

Linear Transformations

Def: A `#linear_transformation` from a vector space V to a vector space W is a mapping $T : V \rightarrow W$ such that

- $T(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v})$
- $T(c\vec{u}) = cT(\vec{u})$
for $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V$ and c scalar

These requirements mean that T preserves linear combinations.

Properties:

- $T(\vec{0}_v) = \vec{0}_w$
- $T(-\vec{v}) = -T(\vec{v})$
- $T(\vec{u} - \vec{v}) = T(\vec{u}) - T(\vec{v})$
for all $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V$.

Composition

We can say the same for compositions of linear combinations.

$$(S \circ F)v = S(F(v))$$

we can prove two things:

$$\begin{aligned} & (S \circ F)(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \\ &= S(F(\vec{u})) + S(F(\vec{v})) \\ &= (S \circ F)\vec{u} + (S \circ F)\vec{v} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } & (S \circ F)(c\vec{u}) \\ &= S(F(c\vec{u})) \\ &= c(S(F(\vec{u}))) \\ &= c(S \circ F)(\vec{u}) \end{aligned}$$

kernel and range

The kernel of T is the set of all vectors that are mapped to zero in the output space W , ie $\ker(t) = \left\{ \vec{v} \in V : T(\vec{v}) = \vec{0}_w \right\}$

The range is all possible outputs, ie $T = \mathcal{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2$

$$T(\vec{u}) = \frac{d\vec{u}}{dx}$$

$$\text{range}(t) = \mathcal{P}_2$$

$$\ker(T) = \mathcal{P}_0$$

$$\dim(\ker(T)) + \dim(\text{range}(T)) = \dim(\text{input space})$$

one to one and onto

One to one: every input has a unique output vector.

Onto: for a transformation $T : V \rightarrow W$, every vector in the set W has a corresponding vector in V that transforms onto it. To prove one to one, we have to look at the kernel and check that it is $\left\{ \vec{0} \right\}$.

A linear transformation is called an **isomorphism** if it is one to one and onto

a transformation is invertible if there is an inverse

Theorem 1: T is invertible $\Leftrightarrow T$ is one to one and onto.

Theorem 2: A linear transformation $T : V \rightarrow W$ is one to one \Rightarrow

$$\ker(T) = \left\{ \vec{0} \right\}$$

Proof for 2 (In the forward direction):

Assume T is one to one. By definition of kernel, $T(\vec{v}) = \vec{0}$ if $V \in \ker(T)$.

We know $T(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$ so $\vec{0} \in \ker(T)$. But T is one to one so if

$T(\vec{v}) = \vec{0} = T(\vec{0})$ then $\vec{v} = \vec{0}$. Thus, $\ker(T) = \left\{ \vec{0} \right\}$.

It is an exercise to the reader to prove the backwards direction. for the second theorem.

Theorem 3: If T is one-to-one, $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ is linearly independent. This implies that $T(\vec{v}_1), T(\vec{v}_2), \dots, T(\vec{v}_n)$ is linearly independent.

Theorem 4: Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation with $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$, then T is one to one $\Leftrightarrow T$ is onto .

is \mathcal{P}_2 isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^3 ?

- they are the same dimension
- Can we provide a transformation that is 1-1 and onto?

We can take the constants for each monomial in \mathcal{P}_2 and write it as the coordinate vector in \mathbb{R}^3 . We get that it is onto and one to one because they are both 3 dimensional, so we can use theorem 4. We can easily show either one-to-one or onto and prove that it is an isomorphism.

Two finite dimensional vector spaces are isomorphic \Leftrightarrow their dimensions are the same.

Matrix of linear transformation

If $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation, and V, W have bases B, C , then there exists $A = [T(\vec{v}_1)_c, \dots, T(\vec{v}_n)_c]$ that satisfies

$$A[\vec{v}]_b = T(\vec{v})_c$$

side note: from this arises change of basis if the transformation is the identity.

Example: let $D : \mathcal{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2$ be the differential operator
 $D(p(x)) = p'(x)$

Find the matrix A of D with respect to bases $B = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$ for \mathcal{P}_3 and $C = \{1, x, x^2\}$ for \mathcal{P}_2 .

A takes in vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 and spits out vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 , so A is a 3×4 matrix.

We apply D to every element of B .

$$D(1) = 0, D(x) = 1, D(x^2) = 2x, D(x^3) = 3x^2$$

Now we find the coordinate vectors of each of these with respect to C .

We get

$$A = \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can now take derivatives of anything in \mathcal{P}^3

$$\text{Take, for example, } D(7 - 2x + 9x^2 - 4x^3) = -2 + 18x - 12x^2.$$

We can compute this with matrices by taking the coordinates from the input space and multiplying by A .

EX:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \\ 9 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 18 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix}$$

A question: Is this invertible?

Theorem: T is invertible \Leftrightarrow the matrix A is invertible.

Note that

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$$[T]_{b \leftarrow c} = [I]_{b \leftarrow c} [T]_{c \leftarrow c}$$

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We have a somewhat familiar - (similar!) - equation that arises

$$[T]_{c \leftarrow c} = P_{b \leftarrow c}^{-1} T_{b \leftarrow b} P_{b \leftarrow c}$$

We have finished the fundamental theorem of invertible matrices:

A is invertible

Transformations:

T is invertible

T is one to one

T is onto

$$\ker(T) = \vec{0}$$

$$\text{range}(T) = W$$

Solutions + Matrix forms:

$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a unique solution for every $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only the trivial solution

The RREF of A is I_n

A is a product of elementary matrices

Columns:

The column vectors of A are linearly independent

The column vectors of A span \mathbb{R}^n

The column vectors of A form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n

Subspaces:

$$\text{Rank}(A) = n$$

$$\text{Nullity}(A) = 0$$

Rows:

The row vectors of A are linearly independent

The row vectors of A span \mathbb{R}^n

The row vectors of A form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n