of $M(T)$

Given V, W finite-dimensional and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$. Then $\dim \text{range } T = \text{column rank of } \mathcal{M}(T)$.

Row rank equals to column rank

Proof:

Given $A \in \mathbf{F}^{m,n}$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{columnrankof } A &= \text{columnrankof } \mathcal{M}(T) \\
 &= \dim \text{ range } T \\
 &= \dim \text{ range } T' \\
 &= \text{columnrankof } \mathcal{M}(T') \\
 &= \text{columnrankof } A^t \\
 &= \text{rowrankof } A
 \end{aligned}$$

3.119 Definition of rank

The **rank** of a matrix $A \in \mathbf{F}^{m,n}$ is the column rank of A .