

The matrix of a linear transformation

Recall: If $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis for a vector space V over F

$$\text{Then } \Phi_B: V \longrightarrow F^n \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i \longmapsto \sum \alpha_i e_i = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix}_B = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)_B$$

Consider a linear transformation

$$\varphi: V \longrightarrow W$$

Suppose we have bases

$$B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \quad \text{for } V$$

$$D = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_m\} \quad \text{for } W$$

$$\text{Then } \varphi(v_j) = \alpha_{1j} \omega_1 + \alpha_{2j} \omega_2 + \dots + \alpha_{mj} \omega_m$$

$$\text{where } \alpha_{ij} \in F \quad \text{for } \begin{matrix} i=1, \dots, m \\ j=1, \dots, n \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \Phi_D[\varphi(v_j)] = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{1j} \\ \alpha_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{mj} \end{pmatrix}_D$$

$$\text{Recall: If } v \in V, \text{ say } v = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j v_j$$

$$\text{Then } \varphi(v) = \sum \alpha_j \cdot \underbrace{(\varphi(v_j))}$$

we only need to know these to define the lin. trans.

Defn: If $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$,

$$B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \quad \text{for } V$$

$$D = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\} \quad \text{for } W$$

Then the matrix representing φ in the bases B, D is

$$M_B^D(\varphi) := \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} & \dots & \alpha_{1n} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} & & \alpha_{2n} \\ \alpha_{31} & \alpha_{32} & \ddots & \alpha_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \alpha_{m1} & \alpha_{m2} & \dots & \alpha_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: we sometimes write $M_B^D(\varphi) = (\alpha_{ij})$

Obs: If $v \in V$, say $\Phi_B(v) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix}_B$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \varphi(v) &= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \varphi(v_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_{ij} w_i \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \left[\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{ij} \alpha_j \right] w_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \Phi_D(\varphi(v)) = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{1j} \alpha_j \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{2j} \alpha_j \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{mj} \alpha_j \end{pmatrix}_D$$

Thm: With notation as above

$$\underline{\Phi_D}(\varphi(v)) = M_B^D(\varphi) \cdot \underline{\Phi_B}(v)$$

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matrix multiplication

Example: $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ w/basis $\mathcal{E}_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$W = \mathbb{R}^3$ w/basis $\mathcal{E}_3 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$B_\varphi = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$$\varphi: \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} 2x - y \\ x + y \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute $M_{\mathcal{E}_2}^{\mathcal{E}_3}(\varphi)$:

$$\varphi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\varphi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\leadsto M_{\mathcal{E}_2}^{\mathcal{E}_3}(\varphi) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute $M_{\mathcal{E}_2}^{\mathcal{B}_3}(\varphi)$

$$\varphi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\varphi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{\mathcal{E}_2}^{\mathcal{B}_3}(\varphi) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compare. $M_{\mathcal{E}_2}^{\mathcal{E}_3}(\varphi) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Check: $M_{\mathcal{E}_2}^{\mathcal{B}_3}(\varphi) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}_{\mathcal{E}_2} = \begin{pmatrix} x-2y \\ x \\ y \end{pmatrix}_{\mathcal{B}_3}$ \leftarrow These represent the same vector in \mathbb{R}^3

$$M_{\mathcal{E}_2}^{\mathcal{E}_3}(\varphi) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}_{\mathcal{E}_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x-y \\ x+y \\ y \end{pmatrix}_{\mathcal{E}_3}$$

Obs: (1) In general, $M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{D}}(\varphi)$ depends on \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{D}

$$(2) M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{D}}(\varphi) = \left(\phi(v_1)_{\mathcal{D}} \mid \phi(v_2)_{\mathcal{D}} \mid \dots \mid \phi(v_n)_{\mathcal{D}} \right)$$

e.g. $\varphi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right)_{\mathcal{B}_3} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_{\mathcal{E}_3}$

$$\varphi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right)_{\mathcal{B}_3} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{\mathcal{E}_3}$$

Thm: Let V, W F -vector spaces

$B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ basis for V

$D = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$ basis for W

Then the map

$$M_B^D: \text{Hom}_F(V, W) \longrightarrow M_{m,n}(F)$$

$$\varphi \longmapsto M_B^D(\varphi)$$

is a vector space isomorphism.

PF: If $\varphi, \psi \in \text{Hom}_F(V, W)$, $\alpha \in F$

$$(\alpha\varphi + \psi)(v_j) = \alpha \cdot \varphi(v_j) + \psi(v_j)$$

$$\text{Consider } \overline{\Phi}_D(\varphi(v_j)) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{1j} \\ \alpha_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{mj} \end{pmatrix}_D, \quad \overline{\Phi}_D(\psi(v_j)) = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_{1j} \\ \beta_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ \beta_{mj} \end{pmatrix}_D$$

$$\text{Then } M_B^D(\alpha\varphi + \psi) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha\alpha_{11} + \beta_{11} & \alpha\alpha_{12} + \beta_{12} & \dots & \alpha\alpha_{1n} + \beta_{1n} \\ \alpha\alpha_{21} + \beta_{21} & \alpha\alpha_{22} + \beta_{22} & \dots & \alpha\alpha_{2n} + \beta_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \alpha\alpha_{m1} + \beta_{m1} & \alpha\alpha_{m2} + \beta_{m2} & \dots & \alpha\alpha_{mn} + \beta_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \alpha \cdot M_B^D(\varphi) + M_B^D(\psi)$$

$\Rightarrow M_B^D$ is a homomorphism.

Surjective: let $M = (\alpha_{ij}) \in M_{nm}(F)$

Define $\phi_M: V \rightarrow W$

$$v_1 \longmapsto \alpha_{11}w_1 + \alpha_{21}w_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n1}w_n$$

$$\vdots$$

$$v_n \longmapsto \alpha_{1n}w_1 + \alpha_{2n}w_2 + \dots + \alpha_{nn}w_n$$

extend linearly.

Clearly $M_B^D(\phi_M) = M.$

Injectivity: Suppose $M_B^D(\phi) = 0$

Then $\Phi_D(\phi(v_1)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_D$

$$\vdots$$

$$\Phi_D(\phi(v_n)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_D$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi_D(\phi(v)) = \Phi_D\left[\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \phi(v_j)\right]$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \cdot \Phi_D[\phi(v_j)]$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_D$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi_D \text{ is an isomorphism} \Rightarrow \phi = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_B^D \text{ injective}$$

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Cor. $\dim_F \text{Hom}(V, W) = m \cdot n$.

PF. $\dim_F M_{m,n}(F) = m \cdot n$ \square

Defn. An $m \times n$ matrix $M \in M_{m,n}(F)$ is said to be non singular if

$$M \cdot v = 0 \implies v = 0 \in F^n$$

Thm. If $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$, $\psi: W \rightarrow U$ lin. trans.

$B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ a basis for V

$D = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$ a basis for W

$E = \{u_1, \dots, u_l\}$ a basis for U .

Then $\psi \circ \varphi: V \rightarrow U$

and $M_B^E(\psi \circ \varphi) = M_D^E(\psi) \cdot M_B^D(\varphi)$

PF. Check:
$$\begin{aligned} \psi \circ \varphi(v_j) &= \psi \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{ij} w_i \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{ij} \left[\sum_{k=1}^l \beta_{ki} u_k \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^l \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \beta_{ki} \cdot \alpha_{ij} \right] u_k \end{aligned}$$

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Defn. An $n \times n$ matrix $M \in M_n(F)$ is invertible
 iff $\exists M^{-1} \in M_n(F)$
 st. $M \cdot M^{-1} = M^{-1} \cdot M = Id_n$

The row rank (column rank) of a $m \times n$ matrix
 $M \in M_{m,n}(F)$

is the number lin. ind. rows (or columns) of M
 viewed as vectors in F^m (or F^n).

Thm. (1) $M \in M_n(F)$ is nonsingular
 iff M is invertible

(2) If B is a basis for an n -dim'l v. sp. V

Then $M_B^B: \underset{\text{"}}{\text{Hom}_F(V, V)} \longrightarrow M_n(F)$
 $\text{End}(V)$

is a ring isomorphism

PF: ① If M is invertible

Suppose $\exists x \in F^n$ s.t. $Mx = 0$

Then $M^{-1} \cdot Mx = (Id_n) \cdot x = x$

$$\stackrel{u}{M^{-1}}(0) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow M$ is non singular

If M is nonsingular, fix bases B, D for V

$$\exists \phi \in \text{End}(V) \text{ s.t. } M_B^D(\phi) = M$$

M is nonsingular $\Rightarrow \text{Ker } \phi = 0$

$\Rightarrow \phi$ is an isomorphism

$$\Rightarrow \exists \phi^{-1} : V \rightarrow V$$

$$\text{and } M_B^D(\phi) \cdot M_D^B(\phi^{-1}) = M_D^D(\phi \cdot \phi^{-1}) = M_D^D(Id_V) = Id_n$$

$$\Rightarrow M_D^B(\phi^{-1}) = [M_B^D(\phi)]^{-1} = M^{-1}$$

② $\phi, \psi \in \text{End}(V)$

$$M_B^B(\phi \circ \psi) = M_B^B(\phi) \cdot M_B^B(\psi)$$

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Obs: $M_B^D(\phi \circ \psi) = M_E^D(\phi) \cdot M_B^E(\psi)$ we need $B = E, D = E$
for this to make sense.

Defn: Two $n \times n$ matrices $M, N \in M_n(F)$
are said to be similar if

\exists non-singular (i.e. invertible) $P \in M_n(F)$

s.t. $N = P^{-1} M P.$

Two endomorphisms $\varphi, \psi \in \text{End}(V)$ are similar

if there is an isomorphism $\xi \in \text{End}(V)$

s.t. $\psi = \xi^{-1} \circ \varphi \circ \xi$