

# CHAPTER 4

## LINEAR TRANSFORMATIONS

### 4.1 Introduction

In this chapter, we shall consider certain mappings between two vector spaces called linear transformation. If we consider the vector spaces  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and the mapping

$f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $f(x, y) = (x - y, y - x, -x)$ , then we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad f((a, b) + (c, d)) &= f(a + c, b + d) \\ &= (a + c - b - d, b + d - a - c, -a - c) \\ &= (a - b + c - d, b - a + d - c, -a - c) \\ &= (a - b, b - a, -a) + (c - d, d - c, -c) \\ &= f(a, b) + f(c, d), \end{aligned}$$

where  $(a, b), (c, d) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad \text{For any } \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } (a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \\ f(\alpha(a, b)) &= f(\alpha a, \alpha b) \\ &= (\alpha a - \alpha b, \alpha b - \alpha a, -\alpha a) \\ &= \alpha(a - b, b - a, -a) \\ &= \alpha f(a, b) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have defined a function  $f$  between two vector spaces such that (i) and (ii) holds good.

In other words,  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear map if it preserves the two basic operations of a vector space i.e., vector addition and scalar multiplication.

Taking the above facts into consideration, we define linear transformation between two vector spaces.

## 4.2 Linear Transformation :

**4.2.1 Definition :** Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two vector spaces. A mapping  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is called a linear mapping (or linear transformation) if it satisfies the following two conditions :

(1) For any  $u_1, u_2 \in U$ ,  $T(u_1 + u_2) = T(u_1) + T(u_2)$

and (2) For any  $u \in U$ , and  $\alpha$  being a scalar,  $T(\alpha u) = \alpha T(u)$ .

**Note :** (i) A mapping  $T : U \rightarrow U$  is called a linear mapping on  $U$ .

(ii) Conditions (1) and (2) can be replaced by the single condition

$$T(\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2) = \alpha T(u_1) + \beta T(u_2), \quad \alpha, \beta \text{ being scalars.}$$

**Proof :**  $u_1 \in U$ ,  $\alpha$  being scalar

$$\Rightarrow \alpha u_1 \in U$$

$u_2 \in U$ ,  $\beta$  being scalar

$$\Rightarrow \beta u_2 \in U$$

Now,  $T(\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2)$

$$= T(\alpha u_1) + T(\beta u_2) \quad [\text{by (1)}]$$

$$= \alpha T(u_1) + \beta T(u_2) \quad [\text{by (2)}]$$

**Example 4.2. 1.** Let  $T : V_1 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(a) = (a, 2a, 3a)$ , for all  $a \in V_1$ . Show that  $T$  is a linear transformation.

**Solution :** Let  $x, y \in V_1$  and  $\alpha$  be a scalar.

$$\therefore T(x) = (x, 2x, 3x)$$

$$T(y) = (y, 2y, 3y)$$

$$(i) \quad T(x + y)$$

$$= ((x + y), 2(x + y), 3(x + y))$$

$$= (x, 2x, 3x) + (y, 2y, 3y)$$

$$= T(x) + T(y)$$

$$(ii) \quad T(\alpha x) = (\alpha x, 2\alpha x, 3\alpha x)$$

$$= \alpha(x, 2x, 3x)$$

$$= \alpha T(x).$$

Since  $T$  satisfies (1) and (2), therefore  $T$  is linear.

**Example 4.2.2.** Let  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(a, b) = (2a + 3b, 3a - 4b)$

Show that  $T$  is linear.

**Solution :**  $x, y \in V_2$ ,  $\alpha$  be a scalar.

Suppose :  $x = (a_1, b_1)$  and  $y = (a_2, b_2)$

$$\therefore x + y = (a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2)$$

$$\alpha x = (\alpha a_1, \alpha b_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad T(x+y) &= T(a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2) \\
 &= (2(a_1 + a_2) + 3(b_1 + b_2), 3(a_1 + a_2) - 4(b_1 + b_2)) \\
 &= (2a_1 + 2a_2 + 3b_1 + 3b_2, 3a_1 + 3a_2 - 4b_1 - 4b_2) \\
 &= (2a_1 + 3b_1, 3a_1 - 4b_1) + (2a_2 + 3b_2, 3a_2 - 4b_2) \\
 &= T(x) + T(y)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii)} \quad T(\alpha x) &= T(\alpha a_1, \alpha b_1) \\
 &= (2\alpha a_1 + 3\alpha b_1, 3\alpha a_1 - 4\alpha b_1) \\
 &= \alpha(2a_1 + 3b_1, 3a_1 - 4b_1) \\
 &= \alpha T(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T$  is linear.

**Example 4.2.3.** Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(a, b, c) = (a^2 + ab, ab, bc)$ . Is  $T$  linear ?

**Solution :** Let  $x, y \in V_3$ .

Suppose  $x = (1, 0, 0)$

and  $y = (2, 0, 0)$

$\therefore x + y = (3, 0, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(x+y) &= T(3, 0, 0) \\
 &= (3^2 + 3 \cdot 0, 3 \cdot 0, 0 \cdot 0) \\
 &= (9, 0, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{and } T(x) + T(y) &= T(1, 0, 0) + T(2, 0, 0) \\
 &= (1^2 + 1 \cdot 0, 1 \cdot 0, 0 \cdot 0) + (2^2 + 2 \cdot 0, 2 \cdot 0, 0 \cdot 0) \\
 &= (1, 0, 0) + (4, 0, 0) \\
 &= (5, 0, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore T(x+y) \neq T(x) + T(y)$$

Hence  $T$  is not linear.

**Example 4.2.4 :** Let  $T : P \rightarrow P$  be defined by  $T(P) = p'$  where  $P$  is the set of polynomial function. Show that  $T$  is linear.

**Solution :** Let  $p, q \in P$  and  $\alpha$  be a scalar.

$$\text{(i)} \quad T(p+q) = (p+q)' = p' + q' = T(p) + T(q)$$

$$\text{(ii)} \quad T(\alpha p) = (\alpha p)' = \alpha p' = \alpha T(p)$$

Hence  $T$  is linear.

**Example 4.2.5 :** Let  $U$  and  $V$  be vector spaces defined over the same field of scalars and  $T$  maps from  $U$  to  $V$ . Then prove that  $T$  is linear if and only if  $T(\alpha u_1 + u_2) = \alpha T(u_1) + T(u_2)$  for all  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  and scalar  $\alpha$ .

**Solution :** Suppose

$$T(\alpha u_1 + u_2) = \alpha T(u_1) + T(u_2) \quad \text{for all } u_1, u_2 \in U \text{ and scalar } \alpha.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now } T(u_1 + u_2) &= T(1 \cdot u_1 + u_2) \\
 &= 1 \cdot T(u_1) + T(u_2) \\
 &= T(u_1) + T(u_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $u \in U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} T(\alpha u) &= T(\alpha u + 0_U) \\ &= \alpha T(u) + T(0_U) \\ &= \alpha T(u) + 0_V \\ &= \alpha T(u) \quad [\because v + 0 = v] \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T$  is a linear transformation

Again, Let  $T$  be a linear transformation.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore T(\alpha u_1 + u_2) &= T(\alpha u_1) + T(u_2) \quad [\text{By (1)}] \\ &= \alpha T(u_1) + T(u_2) \quad [\text{By (2)}] \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $T$  is linear iff  $T(\alpha u_1 + u_2) = \alpha T(u_1) + T(u_2)$

### 4.3 Some Important Results of Linear Operator :

We shall establish the following operator results :

Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear map. Then

- (i)  $T(0_U) = 0_V$  where  $0_U$  is the zero vector of  $U$  and  $0_V$  is the zero vector of  $V$ .
- (ii)  $T(-u) = -T(u)$ ,  $u \in U$
- (iii)  $T(u - v) = T(u) - T(v)$ ,  $u, v \in U$
- (iv)  $T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) = \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n)$ ,  
where  $\alpha_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) are scalars.

**Proof :**

- (i) Let  $x \in U$  so that  $T(x) = x' \in V$

Now  $x + 0_U = x$ , where  $0_U \in U$  and  $x' + 0_V = x'$ , where  $0_V \in V$

$$\begin{aligned} T(x + 0_U) &= T(x) + T(0_U) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}] \\ \Rightarrow T(x) &= T(x) + T(0_U) \quad [\because x + 0_U = x] \\ \Rightarrow x' &= x' + T(0_U) \\ \Rightarrow x' + 0_V &= x' + T(0_U) \quad [\because x' + 0_V = x'] \\ \Rightarrow T(0_U) &= 0_V. \end{aligned}$$

- (ii)  $T(-u) = T((-1)u)$   
 $= (-1)T(u) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$   
 $= -T(u)$

- (iii)  $T(u - v) = T(u + (-v))$   
 $= T(u) + T(-v) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$   
 $= T(u) - T(v) \quad [\text{By (ii)}]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iv)} \quad & T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) \\
 &= \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n), \text{ where } \alpha_i \text{'s are scalars and} \\
 &u_i \in U, i=1, 2, \dots, n.
 \end{aligned}$$

To prove by method of induction

For  $n = 1$ ,  $T(\alpha_1 u_1) = \alpha_1 T(u_1)$ , is true.

For  $n = 2$ ,  $T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2) = T(\alpha_1 u_1) + T(\alpha_2 u_2) = \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2)$

Assume that the statement is true for  $n = k$  i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_k u_k) \\
 &= \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_k T(u_k)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now } & T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \dots + \alpha_k u_k + \alpha_{k+1} u_{k+1}) \\
 &= T(u + \alpha_{k+1} u_{k+1}) \text{ where } u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \dots + \alpha_k u_k \\
 &= T(u) + T(\alpha_{k+1} u_{k+1}) \quad [\because \text{the statement is true for } n = 2] \\
 &= T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \dots + \alpha_k u_k) + \alpha_{k+1} T(u_{k+1}) \\
 &= \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \dots + \alpha_k T(u_k) + \alpha_{k+1} T(u_{k+1})
 \end{aligned}$$

$[\because \text{the statement is true for } n = k]$

$\therefore$  The statement is true for  $n = k+1$ .

Hence, by axiom of induction, the given statment is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem 4.3.1.** Let  $S$  and  $T$  be two linear transformations from  $U$  to  $V$ .

Let  $B = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be a basis for  $U$ .

If  $S(u_i) = T(u_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,

then  $S(u) = T(u)$ , for all  $u \in U$ .

**Proof :** Let  $u \in U$ .

Since  $B$  is a basis for  $U$ , therefore  $u$  can be expressed uniquely as a linear combination of the elements of  $B$  i.e.,

$$u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n,$$

where  $\alpha_i$ 's are scalars, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } S(u) &= S(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) \\
 &= \alpha_1 S(u_1) + \alpha_2 S(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n S(u_n) && [\because S \text{ is linear}] \\
 &= \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) && [\text{Hypothesis}] \\
 &= T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) && [\because T \text{ is linear}] \\
 &= T(u)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 4.3.2.** Let  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be a basis for  $U$  and let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be any  $n$  vectors in  $V$ , then there exists a unique linear transformation.  $T : U \rightarrow V$  such that

$$T(u_i) = v_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad \dots (1)$$

**Proof :** Let  $u \in U$ .

Since  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is a basis for  $U$ , therefore

$u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n$ , where  $\alpha_i$ 's are scalars, and this expression is unique.

Define  $T(u) = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n \quad \dots (2)$

In order to complete the proof, we must show that :

(i)  $T$  satisfies (1)

(ii)  $T$  is unique

(iii)  $T$  is linear.

We have,  $u_i = 0.u_1 + 0.u_2 + \dots + 0.u_{i-1} + 1.u_i + 0.u_{i+1} + \dots + 0.u_n$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T(u_i) &= 0.v_1 + 0.v_2 + \dots + 0.v_{i-1} + 1.v_i + 0.v_{i+1} + \dots + 0.v_n \\ &= 1.v_i = v_i \end{aligned}$$

This Proves (i)

Let  $S : U \rightarrow V$  be another linear transformation such that  $S(u_i) = v_i$  for all  $i$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore S(u) &= S(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) \\ &= \alpha_1 S(u_1) + \alpha_2 S(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n S(u_n) \\ &= \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n \\ &= T(u), \text{ for all } u \in U \quad [\text{by (2)}] \\ \Rightarrow S &= T \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $T$  is unique. This proves (ii)

Let  $u, v \in U$

$$\therefore u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n$$

$$\text{and } v = \beta_1 u_1 + \beta_2 u_2 + \dots + \beta_n u_n$$

$$u + v = (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) u_1 + (\alpha_2 + \beta_2) u_2 + \dots + (\alpha_n + \beta_n) u_n$$

$$\alpha u = (\alpha \alpha_1) u_1 + (\alpha \alpha_2) u_2 + \dots + (\alpha \alpha_n) u_n$$

$$\text{Now } T(u + v) = (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) v_1 + (\alpha_2 + \beta_2) v_2 + \dots + (\alpha_n + \beta_n) v_n \quad [\text{By (2)}]$$

$$= (\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) + (\beta_1 v_1 + \beta_2 v_2 + \dots + \beta_n v_n)$$

$$= T(u) + T(v)$$

$$\text{Again } T(\alpha u) = (\alpha \alpha_1) v_1 + (\alpha \alpha_2) v_2 + \dots + (\alpha \alpha_n) v_n$$

$$= \alpha(\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n)$$

$$= \alpha T(u) \quad [\text{By (2)}]$$

Since  $T : U \rightarrow V$  satisfies

$$T(u + v) = T(u) + T(v)$$

and  $T(\alpha u) = \alpha T(u)$ , therefore  $T$  is linear. This proves (iii)

Hence the theorem is completely proved.

**Note :** Any linear transformation  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is completely determined by its values on a basis for  $U$ . i.e.,  $T$  exists if  $U$  has a basis.

The following examples will be useful for better understanding of the above theorem.

**Example 4.3.1** Find a linear transformation

$$T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2 \text{ (if exists)}$$

$$\text{defined by } T(2, 3) = (4, 5) \text{ and } T(1, 0) = (0, 0)$$

**Solution :** Let  $B = \{u_1, u_2\}$  where  $u_1 = (2, 3)$  and  $u_2 = (1, 0)$

To show that  $B$  is a basis for  $V_2$  and  $[B] = V_2$ .

$$\text{Let } \alpha u_1 + \beta u_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(2, 3) + \beta(1, 0) = 0 = (0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\alpha + \beta, 3\alpha + 0) = (0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\alpha + \beta = 0 \text{ and } 3\alpha = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0, \beta = 0$$

$\therefore (2, 3)$  and  $(1, 0)$  are L.I i.e.,  $B = \{(2, 3), (1, 0)\}$  is a basis for  $V_2$ .

Further, Let  $(x, y) \in V_2$

$$\therefore (x, y) = a(2, 3) + b(1, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y) = (2a + b, 3a)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + b = x, 3a = y$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{y}{3}, b = x - \frac{2y}{3} = \frac{3x - 2y}{3}$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = \frac{y}{3}(2, 3) + \frac{3x - 2y}{3}(1, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow [B] = V_2$$

$\therefore$  every element of  $V_2$  can be expressed uniquely as a linear combination of the elements of  $B$ .

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} T(x, y) &= T\left(\frac{y}{3}(2, 3) + \frac{3x - 2y}{3}(1, 0)\right) \\ &= \frac{y}{3}T(2, 3) + \frac{3x - 2y}{3}T(1, 0) \\ &= \frac{y}{3}(4, 5) + \frac{3x - 2y}{3}(0, 0) \\ &= \left(\frac{4y}{3}, \frac{5y}{3}\right) \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.3.2** Find a linear map  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  defined by

$$T(e_1) = (1, 2), T(e_2) = (2, 3) \text{ and } T(e_3) = (3, 4)$$

where  $e_1 = (1, 0, 0)$ ,  $e_2 = (0, 1, 0)$  and  $e_3 = (0, 0, 1)$

**Solution :** We know that

$$B = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\} \text{ is a basis for } V_3$$

Therefore any vector  $(x, y, z) \in V_3$  can be expressed as a linear combination of the element of B.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (x, y, z) &= x(1, 0, 0) + y(0, 1, 0) + z(0, 0, 1) \\ &= x e_1 + y e_2 + z e_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore T(x, y, z) &= T(x e_1 + y e_2 + z e_3) \\ &= x T(e_1) + y T(e_2) + z T(e_3) \\ &= x(1, 2) + y(2, 3) + z(3, 4) \\ &= (x + 2y + 3z, 2x + 3y + 4z) \end{aligned}$$

is the required linear transformation.

**Example 4.3.3** Prove that a linear transformation on one dimensional vector space is the multiplication by a fixed scalar.

**Solution :** Let  $V$  be a vector space.  
 Let  $T : R \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation.  
 Take  $\{1\}$  as a basis for  $R$ .  
 Let  $T(1) = v \in V$   
 For  $\alpha \in R$ ,  
 $T(\alpha) = \alpha T(1) = \alpha v$

**Alternatively :** Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation on a 1-dimensional vector space  $V$ . Let  $\{e\}$  be a basis for  $V$  and  $T(e)$  be a basis for  $V$  and  $T(e) = \alpha e$ , where  $\alpha$  is a scalar.

If  $v \in V$  then

$$v = \beta e, \text{ where } \beta \text{ is a scalar.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } T(v) &= T(\beta e) = \beta T(e) \\ &= \beta(\alpha e) \\ &= (\beta\alpha) e \\ &= \gamma e, \text{ where } \gamma = \beta\alpha \text{ is a scalar.} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  A linear transformation on a 1-dimensional vector space  $V$  is nothing but multiplication by a fixed scalar.

**Example 4.3.4. :** Find a linear (if exists) map  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$ , Such that

$$T(0, 1, 2) = (3, 1, 2) \text{ and}$$

$$T(1, 1, 1) = (2, 2, 2)$$

$$T(1, 0, 1) = (1, 0, 4)$$



**Solution :** Let  $u = (0, 1, 2)$

$$v = (1, 1, 1)$$

$$w = (1, 0, 1)$$

To prove that  $u, v$  and  $w$  are L.I.

$$\text{Let } a(0, 1, 2) + b(1, 1, 1) + c(1, 0, 1) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow (b + c, a + b, 2a + b + c) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow b + c = 0, a + b = 0, 2a + b + c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 0, b = 0, c = 0$$

Thus  $(0, 1, 2)$ ,  $(1, 1, 1)$  and  $(1, 0, 1)$  are L.I

Again to show that

$$\{(0, 1, 2), (1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1)\} \text{ spans } V_3.$$

$$\text{Let } (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in V_3$$

$$\text{Let } (x_1, x_2, x_3) = a(0, 1, 2) + b(1, 1, 1) + c(1, 0, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow b + c = x_1, a + b = x_2, 2a + b + c = x_3$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{x_3 - x_1}{2}, b = \frac{2x_2 + x_1 - x_3}{2}, c = \frac{x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3}{2}$$

$$\therefore T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = aT(0, 1, 2) + bT(1, 1, 1) + cT(1, 0, 1)$$

$$= \frac{x_3 - x_1}{2}(3, 1, 2) + \frac{2x_2 + x_1 - x_3}{2}(2, 2, 2) + \frac{x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3}{2}(1, 0, 4)$$

$$= \left( x_2 + x_3, \frac{x_1 + 4x_2 - x_3}{2}, 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 \right)$$

is the required linear map.

**Example 4.3.5.** Let  $f \in P_n$  where  $P_n$  is the real vector space of all polynomials of degree less than or equal to  $n$ , definition by

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n.$$

$$\text{Let } (Df)(x) = a_1 + 2a_2x + \dots + na_nx^{n-1}$$

Prove that  $D : P_n \rightarrow P_n$  is a linear transformation.

**Solution :** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two polynomials such that  $f \in P_n, g \in P_n$

$$\therefore f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

$$g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \dots + b_nx^n$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\therefore (\alpha f + \beta g)(x)$$

$$= \alpha(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n) + \beta(b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \dots + b_nx^n)$$

$$= (\alpha a_0 + \beta b_0) + (\alpha a_1 + \beta b_1)x + (\alpha a_2 + \beta b_2)x^2 + \dots + (\alpha a_n + \beta b_n)x^n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now } [D(\alpha f + \beta g)(x)] &= (\alpha a_1 + \beta b_1) + 2(\alpha a_2 + \beta b_2)x + \dots + n(\alpha a_n + \beta b_n)x^{n-1} \\
&= \alpha(a_1 + 2a_2x + \dots + na_nx^{n-1}) + \beta(b_1 + 2b_2x + \dots + nb_nx^{n-1}) \\
&= \alpha(Df)(x) + \beta(Dg)(x) = (\alpha Df + \beta Dg)(x) \\
\therefore D(\alpha f + \beta g) &= \alpha Df + \beta Dg \quad [\text{by 4.2 Note (ii)}]
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $D$  is a linear transformation.

**Example 4.3.6 :** Find a non-zero linear transformation  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  which maps all vectors on the line  $x = y$  onto the origin.

**Solution :** Let  $T(0, 1) = (0, 1)$

$(1, 1)$  is a point on the line  $x = y$ .

$$\therefore T(1, 1) = (0, 0)$$

To show that the vectors  $(1, 1)$  and  $(0, 1)$  are L.I

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Let } a(1, 1) + b(0, 1) &= (0, 0) \\
&\Rightarrow (a, a+b) = (0, 0) \\
&\Rightarrow a = 0, a+b = 0 \\
&\Rightarrow a = 0, b = 0
\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  The vectors  $(1, 1)$  and  $(0, 1)$  are L.I.

Let  $(x, y) \in V_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore (x, y) &= a(1, 1) + b(0, 1) \\
&\Rightarrow a = x, b = y - x \\
(x, y) &= x(1, 1) + (y - x)(0, 1) \\
\therefore T(x, y) &= xT(1, 1) + (y - x)T(0, 1) \\
&= x(0, 0) + (y - x)(0, 1) \\
&= (0, y - x)
\end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.3.7 :** Determine a linear transformation  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  which maps all the vectors on the line  $x + y = 0$  onto themselves ( $T \neq I$ ). Does there exist another linear transformation? If yes, find so.

**Solution :**  $(2, -2)$  is a point on the line  $x + y = 0$ . Since  $T$  maps all the vectors on the line  $x + y = 0$  onto themselves, therefore, we can take  $T(2, -2) = (2, -2)$ .

Let  $T(2, 0) = (3, 0)$ .

The vectors  $(2, 0)$  and  $(2, -2)$  are L.I and form a basis of  $V_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Let } (x, y) &\in V_2 \\
\therefore (x, y) &= a(2, -2) + b(2, 0) \\
&\Rightarrow (x, y) = (2a + 2b, -2a) \\
&\Rightarrow 2a + 2b = x, -2a = y \\
&\Rightarrow a = -\frac{y}{2}, b = \frac{x+y}{2} \\
\therefore (x, y) &= -\frac{y}{2}(2, -2) + \frac{x+y}{2}(2, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow T(x, y) &= -\frac{y}{2} T(2, -2) + \frac{x+y}{2} T(2, 0) \\
 &= -\frac{y}{2} (2, -2) + \frac{x+y}{2} (3, 0) \\
 &= (-y, y) + \left( \frac{3x+3y}{2}, 0 \right) \\
 &= \left( \frac{3x+3y}{2} - y, y+0 \right) \\
 &= \left( \frac{3x+y}{2}, y \right) \text{ is a desired linear transformation.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Further,

Since  $x + y = 0$ , therefore we can take  $T(3, -3) = (-3, 3)$ .

We can consider another map defined by  $T(2, 0) = (0, 2)$

The vector  $(3, -3)$  and  $(2, 0)$  are L.I.

Let  $(x, y) \in V_2$

$$\therefore (x, y) = \alpha(3, -3) + \beta(2, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y) = (3\alpha + 2\beta, -3\alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow -3\alpha = y, \quad 3\alpha + 2\beta = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -\frac{y}{3}, \quad \beta = \frac{x+y}{2}$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = -\frac{y}{3}(3, -3) + \frac{x+y}{2}(2, 0)$$

$$T(x, y) = T\left(-\frac{y}{3}(3, -3) + \frac{x+y}{2}(2, 0)\right)$$

$$= -\frac{y}{3} T(3, -3) + \frac{x+y}{2} T(2, 0)$$

$$= -\frac{y}{3} (-3, 3) + \frac{x+y}{2} (0, 2)$$

$$= (y, -y) + (0, x+y) = (y, x)$$

$\therefore T(x, y) = (y, x)$  is another linear transformation.

**Example 4.3.8 :** Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(e_1) = (0, 1)$ ,  $T(e_2) = (1, 2)$  and  $T(e_3) = (2, 3)$ , where  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  are the standard basis of  $V_3$ . Find a formula for  $T$ .

**Solution :** Let  $u = (x, y, z) \in V_3$

$$\therefore u = x e_1 + y e_2 + z e_3$$

$$T(u) = T(x, y, z)$$

$$= T(x e_1 + y e_2 + z e_3)$$

$$= x T(e_1) + y T(e_2) + z T(e_3)$$

$$= x(0, 1) + y(1, 2) + z(2, 3)$$

$$= (y + 2z, x + 2y + 3z)$$

$$\therefore T(x, y, z) = (y + 2z, x + 2y + 3z)$$

is the required linear transformation.

### Problem Set 4 (A)

1. Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation where  $U$  and  $V$  are vector spaces over the same field of scalars. If  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \in U$  such that  $T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)$  are linearly independent, there show that  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are linearly independent.
2. If  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be defined by  $T(x) = x, x \in V$ , show that  $T$  is linear.
3. Let  $R$  be the field of real numbers and  $V$  be the vector space of all functions from  $R$  into  $R$ , which are continuous.

Define  $T : V \rightarrow V$  by

$$(Tf)(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt. \text{ Show that } T \text{ is a linear transformation.}$$

[Hints : Let  $f, g \in V, \alpha, \beta$  are scalars

$$\therefore \alpha f + \beta g \in V \quad [\because V \text{ is a vector space}]$$

$$(\alpha f + \beta g)(x) = \alpha f(x) + \beta g(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow (T(\alpha f + \beta g))(x) = \int_0^x (\alpha f + \beta g)(t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^x \alpha f(t) dt + \int_0^x \beta g(t) dt$$

$$= \alpha \int_0^x f(t) dt + \beta \int_0^x g(t) dt$$

$$= \alpha (Tf)(x) + \beta (Tg)(x) \quad \therefore T \text{ is linear}]$$

4. Find a non zero linear transformation  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  which maps all the vectors on the line  $y + 2x = 0$  onto the origin.
5. Find out which of the following are linear transformations :
  - (i)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  defined by  
 $T(x, y) = (y, x)$
  - (ii)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  defined by  
 $T(x, y) = (x - y, 0)$
  - (iii)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  
 $T(x, y, z) = (x - y + 2z, 2x + y, -x - 2y + 2z)$
  - (iv)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  
 $T(x, y, z) = (3x - 2y + z, x - 3y - 2z)$
  - (v)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  
 $T(x, y, z) = (x + 1, y, z)$
  - (vi)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  defined by  
 $T(x, y) = (x + y, x)$
  - (vii)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  
 $T(x, y) = (x + y, x - y, y)$

(viii)  $T : P \rightarrow P$  defined by

$$T(p)(x) = x p(x) + p(1)$$

(ix)  $T : P \rightarrow P$  defined by

$$T(p)(x) = p(1) + x p'(1) + \frac{x^2}{2} p''(1)$$

(x)  $T : C^2[a, b] \rightarrow C[a, b]$  defined by

$$T(f) = (2x + 3)f + (3x + 4)f' + (5x^2 + 7)f'',$$

where  $C^n[a, b]$  denotes the set of all real valued functions defined on  $[a, b]$  & differentiable  $n$ -times and  $n$ th derivatives are continuous on  $[a, b]$

(xi)  $T : P \rightarrow P$  be defined by  $T(p) = p'$

(xii)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(x, y) = (1 + x, y)$

(xiii)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (x + y, y + z)$

(xiv)  $T : V_1 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(x) = (x, 2x, 3x)$

(xv)  $T : V_2^C \rightarrow V_2^C$  be defined by  $T(x + iy, p + iq) = (x, p)$

6. Find out the linear transformations (if exists) in the following cases :

(i)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  such that

$$T(1, 0) = (a, b) \text{ and } T(0, 1) = (c, d)$$

(ii)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  such that

$$T(1, 0) = (1, 1) \text{ and } T(0, 1) = (-1, 2)$$

(iii)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_3$  Such that

$$T(1, 2) = (3, -1, 5) \text{ and } T(0, 1) = (2, 1, -1)$$

(iv)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  such that  $T(e_1) = (1, 2)$ ,  $T(e_2) = (2, 3)$ ,  $T(e_3) = (3, 4)$

(v)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  such that

$$T(1, 2, 3) = (5, 4, 1), T(1, 0, 0) = (1, 2, -1), T(0, 1, 0) = (-1, 1, -2)$$

(vi)  $T : P_3 \rightarrow P_3$  such that

$$T(1+x) = 1+x, T(2+x) = x + 3x^2 \text{ and } T(x^2) = 0$$

(vii)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_1$  such that  $T(1, 1, 1) = 3$ ,  $T(0, 1, -2) = 1$ ,  $T(0, 0, 1) = -2$ .

7. Is there a linear transformation

(i)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  such that

$$T(1, -1, 1) = (1, 0) \text{ and } T(1, 1, 1) = (0, 1) ?$$

- (ii)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  such that  
 $T(2, 2) = (8, -6)$ ,  $T(5, 5) = (3, -2)$  ?

[Hints : Vectors  $(2, 2)$  and  $(5, 5)$  are L.D

$$i.e. (5, 5) = \frac{5}{2} (2, 2)$$

Hence they do not form a basis for  $V_2$ . If  $T$  is linear, then

$$\begin{aligned} T(5, 5) &= T\left(\frac{5}{2}(2, 2)\right) = \frac{5}{2} T(2, 2) \\ &= \frac{5}{2}(8, -6) = (20, -15) \neq (3, -2) \\ \therefore T \text{ does not exist. } \end{aligned}$$

8. If  $u_1 = (1, -1)$ ,  $u_2 = (2, -1)$ ,  $u_3 = (-3, 2)$  and  $v_1 = (1, 0)$ ,  $v_2 = (0, 1)$ ,  $v_3 = (1, 1)$ , does there exist a linear map  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  such that  $T(u_i) = v_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  ?
9. Describe explicitly the linear transformation
- (i)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  such that  $T(2, 3) = (4, 5)$ ,  $T(1, 0) = (0, 0)$
- (ii)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  such that  $T(e_1) = (a, b)$ ,  $T(e_2) = (c, d)$   
 where  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  are unit vectors.
10. Find a linear transformation  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  such that  $T(1, 0) = (1, 1)$  and  $T(0, 1) = (-1, 2)$ .  
 Prove that  $T$  maps the square with vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 1)$  and  $(0, 1)$  into a parallelogram.

[Hints :  $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - x_2, x_1 + 2x_2)$

Take  $A'_i = T(A_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$

where  $A_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) are vertices of square and  $A'_i$  be their images.  $|A'_1 A'_2| = |A'_3 A'_4|$

and slope of  $A'_1 A'_2 = \text{slope of } A'_3 A'_4 = 1$

$\therefore T$  maps into a parallelogram].

11. Determine all elements  $v \in V$  such that  $T(v) = w$ , where  $T : V \rightarrow V$  is linear.
12. State true or false :

- (a) Let  $D : V \rightarrow V$  be the differential mapping  $D(v) = \frac{dv}{dt}$ . Then  $D$  is linear.
- (b) Let  $I : V \rightarrow R$  be the integral mapping  $I(v) = \int_0^1 v(t) dt$ . Then  $I$  is linear.
- (c) The map  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  defined by  $T(x, y) = (x+y, x)$  is not linear.
- (d) The map  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  $T(x, y) = (x+1, 2y, x+y)$  is not linear.
- (e) The map  $T$  is linear if  $C$  is viewed as a vector space over itself.

[Hints : Take  $u = 2 + 5i$ ,  $\alpha = 1 - i$

$$T(\alpha u) = T(7 + 3i) = 7 - 3i$$

$$\neq \alpha T(u)]$$

- (f) The map  $T$  is linear if  $C$  is viewed as a vector space over the real field  $R$ .

[Hints : Take  $u = a + ib$ ,  $v = c + id$ ,  $\alpha \in R$ .

$$\therefore T(u + v) = T(u) + T(v)$$

$$T(\alpha u) = \alpha T(u)]$$

- (g) There exists a linear transformation  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$ ,

such that  $T(0,0) = (1, 0)$

- (h) Scalar multiplication is the only linear transformation  $T$  from  $V_1$  to  $V_1$ .

#### 4.4 Different types of Transformations :

- (1) **Zero transformations :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be defined by

$T(u) = 0_v$ , for all  $u \in U$ .  $T$  is called zero transformation.

- (2) **Projection transformation :**

Let  $P : V_3 \rightarrow V$  be defined by  $P(x, y, z) = 'x'$ .  $P$  is called projection map or projection transformation.

Similarly,  $P(x, y, z) = y$ ,  $P(x, y, z) = z$  are projection map from  $V_3$  to  $V$ .

Further  $P : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $P(x, y, z) = (x, y)$  is a projection map. Other projection maps are  $P(x, y, z) = (x, z)$  and  $P(x, y, z) = (y, z)$  from  $V_3$  to  $V_2$ .

- (3) **Reflexion transformation :**

Let  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by

$T(x, y) = (x, -y)$   $T$  is called reflexion map on  $x$  - axis.

- (4) **Identity Transformation :**

Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be defined  $T(u) = u$ , for all  $u \in U$ .  $T$  is called identity transformation. It is denoted by  $I_u$  or  $I$ .

- (5) **Quotient Map :**

Let  $V$  be a subspace of a vector space  $U$ .

Let  $T : U \rightarrow U/W$  be defined by  $T(u) = u + W$  for all  $u \in U$ .  $T$  is called quotient space.

- (6) **Negation transformation :**

Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two vectors spaces. Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation. Then the map  $(-T)$  defined by  $(-T)(x) = -T(x)$ ,  $x \in U$  is a linear transformation from  $U$  into  $V$ , which is called negation of a linear transformation.

For all  $u, u_2 \in U$ ,

$$(-T)(u_1 + u_2)$$

$$= -[T(u_1 + u_2)] \quad (\text{by definition})$$

$$= -[T(u_1) + T(u_2)] \quad (\because T \text{ is linear})$$

$$= (-T(u_1)) + (-T(u_2))$$

$$= (-T)(u_1) + (-T)(u_2) \quad (\text{by definition})$$

and for  $u \in U$ ,  $\alpha$  being a scalar,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (-T)(\alpha u) \\
 &= -[T(\alpha u)] && \text{(by definition)} \\
 &= -[\alpha T(u)] && (\because T \text{ is linear}) \\
 &= -\alpha T(u) \\
 &= \alpha (-T(u)) \\
 &= \alpha (-T)(u) \\
 &\therefore T : U \rightarrow V \text{ is linear.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**(7) Idempotent transformation :**

A linear transformation  $T$  on a vector space  $V$  is said to be idempotent if  $T^2 = T$ .

**Example :** The zero transformation and the identity transformation are idempotent. (For Proof Refer example 4.10.9)

**(8) Nilpotent transformation :**

A linear transformation  $T$  on a vector space  $V$  is called nilpotent transformation on  $V$  if  $T^n = 0$  for some integer  $n > 1$  and the smallest integral value of  $n$  is called the degree of nilpotence of  $T$ .

**Example (1)** The differential operator  $D$  is nilpotent on  $P_n$ .

(2)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (0, x_1, x_2)$  is nilpotent.

(For Proof, Refer example 4.10.10)

**Exercise :** Check that the transformations, from (1) to (5) are linear.

## 4.5 : Range and Kernel

**4.5.1 Definition :** Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two vector spaces. Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation.

The **Range** of  $T$  is the set of all images of  $U$  in  $V$  i.e, if  $\beta \in U$  then there exists  $\alpha \in U$  such that  $T(\alpha) = \beta$ .

We denote range of  $T$  by  $R(T)$  or  $T(U)$ .

Symbolically we write  $R(T) = \{T(x) \in V \mid x \in U\}$

**Note :**  $R(T) \subseteq V$

**Example 4.5.1 :** Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be a linear mapping defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (x, y, 0)$ .

Find range of  $T$ .

**Solution :**  $R(T)$  consists of those points in  $xy$ -plane.

Let  $(a, b, c) \in V_3$

$\therefore (x, y, 0) = (a, b, c)$

$\Rightarrow x = a, y = b, c = 0$

$\therefore T(x, y, z)$

$= T(a, b, z) = (a, b, 0)$

This shows that every vector  $(a, b, 0)$  of  $V_3$  is in  $R(T)$

$\therefore R(T) = \{(a, b, 0) : a, b \in R\}$



**Example 4.5.2 :** Let  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be a linear map defined by  $T(x, y) = (x+y, x)$ .  
Find  $R(T)$ .

**Solution :** Let  $(a, b) \in R(T)$

$$\text{and } T(x, y) = (a, b)$$

$$\therefore x + y = a, x = b$$

$$y = a - x = a - b$$

$$\therefore T(x, y)$$

$$= T(b, a - b) = (b + a - b, b) = (a, b)$$

This shows that every point of  $V_2$  is in  $R(T)$

$$\therefore R(T) = V_2$$

**Example 4.5.3 :** Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_4$  be defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (x, x+y, x+y+z, z). \text{ Find } R(T).$$

**Solution :** Let  $(p, q, r, s) \in R(T)$

$$T(x, y, z) = (p, q, r, s)$$

$$= (x, x + y, x + y + z, z)$$

$$= x(1, 1, 1, 0) + y(0, 1, 1, 0) + z(0, 0, 1, 1)$$

$$\therefore R(T) = [(1, 1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1, 1)]$$

**Example 4.5.4 :** Let  $T : P \rightarrow P$  be a linear map defined by  $T(P)(x) = x p(x)$ .

Find  $R(T)$ .

**Solution :** Let  $q(x) \in R(T)$  There exists  $p(x) \in P$  such that

$$T(p(x)) = q(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x p(x) = q(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow q(0) = 0$$

Conversely, if  $q(0) = 0$  then

$$q(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x$$

$$= x(a_n x^{n-1} + a_{n-1} x^{n-2} + \dots + a_1)$$

$$= x p(x)$$

$$\therefore T(p(x)) = x p(x) = q(x) \in R(T)$$

Hence  $q(x) \in R(T)$  iff  $q(0) = 0$

$$\therefore R(T) = \{q(x) \in P \mid q(0) = 0\}$$

**4.5.2 Definition :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation. The **kernel** of  $T$  (or null space of  $T$ ) is the set of all those vectors in  $U$ , whose image by  $T$  is  $0 \in V$ . Symbolically, it is denoted by  $N(T)$  or  $\ker T$ . Thus  $N(T) = \{x \in U \mid T(x) = 0, 0 \in V\}$

**Note :**  $N(T) \subseteq U$

**Example 4.5.5 :** Referring Example 4.5.1., find  $N(T)$ .

**Solution :** Let  $u = (x, y, z) \in N(T)$

$$\therefore T(u) = \mathbf{0} \in V_3$$

$$\Rightarrow T(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y, 0) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0, y = 0$$

$$\therefore N(T) = \{(0, 0, c) \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

i.e. kernel of  $T$  is the set of all points on  $z$ -axis.

**Example 4.5.6 :** Find  $N(T)$ , referring Example 4.5.2

**Solution :** Let  $(x, y) \in N(T)$

$$\therefore T(x, y) = \mathbf{0} \in V_2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + y, x) = (0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = 0, x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0, y = 0$$

$$\therefore N(T) = \{(0, 0)\} = V_0$$

**Example 4.5.7.** Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (x + 2y - z, y + z, x + y - 2z). \text{ Find } N(T).$$

**Solution :** Let  $v = (x, y, z) \in N(T)$

$$\therefore T(v) = \mathbf{0} \in V_3$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 2y - z, y + z, x + y - 2z) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2y - z = 0, y + z = 0, x + y - 2z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2y - z = 0, y + z = 0, -y - z = 0$$

(Putting  $x = -2y + z$  in the last equation)

$$\Rightarrow x + 2y - z = 0, y + z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -z, x = 3z, z = z$$

$$N(T) = \{(3z, -z, z)\}$$

$$= \{(3, -1, 1)\}, \text{ taking } z = 1$$

**Example 4.5.8.** Let  $T : P \rightarrow P$  be defined by  $T(p)(x) = p''(x) - p(x)$ . Find  $N(T)$ .

**Solution :** Let  $p(x) \in N(T)$

$$\Rightarrow T(p(x)) = 0 \in P$$

$$\Rightarrow p''(x) - p(x) = 0$$

$$\text{Suppose } p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n \quad a_n \neq 0$$

$$\therefore p'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2x + 3a_3x^2 + \dots + na_nx^{n-1}$$

$$p''(x) = 2a_2 + 6a_3x + \dots + n(n-1)a_nx^{n-2}$$

$$p''(x) - p(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2a_2 - a_0) + (6a_3 - a_1)x + \dots + (n(n-1)a_n - a_{n-2}x^{n-2} - a_{n-1}x^{n-1} - a_nx^n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n = a_{n-1} = \dots = a_0 = 0$$

$$\therefore p(x) = 0$$

$$\therefore N(T) = V_0$$

**Theorem 4.5.1** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation. Then

- (a)  $R(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .
- (b)  $N(T)$  is a subspace of  $U$ .

**Proof :** (a) Obviously  $R(T)$  is a non-empty subset of  $V$ .

Let  $v_1, v_2 \in R(T)$ . Then there exists vectors  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  such that

$$T(u_1) = v_1, \quad T(u_2) = v_2.$$

Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be scalars.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \alpha v_1 + \beta v_2 &= \alpha T(u_1) + \beta T(u_2) \\ &= T(\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $U$  is a vector space, therefore  $u_1, u_2 \in U$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha u_1 + \beta u_2 \in U$$

Consequently

$$T(\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2) = \alpha v_1 + \beta v_2 \in R(T)$$

Thus,  $v_1, v_2 \in R(T)$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  being scalars

$$\Rightarrow \alpha v_1 + \beta v_2 \in R(T)$$

$\therefore R(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

(b)  $N(T) = \{x \in U \mid T(x) = 0 \in V\}$

Since  $T(0) = 0 \in V$

$$\therefore 0 \in N(T)$$

$\Rightarrow N(T)$  is a non - empty subset of  $U$ .

Let  $u_1, u_2 \in N(T)$

$$\therefore T(u_1) = 0 \in V \text{ and } T(u_2) = 0 \in V$$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be scalars.

$$\therefore \alpha u_1 + \beta u_2 \in U \text{ and}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2) &= \alpha T(u_1) + \beta T(u_2) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}] \\ &= \alpha \cdot 0 + \beta \cdot 0 = 0 \in V \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \alpha u_1 + \beta u_2 \in N(T)$$

$\Rightarrow N(T)$  is a subspace of  $U$ .

**4.5.3 Definition :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation.  $T$  is **one-one** if

$$T(u) = T(v) \Rightarrow u = v,$$

where  $u, v \in U$ .

**Example 4.5.9 :** Prove that  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(a, b) = (a+b, a-b, b)$  is one-one.

**Solution :** Let  $u = (p, q) \in V_2, v = (r, s) \in V_2$

Suppose  $T(u) = T(v)$

$$\Rightarrow T(p, q) = T(r, s)$$

$$\Rightarrow (p+q, p-q, q) = (r+s, r-s, s)$$

$$\Rightarrow p+q = r+s, p-q = r-s, q = s$$

$$\Rightarrow p = r, q = s$$

$$\Rightarrow (p, q) = (r, s) \Rightarrow u = v.$$

$\therefore T$  is one-one.

In the above example, we observe that

$$N(T) = \{(0, 0)\} = \{0_U\}.$$

Hence, if  $T$  is one-one, then  $0_U \in N(T)$  i.e.,  $N(T)$  is a zero subspace of  $U$ .

We shall prove this as a theorem where the converse is also true.

**4.5.4 Definition :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation.  $T$  is onto if for every  $v \in V$ , there exists a vector  $u \in U$  such that  $T(u) = v$  i.e.,  $R(T) = V$

**Example 4.5.10 :**  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (x, z, y)$  is onto since every point of  $V_3$  is a point of  $R(T)$  i.e.,  $R(T) = V_3$

**Theorem 4.5.2 :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation. Then

(a)  $T$  is one - one iff  $N(T) = \{0_U\}$

(b) If  $u_i \in U, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n] = U$ , then

$$R(T) = [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)]$$

**Proof :** (a) Suppose  $T$  is one-one. To show that  $0_U \in N(T)$

Let  $u \in N(T)$ .

By definition of kernel of  $T$ ,

$$T(u) = 0_V$$

$$\Rightarrow T(u) = T(0_U)$$

$$\Rightarrow u = 0_U \quad [\because T \text{ is one - one}]$$

$$\therefore 0_U \in N(T)$$

Conversely, Let  $0_U \in N(T)$ .

To show that  $T$  is one-one.

Suppose  $T(u) = T(v)$

$$\text{Now, } T(u - v) = T(u) + T(-v)$$

$$= T(u) - T(v)$$

$$= 0_V \quad [\because T(u) = T(v)]$$

$$\Rightarrow u - v \in N(T) \quad [\text{By definition of Kernel of } T]$$

$$\text{But } u - v = 0_U \Rightarrow u = v + 0_U = v$$

$\therefore T$  is one-one

(b) Suppose  $[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n] = U$ . To prove that  $R(T) = [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)]$

Let  $u \in U$ . Therefore  $u$  can be written as  $u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n$ , for scalars  $\alpha_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } v &\in [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)] \\ \Rightarrow v &= \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) \\ \Rightarrow v &= T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}] \\ \Rightarrow v &\in R(T) \quad [\because u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n \in U] \\ \therefore [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)] &\subset R(T) \quad \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

Now to prove that  $R(T) \subset [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)]$

Let  $v \in R(T)$ . Then there exists a vector  $u \in U$  such that  $T(u) = v$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow v &= T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) \\ &= \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) \\ \Rightarrow v &\in [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)] \\ \therefore R(T) &\subset [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)] \quad \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2), we have  $R(T) = [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)]$

**Example 4.5.11** Let  $T$  be a linear map on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ . Then prove that the following two statements are equivalent.

- (a)  $R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$   
 (b)  $T(T(x)) = 0 \Rightarrow T(x) = 0$

**Solution :** First we shall show that (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } T(T(x)) &= 0 \Rightarrow T(x) \in N(T) \\ \Rightarrow T(x) &\in R(T) \cap N(T) \quad [\because x \in V \Rightarrow T(x) \in R(T)] \\ \Rightarrow T(x) &= 0 \quad [\because R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}] \end{aligned}$$

Now we shall show that (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a)

Let  $x \neq 0$  and  $x \in R(T) \cap N(T)$

$$\therefore x \in R(T) \text{ and } x \in N(T)$$

Since  $x \in N(T)$ , therefore  $T(x) = 0$  ... (1)

Also  $x \in R(T) \Rightarrow \exists y \in V$  such that  $T(y) = x$

Now  $T(y) = x \Rightarrow T(T(y)) = T(x) = 0$  [from (1)]

Thus  $\exists y \in V$  such that  $(T(T(y))) = 0$  but  $T(y) = x \neq 0$

This is a contradiction to the hypothesis (b).

Therefore, there exists no  $x \in R(T) \cap N(T)$  such that  $x \neq 0$ .

Hence  $R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$ .

**Example 4.5.11 :** Find a linear transformation  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  such that the set of all vectors  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  satisfying the equation  $x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = 0$  is the kernel of  $T$ .

**Solution :** Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3, 2x_1 - 4x_2 + 2x_3, 0)$$

**Claim :**  $T$  is linear

$$\begin{aligned} & T[(x_1, x_2, x_3) + (y_1, y_2, y_3)] \\ &= T(x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, x_3 + y_3) \\ &= (x_1 + y_1 - 2x_2 - 2y_2 + x_3 + y_3, 2x_1 + 2y_1 - 4x_2 - 4y_2 + 2x_3 + 2y_3, 0) \\ &= (x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3, 2x_1 - 4x_2 + 2x_3, 0) + (y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3, 2y_1 - 4y_2 + 2y_3, 0) \\ &= T(x_1, x_2, x_3) + T(y_1, y_2, y_3) \\ & T(\alpha(x_1, x_2, x_3)) \\ &= T(\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, \alpha x_3) \\ &= (\alpha x_1 - 2\alpha x_2 + \alpha x_3, 2\alpha x_1 - 4\alpha x_2 + 2\alpha x_3, 0) \\ &= \alpha T(x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ \therefore & T \text{ is linear.} \\ \therefore & \ker T = N(T) \\ &= \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \mid T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (0, 0, 0)\} \\ &= \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \mid x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = 0\} \end{aligned}$$

**Note :**  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  may be defined in various ways. One of them is

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \left( x_1 + 2x_2, x_1 + \frac{1}{2}x_3, x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 \right).$$

### Problem Set 4 (B)

1. For each of the following linear transformations  $T$ , find the range and kernel.

- (a)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, x_1 - x_2, x_2).$
- (b)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1, x_2).$
- (c)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2 + x_3, x_1 + x_2 + x_3, x_1 + x_2 + x_3).$
- (d)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3, 2x_1 + x_2, -x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3).$
- (e)  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 - x_2, x_1 + x_3).$
- (f)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, -x_2).$
- (g)  $T : P \rightarrow P$  be defined by  
 $T(p)(x) = xp(x).$

(h)  $T : P \rightarrow P$  be defined by

$$T(p)(x) = p''(x) - 2p(x).$$

(i)  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, 0).$$

(j)  $T : V_4 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$

$$= (x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4, x_1 + 2x_3 - x_4, x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 - 3x_4)$$

2. Find a linear transformation  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  such that the set of all vectors  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  satisfying the equation  $2x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0$  is the kernel of  $T$ .

## 4.6. Rank and Nullity :

**4.6.1 Definition :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation. The **rank** of  $T$  is the dimension of the range of  $T$  if  $R(T)$  is finite-dimensional. It is denoted by  $\rho(T)$  or  $r(T)$ .

The **nullity** of  $T$  is the dimension of the kernel of  $T$  if  $N(T)$  is finite dimensional. It is denoted by  $n(T)$ .

**Theorem 4.6.1 :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be linear. Then.

- (a) If  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \in U$  and  $T(u_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are linearly independent, then  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are linearly independent.
- (b) If  $T$  is one-one and  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are linearly independent vectors of  $U$ , then  $T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)$  are L.I.
- (c) If  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent vectors of  $R(T)$  and  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are vectors of  $U$  such that  $T(u_i) = v_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  then  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are L.I.

**Proof :** (a) Suppose, there exists scalars  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ ,

$$\text{such that } \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n = 0_v$$

$$\text{Then } 0_v = T(0_u) = T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n)$$

$$= \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n). \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

Since  $T(u_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are linearly independent, therefore  $\alpha_i = 0$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Thus  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are linearly independent.

(b) Suppose  $T$  is one-one and  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are linearly independent vectors of  $U$ .

In order to prove that  $T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)$  are linearly independent, let us assume that for scalars  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ ,

$$\alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) = 0_v$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) = 0_v, \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) = T(0_u)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n = 0_u \quad [\because T \text{ is one-one}]$$

Since  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are L.I., therefore  $\alpha_i = 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Hence  $T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)$  are L.I.

- (c) Suppose  $\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n = \mathbf{0}_U$  ... (1)

Since  $T$  is linear, therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{0}_V &= T(\mathbf{0}_U) = T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) \\ &\Rightarrow \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) = \mathbf{0}_V \\ &\Rightarrow \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = \mathbf{0}_V \quad (\because T(u_i) = v_i) \\ &\quad \text{Since } v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \text{ are L.I., therefore } \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0. \\ &\quad \text{Hence from (1), we have } \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n = \mathbf{0}_U \\ &\quad \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = 0 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_n \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  are L.I.

**Theorem 4.6.2 :** Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two vector spaces and  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be linear, with  $U$  as finite dimensional. Then  $\dim R(T) + \dim N(T) = \dim U$ .

**Proof :** We have seen that  $N(T)$  is a subspace of  $U$ .

Since  $U$  is finite dimensional, therefore  $N(T)$  is finite dimensional.

Let  $\dim N(T) = k$ .

Let  $B_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  be a basis for  $N(T)$

Since  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  is a linearly independent subset of  $U$ , therefore we can extend it to form a basis for  $U$ .

Let  $\dim U = n$ ,  $n \geq k$ .

Let  $B_2 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k, u_{k+1}, \dots, u_n\}$  be a basis for  $U$ .

Therefore  $R(T) = [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_k), T(u_{k+1}), \dots, T(u_n)]$ .

Consider the set

$$B = \{T(u_{k+1}), T(u_{k+2}), \dots, T(u_n)\}.$$

We claim that  $B$  is a basis for  $R(T)$ .

- (i) First we shall prove that  $[B] = R(T)$ .

Since,  $[B_2] = U$ , therefore by theorem 4.5.2 (b)

$$R(T) = [T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_k), T(u_{k+1}), \dots, T(u_n)]$$

But  $u_i \in N(T)$  for  $i = 1, 2, k$

$$\Rightarrow T(u_i) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(u_1) = \mathbf{0} = T(u_2) = \dots = T(u_k)$$

$$\therefore R(T) = [T(u_{k+1}), T(u_{k+2}), \dots, T(u_n)] = [B]$$

- (ii) Now to show that the set  $B$  is L.I.

Let  $\alpha_{k+1}, \alpha_{k+2}, \dots, \alpha_n$  be scalars such that

$$\alpha_{k+1} T(u_{k+1}) + \alpha_{k+2} T(u_{k+2}) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) = \mathbf{0}_V \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\alpha_{k+1} u_{k+1} + \alpha_{k+2} u_{k+2} + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) = \mathbf{0}_V \quad (\because T \text{ is linear})$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_{k+1} u_{k+1} + \alpha_{k+2} u_{k+2} + \dots + \alpha_n u_n \in N(T)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_{k+1} u_{k+1} + \alpha_{k+2} u_{k+2} + \dots + \alpha_n u_n = \beta_1 u_1 + \beta_2 u_2 + \dots + \beta_k u_k$$

( $\because$  each element of  $N(T)$  is a linear combination of the elements of  $B_1$ )

$$\Rightarrow \beta_1 u_1 + \beta_2 u_2 + \dots + \beta_k u_k + (-\alpha_{k+1}) u_{k+1} + (-\alpha_{k+2}) u_{k+2} + \dots + (-\alpha_n) u_n = \mathbf{0}$$



Since  $B_2$  is a basis for  $U$ , therefore  $B_2$  is L.I.

$$\Rightarrow \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_k = (-\alpha_{k+1}) = (-\alpha_{k+2}) = \dots = (-\alpha_n) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta_i = 0 \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, k)$$

$$\text{and } \alpha_i = 0 \quad (i = k+1, k+2, \dots, n)$$

$$\text{From (1), } \alpha_{k+1} T(u_{k+1}) + \alpha_{k+2} T(u_{k+2}) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) = 0_v$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_{k+1} = 0, \alpha_{k+2} = 0, \dots, \alpha_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B \text{ is L.I.}$$

Hence  $B$  is a basis for  $R(T)$  and as number of elements in  $B = n - k$ , therefore  $\dim R(T) = n - k$

Since  $B_1$  is a basis for  $N(T)$ , and  $\dim N(T) = k$ ,

Thus  $\dim R(T) = n - \dim N(T)$

$$\Rightarrow \dim R(T) + \dim N(T) = n = \dim U.$$

Hence the theorem is completely established.

(This theorem is known as **Rank-Nullity Theorem**)

**Theorem 4.6.3 :** Suppose  $U$  is finite dimensional and  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is linear. Then  $R(T)$  is finite dimensional and  $\dim R(T) \leq \dim U$ .

**Proof :** Suppose  $\dim U = n$  and  $\dim R(T) > \dim U$ . Then there exists vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n+1} \in R(T)$ , which are L.I.

Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n+1}$  be vectors in  $U$  such that  $T(u_i) = v_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, (n+1)$

Suppose  $\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n+1} u_{n+1} = 0_U$

$$\text{Then } 0_v = T(0_U) = T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n+1} u_{n+1})$$

$$= \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_{n+1} T(u_{n+1}) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$= \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n+1} v_{n+1}.$$

Since  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n+1}\}$  is L.I.,

therefore  $\alpha_1 = 0, \alpha_2 = 0, \dots, \alpha_{n+1} = 0$ .

Thus  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n+1}$  are L.I. This contradicts the fact that  $\dim U = n$ .

Hence  $\dim R(T) \leq \dim U$ .

**Example 4.6.1 :** Let  $Z$  be a subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space  $U$  and  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space. Then prove that  $Z$  will be the kernel of a linear map  $T : U \rightarrow V$  iff  $\dim Z \geq \dim U - \dim V$ .

**Solution :** Since  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is linear and  $U$  is of finite dimension, therefore by Rank-Nullity Theorem,

$$\dim R(T) + \dim N(T) = \dim U$$

But, we have given  $Z = N(T)$

$$\therefore \dim R(T) + \dim Z = \dim U$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim R(T) = \dim U - \dim Z \quad \dots (1)$$

we know that  $R(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

$$\therefore \dim R(T) \leq \dim V$$

From (1),  $\dim U - \dim Z \leq \dim V$

$$\Rightarrow \dim Z \geq \dim U - \dim V.$$

**Example 4.6.2** Let  $U$  be a finite dimensional vector space having dimension  $n$  and a linear map  $T : U \rightarrow U$  is such that the Range of  $T$  and kernel of  $T$  are identical. Prove that  $n$  is even.

**Solution :** Let  $N$  be the kernel of  $T$ . Then  $N$  is also the range of  $T$ .

By Rank-Nullity Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} r(T) + n(T) &= \dim U \\ \Rightarrow \dim R(T) + \dim N(T) &= \dim U = n \\ \Rightarrow 2 \dim N &= n \quad [\because R(T) = N(T) = N] \\ \Rightarrow n &\text{ is even.} \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.6.3 :** If  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is a linear map, where  $U$  is finite dimensional, Prove that

- (a)  $n(T) \leq \dim U$
- (b)  $r(T) \leq \min(\dim U, \dim V)$

**Solution :** (a) Since  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is a linear map and  $U$  is of finite dimension, by Rank-Nullity Theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} \dim R(T) + \dim N(T) &= \dim U \\ \Rightarrow r(T) + n(T) &= \dim U \\ \Rightarrow n(T) &\leq \dim U \quad [\because r(T) \geq 0] \end{aligned}$$

(b) Since  $R(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \dim R(T) &\leq \dim V \\ \Rightarrow r(T) &\leq \dim V \end{aligned}$$

Also,  $r(T) + n(T) = \dim U$

$$\Rightarrow r(T) \leq \dim U \quad [\because n(T) \geq 0]$$

$$\therefore r(T) \leq \min(\dim U, \dim V)$$

**Example 4.6.4 :** Let  $U$  be a vector space of dimension  $n$  and  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear and onto map. Then prove that  $T$  is one-one iff  $\dim V = n$ .

**Solution :** Suppose  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is one-one.

Therefore  $N(T)$  is the zero subspace of  $U$  i.e.,  $N(T) = \{0_U\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim N(T) = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

By Rank-Nullity Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \dim U &= \dim R(T) + \dim N(T) \\ &= \dim R(T) + 0 = \dim R(T) \quad [\text{Using (1)}] \end{aligned}$$

Again  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is onto

$$\Rightarrow R(T) = V$$

$$\therefore \dim U = \dim V$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim V = n. \quad [\because \dim U = n]$$

$$\therefore T \text{ is one-one} \Rightarrow \dim V = n$$

If  $U$  is of dimension  $n$  and  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is linear and onto and  $\dim V = n$  then to show that  $T$  is one-one.

Now, By Rank-Nullity Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} n &= \dim U = \dim R(T) + \dim N(T) \\ &= \dim V + \dim N(T) \quad [\because T \text{ is onto} \Rightarrow R(T) = V] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow n = n + \dim N(T) \\
 &\Rightarrow \dim N(T) = 0 \\
 &\Rightarrow N(T) = \{0_U\} \\
 &\Rightarrow T \text{ is one-one} \\
 &\therefore T \text{ is onto and } \dim U = \dim V = n \\
 &\Rightarrow T \text{ is one-one.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.6.5 :** For the following linear mapping  $T$ , find a basis and the dimension of (a) its range, (b) its null space.

Also verify  $r(T) + n(T) = \dim V_4$ .

$T : V_4 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4, x_1 + 2x_3 - x_4, x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 - 3x_4)$$

**Solution :** We know that the set  $A = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$  is a basis set for  $V_4$ .

$$e_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0), e_2 = (0, 1, 0, 0), e_3 = (0, 0, 1, 0), e_4 = (0, 0, 0, 1),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{By definition, } T(e_1) &= T(1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 &= (1 - 0 + 0 + 0, 1 + 2(0) - 0, 1 + 0 + 3(0) - 3(0)) \\
 &= (1, 1, 1).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly } T(e_2) = (-1, 0, 1), T(e_3) = (1, 2, 3)$$

$$\text{and } T(e_4) = (1, -1, -3) \quad [\text{Verify}]$$

Now for any  $x \in V_4$   $x = a_1e_1 + a_2e_2 + a_3e_3 + a_4e_4$ , as  $A$  is a basis.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore y \in R(T) = T(x) &= T(a_1e_1 + a_2e_2 + a_3e_3 + a_4e_4) \\
 &= a_1T(e_1) + a_2T(e_2) + a_3T(e_3) + a_4T(e_4) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}] \\
 &= a_1(1, 1, 1) + a_2(-1, 0, 1) + a_3(1, 2, 3) + a_4(1, -1, -3).
 \end{aligned}$$

To verify whether  $y \in R(T)$  expressed as linear combination of four vectors  $\in V_3$  can be expressed as a linear combination of less number of vectors or not.

For this, we compute a matrix whose rows are these four vectors

$$\begin{aligned}
 B &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\text{Operating } R_2 + R_1, R_3 - R_1, R_4 - R_1] \\
 &\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad [\text{Operating } R_4 + 2R_3, R_3 - R_2]
 \end{aligned}$$

which is echelon form of matrix.

Thus the non-zero vectors  $\{(1, 1, 1), (0, 1, 2)\}$  is the basis for  $R(T)$ .

Hence  $\dim. R(T)$  i.e.,  $\text{rank}(T) = 2$ .

To find the basis and dimension for  $N(T)$ .

$$x \in N(T) \text{ if } T(x) = 0.$$

$$\text{Now } T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4, x_1 + 2x_3 - x_4, x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 - 3x_4) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_3 - x_4 = 0 \\ x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 - 3x_4 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\text{Co-efficient matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\text{Operating } R_2 - R_1, R_3 - R_1]$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\text{Operating } R_3 - 2R_2]$$

which is echelon form of matrix.

Thus the system (1) is equivalent to

$$x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0 \quad \dots (2)$$

$$x_2 + x_3 - 2x_4 = 0 \quad \dots (3)$$

$$\text{From (3), } x_2 = -x_3 + 2x_4$$

$$\text{From (2), } x_1 + x_3 - 2x_4 + x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = -2x_3 + x_4$$

$$\text{Thus } x_1 = -2x_3 + x_4$$

$$x_2 = -x_3 + 2x_4.$$

Here  $x_3$  and  $x_4$  can take any real value.

Hence nullity  $T = \dim. N(T) = 2$ .

$$\text{Choosing } x_3 = 1, x_4 = 0, x_1 = -2, x_2 = -1.$$

$$\text{Choosing } x_3 = 0, x_4 = 1, x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2.$$

$\{(-2, -1, 1, 0), (1, 2, 0, 1)\}$  constitutes a basis for  $N(T)$ , because these vectors are L.I.

$$\text{Now } \dim. V_4 = 4, \dim. R(T) = 2, \dim. N(T) = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{Rank}(T) + \text{Nullity}(T) = \dim V_4$$

$$\therefore r(t) + n(t) = \dim V_4.$$

**Example 4.6.6 :** Determine the Range, rank, kernel and nullity of the linear transformation  $T: C(0, 1) \rightarrow C(0, 1)$  defined by  $T(f)(x) = f(x) \sin x$ .

**Solution :**  $T: C(0, 1) \rightarrow C(0, 1)$  is defined by  $T(f)(x) = f(x) \sin x$

Let  $f(x) \in C(0, 1)$

$$\therefore \frac{f(x)}{\sin x} \in C(0, 1)$$

$$T\left(\frac{f(x)}{\sin x}\right) = \frac{f(x)}{\sin x} \cdot \sin x = f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \in R(T)$$

$$\therefore R(T) = C(0, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow r(T) = \dim C(0, 1)$$

To find  $N(T)$  and  $n(T)$ .

Let  $f(x) \in N(T)$

$$\therefore T(f)(x) = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) \sin x = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = 0$$

$$\therefore N(T) = V_0 \text{ and } n(T) = \dim V_0 = 0.$$

### Problem Set 4 (C)

1. Determine the rank and nullity of Q.No. 1 of Problem Set 4 (B)
2. If  $T: V_4 \rightarrow V_3$  be a linear map defined by  $T(e_1) = (1, 1, 1)$ ,  $T(e_2) = (1, -1, 1)$ ,  $T(e_3) = (1, 0, 0)$ ,  $T(e_4) = (1, 0, 1)$ , then verify that  $r(T) + n(T) = 4$

### 4.7. Singular and Non-singular transformations :

**4.7.1. Definition :** Let  $T: U \rightarrow V$  be a linear map  $T$  is non-singular if  $0_U \in N(T)$  i.e., if  $x \in U$  and  $T(x) = 0$  then  $x = 0_U$ .

Hence  $T$  is non-singular if  $T$  is one-one by theorem 4.5.2

We shall prove this result in the form a theorem. Thus

**Theorem 4.7.1** Let  $T: U \rightarrow V$  be a linear map. Then  $T$  is non-singular iff  $T$  is one-one.

**Proof :** Suppose  $T$  is non-singular. To prove that  $T$  is one-one.

Let  $u, v \in U$ . Then  $T(u) = T(v)$

$$\Rightarrow T(u) - T(v) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T(u - v) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u - v = 0_U \quad (\because T \text{ is non-singular})$$

$$\Rightarrow u = v$$

$$\therefore T \text{ is one-one.}$$

Conversely, let  $T$  be one-one.

We know that

$$T(0_U) = 0_V \\ \text{i.e., } T(0) = 0$$

Since  $T$  is one-one, therefore  $u \in U$  and  $T(u) = 0_V = T(0_U)$

$$\Rightarrow u = 0_U \quad [\because T \text{ is one-one; } T(x) = T(y) \Rightarrow x = y]$$

$$\therefore N(T) = \{0_U\}$$

$$\Rightarrow T \text{ is non-singular.}$$

**Example 4.7.1 :** Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (x, y)$

Then show that  $T$  is onto but not one-one.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solution : } R(T) &= \{T(x, y, z) \mid (x, y, z) \in V_3\} \\ &= \{(x, y) \mid (x, y, z) \in V_3\} \\ &= V_2 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T$  is onto.

$$\begin{aligned} N(T) &= \{(x, y, z) \mid T(x, y, z) = 0\} \\ &= \{(x, y, z) \mid (x, y) = (0, 0)\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{(0, 0, z) \mid z \in V_1\} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T$  is not one-one.

**Example 4.7.2 :**  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2 + x_3, x_2 + x_3, x_3)$$

Then show that  $T$  is non-singular.

**Solution :** Suppose  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = T(y_1, y_2, y_3)$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1 + x_2 + x_3, x_2 + x_3, x_3) = (y_1 + y_2 + y_3, y_2 + y_3, y_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = y_1 + y_2 + y_3, x_2 + x_3 = y_2 + y_3, x_3 = y_3$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = y_1, x_2 = y_2, x_3 = y_3$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1, x_2, x_3) = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$$

$\therefore T$  is one-one.

Linear map  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  is one-one iff  $T$  is onto.

Hence  $T$  is non-singular.

**Example 4.7.3 :** Prove that the linear map  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by

$$T(1, 2, 3) = (3, -1, 7), T(1, -2, 3) = (3, 3, 3) \text{ and}$$

$$T(1, 2, -3) = (3, -1, 1) \text{ is one-one and onto.}$$

**Solution :** Let  $(x, y, z) \in V_3$ .

$$\text{Let } u = (1, 2, 3), v = (1, -2, 3), w = (1, 2, -3)$$

Suppose for scalars  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$

$$\alpha u + \beta v + \gamma w = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(1, 2, 3) + \beta(1, -2, 3) + \gamma(1, 2, -3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta + \gamma, 2\alpha - 2\beta + 2\gamma, 3\alpha + 3\beta - 3\gamma) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0, 2\alpha - 2\beta + 2\gamma = 0, 3\alpha + 3\beta - 3\gamma = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0, \alpha - \beta + \gamma = 0, \alpha + \beta - \gamma = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0, \beta = 0, \gamma = 0$$

$\therefore$  The vectors  $u, v, w$  are L.I.

$$\text{Now } (x, y, z) = a(1, 2, 3) + b(1, -2, 3) + c(1, 2, -3)$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + c = x, 2a - 2b + 2c = y, 3a + 3b - 3c = z$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{3y + 2z}{12}, b = \frac{2x - y}{4}, c = \frac{3x - z}{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T(x, y, z) &= \frac{3y + 2z}{12}(3, -1, 7) + \frac{2x - y}{4}(3, 3, 3) + \frac{3x - z}{6}(3, -1, 1) \\ &= (3x, x - y, 2x + y + z) \end{aligned}$$

To show that  $T$  is one-one.

Suppose  $(x, y, z) \in N(T)$

$$\Rightarrow T(x, y, z) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x, x - y, 2x + y + z) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 0, x - y = 0, 2x + y + z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0, y = 0, z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N(T) = \{(0, 0, 0)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow T \text{ is one-one.}$$

Again to show that  $T$  is onto. We have seen that  $[u, v, w] = V_3$

$$\Rightarrow [T(u), T(v), T(w)] = R(T)$$

$$\Rightarrow [(3, -1, 7), (3, 3, 3), (3, -1, 1)] = R(T)$$

But  $(3, -1, 7), (3, 3, 3), (3, -1, 1)$  are L.D.

$$\therefore R(T) = V_3$$

$$\Rightarrow T \text{ is onto}$$

Hence  $T$  is one-one and onto.

**Example 4.7.4** Let  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(x, y) = (y, 2x - y)$ . Show that  $T$  is non-singular.

**Solution :** Suppose  $T(x, y) = T(r, s)$

$$\Rightarrow (y, 2x - y) = (s, 2r - s)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = s, 2x - y = 2r - s$$

$$\Rightarrow y = s, x = r.$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y) = (r, s)$$

$$\therefore T \text{ is one-one.}$$

Let  $(a, b) \in V_2$

Suppose  $(y, 2x - y) = (a, b)$

$$\Rightarrow y = a, 2x - y = b$$

$$\Rightarrow y = a, x = \frac{a + b}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore T(x, y) &= T\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, a\right) \\
 &= \left(a, 2\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - a\right) \\
 &= (a, b)
 \end{aligned}$$

This shows that every vector  $(a, b) \in V_2$  is in  $R(T)$  i.e.,  $R(T) = V_2$ .

$\Rightarrow T$  is onto.

Hence  $T$  is non-singular.

**Example 4.7.5 :** Let  $T : P_2 \rightarrow P_2$  be defined by

$$T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = (a_0 + a_1) + (a_1 + 2a_2)x + (a_0 + a_1 + 3a_2)x^2.$$

Show that  $T$  is non-singular.

**Solution :** Suppose  $T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = T(b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow (a_0 + a_1) + (a_1 + 2a_2)x + (a_0 + a_1 + 3a_2)x^2 \\
 &= (b_0 + b_1) + (b_1 + 2b_2)x + (b_0 + b_1 + 3b_2)x^2 \\
 \Rightarrow a_0 + a_1 &= b_0 + b_1, \quad a_1 + 2a_2 = b_1 + 2b_2, \\
 a_0 + a_1 + 3a_2 &= b_0 + b_1 + 3b_2 \\
 \Rightarrow a_0 = b_0, \quad a_1 &= b_1, \quad a_2 = b_2 \\
 \Rightarrow a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 &= b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T$  is one-one.

Let  $\alpha_0 + \alpha_1x + \alpha_2x^2 \in P_2$

Suppose  $(a_0 + a_1) + (a_1 + 2a_2)x + (a_0 + a_1 + 3a_2)x^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1x + \alpha_2x^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow a_0 + a_1 &= \alpha_0, \quad a_1 + 2a_2 = \alpha_1, \quad a_0 + a_1 + 3a_2 = \alpha_2 \\
 \Rightarrow a_0 &= \frac{\alpha_0 - 3\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2}{3}, \quad a_1 = \frac{2\alpha_0 + 3\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2}{3}, \quad a_2 = \frac{\alpha_2 - \alpha_0}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= T\left(\frac{\alpha_0 - 3\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2}{3} + \frac{2\alpha_0 + 3\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2}{3}x + \frac{\alpha_2 - \alpha_0}{3}x^2\right) \\
 &= \left(\frac{\alpha_0 - 3\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2}{3} + \frac{2\alpha_0 + 3\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{2\alpha_0 + 3\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2}{3} + \frac{2\alpha_2 - 2\alpha_0}{3}\right)x \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{\alpha_0 - 3\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2}{3} + \frac{2\alpha_0 + 3\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2}{3} + \frac{3\alpha_2 - 3\alpha_0}{3}\right)x^2 \\
 &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1x + \alpha_2x^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore R(T) = P_2$

$\Rightarrow T$  is onto.

Hence  $T$  is non-singular.



**Example 4.7.6** Show that the linear map  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  $T(e_1) = e_1 + e_2$ ,  $T(e_2) = e_1 - e_2 + e_3$ ,  $T(e_3) = 3e_1 + 4e_3$  is non-singular.

**Solution :** First of all to find a general formula for  $T$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T(x_1, x_2, x_3) &= T(x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3) \\ &= x_1 T(e_1) + x_2 T(e_2) + x_3 T(e_3) \\ &= x_1 (e_1 + e_2) + x_2 (e_1 - e_2 + e_3) + x_3 (3e_1 + 4e_3) \\ &= (x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3)e_1 + (x_1 - x_2)e_2 + (x_2 + 4x_3)e_3 \\ &= (x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3, x_1 - x_2, x_2 + 4x_3) \end{aligned}$$

If  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 0$  then  $x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$ ,  $x_1 - x_2 = 0$ ,  $x_2 + 4x_3 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 0$   
 $\therefore N(T) = \{(0, 0, 0)\}$   
 $\Rightarrow T$  is one-one.

Hence  $T$  is onto.

Therefore,  $T$  is non-singular.

#### 4.7.2 Definition : Inverse linear Transformation :

Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation such that

- (i)  $u \neq v \Rightarrow T(u) \neq T(v)$   
or  $T(u) = T(v) \Rightarrow u = v$  for all  $u, v \in U$  i.e.,  $T$  is one-one.
- (ii) To every  $y \in V$  there corresponds a vector  $x \in U$  such that  $T(x) = y$  i.e.,  $T$  is onto.

Then we say that  $T$  is invertible.

If  $T$  is invertible, then we define a mapping called inverse of  $T$  and denoted by  $T^{-1}$ .

Thus if  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is invertible then  $T^{-1} : V \rightarrow U$  is defined by  $T^{-1}(y) = x$  iff  $T(x) = y$ .

**Theorem 4.7.2 :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a one-one and onto linear transformation. Then  $T^{-1} : V \rightarrow U$  is a linear transformation which is one-one and onto.

**Proof :** Let  $v_1, v_2 \in V$ .

Let  $T^{-1}(v_1) = u_1$  and  $T^{-1}(v_2) = u_2$ , where  $u_1, u_2 \in U$ .

Then by definition,  $T(u_1) = v_1$  and  $T(u_2) = v_2$ .

Now,  $v_1 + v_2 = T(u_1) + T(u_2) = T(u_1 + u_2)$  [ $\because T$  is linear]

$$\Rightarrow T^{-1}(v_1 + v_2) = u_1 + u_2 = T^{-1}(v_1) + T^{-1}(v_2)$$

Further, Let  $\alpha$  be a scalar.

$$\therefore \alpha v_1 = \alpha T(u_1) = T(\alpha u_1) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$\Rightarrow T^{-1}(\alpha v_1) = \alpha u_1 = \alpha T^{-1}(v_1)$$

$$\therefore T^{-1} \text{ is linear.}$$

We will now show that  $T^{-1}$  is one-one.

For this, let  $v_1, v_2 \in V$

such that  $T^{-1}(v_1) = T^{-1}(v_2)$

Let  $T^{-1}(v_1) = u_1, T^{-1}(v_2) = u_2$

Then  $T(u_1) = v_1, T(u_2) = v_2$

Since  $T$  is one-one, therefore  $u_1 = u_2$

$$\Rightarrow T(u_1) = T(u_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = v_2$$

Thus,  $T^{-1}(v_1) = T^{-1}(v_2)$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = v_2$$

This proves that  $T^{-1}$  is one-one.

Now to show that  $T^{-1}$  is onto.

$T^{-1}$  is onto, because for any  $u \in U$ , we have  $T(u) = v \in V$

such that  $T^{-1}(v) = u$ . The proof is complete.

**Note :** A linear transformation  $T : U \rightarrow V$  possesses an inverse if it satisfies the following two conditions :

- (i)  $T$  is one-one.
- (ii)  $T$  is onto.

If any one of the above two conditions or both fails, then  $T^{-1}$  does not exist.

**Theorem 4.7.3** Let  $U$  and  $V$  be finite dimensional vector spaces such that  $\dim U = \dim V = n$ . If  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation then the following statements are equivalent :

- (i)  $T$  is non-singular
- (ii)  $T$  is one-one
- (iii)  $T$  maps any linearly independent subset of  $U$  into a linearly independent subset of  $V$ .
- (iv)  $T$  maps some basis for  $U$  into a basis for  $V$ .
- (v)  $T$  is onto.
- (vi)  $R(T) = V$  i.e.,  $r(T) = n$
- (vii)  $n(T) = 0$ .
- (viii)  $T^{-1}$  exists.

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) by definition 4.7.1

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) by theorem 4.6.1(a)

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv) by theorem

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (v).

Let  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be a basis for  $U$ . Then  $\{T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)\}$  is a basis for  $V$ . Therefore by Theorem 4.5.2 (b),  $R(T) = V$

$$\Rightarrow T \text{ is onto.}$$

(v)  $\Rightarrow$  (vi)

Since T is onto

$$R(T) = V$$

$$\Rightarrow r(T) = \dim V = n$$

(vi)  $\Rightarrow$  (vii)

By rank-Nullity theorem,  $r(T) + n(T) = \dim V = n$

$$\Rightarrow n + n(T) = n$$

$$\Rightarrow n(T) = 0$$

(vii)  $\Rightarrow$  (viii)

$$n(T) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0_U \in N(T).$$

$$\Rightarrow T \text{ is one-one.}$$

Hence T is onto

$$\Rightarrow T^{-1} \text{ exists.}$$

(viii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)

It is obvious from the definition.

**Example 4.7.7 :** Referring Example 4.7.4, find  $T^{-1}$ .

**Solution :** Since T is non-singular,  $T^{-1}$  exists.

$$\text{Let } T^{-1}(x, y) = (r, s)$$

$$\text{Then } T(r, s) = (x, y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (s, 2r - s) = (x, y)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = s, 2r - s = y$$

$$\Rightarrow s = x, r = \frac{x + y}{2}$$

$$\therefore T^{-1}(x, y) = \left( \frac{x + y}{2}, x \right)$$

**Example 4.7.8 :** Referring Example 4.7.5, find  $T^{-1}$ .

**Solution :** Since T is non-singular,  $T^{-1}$  exists.

$$\text{Let } T^{-1}(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = \beta_0 + \beta_1x + \beta_2x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\beta_0 + \beta_1x + \beta_2x^2) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\beta_0 + \beta_1) + (\beta_1 + 2\beta_2)x + (\beta_0 + \beta_1 + 3\beta_2)x^2 = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta_0 + \beta_1 = a_0, \beta_1 + 2\beta_2 = a_1, \beta_0 + \beta_1 + 3\beta_2 = a_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta_0 = \frac{a_0 - 3a_1 + 2a_2}{3}, \beta_1 = \frac{2a_0 + 3a_1 - 2a_2}{3} \text{ and } \beta_2 = \frac{a_2 - a_0}{3}$$

$$\therefore T^{-1}(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = \frac{a_0 - 3a_1 + 2a_2}{3} + \frac{2a_0 + 3a_1 - 2a_2}{3}x + \frac{a_2 - a_0}{3}x^2$$

**Example 4.7.9 :** Referring Example 4.7.6, find  $T^{-1}$ .

**Solution :** Since  $T$  is non-singular,  $T^{-1}$  exists.

$$\text{Let } T^{-1}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 3\alpha_3, \alpha_1 - \alpha_2, \alpha_2 + 4\alpha_3) = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 3\alpha_3 = x_1, \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = x_2, \alpha_2 + 4\alpha_3 = x_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \frac{4x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3}{5}, \alpha_2 = \frac{4x_1 - 4x_2 - 3x_3}{5}, \alpha_3 = \frac{2x_3 - x_1 + x_2}{5}$$

$$\therefore T^{-1}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{1}{5}(4x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3, 4x_1 - 4x_2 - 3x_3, -x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3).$$

### Problem Set 4 (D)

- Find out the linear maps of Q.No. 1 of Problem set 4 (B) which are
  - one-one
  - onto
  - one-one and onto.
- Show that the following linear transforms are non-singular and find its inverse :
  - $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  defined by  $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, x_1)$
  - $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \left( \frac{1}{2}x_1 + x_2 + x_3, x_1 - \frac{1}{3}x_2, x_3 \right)$
  - $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (3x_1, x_1 - x_2, 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3)$
  - $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  
 $T(e_1) = e_1 + e_2, T(e_2) = e_2 + e_3, T(e_3) = e_1 + e_2 + e_3.$
  - $T : P_2 \rightarrow P_2$  defined by  $T(a + bx + cx^2) = (a + b) + (a + 2c)x + (a + b + 3c)x^2.$
- Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a non-singular linear transformation. Then prove that  $(T^{-1})^{-1} = T.$
- Prove that the linear map  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  defined by  
 $T(e_1) = e_1 - e_2, T(e_2) = 2e_2 + e_3, T(e_3) = e_1 + e_2 + e_3$  is neither one-one nor onto.
- Show that  $I_U : U \rightarrow U$  is non-singular and  $I_U^{-1} = I_U.$

### 4.8 Isomorphism :

We have seen that a function has an inverse iff it is one-one and onto. Hence a linear transformation is non-singular iff it has an inverse. This linear map is called an **isomorphism**.

If there exists a vector  $0 \neq u \in U$  such that  $T(u) = 0$ , then  $T$  is called singular.

Now we shall prove a theorem, showing that  $T$  is one-one  $\Rightarrow T$  is onto

$\Rightarrow T$  is an isomorphism

$\Rightarrow T$  is one-one

**4.8.1 Definition :** Two vector spaces  $U$  and  $V$  are said to be **isomorphic** to each other if there exists an isomorphism  $T$  from  $U$  to  $V$ . If  $U$  and  $V$  are isomorphic, then we write  $U \cong V$ .

We know that if  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is an isomorphism, then  $T$  transforms a basis of  $U$  into a basis of  $V$ . Therefore  $\dim U = \dim V$ . i.e., if  $U \cong V$  then  $\dim U = \dim V$ . The converse is also true. We shall prove this as a theorem.

**Note :** The linear map  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is also known as homomorphism i.e., if  $U$  and  $V$  be two vector spaces, then the map  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is called a homomorphism from  $U$  to  $V$  if

$$(i) T(u_1 + u_2) = T(u_1) + T(u_2), \quad u_1, u_2 \in U$$

$$(ii) T(\alpha u_1) = \alpha T(u_1), \quad \alpha \text{ is a scalar.}$$

We denote the set of homomorphism from  $U$  to  $V$  by  $\text{Hom}(U, V)$ .

**Theorem 4.8.1 :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation where  $\dim U = \dim V$ . Then the following statements are equivalent :

- (a)  $T$  is one-one
- (b)  $T$  is onto
- (c)  $T$  is an isomorphism

**Proof :** In order to prove the theorem, we have to show that  $(a) \Rightarrow (b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (a)$

Let  $\dim U = \dim V = n$

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b)

$T$  is one-one

$$\Rightarrow N(T) = \{0_U\}$$

$$\Rightarrow n(T) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r(T) = n \quad [\text{Rank Nullity theorem i.e., } r(T) + n(T) = \dim U = n]$$

$$\Rightarrow R(T) = V \quad [\because R(T) \text{ is a subspace of } V]$$

$$\Rightarrow T \text{ is onto}$$

$$\therefore (a) \Rightarrow (b)$$

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c)

$T$  is onto

$$\Rightarrow r(T) = n$$

$$\Rightarrow n(T) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N(T) = \{0_U\}$$

$$\Rightarrow T \text{ is one-one.}$$

Hence  $T$  is one-one and onto i.e.,  $T$  is an isomorphism  $\therefore (b) \Rightarrow (c)$

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a)

Since  $T$  is an isomorphism, therefore  $T$  is one-one (by definition of isomorphism)

$$\therefore (c) \Rightarrow (a)$$

Hence, the theorem is proved.

**Example 4.8.1 :** Let  $D : P_n \rightarrow P_n$  be defined by

$$\begin{aligned} D(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n) \\ = a_1 + 2a_2x + \dots + na_nx^{n-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $P_n$  is the real vector space of all polynomials, then show that  $D$  is not an isomorphism.

**Solution :** Here  $P_n$  has finite dimension, a basis being  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots\}$

$D$  is onto because any element of  $P_n$  is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n \\ = D\left(a_0x + a_1\frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + a_n\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$D$  is not one-one, because  $D(1) = 0 = D(0)$ , but  $1 \neq 0$ .

**Theorem 4.8.2 :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be an isomorphism. Suppose  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  is a basis for  $U$ . Then  $\{T(e_1), T(e_2), \dots, T(e_n)\}$  is a basis for  $V$ .

**Proof :** Since  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is an isomorphism,

$\therefore T$  is onto

$$\Rightarrow R(T) = V$$

$$\Rightarrow [T(e_1), T(e_2), \dots, T(e_n)] = V$$

Now to show that  $\{T(e_1), T(e_2), \dots, T(e_n)\}$  is L.I.

Suppose there exists scalars  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 T(e_1) + \alpha_2 T(e_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(e_n) &= \mathbf{0} \quad \dots (1) \\ \Rightarrow T(\alpha_1 e_1 + \alpha_2 e_2 + \dots + \alpha_n e_n) &= \mathbf{0} = T(0) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}] \\ \Rightarrow \alpha_1 e_1 + \alpha_2 e_2 + \dots + \alpha_n e_n &= 0 \quad (\because T \text{ is one-one}) \\ \text{But } \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\} &\text{ is L.I.} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\alpha_1 = 0 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_n$

Thus  $\{T(e_1), T(e_2), \dots, T(e_n)\}$  is a basis for  $V$ .

**Theorem 4.8.3 :** Any linear transformation  $T : U \rightarrow V$  maps any linearly dependent set of vectors onto a linearly dependent set of vectors.

**Proof :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation.

Let  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be a linearly dependent set of vectors in  $U$ .

To show that  $\{T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)\}$  is L.D.

Since  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is L.D., there exists scalars

$\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$  not all zero such that

$$\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) = T(0) = \mathbf{0}$$

$\Rightarrow \{T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)\}$  is linearly dependent.

**Theorem 4.8.4 :** If  $U$  is finite dimensional real vector space of dimension  $n$ , then  $U$  is isomorphic to  $V_n$ .

**Proof :** Let  $U$  be a real vector space of dimension  $n$ .

Let  $B = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be a basis for  $U$ .

Let  $e_1 = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$

$e_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots,$

$e_n = (0, 0, 0, \dots, 1).$

$1$  being the identity in  $V$ . We know that  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  is a basis for  $V_n$ .

Let  $u \in U$ .

Since  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is a basis for  $U$ , there exists scalars  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$  such that  $u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n$ .

Define  $T : U \rightarrow V_n$  by

$$T(u) = \alpha_1 e_1 + \alpha_2 e_2 + \dots + \alpha_n e_n = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) \quad \dots (1)$$

The map  $T$  is well defined, for  $u = 0 \Rightarrow T(u) = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$

Now to show that  $U \cong V_n$  i.e.,

(i)  $T$  is linear (homomorphism)

(ii)  $T$  is one-one

(iii)  $T$  is onto.

**To prove (i),** we proceed as follows :

$u, v \in V$ .

Let  $u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n$

$v = \beta_1 u_1 + \beta_2 u_2 + \dots + \beta_n u_n,$

where  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_i$  are scalars,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

$\therefore u + v = (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) u_1 + (\alpha_2 + \beta_2) u_2 + \dots + (\alpha_n + \beta_n) u_n.$

$T(u + v) = (\alpha_1 + \beta_1, \alpha_2 + \beta_2, \dots, \alpha_n + \beta_n) \quad [\text{By (1)}]$

$= (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) + (\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n)$

$= T(u) + T(v).$

and  $T(\alpha u) = T(\alpha \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha \alpha_n u_n)$

$= (\alpha \alpha_1, \alpha \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha \alpha_n)$

$= \alpha (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$

$= \alpha T(u).$

$\therefore T$  is linear.

**To prove (ii),**  $T$  is one-one.

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(u) &= \mathbf{0}_V \\
 \Rightarrow (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) &= \mathbf{0}_V = (0, 0, \dots, 0) \\
 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 &= 0 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_n \\
 \Rightarrow u &= \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n \\
 &= 0 u_1 + 0 u_2 + \dots + 0 u_n = \mathbf{0}_U \\
 \therefore T(u) &= \mathbf{0}_V \\
 \Rightarrow u &= \mathbf{0}_U \\
 \text{i.e., } N(T) &= \{\mathbf{0}_U\} \\
 \therefore T &\text{ is one-one.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**To prove (iii)**  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is a basis for  $U$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \{T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)\} &\text{ is a basis for } V_n. \\
 \Rightarrow R(T) = V_n &\text{ i.e., } T \text{ is onto.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $T$  is an isomorphism. i.e., there exists an isomorphism from  $U$  to  $V_n$  and consequently  $U \cong V_n$ .

**Note :** Every complex vector space of dimension  $n$  is isomorphic to  $V_n^C$ .

**Theorem 4.8.5 :** The relation of isomorphism in any set of vector spaces is an equivalence relation.

**Proof :** In order to show that isomorphism is an equivalence relation, we consider any three vector spaces  $U, V$  and  $W$  and to establish the following :

- (i) Reflexivity :  $U \cong U$
- (ii) Symmetry : If  $U \cong V$  then  $V \cong U$ .
- (iii) Transitivity : If  $U \cong V, V \cong W$  then  $U \cong W$ .

**Proof of (i)** the identity map  $I_U : U \rightarrow U$  is defined by  $I_U(u) = u, u \in U$ .

The map  $I_U$  is linear since

$$I_U(u + v) = u + v = I_U(u) + I_U(v), \quad u, v \in U$$

and  $I_U(\alpha u) = \alpha u = \alpha I_U(u), \alpha$  is a scalar.

Let  $u \in N(T)$

$$\Rightarrow I_U(u) = \mathbf{0}_U \quad [\text{by definition of kernel}]$$

$$\Rightarrow I_U(u) = I_U(\mathbf{0}_U) \quad [\text{by definition of identity map}]$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \mathbf{0}_U$$

$$N(I_U) = \{\mathbf{0}_U\}$$

$$\Rightarrow I_U \text{ is one-one.}$$

and Range of  $I_U = U$

$$\Rightarrow I_U \text{ is onto}$$

Hence  $I_U : U \rightarrow U$  is an isomorphism, i.e.,  $U \cong U$



**Proof of (ii)** Let  $U \cong V$ .

So there exists an isomorphism

$$T: U \rightarrow V.$$

Hence by Theorem 4.7.2,

$T^{-1}: V \rightarrow U$  is an isomorphism i.e.,  $V \cong U$ .

**Proof of (iii)** Let  $U \cong V$ ,  $V \cong W$ .

So we have isomorphisms

$$T: U \rightarrow V \text{ and } S: V \rightarrow W.$$

By Theorem (A),  $ST: U \rightarrow W$  is a linear map.

Since  $S$  and  $T$  are both one-one and onto, then  $ST$  is also one-one and onto, by Theorem 4.10.4.

Consequently  $ST: U \rightarrow W$  is an isomorphism

Hence  $U \cong W$ .

**Theorem 4.8.6 :** Isomorphic finite dimensional vector spaces have same dimension.

**Proof :** To prove that two finite dimensional vector spaces  $U$  and  $V$  are isomorphic iff  $\dim U = \dim V$ .

Given  $U$  and  $V$  be isomorphic. Therefore a linear map  $T: U \rightarrow V$  is an isomorphism.

So  $T$  is one-one and onto.

Since  $U$  is finite dimensional, let  $B_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be a basis for  $U$ , where  $\dim U = n$ .

Consider  $B_2 = \{T(u_1), T(u_2), \dots, T(u_n)\}$

$\therefore B_2$  is a subset of  $V$ , consisting  $n$  elements.

If we prove that  $B_2$  is a basis for  $V$  then  $\dim V = n$ .

For this we have to prove that  $B_2$  is L.I. and  $[B_2] = V$ .

**To Prove  $B_2$  is L.I.**

Suppose  $\alpha_1 T(u_1) + \alpha_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(u_n) = \mathbf{0}_V$

$$\Rightarrow T(\alpha_1 u_1) + T(\alpha_2 u_2) + \dots + T(\alpha_n u_n) = \mathbf{0}_V \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) = \mathbf{0}_V \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n) = T(\mathbf{0}_U)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n = \mathbf{0}_U \quad [\because T \text{ is one-one}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = 0, \alpha_2 = 0, \dots, \alpha_n = 0 \quad [\because B_1 \text{ is a basis}]$$

$\therefore B_2$  is L.I.

To prove  $[B_2] = V$

Let  $v \in V$

Since  $T$  is onto, therefore, there exists  $u \in U$  such that  $T(u) = v$

$$\text{But } u = \beta_1 u_1 + \beta_2 u_2 + \dots + \beta_n u_n \quad [\because B_1 \text{ is a basis for } U]$$

$$\therefore v = T(u)$$

$$= T(\beta_1 u_1 + \beta_2 u_2 + \dots + \beta_n u_n)$$

$$= \beta_1 T(u_1) + \beta_2 T(u_2) + \dots + \beta_n T(u_n) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$\therefore v$  is a linear combination of the elements of  $B_2$ .

Thus,  $[B_2] = V$ .

Hence  $\dim V = n \Rightarrow \dim U = \dim V$ .

**Conversely,**

Given  $\dim U = \dim V = n$

To prove  $U \cong V$ . i.e., there exists an isomorphism between  $U$  and  $V$ .

Since  $\dim U = \dim V = n$

$\therefore$  there exists basis sets  $U$  and  $V$ , each having  $n$  elements.

Let  $B_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  and  $B_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the basis sets for  $U$  and  $V$  respectively.

Therefore, every element of  $U$  and  $V$  can be expressed as a linear combination of the elements of  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  respectively.

$\therefore u \in U \Rightarrow u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n$ , for scalars  $\alpha_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Let us define  $T : U \rightarrow V$  by

$$T(u) = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n$$

To show that  $T$  is an isomorphism.

i.e. (i)  $T$  is linear (ii)  $T$  is one-one (iii)  $T$  is onto.

for (i) Let  $x, y \in U$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be scalars.

$$\therefore x = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i u_i, \quad y = \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i u_i$$

$$\alpha x + \beta y = \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha \gamma_i + \beta \delta_i) u_i$$

Now,  $T(\alpha x + \beta y)$

$$= T \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha \gamma_i + \beta \delta_i) u_i \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha \gamma_i + \beta \delta_i) T(u_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha \gamma_i + \beta \delta_i) v_i \quad [\text{by definition of } T]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha \gamma_i v_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \beta \delta_i v_i$$

$$= \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i v_i + \beta \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i v_i$$

$$= \alpha T(x) + \beta T(y)$$

$\therefore T$  is linear.

For (ii) Let  $T(x) = T(y)$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i v_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i v_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n (\gamma_i - \delta_i) v_i = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \gamma_i - \delta_i &= 0, \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n \\ \Rightarrow \gamma_i &= \delta_i, \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i u_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i u_i \\ \Rightarrow x &= y \end{aligned} \quad \therefore T \text{ is one-one.}$$

**For (iii)** Let  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i \in V$

By definition,  $u = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i u_i \in U$  such that

$$T(u) = T\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i u_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i = v$$

$\therefore T$  is onto.

Hence  $U \cong V$ . The theorem is completely established.

**Alternatively**, we can prove the above theorem as follows :

Let  $U \cong V$ . So there exists an isomorphism  $T: U \rightarrow V$

Let  $B = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$  be a basis for  $U$ ,  $n = \dim U$ ; If  $V = \{0\}$ ,  $B = \emptyset$

$\therefore T(B)$  is a basis for  $T(U) = V$ .

As  $T(B)$  has  $n$  elements,

$\therefore \dim V = n = \dim U$

Conversely, let  $\dim U = \dim V = n$

If  $n = 0$ ,  $U = V = \{0\}$ ,

then obviously  $U \cong V$ .

If  $n \geq 1$ , then  $U \cong F^{n \times 1}$  and  $F^{n \times 1} \cong V$ , where  $F^{n \times 1}$  is the set of  $(n \times 1)$  matrix over field  $F$ .

By Theorem 4.8.5,  $U \cong V$

**Example 4.8.2 :** Let  $A$  be the subspace of  $V_4$  defined by

$$A = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \mid x_2 = 0\}$$

Prove that  $A \cong V_3$ .

**Solution :** Let  $T: A \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

Now to show that  $A \cong V_3$

i.e., (i)  $T$  is one-one

(ii)  $T$  is onto

(iii)  $T$  is linear.

Let  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) = T(y_1, y_2, y_3, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1, x_2, x_3) = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) = (y_1, y_2, y_3, 0)$$

$\therefore T$  is one-one.

For  $(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in V_3$ , we have

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) \in A \text{ and } T(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$\therefore T$  is onto.

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Further } T\{(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) + (y_1, y_2, y_3, 0)\} \\ &= T(x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, x_3 + y_3, 0) \\ &= (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, x_3 + y_3) \\ &= (x_1, x_2, x_3) + (y_1, y_2, y_3) \\ &= T(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) + T(y_1, y_2, y_3, 0) \end{aligned}$$

and  $T\{\alpha(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0)\}$ ,  $\alpha$  is a scalar

$$\begin{aligned} &= T(\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, \alpha x_3, 0) \\ &= (\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, \alpha x_3) \\ &= \alpha(x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ &= \alpha T(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T$  is linear.

Hence  $T$  is an isomorphism i.e.,  $A \cong V_3$ .

### Problem Set 4 (E)

- Let the map  $T: P_2 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 x^2) = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ .  
Prove that  $P_2 \cong V_3$ .
- Let  $B$  be the subspace of  $P_4$  defined by  
 $B = \{p \mid p'(1) = 0, p''(1) = 0\}$ . Prove that  $B \cong V_3$ .
- Let the map  $T: P_3 \rightarrow P_4$  be defined by  
 $T(a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3)$   
 $= a_0 + \frac{a_1}{2} x^2 + \frac{a_2}{3} x^3 + \frac{a_3}{4} x^4$   
Prove that  $T$  is not an isomorphism.
- Let  $V$  be the set of  $n$ -times continuously differentiable function  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ . Let a map  $T: V \rightarrow V_n$  be defined by  
 $T(f) = (f(a), f'(a), \dots, f^{(n-1)}(a))$ .  
Prove that  $T$  is an isomorphism.
- Let  $A$  be the subspace of  $V_4$  defined by  
 $A = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \mid x_2 = 0\}$  and  $B$  be the subspace of  $P_4$  defined by  
 $B = \{p \mid p'(1) = 0, p''(1) = 0\}$ .  
Show that  $A \cong B$ .

[Hints : Let  $T: A \rightarrow B$  be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1 + (3x_3 + 8x_4)x - (3x_3 + 6x_4)x^2 + x_3 x^3 + x_4 x^4]$$

6. Prove that  $T: P_3 \rightarrow P_4$  be defined by  $T\{f(x)\} = f(x+1)$ ,  $f(x) \in P_3$  is an isomorphism
7. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$  be given by

$$T \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

Prove that  $T$  is an isomorphism.

#### 4.9 The Vector Space $L(U, V)$ :

Let  $U$  and  $V$  be vector spaces. Consider the set of all linear transformations from  $U$  to  $V$  and denote it by  $L(U, V)$ .

Now our aim is to define addition and scalar multiplication in  $L(U, V)$ , as a result  $L(U, V)$  becomes a vector space.

##### Sum of two linear Transformations :

Let  $T, S \in L(U, V)$

i.e.,  $T: U \rightarrow V$  and  $S: U \rightarrow V$  are linear transformations.

We define

$(S+T): U \rightarrow V$  by  $(S+T)(u) = S(u) + T(u)$ , for all  $u \in U$ .

To show that sum of two linear transformations is linear.

Let  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  and  $\alpha$  be a scalar.

$$\begin{aligned} (S+T)(u_1 + u_2) &= S(u_1 + u_2) + T(u_1 + u_2) \\ &= S(u_1) + S(u_2) + T(u_1) + T(u_2) \quad [\because S \text{ and } T \text{ are linear}] \\ &= \{S(u_1) + T(u_1)\} + \{S(u_2) + T(u_2)\} \\ &= (S+T)(u_1) + (S+T)(u_2) \end{aligned}$$

For all  $u \in U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (S+T)(\alpha u) &= S(\alpha u) + T(\alpha u) \\ &= \alpha S(u) + \alpha T(u) \quad [\because S \text{ and } T \text{ are linear}] \\ &= \alpha (S(u) + T(u)) \\ &= \alpha (S+T)(u) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore S+T \in L(U, V)$ .

$\therefore S+T: U \rightarrow V$  is linear.

### Scalar Multiple of a linear transformation :

Let  $S \in L(U, V)$  and  $\alpha$  being a scalar. Here  $U$  and  $V$  are vector spaces over same field of scalars.

We define  $\alpha S : U \rightarrow V$  as  $(\alpha S)(u) = \alpha S(u)$ , for all  $u \in U$ .

To show that  $\alpha S$  is a linear transformation.

Let  $u_1, u_2 \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\alpha S)(u_1 + u_2) \\ &= \alpha (S(u_1 + u_2)) && \text{[by definition]} \\ &= \alpha (S(u_1) + S(u_2)) && [\because S \text{ is linear}] \\ &= \alpha (S(u_1)) + \alpha (S(u_2)) \\ &= (\alpha S)(u_1) + (\alpha S)(u_2) && \text{[by definition]} \end{aligned}$$

Again, if  $u \in U$  and  $\beta$  is a scalar then  $(\alpha S)(\beta u)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \alpha (S(\beta u)) && \text{[by definition]} \\ &= \alpha (\beta (S(u))) && [\because S \text{ is linear}] \\ &= \beta (\alpha (S(u))) \\ &= \beta ((\alpha S)(u)) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \alpha S \in L(U, V)$

i.e.,  $\alpha S : U \rightarrow V$  is a linear transformation.

**Theorem 4.9.1 :** Let  $L(U, V)$  be the set of all linear transformations from  $U$  to  $V$ . The operations of addition and scalar multiplications are defined by

$$(S + T)(u) = S(u) + T(u)$$

and  $(\alpha S)(u) = \alpha S(u)$  for all  $S, T \in L(U, V)$  and  $\alpha$  being a scalar.

Then  $L(U, V)$  is a vector space.

**Proof :** In order to prove that  $L(U, V)$  is a vector space, we have to verify all the properties of a vector space.

I.  $(V_1)$  Closure Property

Let  $S, T \in L(U, V)$

i.e.,  $S : U \rightarrow V$  and  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be two linear transformations.

To prove that  $S + T$ , defined by

$$(S + T)(u) = S(u) + T(u) \text{ for all } u \in U \text{ is a linear transformation i.e.,}$$

$$S + T \in L(U, V).$$

Now for  $u_1, u_2 \in U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & (S + T)(u_1 + u_2) \\ &= S(u_1 + u_2) + T(u_1 + u_2) && \text{[By definition]} \\ &= S(u_1) + S(u_2) + T(u_1) + T(u_2) && [\because S \text{ and } T \text{ are linear}] \\ &= (S(u_1) + T(u_1)) + (S(u_2) + T(u_2)) \\ &= (S + T)(u_1) + (S + T)(u_2) && \text{[By definition]} \end{aligned}$$

Again,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (S+T)(\alpha u_1) \\
 &= S(\alpha u_1) + T(\alpha u_1) \quad [\text{By definition}] \\
 &= \alpha S(u_1) + \alpha T(u_1) \quad [\because S \text{ and } T \text{ are linear}] \\
 &= \alpha \{S(u_1) + T(u_1)\} \\
 &= \alpha (S+T)(u_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore S+T: U \rightarrow V$  is linear i.e.,  $S+T \in L(U, V)$

(V<sub>2</sub>) Commutative Property :

Let  $u \in U$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore (S+T)(u) &= S(u) + T(u) \\
 &= T(u) + S(u) \\
 &= (T+S)(u) \\
 &\Rightarrow S+T = T+S
 \end{aligned}$$

(V<sub>3</sub>) Associative Property :

Let  $S, T, R \in L(U, V)$

Let  $u \in U$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore ((S+T)+R)(u) &= (S+T)(u) + R(u) \quad [\text{by definition}] \\
 &= \{S(u) + T(u)\} + R(u) \quad [\text{by definition}] \\
 &= S(u) + \{T(u) + R(u)\} \quad [\text{by associativity in } V] \\
 &= S(u) + (T+R)(u) \quad [\text{by definition}] \\
 &= (S+(T+R))(u) \quad [\text{by definition}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (S+T)+R = S+(T+R)$$

(V<sub>4</sub>) (Existence of additive Identity in  $L(U, V)$ ).

First of all, we define a zero map  $O: U \rightarrow V$  by  $O(u) = O_v$ , for all  $u \in U$ .

For all  $u_1, u_2 \in U$ ,  $\alpha, \beta$  be scalar.

$$\begin{aligned}
 O(\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2) &= O_v \quad [\text{by definition}] \\
 &= \alpha O_v + \beta O_v \\
 &= \alpha O(u_1) + \beta O(u_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow O: U \rightarrow V \text{ is a linear transformation and consequently } O \in L(U, V).$$

Now to prove that

$$O + T = T + O = T, \text{ For all } T \in L(U, V)$$

For all  $u \in U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (O+T)(u) &= O(u) + T(u) \\
 &= O_v + T(u) \quad [\text{by definition}] \\
 &= T(u) \\
 (T+O)(u) &= T(u) + O(u) \\
 &= T(u) + O_v \\
 &= T(u)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$O + T = T + O = T$$

Hence  $O$  (zero map) is the additive identity for  $L(U, V)$ .

(V<sub>3</sub>) (Existence of additive Inverse in  $L(U, V)$  :

Let  $T \in L(U, V)$

To prove that  $-T \in L(U, V)$

$$(-T)(u_1 + u_2) = (-T)(u_1) + (-T)(u_2)$$

$$\text{and } (-T)(\alpha u) = \alpha(-T)(u)$$

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  and  $\alpha$  being a scalar. [Refer 4.4. (6)]

For this, we have defined

$$-T \text{ by } (-T)(u) = -T(u) \text{ for all } u \in U.$$

$\therefore (-T) \in L(U, V)$ .

Again to prove that

$$T + (-T) = (-T) + T = O_V$$

Now, if  $u \in U$ , then

$$(-T + T)(u) = (-T)(u) + T(u)$$

[by definition of addition in  $L(U, V)$ ]

$$= -T(u) + T(u) \quad [\text{by definition of } -T]$$

$$= O_V$$

$$= O(u) \quad [\text{by definition of zero map}]$$

$$\Rightarrow (-T) + T = O \text{ for every } T \in L(U, V)$$

Similarly, it can be proved that  $T + (-T) = O$ .

Thus each element in  $L(U, V)$  possesses additive inverse.

Therefore,  $L(U, V)$  is an **abelian group** with respect to addition defined in it.

Further we make the following observations :

Now to show that  $\alpha T \in L(U, V)$ . For all  $u_1, u_2 \in U$ ,

$$(\alpha T)(u_1 + u_2)$$

$$= \alpha T(u_1 + u_2) \quad [\because \text{By definition of scalar multiplication}]$$

$$= \alpha (T(u_1) + T(u_2)) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$= \alpha T(u_1) + \alpha T(u_2)$$

$$= (\alpha T)(u_1) + (\alpha T)(u_2) \quad [\because \text{By definition of scalar multiplication}]$$

and for  $u \in U$ ,

$$(\alpha T)(\beta u)$$

$$= \alpha T(\beta u) \quad [\because \text{By definition of scalar multiplication}]$$

$$= \alpha (\beta T(u)) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$= \beta (\alpha T(u)) \quad [\because \alpha(\beta v) = \beta(\alpha v)]$$

$$= \beta (\alpha T)(u) \quad [\because \text{By definition of scalar multiplication}]$$

$$\therefore \alpha T \in L(U, V).$$



II. (i) Let  $\alpha$  be a scalar and  $S, T \in L(U, V)$ .

If  $u \in U$  then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} & [\alpha(S+T)](u) \\ &= \alpha(S+T)(u) \quad [\text{by definition of scalar multiplication in } L(U, V)] \\ &= \alpha[S(u)+T(u)] \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}] \\ &= \alpha S(u) + \alpha T(u) \\ &= (\alpha S)(u) + (\alpha T)(u) \quad [\text{by definition of scalar multiplication}] \\ &= (\alpha S + \alpha T)(u) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \alpha(S+T) = \alpha S + \alpha T$$

(ii) Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be scalars and  $T \in L(U, V)$ .

If  $u \in U$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & [(\alpha + \beta)T](u) \\ &= (\alpha + \beta)T(u) \\ &= \alpha T(u) + \beta T(u) \\ &= (\alpha T)(u) + (\beta T)(u) \\ &= (\alpha T + \beta T)(u) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (\alpha + \beta)T = \alpha T + \beta T.$$

(iii) For all  $u \in U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & [\alpha(\beta T)](u) \\ &= \alpha[(\beta T)(u)] \\ &= \alpha[\beta T(u)] \\ &= \alpha\beta T(u) \\ &= ((\alpha\beta)T)(u) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \alpha(\beta T) = (\alpha\beta)T.$$

Similarly, it can be proved that  $\beta(\alpha T) = (\alpha\beta)T$

(iv) Let  $u \in U$ ,  $T \in L(U, V)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (1T)(u) &= 1T(u) && [\text{By definition of scalar multiplication}] \\ &= T(u) && [1v = v] \\ &\Rightarrow 1T = T \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $L(U, V)$  is a vector space.

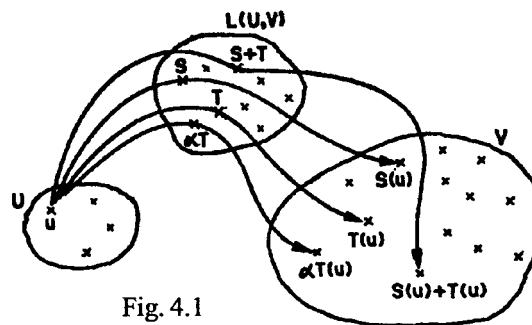


Fig. 4.1

**Example 4.9.1 :** Let two linear transformations  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  and  $S : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (x, y)$$

$$S(x, y, z) = (x + y + z, 0).$$

Determine the linear transformations

- (a)  $S + T$     (b)  $2S - 3T$     (c)  $2S$     (d)  $3T$

**Solution :**

- (a) We have  $(S + T) : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  and is given by  $(S + T)(x, y, z)$

$$= S(x, y, z) + T(x, y, z)$$

$$= (x + y + z, 0) + (x, y)$$

$$= (2x + y + z, y)$$

- (b)  $(2S - 3T) : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  is given by  $(2S - 3T)(x, y, z)$

$$= (2S)(x, y, z) - (3T)(x, y, z)$$

$$= 2S(x, y, z) - 3T(x, y, z)$$

$$= 2(x + y + z, 0) - 3(x, y)$$

$$= (2x + 2y + 2z - 3x, 0 - 3y)$$

$$= (-x + 2y + 2z, -3y)$$

- (c)  $(2S) : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  is given by  $(2S)(x, y, z)$

$$= 2(S(x, y, z))$$

$$= 2(x + y + z, 0)$$

$$= (2x + 2y + 2z, 0)$$

- (d)  $(3T) : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  is given by  $(3T)(x, y, z)$

$$= 3(T(x, y, z))$$

$$= 3(x, y) = (3x, 3y)$$

**Example 4.9.2 :** Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  and  $S : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be two linear transformations defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_3, x_2 + x_3, x_1 + x_2)$$

$$\text{and } S(e_1) = e_1,$$

$$S(e_2) = e_1 + e_2$$

$$S(e_3) = e_3$$

Determine the linear transformation :  $2S + T$

**Solution :**  $(2S + T) : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  is given by

$$(2S + T)(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$= (2S)(x_1, x_2, x_3) + T(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$= 2(S(x_1, x_2, x_3)) + T(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$= 2S(x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3) + T(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$= 2\{x_1 S(e_1) + x_2 S(e_2) + x_3 S(e_3)\} + T(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$= (2x_1 e_1 + 2x_2 (e_1 + e_2) + x_3 e_3) + (x_1 + x_3, x_2 + x_3, x_1 + x_2)$$

$$= (2x_1 + 2x_2, 2x_2, x_3) + (x_1 + x_3, x_2 + x_3, x_1 + x_2)$$

$$= (3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3, 3x_2 + x_3, x_1 + x_2 + x_3)$$

**Example 4.9.3 :** Determine two linear transformations  $T$  and  $S$  of rank 4 from  $V_4$  to  $V_4$  such that

(a)  $r(T - S) = 2$     (b)  $r(T + 2S) = 1$

**Solution : (a)** Let  $T : V_4 \rightarrow V_4$  be defined by

$$T(e_1) = e_1, T(e_2) = -e_2, T(e_3) = e_1, T(e_4) = e_2$$

and  $S : V_4 \rightarrow V_4$  be defined by

$$S(e_1) = e_2, S(e_2) = -e_1, S(e_3) = -e_2, S(e_4) = -e_1$$

$$\therefore (T-S)(e_1) = e_1 - e_2, (T-S)(e_2) = e_1 - e_2, (T-S)(e_3) = e_1 + e_2, (T-S)(e_4) = e_1 + e_2$$

$$\therefore \{(T-S)(e_1), (T-S)(e_2), (T-S)(e_3), (T-S)(e_4)\} = \{e_1 - e_2, e_1 + e_2\}$$

is a basis of Range of  $(T - S)$

$$\therefore r(T-S) = 2$$

**(b)** Let  $T : V_4 \rightarrow V_4$  be defined by

$$T(e_1) = e_1, T(e_2) = -e_2, T(e_3) = e_1, T(e_4) = -e_2$$

and  $S : V_4 \rightarrow V_4$  be defined by

$$S(e_1) = -\frac{1}{2}e_2, S(e_2) = \frac{1}{2}e_1, S(e_3) = -\frac{1}{2}e_2, S(e_4) = \frac{1}{2}e_1$$

$$\therefore (T+2S)(e_1) = e_1 - e_2, (T+2S)(e_2) = e_1 - e_2,$$

$$(T+2S)(e_3) = e_1 - e_2, (T+2S)(e_4) = e_1 - e_2$$

$$\therefore \{(T+2S)(e_1), (T+2S)(e_2), (T+2S)(e_3), (T+2S)(e_4)\} = \{e_1 - e_2\}$$

$$\therefore r(T+2S) = 1.$$

### Problem Set 4 (F)

1. Let the linear maps  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  and  $S : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, 0)$$

$$S(x_1, x_2) = (2x_1, 3x_1 + 4x_2)$$

Determine the linear maps

(a)  $2S + 3T$

(b)  $3S - 7T$

2. Let the linear maps  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  and  $S : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (2x_1 - 3x_2, 4x_1 + 6x_2, x_3)$$

$$S(e_1) = e_2 - e_3, S(e_2) = e_1, S(e_3) = e_1 + e_2 + e_3$$

Determine the linear maps

(a)  $S + T$

(b)  $3S - 2T$ .

3. Determine two linear transformations  $T$  and  $S$  from  $V_4$  to  $V_4$  of rank 4 such that

(a)  $r(T + S) = 3$

(b)  $r(T - S) = 0$ .

#### 4.10 Composition of Linear Maps :

Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  and  $S : V \rightarrow W$  be two linear maps. The composition of  $S$  and  $T$  is a function  $So T : U \rightarrow W$ , defined by

$$(So T)(u) = S(T(u)), \text{ for all } u \in U.$$

$S \circ T$  can also be written as  $ST$ , which we may call the product of  $S$  and  $T$ .

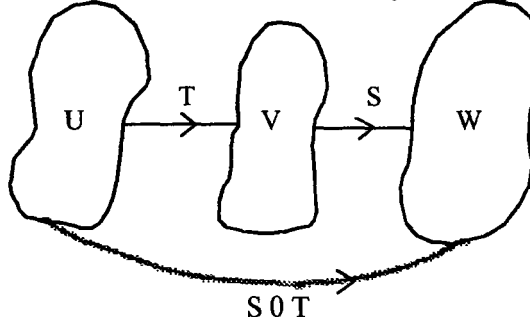


Fig. 4.2

**Theorem 4.10.1 :** The composition of two linear map is a linear map.

**Proof :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  and  $S : V \rightarrow W$  be two linear maps.

To prove that  $So T : U \rightarrow W$  is linear.

For this, all we need to prove that

$$(i) \quad (S \circ T)(u_1 + u_2) = (S \circ T)(u_1) + (S \circ T)(u_2),$$

$$u_1, u_2 \in U$$

$$(ii) \quad (S \circ T)(\alpha u) = \alpha (S \circ T)(u), \quad u \in U \text{ and } \alpha \text{ being a scalar.}$$

$$\text{Let } u_1, u_2 \in U.$$

$$(So T)(u_1 + u_2)$$

$$= S(T(u_1 + u_2)) \quad [\text{by definition of composition}]$$

$$= S(T(u_1) + T(u_2)) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$= S(T(u_1)) + S(T(u_2)) \quad [\because S \text{ is linear}]$$

$$= (S \circ T)(u_1) + (S \circ T)(u_2) \quad [\text{by definition of composition}]$$

Let  $u \in U$ ,  $\alpha$  being a scalar.

$$\therefore (S \circ T)(\alpha u) = S(T(\alpha u)) \quad [\text{by definition of composition}]$$

$$= S(\alpha T(u)) \quad [\because T \text{ is linear}]$$

$$= \alpha (S(T(u))) \quad [\because S \text{ is linear}]$$

$$= \alpha (S \circ T)(u) \quad [\text{by definition of composition}]$$

Hence  $S \circ T : U \rightarrow W$  is a linear map.

**Note : (1)** If  $S$  and  $T$  are linear maps and both  $S \circ T$  and  $T \circ S$  exists and are linear maps then  $S \circ T \neq T \circ S$  (in general)

**Note : (2)** For any linear operator  $T$  on  $V$ ,  $T^k$  for  $k \geq 0$ , is defined as follows :

$$T^0 = I \text{ (identity operator on } V\text{)}$$

$$T^2 = T T$$

$$T^{k+1} = T^k T$$

It can be easily proved that  $T^m T^n = T^{m+n}$ ,  $m \geq 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$ .

**(3)** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a non-singular linear map.

$\therefore T$  is linear, one-one and onto.

$\Rightarrow T^{-1} : V \rightarrow U$  exists and is linear.

Hence  $TT^{-1} : V \rightarrow V$

$$\Rightarrow TT^{-1} = I_V$$

and  $T^{-1}T : U \rightarrow U$

$$\Rightarrow T^{-1}T = I_U.$$

**Example 4.10.1 :** Let  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(x_1, x_2) = (0, x_1, x_2)$  and  $S : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $S(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2, x_2 + x_3)$ . Find  $S \circ T$  and  $T \circ S$ . Are they equal ?

**Solution :** We have  $S \circ T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  and  $T \circ S : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$ . Both are defined.

$$\text{Now } (S \circ T)(x_1, x_2) = S(T(x_1, x_2))$$

$$= S(0, x_1, x_2)$$

$$= (x_1, x_1 + x_2)$$

$$(T \circ S)(x_1, x_2, x_3) = T(S(x_1, x_2, x_3))$$

$$= T(x_1 + x_2, x_2 + x_3)$$

$$= (0, x_1 + x_2, x_2 + x_3)$$

$\therefore S \circ T \neq T \circ S$ .

**Example 4.10.2 :** Let  $D$  and  $T$  be two linear maps on  $P$ , the vector space of all polynomials in  $x$  defined by

$$D(f(x)) = \frac{d}{dx} f(x)$$

$$\text{and } T(f(x)) = x f(x), \text{ for every } f(x) \in P.$$

Then show that  $D \circ T \neq T \circ D$  and  $D \circ T - T \circ D = I$ .

**Solution :** We have

$$(D \circ T)(f(x)) = D(T(f(x)))$$

$$= D(x f(x))$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} (x f(x))$$

$$= f(x) + x \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{and } (T \circ D)(f(x)) = T(D(f(x)))$$

$$= T\left(\frac{d}{dx} f(x)\right) = x \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \quad \dots(2)$$

From (1) and (2), we see that

for every  $f(x) \in P$ ,

$$(D \circ T)(f(x)) \neq (T \circ D)(f(x))$$

$$\Rightarrow D \circ T \neq T \circ D.$$

Also,  $(D \circ T - T \circ D)(f(x))$

$$= (D \circ T)(f(x)) - (T \circ D)(f(x))$$

$$= f(x) + x \frac{d}{dx} f(x) - x \frac{d}{dx} f(x)$$

$$= f(x) = I(f(x))$$

$$\therefore D \circ T - T \circ D = I.$$

**Example 4.10.3 :** Let the linear maps  $T: V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  and  $S: V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, 0) \text{ and } S(x_1, x_2) = (2x_1, 3x_1 + 4x_2).$$

Determine (i)  $T^2 S$  (ii)  $S T S$ .

**Solution :** We have

$$T^2 S: V_2 \rightarrow V_2 \text{ and } S T S: V_2 \rightarrow V_2$$

$$(i) \quad (T^2 S)(x_1, x_2)$$

$$= T^2 (S(x_1, x_2))$$

$$= T^2 (2x_1, 3x_1 + 4x_2)$$

$$= T(5x_1 + 4x_2, 0)$$

$$= (5x_1 + 4x_2, 0)$$

$$(ii) \quad (S T S)(x_1, x_2)$$

$$= (S T)(S(x_1, x_2))$$

$$= (S T)(2x_1, 3x_1 + 4x_2)$$

$$= S(T(2x_1, 3x_1 + 4x_2))$$

$$= S(5x_1 + 4x_2, 0)$$

$$= (2(5x_1 + 4x_2), 3(5x_1 + 4x_2) + 4 \cdot 0)$$

$$= (10x_1 + 8x_2, 15x_1 + 12x_2).$$

**Example 4.10.4 :** Let  $V$  be a 1-dimensional vector space and  $S, T$  be two linear maps on  $V$ . Then prove that  $S \circ T = T \circ S$ .

**Solution :** Suppose  $S(1) = \alpha$  and  $T(1) = \beta$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are scalars.

Let  $x \in V$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore (S \circ T)(x) &= S(T(x)) = S(x \cdot T(1)) \\ &= S(x \beta) \\ &= x \beta S(1) \\ &= x \beta \alpha\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Again } (T \circ S)(x) &= T(S(x)) \\ &= T(x \cdot S(1)) \\ &= T(x \alpha) \\ &= x \alpha T(1) \\ &= x \alpha \beta\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore (S \circ T)(x) &= (T \circ S)(x) \\ \Rightarrow S \circ T &= T \circ S, \forall x \in V.\end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.10.5 :** Let  $T$  be an idempotent linear map on a vector space  $V$ . Then  $V = R(T) \oplus N(T)$

**Solution :** By definition,  $T^2 = T$

To show that

$$V = R(T) \oplus N(T)$$

$$\text{i.e., (i) } V = R(T) + N(T)$$

$$\text{(ii) } R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now } T^2 &= T \\ \Rightarrow T^2 \alpha &= T \alpha, \quad \alpha \in R(T) \\ \Rightarrow T(\alpha - T \alpha) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \alpha - T \alpha &\in N(T)\end{aligned}$$

Also  $T \alpha \in R(T)$

$$\text{Hence } \alpha = T \alpha + (\alpha - T \alpha) \in R(T) + N(T)$$

$$\text{Hence } V = R(T) + N(T)$$

Again, Let  $\alpha \in R(T) \cap N(T)$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \alpha &\in R(T) \text{ and } \alpha \in N(T) \\ \Rightarrow T \beta &= \alpha, \text{ for } \beta \in V \text{ and } T \alpha = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 0 = T \alpha = T T \beta = 0 \text{ i.e., } \alpha = 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$$

$$\therefore V = R(T) \oplus N(T).$$

**Theorem 4.10.2 :** Let  $T_1, T_2$  be linear maps from  $U$  to  $V$ . Let  $S_1, S_2$  be linear maps from  $V$  to  $W$ . Let  $P$  be a linear map from  $W$  to  $Z$ , where  $U, V, W$  and  $Z$  are vector spaces over the same field of scalars. Then

- (a)  $S_1 (T_1 + T_2) = S_1 T_1 + S_1 T_2$
- (b)  $(S_1 + S_2) T_1 = S_1 T_1 + S_2 T_1$
- (c)  $P (S_1 T_1) = (PS_1) T_1$
- (d)  $(\alpha S_1) T_1 = \alpha (S_1 T_1) = S_1 (\alpha T_1)$ , where  $\alpha$  is a scalar.
- (e)  $I_V T_1 = T_1$  and  $T_1 I_U = T_1$

**Proof :** (a) We have

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 + T_2 : U &\rightarrow V \text{ and } S_1 : V \rightarrow W \\ \Rightarrow S_1 (T_1 + T_2) : U &\rightarrow W \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again } T_1 : U &\rightarrow V, S_1 : V \rightarrow W \\ \Rightarrow S_1 T_1 : U &\rightarrow W \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } T_2 : U \rightarrow V, S_1 : V \rightarrow W \Rightarrow S_1 T_2 : U \rightarrow W$$

Hence, the products

$S_1(T_1 + T_2)$  and  $S_1 T_1, S_1 T_2$  are well defined.

Now to prove that

$$S_1 (T_1 + T_2) = S_1 T_1 + S_1 T_2$$

Let  $u \in U$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (S_1 (T_1 + T_2))(u) &= S_1 ((T_1 + T_2)(u)) && [\text{By definition of product}] \\ &= S_1 (T_1(u) + T_2(u)) && [\text{By definition of addition in } L(U, V)] \\ &= S_1 (T_1(u)) + S_1 (T_2(u)) && [\because S_1 \text{ is linear}] \\ &= (S_1 T_1)(u) + (S_1 T_2)(u) && [\text{By definition of product}] \\ &= (S_1 T_1 + S_1 T_2)(u) && [\text{By definition of addition in } L(U, V)] \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $S_1 (T_1 + T_2) = S_1 T_1 + S_1 T_2$

(b) To prove that  $(S_1 + S_2) T_1 = S_1 T_1 + S_2 T_1$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 : U &\rightarrow V, S_1 + S_2 : V \rightarrow W \\ \Rightarrow (S_1 + S_2) T_1 : U &\rightarrow W \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again } S_1 T_1 : U &\rightarrow W, S_2 T_1 : U \rightarrow W \\ \Rightarrow S_1 T_1 + S_2 T_1 : U &\rightarrow W. \end{aligned}$$

The products  $(S_1 + S_2) T_1, S_1 T_1, S_2 T_1$  are well defined.

Let  $u \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} ((S_1 + S_2) T_1)(u) &= (S_1 + S_2) (T_1(u)) && [\text{definition of product}] \\ &= S_1 (T_1(u)) + S_2 (T_1(u)) && [\text{definition of addition in } L(U, W)] \\ &= (S_1 T_1)(u) + (S_2 T_1)(u) && [\text{definition of product}] \\ &= (S_1 T_1 + S_2 T_1)(u) && [\text{definition of addition in } L(U, W)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } (S_1 + S_2) T_1 = S_1 T_1 + S_2 T_1$$



(c) To prove that  $P(S_1 T_1) = (P S_1) T_1$

We have

$$S_1 T_1 : U \rightarrow W, P : W \rightarrow Z$$

$$\Rightarrow P(S_1 T_1) : U \rightarrow Z$$

$$P S_1 : V \rightarrow Z, T_1 : U \rightarrow V$$

$$\Rightarrow (P S_1) T_1 : U \rightarrow Z$$

Hence, the products  $P(S_1 T_1)$  and  $(P S_1) T_1$  are defined.

Now, let  $u \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (P(S_1 T_1))(u) &= P((S_1 T_1)(u)) \\ &= P(S_1(T_1(u))) \\ &= (P S_1)(T_1(u)) \\ &= ((P S_1) T_1)(u) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(S_1 T_1) = (P S_1) T_1$$

(d) To prove that  $(\alpha S_1) T_1 = \alpha(S_1 T_1) = S_1(\alpha T_1)$

We have

$$T_1 : U \rightarrow V, \alpha S_1 : V \rightarrow W$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha S_1) T_1 : U \rightarrow W$$

$$\text{Again, } \alpha(S_1 T_1) : U \rightarrow W$$

$$\text{and } S_1 : V \rightarrow W, \alpha T_1 : U \rightarrow V$$

$$\Rightarrow S_1(\alpha T_1) : U \rightarrow W.$$

Let  $u \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} ((\alpha S_1) T_1)(u) &= (\alpha S_1)(T_1(u)) \quad [\text{by definition of product}] \\ &= \alpha(S_1(T_1(u))) \quad [\text{by definition of scalar multiplication}] \\ &= \alpha((S_1 T_1)(u)) \quad [\text{by definition of product}] \\ &= (\alpha(S_1 T_1))(u) \quad [\text{by definition of scalar multiplication}] \\ &\Rightarrow (\alpha S_1) T_1 = \alpha(S_1 T_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Again } (\alpha(S_1 T_1))(u) = \alpha(S_1(T_1(u)))$$

$$= S_1((\alpha T_1)(u))$$

$$= (S_1(\alpha T_1))(u)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(S_1 T_1) = S_1(\alpha T_1)$$

$$\text{Hence } (\alpha S_1) T_1 = \alpha(S_1 T_1) = S_1(\alpha T_1).$$

(e) To prove that  $I_V T_1 = T_1$  and  $T_1 I_U = T_1$

We have

$$T_1 : U \rightarrow V, I_V : V \rightarrow V$$

$$\Rightarrow I_V T_1 : U \rightarrow V$$

Hence  $I_V T_1$  and  $T_1$ , both maps from  $U$  to  $V$ .

For all  $u \in U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}(I_V T_1)(u) &= I_V (T_1(u)) && \text{[definition of product]} \\ &= T_1(u) && \text{[definition of identity map]} \\ &\Rightarrow I_V T_1 = T_1\end{aligned}$$

Further  $I_U : U \rightarrow U$ ,  $T_1 : U \rightarrow V$   
 $\Rightarrow T_1 I_U : U \rightarrow V$

$\therefore$  both products  $T_1 I_U$  and  $T_1$  are defined.

For all  $u \in U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}(T_1 I_U)(u) &= T_1 (I_U(u)) && \text{[definition of product]} \\ &= T_1(u) && \text{[definition of identity map]} \\ &\Rightarrow T_1 I_U = T_1\end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.10.6:** Let  $R : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $R(x, y) = (y, 2x)$ ,  $S : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $S(x, y, z) = (y, x + z)$  and  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (2z, x - y)$ .

Verify that  $R(S + T) = RS + RT$ .

**Solution :** We have

$$\begin{aligned}S + T : V_3 &\rightarrow V_2 \text{ and } R : V_2 \rightarrow V_2 \\ \Rightarrow R(S + T) : V_3 &\rightarrow V_2.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Again } R : V_2 &\rightarrow V_2, S : V_3 \rightarrow V_2 \Rightarrow RS : V_3 \rightarrow V_2 \\ \text{and } R : V_2 &\rightarrow V_2, T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2 \\ &\Rightarrow RT : V_3 \rightarrow V_2\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore RS + RT : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$$

$\therefore$  Products  $R(S + T)$  and  $RS, RT$  are defined. So both sides makes sense

Let  $u = (x, y, z) \in V_3$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore (R(S + T))(x, y, z) &= R((S + T)(x, y, z)) \\ &= R(S(x, y, z) + T(x, y, z)) \\ &= R((y, x + z) + (2z, x - y)) \\ &= R(y + 2z, 2x - y + z) \\ &= (2x - y + z, 2y + 4z) \\ \text{and } (RS + RT)(x, y, z) &= (RS)(x, y, z) + (RT)(x, y, z) \\ &= R(S(x, y, z)) + R(T(x, y, z)) \\ &= R(y, x + z) + R(2z, x - y) \\ &= (x + z, 2y) + (x - y, 4z) \\ &= (2x - y + z, 2y + 4z)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore (R(S + T))(u) &= (RS + RT)(u) \\ \Rightarrow R(S + T) &= RS + RT.\end{aligned}$$

Hence verified.

**Theorem 4.10.3 :** A linear map  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is non-singular iff there exists a linear map  $S : V \rightarrow U$  such that  $TS = I_V$  and  $ST = I_U$ .

$$\text{Then } S = T^{-1} \text{ and } T = S^{-1}$$

**Proof :** Let  $T$  be non-singular.

$\therefore T$  is onto, therefore  $\beta \in V \Rightarrow$  there exists  $\alpha \in U$  such that  $T(\alpha) = \beta$ .

$$\text{Then } T^{-1}(\beta) = \alpha$$

We have  $T(\alpha) = \beta$

$$\Rightarrow T^{-1}(T(\alpha)) = T^{-1}(\beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow (T^{-1}T)(\alpha) = T^{-1}(\beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow (T^{-1}T)(\alpha) = \alpha = I_U(\alpha) \quad [\because T^{-1}T : U \rightarrow U]$$

$$\Rightarrow T^{-1}T = I_U$$

$$\Rightarrow ST = I_U \quad [\text{Taking } S = T^{-1}]$$

Again, Let  $\beta \in V$ . Since  $T$  is onto, therefore

$\beta \in V \Rightarrow$  there exists  $\alpha \in U$  such that  $T(\alpha) = \beta$

Then  $T^{-1}(\beta) = \alpha$ .

Now  $T^{-1}(\beta) = \alpha$

$$\Rightarrow T(T^{-1}(\beta)) = T(\alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow (TT^{-1})(\beta) = \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow (TT^{-1})(\beta) = \beta = I_V(\beta) \quad [\because TT^{-1} : V \rightarrow V]$$

$$\Rightarrow TT^{-1} = I_V$$

$$\Rightarrow TS = I_V \quad [\text{Taking } S = T^{-1}]$$

Conversely, Let  $S$  and  $T$  exists and  $TS = I_V$  and  $ST = I_U$ .

To prove that  $T$  is non-singular i.e., to prove that (i)  $T$  is one-one and (ii)  $T$  is onto.

(i)  $T$  is one-one.

Let  $\alpha, \beta \in U$

Then  $T(\alpha) = T(\beta)$

$$\Rightarrow S(T(\alpha)) = S(T(\beta))$$

$$\Rightarrow (ST)(\alpha) = (ST)(\beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow I_U(\alpha) = I_U(\beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \beta$$

$\therefore T$  is one-one.

(ii)  $T$  is onto.

Let  $\beta \in V$ .

$$T(S(\beta)) = (TS)(\beta) = I_V(\beta) = \beta$$

Therefore there exists an element  $\alpha = S(\beta) \in U$  such that

$$T(\alpha) = \beta$$

Thus  $\beta \in V \Rightarrow$  there exists  $\alpha \in U$  such that  $T(\alpha) = \beta$ .

$\therefore T$  is onto.

Since  $T$  is one-one and onto, therefore  $T$  is non-singular.

$\therefore T^{-1}$  exists.

Further to show that

$$S = T^{-1} \text{ and } T = S^{-1}$$

We have  $TS = I_V$

$$\Rightarrow T^{-1}(TS) = T^{-1}(I_V)$$

$$\Rightarrow (T^{-1}T)S = T^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow I_U S = T^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = T^{-1}$$

Again

$$T = T I_U$$

$$= T(SS^{-1})$$

$$= (TS)S^{-1}$$

$$= I_V S^{-1}$$

$$= S^{-1}$$

**Theorem 4.10.4 :** Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  and  $S : V \rightarrow W$  be two linear maps. Then

(a) If  $S$  and  $T$  are non-singular then  $ST$  is non-singular and

$$(ST)^{-1} = T^{-1} S^{-1}$$

(b) If  $ST$  is one-one, then  $T$  is one-one.

(c) If  $ST$  is onto, the  $S$  is onto.

(d) If  $ST$  is non-singular, then  $T$  is one-one and  $S$  is onto.

**Proof :** (a) Since  $S$  is non-singular,  $S^{-1}$  exists and

$$SS^{-1} = I_W \text{ and } S^{-1}S = I_V$$

Since  $T$  is non-singular,  $T^{-1}$  exists and

$$T T^{-1} = I_V \text{ and } T^{-1} T = I_U.$$

Now, we have

$$(ST)(T^{-1} S^{-1})$$

$$= S((T T^{-1}) S^{-1})$$

$$= S(I_V S^{-1})$$

$$= SS^{-1} = I_W$$

$$\text{and } (T^{-1} S^{-1})(ST)$$

$$= T^{-1}((S^{-1}S)T)$$

$$= T^{-1}(I_V T)$$

$$= T^{-1}T = I_U$$

$$\therefore (ST)(T^{-1} S^{-1}) = I_W \text{ and } (T^{-1} S^{-1})(ST) = I_U.$$

$ST$  is non-singular with inverse  $T^{-1} S^{-1}$  i.e.,

$$(ST)^{-1} = T^{-1} S^{-1}$$

(b) Given  $ST$  is one-one. To prove that  $T$  is one-one.

Let  $u \in N(T)$

$$\Rightarrow T(u) = 0_v$$

$$\Rightarrow S(T(u)) = S(0_v)$$

$$\Rightarrow (ST)(u) = 0_w$$

$$\Rightarrow u = 0_u \quad [\because ST \text{ is one-one}]$$

$$\Rightarrow N(T) = \{0_u\}$$

$\therefore T$  is one-one.

(c) Given  $ST$  is onto. To prove that  $T$  is onto.

Let  $w \in W$ .

Since  $ST$  is onto, there exists  $u \in U$  such that

$$(ST)(u) = w$$

$$\Rightarrow S(T(u)) = w$$

Hence, there exists a vector  $v = T(u) \in V$

such that  $S(v) = w$

$\therefore S$  is onto.

(d) Given that  $ST$  is non-singular i.e.,  $ST$  is one-one and onto.

Now,  $ST$  is one-one  $\Rightarrow T$  is one-one (Proved in (b))

$ST$  is onto  $\Rightarrow S$  is onto (Proved in (c))

**Example 4.10.7 :** If a linear transformation  $T$  on  $V$  satisfies the condition  $T^2 + I = T$ , then prove that  $T^{-1}$  exists and find  $T^{-1}$ .

**Solution :** If  $T^2 + I = T$ , then  $T^2 - T = -I$

First we shall prove that  $T$  is one-one.

Let  $u, v \in V$ . Then

$$T(u) = T(v) \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(T(u)) = T(T(v))$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2(u) = T^2(v) \quad \dots (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2(u) - T(u) = T^2(v) - T(v) \quad [\text{From (1) and (2)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow (-I)(u) = (-I)(v)$$

$$\Rightarrow -(I(u)) = -(I(v))$$

$$\Rightarrow -u = -v$$

$$\Rightarrow u = v$$

$\therefore T$  is one-one.

Now to prove that  $T$  is onto.

Let  $v \in V$ . Then  $v - T(v) \in V$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} T(v - T(v)) &= T(v) - T(T(v)) \\ &= T(v) - T^2(v) \\ &= (T - T^2)(v) \\ &= I(v) \quad [\because T^2 - T = -I \Rightarrow T - T^2 = I] \\ &= v \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $v \in V \Rightarrow$  there exists  $v - T(v) \in V$  such that  $T(v - T(v)) = v$ .

$\therefore T$  is onto.

Hence  $T$  is non-singular i.e.,  $T^{-1}$  exists. Now to find  $T^{-1}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } T - T^2 &= I \\ \Rightarrow T(I - T) &= I \\ \Rightarrow T^{-1} &= I - T. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.10.8 :** Let  $T$  be a linear map on  $V_3$  defined by

$$T(e_1) = e_3, T(e_2) = e_1, T(e_3) = e_2. \text{ Prove that } T^2 = T^{-1}.$$

**Solution :** Given  $T(e_1) = e_3, T(e_2) = e_1, T(e_3) = e_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore T^2(e_1) &= T(e_3) = e_2 \\ T^2(e_2) &= T(e_1) = e_3 \\ T^2(e_3) &= T(e_2) = e_1 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $x \in V_3$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x &= (x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ &= x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3 \\ T^2(x) &= T^2(x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3) \\ &= x_1 T^2(e_1) + x_2 T^2(e_2) + x_3 T^2(e_3) \\ &= x_1 e_2 + x_2 e_3 + x_3 e_1 \\ &= (x_3, x_1, x_2) \quad \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} T^{-1}(e_3) &= e_1, T^{-1}(e_1) = e_2, T^{-1}(e_2) = e_3 \\ \therefore T^{-1}(x) &= T^{-1}(x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3) \\ &= x_1 T^{-1}(e_1) + x_2 T^{-1}(e_2) + x_3 T^{-1}(e_3) \\ &= x_1 e_2 + x_2 e_3 + x_3 e_1 \\ &= (x_3, x_1, x_2) \quad \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned} T^2(x) &= T^{-1}(x) \\ \Rightarrow T^2 &= T^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.10.9 :** The zero transformation and the identity transformation are idempotent.

**Solution :** Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be a linear map.

By definition of zero map,  $T(u) = 0_V, u \in V$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore T^2(u) &= T(T(u)) \\ &= T(0_V) = T(u) \\ \therefore T^2 &= T \\ \Rightarrow T &\text{ is idempotent.}\end{aligned}$$

Again, by definition of identity map :  $I_U(u) = u, u \in V$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore I_U^2(u) &= I_U(I_U(u)) \\ &= I_U(u) \\ \therefore I_U^2 &= I_U \\ \Rightarrow I &\text{ is idempotent.}\end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.10.10 :** (1) Let  $f \in P_n$  where

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^{n+1}}{dx^{n+1}}(f(x)) = 0$$

$$\text{Further, } x^n \in P_n \text{ and } \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(x^n) = n! \neq 0$$

$$\text{Let } D = \frac{d}{dx}.$$

$$\therefore D^n(f) \neq 0, \text{ but } D^{n+1}(f) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow D$  is a nilpotent transformation of degree  $(n + 1)$ .

$$(2) \quad T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (0, x_1, x_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2(x_1, x_2, x_3) = T(0, x_1, x_2) = (0, 0, x_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow T^3(x_1, x_2, x_3) = T(0, 0, x_1) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$\therefore T$  is nilpotent of degree 3.

### Problem Set 4 (G)

1. Let  $T: V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(x, y) = (0, x)$  and  $S: V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $S(x, y) = (y, x)$ . Then determine.

$$(a) ST \quad (b) TS \quad (c) S^2 \quad (d) T^2$$

2. Let  $T: V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_2, x_1 + x_3)$ ,  $S: V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $S(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (2x_3, x_1 - x_2)$  and  $R: V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $R(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, 2x_1)$ .

Then determine

$$(a) RT \quad (b) RS \quad (c) TS \quad (d) SR \quad (e) R(S + T) \quad (f) RS + RT.$$

3. Let  $R, S$  and  $T$  be three linear maps from  $V_3$  to  $V_3$  defined by  
 $R(e_1) = e_1 + e_2, R(e_2) = e_1 - e_2 + e_3, R(e_3) = 3e_1 + 4e_3;$   $S(e_1) = e_1 - e_2, S(e_2) = e_2,$   
 $S(e_3) = e_1 + e_2 - 7e_3$  and  $T(e_1) = e_1 - e_2 + e_3, T(e_2) = 3e_1 - 5e_3,$   
 $T(e_3) = 3e_1 - 2e_3$ . Determine  
 (a)  $RST$  (b)  $T^2$  (c)  $T^2ST$
4. Let a linear map  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_4$  be defined by  
 $T(e_1) = (1, 1, 0, 0), T(e_2) = (1, -1, 1, 0), T(e_3) = (0, -1, 1, 1)$  where  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  is the standard basis for  $V_3$  and a linear map  $R : V_4 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  
 $R(f_1) = (1, 0), R(f_2) = (1, 1), R(f_3) = (1, -1), R(f_4) = (0, 1),$   
 where  $\{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4\}$  is the standard basis for  $V_4$ . Then find  
 (a)  $(RT)(e_1)$  (b)  $(RT)(e_2)$  (c)  $(RT)(e_3)$
5. Let  $T$  be a linear map on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ . Prove that  
 if  $r(T^2) = r(T)$  then  $R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$
6. Let  $S$  and  $T$  be two linear maps on  $U$ , such that  $ST = TS$ . Then prove that  
 $(S+T)^n = S^n + {}^nC_1 S^{n-1} T + {}^nC_2 S^{n-2} T^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n T^n$   
 Hence or otherwise, Prove that  
 $(S+T)^2 = S^2 + 2ST + T^2$ .
7. Find two linear maps  $T$  and  $S$  on  $V_2$  such that  
 $TS = 0$  but  $ST \neq 0$ .  
 [Hints :  $T : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  $T(x, y) = (x, 0)$  and  $S : V_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be defined by  
 $S(x, y) = (0, x)$ ]
8. Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (0, x_1, x_2)$ .  
 Show that  $T \neq 0, T^2 \neq 0$  but  $T^3 = 0$ .
9. Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  and  $S : V \rightarrow W$  be two linear maps. Then prove that  
 (a) If  $T$  is onto then  $r(ST) = r(S)$   
 (b) If  $S$  is one-one then  $r(ST) = r(T)$
10. Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_3$  be defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (3x_1, x_1 - x_2, 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3)$ . Prove that  $T$  is invertible and find  $T^{-1}$ . Also,  
 prove that  $(T^2 - I)(T - 3I) = 0$
11. Let  $T : V_3 \rightarrow V_2$  and  $S : V_2 \rightarrow V_3$  be linear maps defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 - 3x_2 - 2x_3, x_2 - 4x_3)$   
 and  $S(x_1, x_2) = (2x_1, 4x_1 - x_2, 2x_1 + 3x_2)$ . Find  $ST$  and  $TS$ . Is product commutative?
12. Let  $T$  be a linear map defined on  $V$  such that  $T^2 = 0$ . Show that  $I - T$  is invertible.



13. Let  $T$  be a linear map on  $V$  such that  $T^2 + 2T + I = 0$ . Show that  $T$  is invertible.
14. Let a linear map  $T$  on  $V_3$  be defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1, 0, 0)$ .  
If  $T$  is idempotent on a vector space  $V_3$  then show that  $I - T$  is also idempotent on  $V_3$ .
15. Let  $S$  and  $T$  be two linear maps on  $V_3$  defined by  
 $S(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1, 0, 0)$  and  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (0, x_2, x_3)$ . Show that  $S$  and  $T$  are idempotent on a vector space  $V$ . Also find the condition under which  $ST$  and  $S + T$  are idempotent.
- 16.(a) Show that the differential operator  $D : P_n \rightarrow P_n$  is nilpotent.  
(b) Show that  $T : V_4 \rightarrow V_4$  be defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (0, x_1, x_2, x_3)$  is nilpotent.
17. Let  $T : V_4 \rightarrow V_4$  be defined by  
 $T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (0, 2x_1, 3x_1 + 2x_2, x_2 + 4x_3)$ .  
Prove that  $T$  is nilpotent. Find the degree of nilpotence. Also show that  
 $(I + T)$  is non singular and  $(I + T)^{-1} = I - T + T^2 - T^3$ .
18. If  $U, V, W$  are of same finite dimension and  $ST$  is non-singular, then show that both  $S$  and  $T$  are non-singular.

